

Welcome to ST. MARK'S CHURCH

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

NOVEMBER 27, 2022 AT 8 & 10 AM

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

BCP—The "Black" 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—Voices Found Hymnal (Episcopal)

*--A Parishioner's Favorite Hymn Pick

Please silence all cell phones



Notes on today's readings:

Welcome to St. Mark's Church. On this Advent Sunday, the liturgy is centered on the second Advent of Christ, when he will return as judge and establish the Kingdom of God. In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells his followers that his return will be sudden and with no warning. Therefore, we are to live at all times as though his return is imminent. In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah foresees that Kingdom as God's reign over a united and peaceful humanity. All people will know themselves to be the children of God and brothers and sisters to all other people. The second reading from Romans exhorts us to live as though we were in the last days. We are to live as though the Kingdom has come; shunning darkness and living in the light of God's presence. The Advent theme that points to Jesus' first coming in his birth becomes the sign for us of the Advent yet to come. As we gather in the Eucharist, we find in our liturgical action a foretaste of the unity and peace of God's Kingdom. We recognize that in this in-between time (between Jesus' first coming and his second) we ourselves are caught up in the Eucharist into the Kingdom.

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God's People Gather Together

Prelude

Processional Hymn

Lo! he comes, with clouds descending

Hymnal 57



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
 3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on



our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
 thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the



saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine



train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
 ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
 with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath – First Sunday of Advent

Celebrant: Today we light the first candle of the Advent wreath. Each candle has a meaning.
This first candle is **HOPE**. *A single candle is lit.*

Scripture: Psalm 33:20 – We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

Celebrant: Together, let us pray.

All: Eternal God, as we await the coming of our savior, give us the courage to hope. Give us grace to see your plans of redemption for our lives, for this community, and for the world. Through Jesus Christ, the source of our redemption and hope. Amen.

Advent Wreath Hymn – First Week of Advent (Hymnal 101 Tune: Away In a Manger)

*A candle is burning, a flame warm and bright;
A candle of **HOPE** in November's dark night.
While angels sing blessings from heav'n's starry sky
Our hearts we prepare now, for Jesus is nigh.*

Celebrant + Blessed are you, holy and living One.
People You come to your people and set them free.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant and People

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Trisagion (At 8:00 a.m.)

(Prayed three times)

*Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.*

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One,
Have mer - cy up - on us.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The vocal line is on a single staff, and the piano accompaniment is on two staves (treble and bass clef). The lyrics are placed below the vocal line. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the melody.

The Collect for the First Sunday of Advent

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
Celebrant Together, let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The people sit.

The Word of God

First Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God*

Psalm 122 *Laetatus sum (At the start, the Antiphon is first sung by the Cantor, then by the congregation)*



I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD."

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- 2 Now our feet are standing *
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a city *
that is at unity with itself; (*Antiphon*)
- 4 To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, *
the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the LORD.
- 5 For there are the thrones of judgment, *
the thrones of the house of David. (*Antiphon*)
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *
"May they prosper who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your walls *
and quietness within your towers. (*Antiphon*)
- 8 For my brethren and companions' sake, *
I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the LORD our God, *
I will seek to do you good." (*Antiphon*)

The people stand as they are able.

Sequence Hymn

Come thou long expected Jesus

Hymnal 66

1 Come, thou long - ex - spect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

The Gospel

Matthew 24:36-44

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ***

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

Sermon

+ *May the words of my mouth and the meditations of all our hearts be always acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer. Amen.*

The people sit. After the Sermon, the people stand as they are able.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. + We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Celebrant:

As salvation draws near, let us be awake, alert, and watchful for the One who has come and will come into our lives, saying: *Come, O Lord, and save us.*

LEM:

For the Church: that while surrounded by the darkness of selfishness, jealousy and greed, we may live as children of light and show God's love to those around us. *Come, O Lord, and save us.*

For this parish family, that in our worship and work we may live together in joyful hope. *Come, O Lord, and save us.*

For peace in all troubled places, especially Ukraine and Iran, that God will teach the hearts of all the human family to turn swords into plows and resources for war into healing and development. *Come, O Lord, and save us.*

For all who are burdened by the cares of life, that they may always be ready to welcome Christ wherever he reveals himself. *Come, O Lord, and save us.*

For all who are busy and hurried, for refugees and travelers who are separated from homeland or family, for those who await God's healing and blessing, remembering especially remembering those on our prayer list. *(The people may add petitions for any need or concern.)* May they find God's care and compassion as others reach out to them. *Come, O Lord, and save us.*

For those who have died. *(The people may add petitions for those they wish to have remembered.)* May they walk in the light of the Lord. *Come, O Lord, and save us.*

For ourselves in this Advent time of waiting, that we may be thankful for all the blessings we enjoy and seek ways to share them with others. *(The people may name their thanksgivings at this time.)* We give thanks this week for Jock McLean and John Kern who is celebrating their birthdays and for Virginia & Arthur Connolly who are celebrating the anniversary of their marriage. *Come, O Lord, and save us.*

For a Birthday

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on Jock and John as they begin another year. Grant that they will grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the Anniversary of a Marriage

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send your blessing upon Arthur and Virginia that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their lives together may be a witness to your love and forgiveness, and that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Rosemary of Remembrance on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Freear Pollard in loving memory of her father, James Joseph Pollard and by Catharine & Michael Nobiletti in Celebration of their 45th Wedding Anniversary.

