



Welcome to Saint Mark's

October 1, 2023 - The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 21A)
8:00 & 10 AM Morning Prayer (Rite Two)

+ --Appropriate place to make the "Sign of the cross"

BCP—The "Red" Book of Common Prayer

Hymnal—The "Red" Hymnal 1982

LEVAS—Music from Lift Every Voice and Sing Hymnal (Episcopal)

WLP—Music from Wonder, Love, and Praise Hymnal (Episcopal)

VF—Music from Voices Found Hymnal (Episcopal)

*--A Parishioner's Favorite Hymn

Please silence your cell phone

Notes on Today's Readings:

Welcome to St. Mark's Church. After Jesus arrived in Jerusalem, several groups who opposed him challenged him. Today he is questioned by the official leaders, the chief priests and elders. They question his authority but he responds with a question that reveals their own weakness. Then in a parable, Jesus warns them that their privileged positions will not insure them a place in God's Kingdom. In the first reading today, God appeals to the people through the prophet Ezekiel. God wishes to save everyone. The matter is in the people's hands. They may repent and be saved or they may refuse and be lost. "I have no pleasure in anyone's death," says God, "Turn then and live." We continue to read from Philippians. Paul encourages his friends to live in unity and care for one another. As the example of how they are to live, he quotes what was probably an early Christian hymn about Christ's self-giving love for us. We gather week by week, a people called into God's family. God sets no barrier to us or to anyone; only we can erect a barrier between God and ourselves. God calls us in this holy meal to join in that family of God for whom Christ emptied himself and gave up his life for us. We rejoice and join with all creation and every tongue in confessing that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Prelude

Processional Hymn

Father, we praise thee

Hymnal 435



1 Fa - ther, we praise thee, now the night is
2 Mon - arch of all things, fit us for thy
3 All - ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and e - qual



o - ver, ac - tive and watch - ful, stand we all be -
man - sions; ban - ish our weak - ness, health and whole - ness
Spi - rit, Trin - i - ty bless - ed, send us thy sal -



fore thee; sing - ing we of - fer prayer and med - i -
send - ing; bring us to hea - ven, where thy saints u -
va - tion; thine is the glo - ry, gleam - ing and re -



ta - tion: thus we a - dore thee.
nit - ed joy with - out end - ing.
sound - ing through all cre - a - tion.

Opening Sentence

The Officiant says,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling as they are able.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Officiant says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. ***Amen.***

The Invitatory and Psalter

All stand

Officiant + Lord, open our lips.

People ***And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.***

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Venite Psalm 95:1-7

*Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.*

*For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.*

*Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!*

The people sit.

Psalm 25:1-8 *Ad te, Domine, levavi*

¹ To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

² Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

³ Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.

⁴ Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁵ Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.

⁶ Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

⁷ Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

⁸ He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Lessons

First Reading

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

A reading from the book of the prophet Ezeckiel.

The word of the LORD came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? As I live, says the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die. Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord GOD. Turn, then, and live.

Reader *The Word of the Lord.*

People *Thanks be to God*

The people stand as they are able.

Sequence Hymn

Have the Mind That Was in Jesus

BEACH SPRING 8.7.8.7 D ("God Whose Giving Knows No Ending")

- 1. Have the mind that was in Jesus;
Let his way be found in you.
For he gave up what was precious –
Heaven's blessings – glory, too.
He was one with God in heaven
Yet put heaven's joy aside.
May we, too, give up ambition,
Letting Jesus be our guide.*
- 2. Christ let go of heaven's riches
And became just as a slave.
He was found in human likeness
In this world he came to save.
Humbly serving, gladly giving,
He took up his cross and died.
May we learn God's way of living
Found in Jesus, crucified.*

3. *Christ our Lord knelt down to save us;
Then God raised him high above,
So that at the name of Jesus
All should know his wondrous love.
One day all will bow before him.
"He is Lord!" We'll all proclaim.
Till that time, may we all serve him –
Serving others in his name.*

Biblical Reference: Philippians 2:5-11

Tune: The Sacred Harp, 1844; attributed to Benjamin Franklin White; harmony (c) 2017 Christopher Gage ("God Whose Giving Knows No Ending")

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The people sit.

The Gospel:

Matthew 21:23-32

A reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. "What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Reader *The Word of the Lord.*

People *Thanks be to God.*

The people sit.

The Homily

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People say together, all standing as they are able.

