



✠ Holy Eucharist ✠  
*Holy Cross Sunday (Observed)*  
– September 13, 2020 –  
11:00 a.m.

**THE WORD OF GOD**

Prelude

*Lift High the Cross (Andrew Carter)*

Opening Solo #498

*Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. AMEN.**

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy holy Name; through Christ, our Lord. **AMEN.**

Gloria In Excelsis

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. AMEN.**

### The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *AMEN.*

*"A reading from the Book of Isaiah."*

### Isaiah 45:21-25

Declare and present your case; let them take counsel together! Who told this long ago? Who declared it of old? Was it not I, the Lord? There is no other god besides me, a righteous God and a Saviour; there is no one besides me. Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. By myself I have sworn, from my mouth has gone forth in righteousness a word that shall not return: "To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear." Only in the Lord, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength; all who were incensed against him shall come to him and be ashamed. In the Lord all the offspring of Israel shall triumph and glory.

"The Word of the Lord."      *"Thanks be to God."*

*"Psalm 98 is appointed for today."*

### PSALM 98

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. **With his right hand and his holy arm has he won for himself the victory.** The Lord has made known his victory; his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations. **He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.** Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing. **Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.** With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the King, the Lord. **Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, the lands and those who dwell therein.** Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth. **In righteousness shall he judge the world and the peoples with equity.**

*"A Reading from Paul the Apostle's Letter to the Galatians."*

Galatians 6:14-18

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; the only thing that matters is this new life we have from God! As for those who will follow this rule--peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

*"The Word of the Lord."*

*"Thanks be to God."*

Gradual

*I Will Magnify Thee, O God (John Church)*

John 12:31-36a

"The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John."

**"Glory to you Lord Christ."**

Jesus said, "NOW IS THE JUDGMENT OF THIS WORLD; NOW THE RULER OF THIS WORLD WILL BE DRIVEN OUT. AND I, WHEN I AM LIFTED UP FROM THE EARTH, WILL DRAW ALL PEOPLE TO MYSELF." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" Jesus said to them, "THE LIGHT IS WITH YOU FOR A LITTLE LONGER. WALK WHILE YOU HAVE THE LIGHT, SO THAT THE DARKNESS MAY NOT OVERTAKE YOU. IF YOU WALK IN THE DARKNESS, YOU DO NOT KNOW WHERE YOU ARE GOING. WHILE YOU HAVE THE LIGHT, BELIEVE IN THE LIGHT, SO THAT YOU MAY BECOME CHILDREN OF LIGHT."

*"The Gospel of the Lord."*

***"Praise to you Lord Christ."***

Sermon

The Interim Rector

*"And now let us join together in reaffirming our faith as stated in the Nicene Creed."*

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 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.*

### *The Prayers of the People*

Let us pray to the God through his Son, who suffered on the cross for the world's redemption. Fill with your Spirit Christ's broken body, the Church of St. Mark the Evangelist and give to Christian people everywhere a deep longing to take up the cross and to understand its mysterious glory. By the Savior's cross and passion,  
**Lord, save us and help us.**

Bless those who lead the Church's worship in particular Arch Bishop Justin, Presiding Bishop Michael, and Bishop of Southeast Florida in the preaching of the word and the celebration of the sacraments, draw your people close to you. By the Savior's cross and passion,  
**Lord, save us and help us.**

Give your grace to those who preach your word to the nations, help us to witness to the faith we have received by our words and in our deeds, and daily conform us more and more to Christ, that we may glory in his cross. By the Savior's cross and passion,  
**Lord, save us and help us.**

Look in your mercy upon the world you loved so much that you sent your Son to suffer and to die. Strengthen those who work to share the reconciliation won at such a cost upon the cross. By the Savior's cross and passion,  
**Lord, save us and help us.**

Bring healing by the wounds of Christ to all who are weighed down by pain and injustice. Help the lonely and the betrayed, the suffering and the dying, to find strength in the companionship of Jesus, and in his passion to know their salvation. By the Savior's cross and passion,  
**Lord, save us and help us.**

Welcome into paradise all who have left this world in your friendship *silence*.  
According to your promises, bring all the people who have died with all  
your saints to share in the benefits of Christ's death and resurrection. By the  
Savior's cross and passion,

**Lord, save us and help us. Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, have  
mercy on us.**

*The Officiant continues*

Hasten, O God, the coming of thy kingdom; and grant that we and all thy servants,  
walking in new life and in the eternal fellowship of thy Holy Spirit, may with joy  
behold thy Son at his coming in glorious majesty, even Jesus Christ, our only  
Mediator and Advocate. **AMEN.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Confession & Absolution*