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, Andrew the Apostle, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves, and one another, to the living God through Christ. *To you, O Lord our God.*

All: O God of Jacob for whom we long, hear our prayers and keep us ever watchful, that when Christ our Savior comes we may welcome him with joy and gladness. This we ask in his most holy Name. Amen.

The Confession

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

Celebrant and People

*Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown, things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

The Absolution

The Priest says

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

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

Offertory Sentence

But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Hebrews 13:15, 16

Offertory Hymn

Signs of endings all around us

WLP 721



1. Signs of end-ings all a - round us— dark - ness, death, and win - ter days
2. Can it be that from our end - ings, new be - gin - nings you cre - ate?
3. Speak, O God, your Word a - mong us. Bar - ren lives your pres - ence fill.



shroud our lives in fear and sad - ness, numb - ing mouths that long to praise.
Life from death, and from our rend - ings, realms of whole - ness gen - er - ate?
Swell our hearts with songs of glad - ness, ter - rors calm fore - bod - ings still.



Come, O³ Christ, and dwell a - mong us! Hear our cries, come set us free.
Take our fears, then, Lord, and turn them in - to hopes for life a - new:
Let your prom - ised realm of jus - tice blos - som now through - out the earth;



Give us hope and faith and glad - ness. Show us what there yet can be.
Fad - ing light and dy - ing sea - son sing their Glo - ri - as to you.
your do - min - ion bring now near us; we a - wait the sav - ing birth.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

Sanctus – (8:00 a.m.)

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

+ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Sanctus – (10:00 a.m.)

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The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in a key of two flats (B-flat major or D-flat minor) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of five systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na". The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and slurs.

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

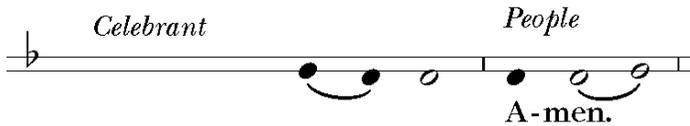
As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, St. Mark, patron of this parish, St. Andrew, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.



The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray for the coming of God's kingdom in the words our Savior taught us.

People and Celebrant

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.

The Breaking of the Bread--Agnus Dei

(At 8:00 a.m.)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

(At 10:00 a.m.)

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A musical score for the Agnus Dei, consisting of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us." (first system), "Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us." (second system), "Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:" (third system), and "give us your peace, give us your peace." (fourth system).

Communion Norms--*We welcome our guests this morning. All are welcome at the Lord's table. You may stand or kneel (whichever you prefer). You are invited to eat the wafer and then drink from the cup. We regret that you are not permitted to intinct (dip the wafer) at this time. The people respond after receiving the bread or the wine by saying "Amen."* If you prefer not to receive the cup, please cross your arms over your chest. If you do not want to receive communion, you are still welcome to come forward, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a blessing from the priest.

Communion Hymn

The King shall come when morning dawns

Hymnal 73

1 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and
 2 Not, as of old, a lit - tle child, to
 3 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and
 4 and let the end - less bliss be - gin, by
 5 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and

1 light tri - um - phant breaks; when beau - ty gilds the
 2 bear, and fight, and die, but crowned with glo - ry
 3 earth's dark night is past; O haste the ris - ing
 4 wear - y saints fore - told, when right shall tri - umph
 5 light and beau - ty brings: Hail, Christ the Lord! Thy

1 east - ern hills and life to joy a - wakes.
 2 like the sun that lights the morn - ing sky.
 3 of that morn, the day that e'er shall last;
 4 o - ver wrong, and truth shall be ex - tolled.
 5 peo - ple pray, come quick - ly, King of kings.

The Post Communion Prayer for the First Sunday of Advent

Celebrant Together, let us pray.