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
+ the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

The Prayers

The people kneel as they are able.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Suffrages B

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

R. *Govern and uphold them, now and always.*

V. Day by day we bless you;

R. *We praise your name for ever.*

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

R. *Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.*

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;

R. *For we put our trust in you.*

V. In you, Lord, is our hope;

R. *And we shall never hope in vain.*

The Collect for the Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Collect for Sundays

Officiant

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Guidance

Officiant

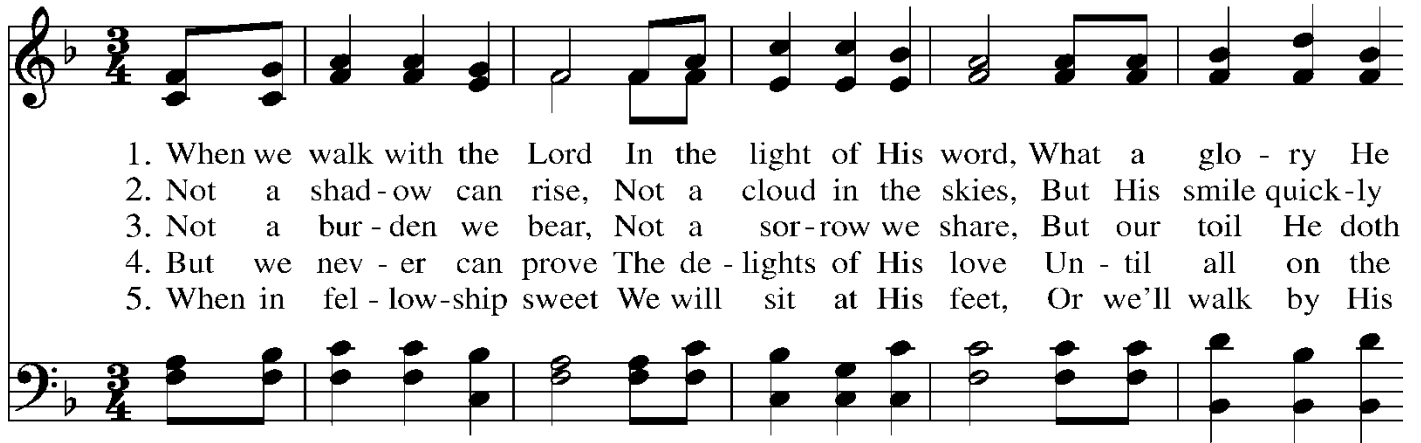
Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The people sit.

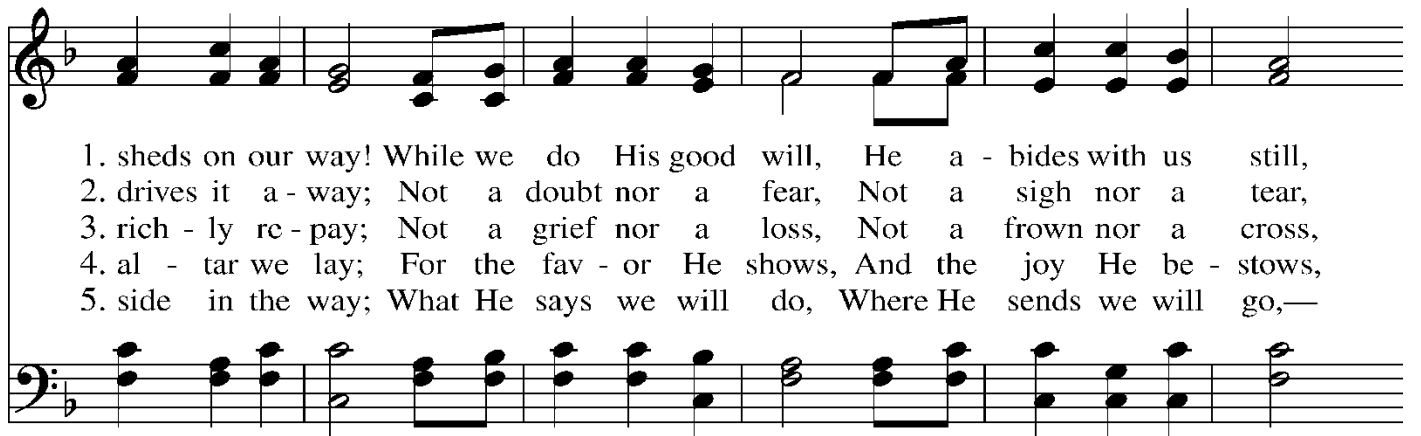
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The Officiant says,

