

# ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

APRIL 14, 2024 | 10:00 AM

## W E L C O M E T O S T . M A R K ' S

Wherever you are on your faith journey, and whatever your faith background may be, you are always welcome here at St. Mark's. We take Christ's commandment to love our neighbor as ourselves very seriously; all are welcome to worship with us and to be a part of this community, regardless of religious background, race, sexual orientation, gender identity or ability.

## H O L Y E U C H A R I S T

In the Episcopal Church, we find the sacraments of baptism and eucharist to be central to our identity. A service of Holy Eucharist, sometimes called a "Mass" based on our original catholic heritage, is the prime way we worship together every Sunday at both services. A Eucharist is a celebration of the Resurrection, and it is a service of thanksgiving. We distribute bread in the form of wafers (gluten-free are available upon request to the priest) and wine in multiple stations during Communion. The best practice is to drink directly from the chalice of wine, but we also have a third station specifically for intinction (the act of dipping the wafer into the wine and then consuming). You are also invited to receive a blessing instead of either, by crossing your arms over your chest. Whether you take just the wafer, or receive a blessing instead, we understand that to be full receipt of the Sacrament.

## M U S I C

Hymn numbers refer to *The Hymnal 1982* (the blue book in the pews), *Wonder, Love, and Praise* (WLP, the green paperbound book in the pews). Other abbreviations in the bulletin may include: ANZBP, *A New Zealand Prayer Book*; VF, *Voices Found*; MHSO, *My Heart Sings Out*; LEVAS, *Lift Every Voice and Sing*. Music from these supplemental hymnals is printed in the bulletin. All music is reprinted with permission. All rights reserved. OneLicense.net license #A-715313.

## Serving at the 10:00 AM Service

<i>Celebrant and Preacher</i>	The Rev. Gregory L. Millikin
<i>Director of Music</i>	Westley Art Hodges
<i>Music</i>	St. Mark's Parish Choir
<i>Usher</i>	Doug Sondgeroth
<i>Lectors</i>	Ted Richardson, Rachel Easton
<i>Intercessor</i>	Julia Ferguson
<i>Acolytes</i>	London Lytle, Brooklyn Lytle, Tim Heuer
<i>Lay Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Sarah Francis, Beth Johnson, Julia Ferguson
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Beth Johnson
<i>Flower Guild</i>	Annie Kirchner, Emily Kirchner
<i>Vestry Person of the Day</i>	Julia Ferguson, Chris Schultze
<i>Coffee Hour Hospitality</i>	Last Names starting with E-I

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*Christus appret apostolis et discipulis in Galilee*, created between 1340 and 1351  
by Jean Ravy and Jean Le Boutellier, medieval polychromed wooden choir screen at the altar  
of the Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris, France.

# The Liturgy of the Word

✠ This symbol in the liturgy signifies an appropriate time to mark the sign of the cross upon yourself, if it is your custom.

## PRELUDE MUSIC

*Fairest Lord Jesus*  
Arranged by Matt Schinske

## HYMN IN PROCESSION | *Hymnal* #182

“Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing”  
TRURO

## EASTER ACCLAMATION

*The Book of Common Prayer* (BCP) p.355

*Celebrant* ✠ Alleluia! Christ is Risen.  
*People* **The Lord is Risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*The Celebrant prays the Collect for Purity*

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.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE | *Hymnal* #S-278

“Glory to God, in the Highest”  
Setting by William Matthias

Glo-ry to God in the high- est, and peace to God's peo-ple on  
earth. Lord God, heav- en - ly King, al - migh - ty God. and Fa - ther, we  
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.  
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer.

For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,  
 you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly  
 Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the  
 Fa - ther. A - - - men.

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*The Third Sunday of Easter, BCP p.224*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*All may be seated.*

**THE FIRST LESSON** | *A reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

Acts 3:12-19

**P**ETER ADDRESSED the people, “You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

“And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*All may remain seated for the singing of the Psalm.*

1. O God, de-fend - er of the poor, have mer - cy when I pray: you  
 2. How long will peo - ple choose vain things, love emp - ty words and wrong? They  
 3. The saints, O Lord, you set a - part by grace to be your own: let  
 4. While man - y pray that you will bless and bring them all they need, un -  
 5. Your light, O Lord, let us re - ceive; your face with - in us shine, for  
 6. And ev - en when I turn to sleep your bless - ings still in - crease, for

lis - tened to my prayer be - fore— Lord, hear my prayer to - day, you  
 scorn to serve the King of kings— O liv - ing God, how long? They  
 sin - ners trem - ble, search their hearts, and bow be - fore your throne; let  
 less they long for ho - i - ness, their prayers are vain in - deed; un -  
 ri - cher is the joy you give than all their grain and wine; for  
 you a - lone, O Lord, will keep your child in per - fect peace; for

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 you a - lone, O Lord, will keep your child in per - fect peace.