Celebrant and People

*O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful
as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;
that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin
but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

The Blessing for the Advent Season (Church of England)

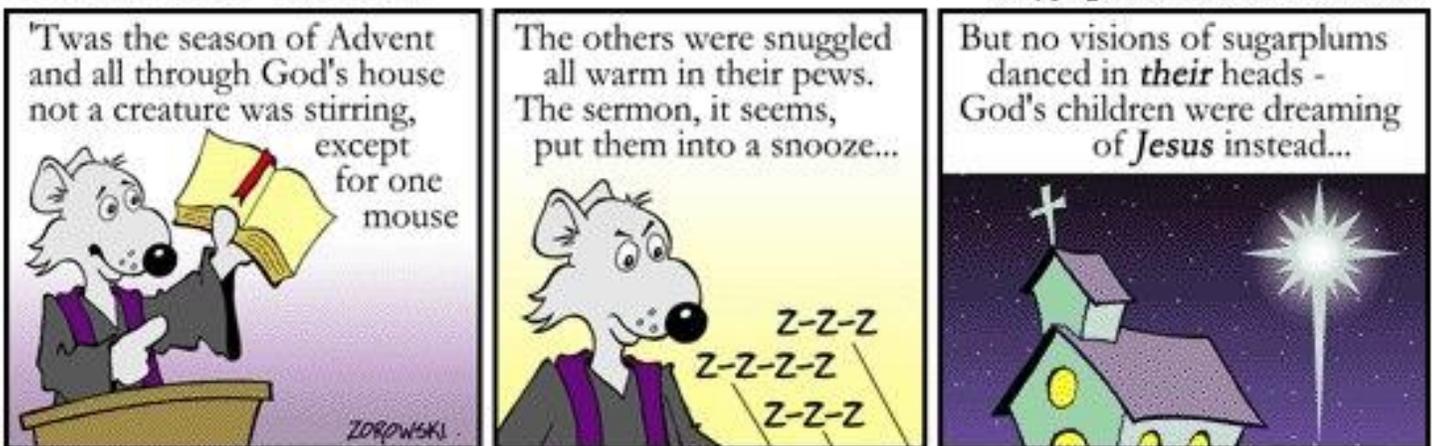
May Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God Almighty: + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

The Announcements/Birthday & Anniversary Blessings



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1 Christ is the world's true Light, its Cap-tain of sal - va - tion,
 2 In Christ all rac - es meet, their an-cient feuds for - get - ting,
 3 One Lord, in one great Name u - nite us all who own thee;

the Day - star clear and bright of ev - ery race and na - tion;
 the whole round world com - plete, from sun-rise to its set - ting;
 cast out our pride and shame that hin-der to en - throne thee;

new life, new hope a - wakes, for all who own his sway:
 when Christ is throned as Lord all shall for - sake their fear,
 the world has wait - ed long, has tra - vailed long in pain;

free - dom her bond - age breaks, and night is turned to day.
 to plough-share beat the sword, to prun - ing - hook the spear.
 to heal its an - cient wrong, come, Prince of Peace, and reign.

The Dismissal for Advent

LEM As we await our coming Savior, go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.
 People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday (11/28)	Parish Office Closed
Tuesday (11/29)	12:40 p.m. Office Staff Meeting
Wednesday (11/30)	7:30 p.m. Alanon Meeting in the Atwater Room
Thursday (12/01)	10:00 a.m. Advent Book Study in the Rector's Office
	11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing in Rector's Office
	12:30 p.m. Threshold Singers Choir Practice in the Atwater Room
	5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Evening Prayer, or Compline in the Chapel
	5:30 p.m. Choir Practice in the Church
Sunday (12/04)	8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Church
	9:00 a.m. Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall
	9:15 a.m. Choir Practice in the Church
	10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Church
	11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall

Serving Today Sunday, November 27, 2022 at 8:00 A.M.

LEM Virginia Gilmore
Lector Carol Jubinski
Usher Tom Hadlock
Altar Guild Diane Stewart, Virginia Gilmore

Serving Today Sunday, November 27, 2022 at 10:00 A.M.

LEM John Kern
Lector Barbara Pettus
Ushers Sandy Wyman, Tim Feil
Altar Guild Catharine Nobiletti & Diane Feil

Coffee Hour will take place following both the 8 & 10 A.M. services in the Parish Hall.

The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Freear Pollard in loving memory of her father, James Joseph Pollard and by Catharine & Michael Nobiletti in Celebration of their 45th Wedding Anniversary.

Congratulations on the Birthdays of Jock McLean and John Kern.

Congratulations on the Wedding Anniversary of Arthur & Virginia Connolly.

For those serving in the Armed Forces: Amanda E. Degener, Kyle M. Degener, George L. Degener, Jesse Fritz, Nicholas LoRusso, Joshua Rudd, and Michael Keegan.

We ask that you remember those for whom prayers are requested: Chris Allen, Deana Chiusano, Fred Edwards, Nancy Fraser, Anthony Graviano, Noel Hayes, Barbara Ireton, Cathy Jones, Gretchen & Jim Jubinski, Cole LoRusso, Jock McLean, Sean McLean, Sudie Nostrand, Paul Oele, Cassie Panzarino, Joan Petrella, Betty-Rose & Stuart Richardson, Jean Scopinich, Sarah Witters, and Rosemary Rees.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Remembrances – The Altar Guild welcomes your gifts toward the beautification of the church for the Festival Celebration of the birth of our Lord. The Dedication Form can be found in the narthex and on the tables outside of the Parish Hall and the church office. It can also be found in Fr. Chris’ newsletter. The deadline for submitting requests is Sunday December 11th.