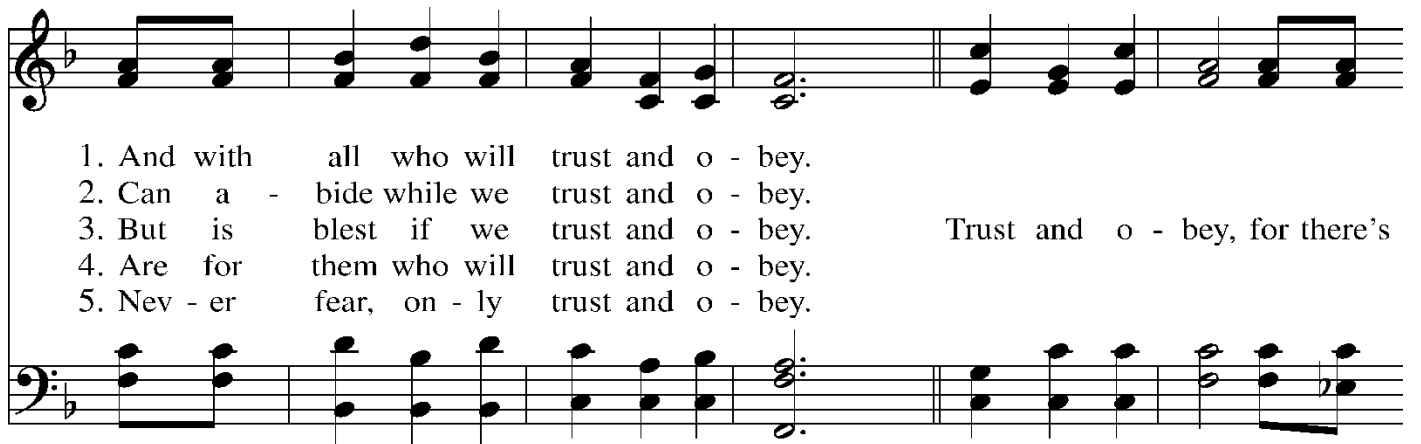
Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.



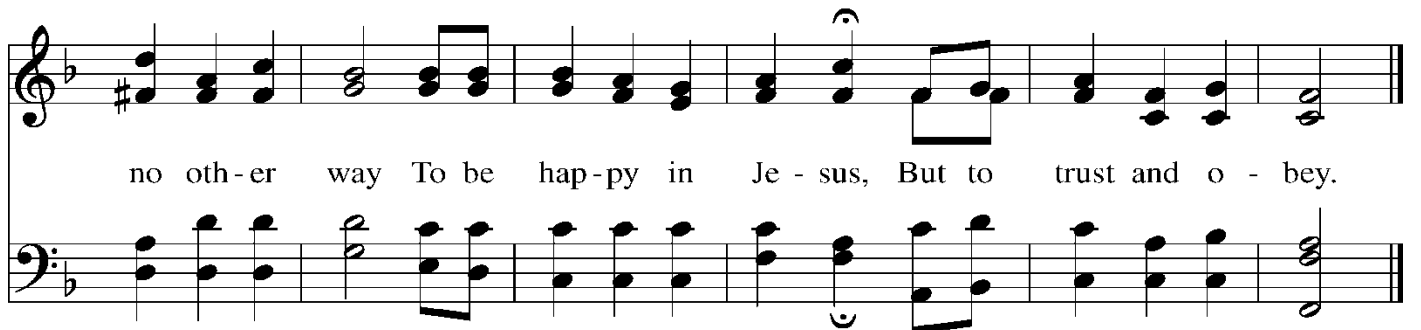
1. When we walk with the Lord In the light of His word, What a glo - ry He
 2. Not a shad - ow can rise, Not a cloud in the skies, But His smile quick - ly
 3. Not a bur - den we bear, Not a sor - row we share, But our toil He doth
 4. But we nev - er can prove The de - lights of His love Un - til all on the
 5. When in fel - low - ship sweet We will sit at His feet, Or we'll walk by His



1. sheds on our way! While we do His good will, He a - bides with us still,
 2. drives it a - way; Not a doubt nor a fear, Not a sigh nor a tear,
 3. rich - ly re - pay; Not a grief nor a loss, Not a frown nor a cross,
 4. al - tar we lay; For the fav - or He shows, And the joy He be - stows,
 5. side in the way; What He says we will do, Where He sends we will go,—



1. And with all who will trust and o - bey.
 2. Can a - bide while we trust and o - bey.
 3. But is blest if we trust and o - bey. Trust and o - bey, for there's
 4. Are for them who will trust and o - bey.
 5. Nev - er fear, on - ly trust and o - bey.



no oth - er way To be hap - py in Je - sus, But to trust and o - bey.