THE SECOND LESSON | *A reading from the first letter of John*

1 John 3:1-7

SEE WHAT love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*All stand, or adopt a posture of praise, for the next hymn and the proclamation of the Gospel.*

1. You're called by name, for - ev - er loved, a - dopt - ed as a child of God. Now  
 2. Marked as Christ's own, signed by the cross where Je - sus for our sins once died. with  
 3. Raised to new life, a life of grace, set free from sin, in Christ to grow; his  
 4. Sealed by the Spi - rit, Lord of life, sus - tained and strength - ened by his might. Joined  
 one with us, the fam - i - ly of those who know and love the Lord.  
 Je - sus bur - ied in his death, called to con - fess Christ cru - ci - fied.  
 res - ur - rec - tion to pro - claim, his love in all of life to know.  
 to the church to share, with us, the in - her - i - tance of saints in light.  
 Lord, in your hands we place your own. Lord, in their lives make your love known.

**THE GOSPEL**

Luke 24:36b-48

*Celebrant* ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People* **Glorify to you, Lord Christ.**

**J**ESUS HIMSELF stood among the disciples and said to them, “Peace be with you.” They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

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

**THE SERMON**

The Rev. Gregory L. Millikin

*We observe a moment of silent reflection following the sermon.*

*Please stand as you are able or adopt a posture of praise for the Nicene Creed.*

*Note this version of the Creed has a few changes from the prayer book version.*

## THE NICENE CREED

*Enriching Our Worship, Vol. I, p.53*

*Celebrant and People*

**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:  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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

Form III, BCP p.387

*Intercessor*

Loving God, we pray for your holy catholic and apostolic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Paula, our Bishop.  
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, especially Joseph, our President.  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

We pray for those in need of healing in body, mind, or spirit, especially \_\_\_\_\_.

*The Intercessor names those on our parish prayer list, and then invites all to add their own petitions either silently or aloud.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

We pray for those who have died, especially \_\_\_\_\_.

*The Intercessor names those who have died on our parish prayer list, and then invites all to add their own remembrances at this time, either silently or aloud.*

Give to the departed eternal rest.  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy.  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The Celebrant prays a concluding Collect.*

*There is no Confession during the fifty days of Easter.*

## THE PEACE

BCP p.360

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

*The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & TRAVELING PRAYERS

### *Birthday Prayer*

Watch over your child (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 heart may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### *Anniversary Prayer*

Almighty God, we give you thanks for this marriage (union or partnership). Send your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so, love, honor and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness; that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### *Traveling Prayer*

O God, our heavenly father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

# The Holy Communion

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*It is Well with My Soul*  
Arranged by Mark Hayes

When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll,  
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, "it is well, it is well with my soul."  
It is well, with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin O the bliss of this glorious thought, my sin no in part but the whole,  
is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, my soul!  
It is well, with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend: "even so" it is well with my soul.  
It is well, with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

*All stand or adopt a posture of praise at the start of the Presentation hymn.*

## AT THE PRESENTATION | MHSO #51

"Gentle Jesus, Risen Lord"  
Words and Music by Carey Landry

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 2/2 time signature. It consists of three staves of music. The first staff is labeled 'Cantor' and contains the first four lines of lyrics. The second staff is labeled 'All' and contains the first two lines of lyrics. The third staff is labeled 'Cantor' and contains the last two lines of lyrics. The lyrics are: 1. Gen - tle Je - sus, ris - en Lord, we come to your ta - ble; with our hearts so full of joy, 2. Bring - ing gifts of all we are, gifts of life and love and joy, 3. In your bod - y we find life, life you give for us to share, 4. Je - sus Sav - ior, liv - ing bread! bread of heav - en, bread of hope, we come to your ta - ble. We come, we come, we come to your ta - ble. We come, we come, we come to your ta - ble.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer 3, *EOW* p.62

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues*

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.

You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so, as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

**SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS** | *Hymnal* #S-130

“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord”  
Setting by Franz Peter Schubert  
Arranged by Richard Proulx

The musical score is written for a single voice part in 3/4 time, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter and eighth notes. 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 in the high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est. Ho-san - na in the high - est." The score consists of five staves of music.