Christmas Basket Auction – This will begin November 27th and run through December 11. We are currently accepting donations. Please drop off any items or baskets at the parish office. All proceeds raised will be used toward the installation of a beautiful stone altar in the columbarium to enhance our outdoor services! As always thank you for your support, donations, bids or volunteer time. We very much appreciate your help! Please call Sundry Schermeyer at 631-379-3981 with any questions.

Bible Study takes place on Thursday at 10 AM in the Rector’s office. All are welcome!

Mid-Week Services on Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing in the Rector’s office and at 5:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist, Evening Prayer, or Compline in the Chapel.

Choir Practice is on **Thursday at 5:30 PM in the church.** The only requirement is the desire to make a joyful noise. For further information contact Stephen Hunt at stephenhuntmusic@gmail.com.

We Need Your Help on Sunday Mornings as a Lay Eucharistic Minister or Acolyte. Please contact John Kern at John@jkernlaw.com.

Altar Flowers: If you would like to dedicate flowers for the Altar contact Kate Gabrielsen in the parish office 631-288-2111 or email her at kate.gabrielsen@stmarkswhb.org In November there is one vase available for the 20th and one plant for the 27th. Each vase/plant is \$40. During the four Sunday’s of Advent there will be plants on the Altar instead of flowers. This will begin on Sunday, November 27th.

Alanon now meets at St. Mark’s both in-person and online via zoom on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the Atwater Room. Please speak with Fr. Chris if you are interested in joining this group.

Ways to Help the People of Ukraine...When the donated non-perishable items were delivered to the Ukrainian Church in Riverhead we were told that what they need right now are bandages, pain killers, burn care products and **new winter clothing**. 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.

Maureen’s Haven: “Thank you” for donations to Maureen’s Haven. A box for donations, along with a list of suggested items such as individual containers of non-perishable food, is in the office lobby.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Last Week’s Attendance:

Sunday, November 20	8:00 a.m.	18	
Sunday, November 20	10:00 a.m.	<u>62</u>	(plus 25 households viewed us online.)
	Total	80	



BULLETIN INSERTS

November 27, 2022 – Advent 1 (A)

First Week of Advent: Saying “Yes” to the Journey

As Advent begins this week, we invite you to orient yourself to the coming of Jesus at Christmas through the practices of *Journeying the Way of Love*. This journey begins by saying “yes” to God’s call to birth new life into the world—a call that is both powerful and gentle, a call that will, if fully embraced, grow beyond our imaginations, spilling out of ourselves and into our family, friends, community, and the whole world. Over the course of this holy season, we invite you to respond to that call using these daily practices, and encourage you to offer them to your friends, family, and neighbors.

For more Advent resources related to the Way of Love, visit episcopalchurch.org/wayoflove. There, you’ll find links to the full Advent curriculum *Journeying the Way of Love*, as well as *Living the Way of Love in Community*, a nine-session curriculum for use anytime.

Sunday, November 27

WORSHIP

Read Luke 21:25-36. How do the symbols of the Advent season help you understand the story of Jesus? Where do you see them in your worship today?

Monday, November 28

GO

Go out of your way to have a conversation with someone you might not normally visit with today. Ask God to open your heart to hear this person as God does.

Tuesday, November 29

LEARN

Read Matthew 4:18-22. How do these verses from Matthew inspire you to read Scripture with new eyes? Try reading several different translations of this passage. See how the language might change your reading of it.

Wednesday, November 30

PRAY

Pray along with the Collect for Advent I, found on page 211 of *The Book of Common Prayer*. Set a timer for three minutes to sit in silence and hear what God might be saying back to you.

Thursday, December 1

BLESS

We know that angels are God’s special messengers to us, and that Gabriel spent intentional time with Mary, helping her to understand her part in God’s story. Who has shared an important lesson or their presence with you this week? Thank them today with a call or note.

Friday, December 2

TURN

Read Isaiah 58. How does this reading challenge you to think about feasts and festivals differently? How might this lesson change the way you celebrate or recognize this holy season?

Saturday, December 3

REST

Put your phone on airplane mode and leave it in a dresser drawer for an hour or two. Whatever happens in that time, you can handle later. Give this time to yourself and Jesus, to rest and recharge for the week ahead.



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Both services are followed by Coffee Hour

Thursday Services

11:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing
5:00 p.m.—Holy Eucharist, Evening Prayer, or Compline

Office Hours

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

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