The Doxology

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings to the Officiant. The people stand as they are able and sing the Doxology while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, A - men.

Thomas Ken, 1674

OLD HUNDRETH L.M.
Louis Bourgeois, 1551

Prayers of the People

Officiant

Let us pray to the God of love who has promised to be present where two or three are gathered, saying: Holy God, *hear our prayer*.

For the Church: that following the example of Jesus, we may be peacemakers and reconcilers to all who are alienated or wounded. Holy God, *hear our prayer*.

For this parish family, that Jesus who is present when we gather in his name, may bind us together in his love. Holy God, *hear our prayer*.

ALL: *Holy God hear our prayers and let the power of Christ's resurrection reveal your justice and glory to all creation, as we share our part in the redeeming work of Christ's cross, through the power of the Spirit, glorifying your Name in all the world. Amen*

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Officiant and People

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Then the Officiant says

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Officiant may then conclude with one of the following

+ Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.** *Ephesians 3:20,21*

Recessional Hymn

All hail the power of Jesus Name!

Hymnal 594

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate
 2 Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his al - tar
 3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did
 * 4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the
 * 5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the

1 fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and
 2 call: praise him whose way of pain - ye trod, and
 3 call, the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and
 4 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and
 5 gall, go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and

1 crown him Lord of all! bring forth the roy - al
 2 crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of
 3 crown him Lord of all! the God in - car - nate,
 4 crown him Lord of all! hail him who saves you
 5 crown him Lord of all! go, spread your tro - phies

1 di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 2 pain - ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!
 3 Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!
 4 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 5 at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,
 on this terrestrial ball,
 to him all majesty ascribe,
 and crown him Lord of all!

Postlude



THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

- Monday, 10/02** **Parish Office Closed**
- Wednesday, 10/04** 7:30 p.m. Alanon 12 Step Meeting (Atwater Room)
- Thursday, 10/05** 10:00 a.m. Bible Study—The Book of Revelation
 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing
 12:30 p.m. Threshold Singers in the Atwater Room
 6:00 p.m. Bright Beginnings Open House
- Saturday, 10/07** 10:00 a.m. Blessing of the Pets
 12:00 noon Memorial Service for Emily Andren with Reception in Parish Hall following.
- Sunday, 10/08** 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Church
 9:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice
 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Church
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
 1:00 p.m. Frederick Cuffari Memorial Service

Participating in Today's Service			
Sunday at 8:00 a.m.			
LEM		Sundy Schermeyer	
Lector		Sundy Schermeyer	
Usher		Tom Simson	
Altar Guild		Freear Pollard, Diane Stewart	
Coffee Hour			
Sunday at 10:00 a.m.			
LEM		John Kern	
Lector		John Kern	
Ushers		Eric Christensen, Paul Okula	
Altar Guild		Laura Bott, Lee Wadelton	
Coffee Hour			
October Birthdays			
Michael Schermeyer	10/05	Bob Love	10/05
Gary Cast	10/06	Noah Kaufman	10/06
Nolan Kaufman	10/06	Tierney Canty	10/06
Madeline Glover	10/07	Ann Liguori	10/08
Frank Wadelton	10/09	Edie Hofmann	10/12
Stephanie Zayicek	10/12	Victoria Garcia	10/13
Carol Johns	10/13	RJ (Richard) Kern	10/15
Leandra Melo	10/16	Theodore Jurgielewicz	10/23
Diane Stewart	10/25	Destiny Caccavano	10/28
Karen Love	10/29		
October Anniversaries			
Rob Moyle & Carol Fitton	10/01		
Emmett & Julienne Boon	10/04		
Richard & Carol Johns	10/09		
Marc & Michele Felix	10/19		
Kelly & Michael Tessitore	10/21		

Please Pray for Your Parish Every Day at 12:00 Noon. And Remember the People of Libya, Morocco, Maui, Sudan, Ukraine and the United States of America too!

Last Week's Attendance

Sunday 9/24	8:00 am	25
Sunday 9/24	10:00 am	45
	Total:	70

(Plus 49 Households worshipped with us online)

09/28: No Mid-Week Healing Service

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Peter & Lori Williams in loving memory of her father Joseph Marullo and by Ron & Jennifer Marwood in loving memory of Jenifer's brother David Maurice -Jones

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

College/Career Bound: We are compiling a list of the names of youngsters in college or who are starting their careers. It would be most appreciated if you would send these names & addresses to Diane Stewart at Grandma3stewart@gmail.com.

