

WE SEEK TO UNITE ALL PEOPLE WITH GOD AND EACH OTHER IN CHRIST THROUGH WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP, EDUCATION, AND SERVICE.

Welcome! We're glad you're here.

PRELUDE: Hymn Medley

OPENING Hymn 718: God of Our Fathers National Hymn

OPENING SENTENCES:

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." **Psalm 122:1**

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

CONFESSION OF SIN:

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

All: 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.

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.

All: 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 S35: Psalm 95:1-7

Officiant and People together

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 PSALM Psalm 145:8-15

8 The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

9 The Lord is loving to everyone *
and his compassion is over all his works.

10 All your works praise you, O Lord, *
and your faithful servants bless you.

- 11 They make known the glory of your kingdom *
and speak of your power;
- 12 That the peoples may know of your power *
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; *
your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- 14 The Lord is faithful in all his words *
and merciful in all his deeds.
- 15 The Lord upholds all those who fall; *
he lifts up those who are bowed down.

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

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!
Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.
As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.
Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God

Canticle 16: The Song of Zechariah Luke 1:68-79

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.
He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.
You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
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.

SECOND READING Romans 7:15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God.

Canticle 9 : The First Song of Isaiah Isaiah 12:2-6

Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *
and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *
from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; *

see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *
and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *

for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

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.

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn 579: Almighty Father, Strong to Save Melitia

HOMILY Bruce Hixon

THE APOSTLES CREED BCP, p 358

Officiant and People together, all standing

**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.**

PARISH NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS BCP, p. 830

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR ANNIVERSARIES BCP, p. 830

Eternal God, creator and preserver of all life, we thank you for those among us whose lives together are a sign of Christ's love to the world, and we thank you especially this day for those who are celebrating their anniversaries. Grant that their wills may be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may grow in love and peace with you and one another all the days of their lives. In Christ's name we pray. *Amen.*

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

Offertory Music: Battle Hymn of the Republic arr. J. Bert Carlson

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING: The Doxology

THE PRAYERS

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

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

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. And grant us your salvation.

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

- R. Let your people sing with joy.**
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in you can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect for the Day:

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; 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

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 the Renewal of Life

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Grace

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Guidance

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.*

Prayer for Mission

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hymn

For Independence Day

Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant, we beseech thee, that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain these liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

For Sound Government

O Lord our Governor, bless the leaders of our land, that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth.

Lord, keep this nation under your care.

To the President and members of the Cabinet, to Governors of States, Mayors of Cities, and to all in administrative authority, grant wisdom and grace in the exercise of their duties.

Give grace to your servants, O Lord.

To Senators and Representatives, and those who make our laws in States, Cities, and Towns, give courage, wisdom, and foresight to provide for the needs of all our people, and to fulfill our obligations in the community of nations.

Give grace to your servants, O Lord.

To the Judges and officers of our Courts give understanding and integrity, that human rights may be safeguarded and justice served.

Give grace to your servants, O Lord.

And finally, teach our people to rely on your strength and to accept their responsibilities to their fellow citizens, that they may elect trustworthy leaders and make wise decisions for the well-being of our society; that we may serve you faithfully in our generation and honor your holy Name.

For yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. Amen.

Almighty and most merciful God, we remember before you all those whose names appear in our bulletin today, especially Marilyn, Rich, Vonda, Jim, Jane, Gene and Ron, for whom our prayers are desired. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. *Amen.*

For the Departed

Remembering Patty Kapper, let us pray in silence for all those we love but see no longer.
Silence.

Heavenly Father, grant us grace to entrust them to your never-failing love; receive them into the arms of your mercy, and remember them according to the favor which you bear unto your people. *Amen.*

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING:

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 our selves 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.*

PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

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.*

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn 716: God Bless Our Native Land America

As the candles are extinguished the people sing:

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in his wonderful face;
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of his glory and grace.

Dismissal

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE PIPES WERE CALLING AND YOU ANSWERED THE CALL

A big Thank You to all of you that contributed to the boiler pump and valve replacement. St. Mark's received over \$9,200 for the project which exceeds the \$7,845 cost. The extra donations will be held in the Capital Reserve Savings Account for the next capital project.



***We will have our outdoor summer service in the Fortney Sanctuary on July 12, at 10:00 a.m. The services will be followed by a picnic in the pavilion.**



Bob's Music Notes

"God of Our Fathers" was composed by George William Warren, who was the organist at St. Thomas, NYC, for thirty years. It is said he was so esteemed as a player that at his 1902 funeral, no organ music was used. Warren also wrote "The Magdalene," our Easter duet. The text comes from Daniel Crane Roberts, Episcopal priest in Brandon, VT, for the 1876 centennial of the Declaration of Independence. The use of four keys for this masterpiece comes from my teacher, Alexander McCurdy, who always played it this way.

"Almighty Father, Strong to Save" is based on the Navy Hymn but with two stanzas added to encompass land and air, by Kansas City Bishop Robert Nelson Spencer. William Whiting wrote stanzas 1 and 4. He was a London choral master who wrote the hymn for a student of his who was undertaking a hazardous voyage. The tune "Melita" was composed by priest/musician Dykes, best known for "Holy Holy, Holy." He was an advocate of High Church practices, which annoyed his Bishop. When my son was a midshipman at the Naval Academy, his mother and I visited often and were impressed at the chapel services where this hymn was intoned in a reverent manner, with the stained glass window at the front displaying Christ walking on water.

