

St. Mark's Episcopal Church | Evanston

— *The Day of Pentecost* —
Holy Eucharist, May 23 at 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to St. Mark's!

Whether this is your first time worshipping with us or not, you are welcome here without conditions or expectations!

Holy Eucharist!

God is our host and everyone is welcome to participate fully by receiving Holy Communion— even infants and small children.

The Episcopal Church believes the sacrament is complete even when only the bread is consumed. Due to the risks of COVID-19 only bread will be shared. Gluten-free hosts are available. Simply let the server know of your preference when they bring communion to you.

Music

We hope you enjoy the music in the service; Diocese of Chicago guidelines allow for a soloist but, as tempting as it may be, we please ask that you *do not join in singing* as it is not permitted under current guidelines. However, *humming is permitted and encouraged where indicated*.

Children of all ages are welcome in worship!

Parents are asked, however, to keep your child(ren) with you so that you can help them participate in worship and so we can maintain appropriate physical distancing.

About St. Mark's!

We believe that the spirit of God lives in every human being, and that we are called to glorify that which unites us while celebrating the awesome diversity of God's creations. All of us at St. Mark's share a commitment to our faith and to our community, and we welcome you regardless of religious background, race, sexual orientation, or gender identity. Everyone is welcome here.



Covenant for Re-Gathering

In response to the current COVID-19 pandemic, I promise, with God's help and to the best of my ability, to abide by the guidelines of the Diocese of Chicago for participation in the life of my congregation according to the regathering phase in which my congregation is authorized to carry out its mission and ministry.

In fulfillment of the Baptismal Covenant (*BCP* p. 304-305), I will strive to:

Love my neighbor as myself, I will...

- Wear a face covering over my nose and mouth at all times in church buildings, except momentarily to receive the sacrament and follow public health guidelines for hand sanitizing and disinfecting
- Only attend worship and receive communion if I am healthy and non-symptomatic with COVID-19 or any other contagious disease that could compromise the health of another congregant and to my knowledge have not been in direct contact with anyone infected
- Abstain from attending if doing so would put me at greater risk due to my own health status
- Inform the rector and/or wardens as soon as possible if I am diagnosed with the COVID-19 virus

Respect the dignity of every human being, I will...

- Make no physical contact with people beyond the members of my own household while on church property
- Ensure that children under my care remain with me at all times
- Maintain a six foot or more distance from other members of the congregation
- Respect any requests for distance, face covering, and cleaning, to ensure the safety and comfort level of others

Seek and serve Christ in all people...

- Trust and support the decisions of both my diocesan and congregational leaders
- Stay connected with others in my community by telephone, video chat, or mail

Approved by the Vestry on June 17, 2020

We Gather in the Lord's Name

Prelude

Come Christians, Join to Sing
St. Mark's Handbell Choir

arr. Albert Zabel

Please stand as you are able, when the bell tolls.

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Presider There is one Body and one Spirit;

People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Presider One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People **One God and Father of all.**

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

The Presider prays the Collect.

All sit for the readings.

We Proclaim and Respond to the Word of God

First Reading

Acts 2:1-21

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord. *or* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104:25-29, 34-35, 37

Setting by Westley Hodges

Refrain will be sung by the Choir (congregation is encouraged to hum along) where indicated in the text, and verses will be spoken by all.

Hal - le - lu - jah! O my soul, bless the Lord.

O my soul, bless

bless

the Lord.

O Lord, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number,*
creatures both small and great.

Refrain

There move the ships,
and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.

All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.

You give it to them; they gather it; *

you open your hand, and they are filled with good things. Refrain

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.
May these words of mine please you; *
I will rejoice in the Lord.

Refrain

Second Reading

Romans 8:22-27

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord. or Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel; you are encouraged to hum as the Alleluia is sung

Celtic Alleluia

Christopher Walker, Fintan O'Carroll

Gospel

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Intern The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the Gospel, the Intern says

The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated.

Sermon

Qiana Johnson

A period of silence will be observed after the sermon.

The Thanksgiving over the Water

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Presider Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. Let us renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

Presider Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

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

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I do.**

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **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.

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **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.**

Intern Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Intern Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Intern Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Intern Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Intern Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

People **Amen.**

We Pray for the World and the Church

Intern Cherishing the reality of our salvation and rejoicing in the new life we have in the Risen Christ, we shout, Alleluia! Amen!

After each petition

Leader . . . We humbly praise you, Almighty God,
People **Alleluia! Amen!**

We Exchange the Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

We Prepare the Table

Communion Anthem

Rain Down

arr. John Carter

We Give Thanks to God

Eucharistic Prayer B

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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

Hosanna in the highest.

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Presider continues the prayer, recalling God's unfolding of salvation history, climaxing in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and his institution of the holy meal.

Presider . . . Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Presider then calls on the Holy Spirit to descend on us and on our gifts, and offers prayer in anticipation of God's festival banquet.

...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.

People **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

You are invited to pray the words of this prayer in the language that speaks to your heart (e.g., Spanish, English, Swedish, French, contemporary, traditional).

We Break the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

We Share the Gifts of God

Presider Los Dones de Dios para el pueblo de Dios.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Please maintain a 6' distance and keep your mouth and nose covered when coming forward to receive communion. When you return to your seat you may remove the mask to eat the host. Thank you.

You are encouraged to hum as the hymn is sung.

1. Breath of God, life-bear-ing wind, wak-ing mat-ter in - to birth, plant-ing
 2. Breath of God, word-bear-ing wind, truth re - veal - er, pro-phet's speech, guide to
 3. Breath of God, fire-bear-ing wind, source of pow - er, love, and light, melt-ing
 4. Breath of God, song-bear-ing wind, stir - ring won - der to re - joice, yearn-ing's

prom - ise, prompt-ing hope: with your life re - new the earth.
 vis - tas of the mind: let your word ex - cite and teach.
 fears and join - ing tongues: with your fire our hearts ig - nite.
 ech - o gra - ce's dance: let your song give our prayers voice.

After all have received communion, please stand, as you are able.

Presider Let us pray.

you have graciously accepted us as

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ.

and you have fed us with spiritual food.

and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.

in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace.

Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage to

and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;

with gladness and singleness of heart; the soul abiding in Christ. — *John 3:21*

through Christ our Lord.
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Amen.

The Presider offers God's blessing over the People and the People respond

People **Amen.**

You are encouraged to hum as the hymn is sung.

Closing Hymn Go forth for God; go to the world in peace Words: J. R. Peacey
Music: *Woodlands*, Walter Greatorex

1. Go forth for God; go to the world in peace; be of good
 2. Go forth for God; go to the world in love; strength-en the
 3. Go forth for God; go to the world in strength; hold fast the
 4. Go forth for God; go to the world in joy; to serve God's

cour-age, armed with heaven - ly grace, in God's good Spi - rit
 faint, give cour-age to the weak; help the af - flict - ed;
 good, be ur - gent for the right; ren - der to no one
 peo - ple ev - ery day and hour, and serv - ing Christ, our

dai-ly to in-crease, till in his king-dom we be - hold his face.
 rich-ly from a - bove his love sup - plies the grace and power we seek.
 e - vil; Christ at length shall o - ver - come all dark-ness with his light.
 ev-ery gift em - ploy, re - joic - ing in the Ho - ly Spi - rit's power.

The Intern dismisses the People and the People respond

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude

Celebration

David Laskey

Ministers

All the People

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