BRICKS! We are looking for bricks to create a walkway around our church garden. Please contact the office if you have any to spare.

Coffee Hour: There are sign-up sheets for the 8&10 am services outside of the parish hall. Your help will be very much appreciated.

Women's Group Luncheon: If you would like to be included in the upcoming Women's Christmas Kick-off Group Lunch, please include your name on the sign-up sheet located on the table outside of the Parish Hall. We will meet on Saturday, every other month beginning in December, with exact date, time and place still to be determined.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- **Blessing of the Animals, Saturday, October 7th at 10:00 a.m.**

- ❖ **Gluten Free Communion Wafers** are now available during each service. If you require one, please ask Fr. Chris at the communion rail.
- ❖ **If you are a new parishioner, we would most appreciate your filling out our Parish Survey. There are blanks at the back of the church for your convenience. Completed forms can be returned to the church office. Thank you.**
- ❖ **Altar Flowers:** If you would like to dedicate Altar flowers for the Altar contact Laura Bott at 631-722-4749 or email her at laura.bott17@gmail.com. In October there are two vases available the 29th. One vase is available on the 22nd. Each vase is \$40. **The sign-up book is on the table outside of the parish hall.**
Kindly Note: checks should be made out to St. Mark's Church with "Flowers" in the memo section.
- ❖ **Ways to Help the People of Ukraine...**A complete list is posted on the bulletin board next to the church office. Please help us collect as much of these necessary items as we can. There is a box for them in the narthex. You can also visit our website at www.stmarkswhb.org for ways to help.

- **Memorial Service for Emily Andren, Saturday, October 7 at 12:00 noon**
- **Memorial Service for Frederick Cuffari, Sunday, October 8 at 1:00 p.m.**
- **Spaghetti Dinner – Stewardship Kickoff, Friday, October 27 at 6:00 p.m..**

We ask that you remember those for whom prayers are requested: *Noah Berger (Req. by Jenn Kast), Stan Billie (Req. by Jenn Kast), Deana Chiusano (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), David Fridae, Nancy Fraser (Req. by Ki Nobiletti), Roberta Good (Diane Stewart's Sister), Elaine Hanes (Req by Kate Gabrielsen), Barbara Ireton (Req. by Carol Smith), Cathy Jones (Farmers Market), Gretchen & Jim Jubinski (Fr. Chris' Parents), Campbell Kast (Req. by Jenn Kast), Barbara Lopez, (Req. by Candace Andria), Cole LoRusso (Marj Kulesa's Nephew), Fred Meyer (Parishioner), Jock McLean (Parishioner), Sean McLean (Req. by Jock McLean), The Reverend Abigail Murphy (Priest in EDLI), Sudie Nostrand (Carol John's Sister), Donald O'Connell (Req. by Candace Andria), Paul Oele (Parishioner), Cassie Panzarino (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), Joan Petrella (Parishioner), Jean Scopinich (Parishioner), John Stewart (Parishioner), Sarah Witters (Req. by Victoria Garcia), Louise Reeves (Parishioner), Owen Foster (Diane & John Stewart's grandson), Samantha Rigby (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), Grace Bartolomeo (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), John Martinelli (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), and Marilyn Dorsa (Req. by Drew Clark).*

If there are any names that can be removed, kindly contact Kate in the church office 631-288-2111.

We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces: *Amanda E. Degener, Kyle M. Degener, George L. Degener, Jesse Fritz, Nicholas LoRusso, Joshua Rudd, Rob Scribner.*



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Sunday Services (Summer Schedule ends on September 3rd)

Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.—“Mass on the Grass” come as you are Holy Eucharist

Sundays at 10:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist in the church (Livestreamed)

Thursday Midweek Service

11:00 AM Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing in Fr. Chris' Office

Office Hours

Tuesday—Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Rt. Rev. Lawrence Provenzano—*Bishop of Long Island*

The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf—*Assisting Bishop*

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Sandy Wyman—*Warden*

Vestry Members:

Steve DeCaro, Diane Feil, Madeline Glover

Tom Hadlock, Tom Horan, Marjorie Kulesa,

Ashley Lueck, Barbara Pettus and Steve Turner.

Thomas Simson—*Treasurer*

Carol Fitton—*Clerk of the Vestry*