**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 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*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*Offertory Response*    380 *Doxology*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here  
below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right and good, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Today we celebrate with songs of praise the cross, the victory-sign of Christ. Once through the fruit of the forbidden tree we fell, now through this tree our Savior cancels all our sin. An instrument of shameful death has become for Christ a throne of glory. The power of the life-giving cross reveals the judgement that has come upon the world and the triumph of Christ crucified. And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending hymn of praise:

Sanctus

**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.**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, **“TAKE, EAT: THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU. DO THIS FOR THE REMEMBRANCE OF ME.”** After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, **“DRINK THIS, ALL OF YOU: THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. WHENEVER YOU DRINK IT, DO THIS FOR THE REMEMBRANCE OF ME.”** Therefore, according to his command, O God, **We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory.** And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Mark and all your

saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

**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.***

*Breaking of the Bread*

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*The Invitation*

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

*The Communion*

The Lord be with you.                      **And also with you.**                      Let us pray.

*Post Communion Prayer*

**Faithful God, whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree and gave us this sacrament to show forth his death until he comes: give us grace to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our hope, who reigns as Lord, now and for ever. *AMEN.***

THE BLESSING

*Closing Solo #498*                      *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

*Postlude*                                      *Fanfare from Sixth Double Concerto (Antonio Soler)*

**OUR WORSHIP IS OVER, OUR SERVICE BEGINS**

*\* In the spirit of Jesus Christ this church extends a cordial welcome to all persons regardless of age, economic or marital status, gender or sexual orientation.*

**INTERIM RECTOR BOX**

If you need to be in touch with Fr. Johan – his cell phone (212) 534-4810 or email [jjohnson@saintmarks.com](mailto:jjohnson@saintmarks.com)  
Fr. J also has “S ANCTUARY HOURS” – you can find in the church weekday mornings (Monday through Thursday) from 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

**PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY’S SERVICE**

**Preacher & Celebrant:**                      The Interim Rector                      **Camera:**                      Chuck Gregory

## VESTRY

Pia Delvaille (Sr. Warden)  
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Yuly Van Brakel (Jr. Warden)  
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### REST IN PEACE

AIDA TALAVERA

November 16, 1940 – September 8, 2020

*\*Grandmother of Hellen Martinez who died suddenly this past week in Nicaragua*

## CHURCH NOTES

### CHURCH DONATIONS

If you are a first-time visitor or pledging member (OR somewhere in between) please consider making a financial donation to help maintain our ministry and presence in your life. You can donate on our website <http://saintmarksftl.com/annual-giving/> mailing a check to: 1750 East Oakland Park Boulevard Fort Lauderdale, FL 33334 OR by leaving your donation in our offertory plate. We understand what a stressful economic time we are all experiencing, but we are sure you will do your best for your church.

### CHURCH & MEMORIAL GARDEN OPEN DAILY

St. Mark's is open Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.; Saturday from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

### WELCOME MARIE!

Our soloist today is Marie Cowley who has been at St. Mark's for the last 8 years and is a graduate of the University of Miami and has a specialization with Early Childhood Music. Thank you Marie!

### JOYS & CONCERNS

Scott Carter

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John Aurelius

Christopher Nelson

Edmundo Talavera

John Cannon

Andrea & Bernard Synkowicz

Nancy Carter

John MacArthur

Suzan Reynolds

Lindy Weaver

Doris & John Aurelius

### MONDAY EVENING ZOOM BIBLE STUDY - RENEW YOURSELF IN GOD'S WORD

Zoom Bible discussion Monday at 7:00 p.m. The link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8516509108>.

Dr. Norm Carroll will lead the gathering, in easy-to-understand language.

### WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK FROM ST. MARK'S

**SATURDAY (September 19<sup>th</sup>) @ 5:30 p.m.:** You are invited to an Evening Prayer service, which will also be livestreamed from the sanctuary – Father J. will officiate. *Theodore of Tarsus* Scripture: Malachi 2:5-7; Psalm 71:18-23; 2 Timothy 2:1-5,10 & Matthew 8:23-27.

**SUNDAY (September 20<sup>th</sup>):** Fr. Rob & Fr. Johan will both preach and Fr. Johan will celebrate. *Feast of St. Matthew* Scripture: Proverbs 3:1-6; Psalm 119:33-40; 2 Timothy 3:14-17; Matthew 9:9-13.