"God Bless Our Native Land" was authored by Mahlmann, a prolific German poet. Translators Brooks and Dwight, adapted it for American use, with the famous "My Country 'tis of Thee," which we sang last week.

The famous Battle Hymn started life as a revivalist camp meeting song, "Oh Brothers" and "Glory, Hallelujah," with a text authored by abolitionist Julia Ward Howe, who was staying at the Willard Hotel in DC and, one morning, upon awaking, grabbed the stub of a pencil and penned the words. The setting we're using today comes from a book suggested to me by Sally Little, as arranged by the late Rev. J. Bert Carlson, who was quite a musician as well as a preacher.



The Altar Flowers are given today

*In celebration of Matthew and Carolyn Garrot's 20th anniversary by
Leslie Redmon*

In celebration of July birthdays by Susie Hines

Upcoming Events

- **Tuesday, July 7**
7:00 p.m. Yoga with Beth
- **Wednesday, July 8**
Zoom Evening Prayer
- **Thursday, July 9**
1:00 p.m. Bible Study
- **Sunday, July 12**
Outdoor Service in the Chapel
- **Monday, July 13**
1:00 p.m. Knitting Family Room
3:00 p.m. Book Club
- **Tuesday, July 14**
7:00 p.m. Yoga with Beth
- **Wednesday, July 15**
Zoom Evening Prayer
- **Thursday, July 16**
1:00 p.m. Bible Study

Servers This Sunday, July 5

Lector

8:00 a.m. Tony Kovacevich

10:00 a.m. Judy Hixon, Bruce Hixon

Acolyte: Heather Thomas

Ushers: Gary Giammarco, Kirk Bletzacker

Altar Guild: Sara Strattan

Streamer: Mike Adams

July Birthdays

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| 9 | Jane Schutrum |
| 12 | Vonda Temelkoff |
| 13 | Eloise Hochwalt |
| 17 | Scott Shellhammer |
| 24 | Ted Boyd |
| 27 | Brynn Pelger |
| 28 | Rachel Crowl |

July Anniversaries

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| 13 | Beth and Rick Crowl |
| 24 | Bruce and Judy Hixon |
| 29 | Katie Cerrone and Chris Arnold |
| 30 | Kent and Pamela Clark |
| 31 | John and Kathy Wise |

Servers Next Sunday, July 12

Eucharistic Ministers

8:00 a.m. Anne Coen

10:00 a.m. Carol Hayn, Derek Gordon

Ushers: Kent Clark, Mike Adams

Altar Guild: Sara Strattan

Streamer: John Wise

PRAYER CONCERNS

Have compassion on: Marilyn Thorp, Rich Tirpak, Vonda Temelkoff, Jim Weaver, Jane Schutrum, Ron Brookes, Gene Little, and all those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

For Those who have died: Patty Kapper

Family & Friends: **Rachel Murphy** (friend of the Kovacevichs & Wises) + **Tom Phister & Terry Phister** (Marcia Kiesling's father & uncle) + **Alison** (friend of the Willoughbys) + **Bill Malsch** (cousin of Jim Weaver) + **Milton Coke, John, & David** (brother of Kim & friends of the Nadels) + **Richie & Char** (Florida friends of the Kieslings) + **Lesley & Trish** (friends of Paulette Frech) + **Irina Chernikova & Clifton McAuley** (friends of Chris Arnold & Katie Cerrone) + **Christen Rian** (niece of Kathy Wise) + **Deb Bester, Mike Paris, Tom Jackson, & Karen McVehil** (friends of the Mulls) + **Gordy** (Christy Revoldt's grandson) + **Heather** (friend of the Derek Gordons) + **Bruce Redmon, Jan Taylor Troche, & Mary Hunter** (cousins & friend of Leslie Redmon) + **Bob Timken & Linda Morrow** (friends of the Boyds) + **Mark Eldrige family & Hannah Smith** (friends of the Pelgers) + **Max Barton, Christine Osterman, & Chuck Boone** (friends & cousin of the Hixons) + **Kathleen** (acquaintance of Sara Strattan) + **Clarice Lough** (friend of the Watters) + **Robert "Dink" Heinzman** (Todd's dad) + **Father Jon Conventry** (Trinity Episcopal Church, Alliance) + **Jimmy Little** (son of Sue Little) + **Tom** (brother-in-law of AnJane McConville) + **Gail & Judy Shumway** (sister-in-law & friend of the Rands) + **Martinelli family & Rick Ciminelli** (friends of the Gordons) + **Janet Sheatzley-Morgan** (sister of Barb Siegfried) + **Finnigan Savage** (friend of Pam McCarthy) + **Those in the Armed Forces.**

Prayer Chain

St. Mark's has a group of prayer warriors who pray for specific needs of those on the prayer chain. If you would like to place yourself or a loved one on the prayer chain, please contact Bobbi Gordon at Please note, prayer requests may be placed on the Prayer Chain, in the Prayer Concerns list appearing here and in the Sunday bulletin, or in both places. Please let Bobbi know your preference. Please update Bobbi on the status of your friends or family members as to when they may be removed from the prayer lists



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