*The people continue to stand, or may kneel at this time, or be seated in a posture of prayer.*

*The Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: “Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

*Celebrant and People*

**Dying, you destroyed our death.**

**Rising, you restored our life.**

**Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

*The Celebrant continues*

✠ Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with [blessed \_\_\_\_\_, and] all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise:

*Celebrant and People*

**Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP p.364

*You are invited to pray the words of this prayer in the language that speaks to your heart.*

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*Traditional:*

**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.**

*Contemporary:*

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BCP p.364

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

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our  
 Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the  
 feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*The Celebrant then says* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*And may add*

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The people may be seated. An usher will cue each pew to approach the altar to receive the sacrament.*

*All are welcome to receive the sacrament of communion in this household of God. Gluten-free wafers are provided upon request (simply whisper this to the priest). You may also receive a blessing instead if you prefer: simply cross your arms across your chest and the priest will know to bless you. The wine is received by either drinking directly from the cup (please let the eucharistic minister help guide you), or by dipping the wafer into the wider chalice, found at the designated intinction station on the right transept.*

1. Lov - ing Cre - a - tor, grant to your child - ren mer - cy and bless - ing, songs ne - ver  
 2. Je - sus Re - deem - er help us re - mem - ber your pain and pas - sion, your re - sur -  
 3. Spi - rit des - cend - ing, your light un - end - ing, brings hope and heal - ing, is truth re -  
 ceas - ing, grace to in - vite us, peace to un - ite us Lov - ing Cre - a - tor, par - ent and God.  
 rec - tion, your call to fol - low, your love to - mor - row Je - sus Re - dee - mer, our friend and Lord.  
 veal - ing. Dis - pel our blind - ness, in - spire our kind - ness Spi - rit des - cend - ing, Spi - rit a - dored.

## CHORAL ANTHEM

*O Sacrum Convivium*  
Thomas Pavlechko

*Latin:*

O sacrum convivium!  
in quo Christus sumitur:  
recolitur memoria passionis eius:  
mens impletur gratia:  
et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur.  
Alleluia.

*English Translation:*

O sacred banquet!  
in which Christ is received,  
the memory of his Passion is renewed,  
the mind is filled with grace,  
and a pledge of future glory to us is given.  
Alleluia.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Enriching Our Worship, Vol. I*

*Celebrant and People*

**Loving God,**  
**we give you thanks**  
**for restoring us in your image**  
**and nourishing us with spiritual food**  
**in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.**  
**Now send us forth**  
**a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;**  
**that we may proclaim your love to the world**  
**and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING ✠

*The Celebrant pronounces a blessing upon the people.*

## HYMN | *Hymnal* #193

“That Easter Day with Joy was Bright”  
PUER NOBIS

## THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*  
Arranged by Michael Larkin

**PARISH PRAYER LIST**  
**April 14, 2024**

**For Healing in Body, Mind or Spirit**

Donna Richardson  
Gil Adelstein, *friend of many*  
Alana Dickey, *granddaughter of Chris & Andy Schultze*  
Delores Holmes, *friend of Hardy & Lynette Murphy*  
Keith Cooper, *friend of Hardy & Lynette Murphy*

**For Those Who Have Died**

Justin Lewis, *former parishioner and friend of many*

**St. Mark's Community Prayers**

The Creation Care Team of St. Mark's

**Anglican Communion Cycle of Prayer**

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia

**Diocese of Chicago Cycle of Prayer**

*Congregations in the Elgin Deanery:* St. Philip in Palatine; One in Christ in Prospect Heights; St. Mary in Park Ridge; St. James in West Dundee  
*Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk:* San Juan Bautista in Oaxaca; and St. Bartholomew in Thiangular

**For Expectant Parents**

Eleanor & Andrew Smiles, *daughter and son-in-law of Nancye Kirk*  
Kirk & Melissa Lucadamo, *son and daughter-in-law of Nancye Kirk*  
Whitney & Eddie Rodriguez, *sister and brother-in-law of Greg Millikin*

**Long-Term Prayer List**

*(Parishioners)*

Bob & Trish Barr • Marshall Bohlin • Mary Pat & Bob Buckley • Lynn Carver • Sherri Crawford • Lynn Erickson • John Fitts • Judy Kopp • Bob Molumby • Anne Myers • Janice & Jeri Offutt

*(Friends, Family)*

Priscilla Andreiev, *cousin of Chris Schultze* • Rick Artwick • Angelo Augustinos • Rosemary Bolas • Ronda & Inis Carol, *friends of Janice Offutt* • Michael Collins • David & Donnie Cresap • Michael Curry, *Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church* • Karen Fite, *friend of Andy & Sandra Howard* • Marty Fork, *father of Debbie Nee* • Elizabeth Harris, *friend of Donna Richardson* • Micki Heidtke, *friend of Nancye Kirk* • Jane & Rich Herman, *friends of Tricia & Bob Barr* • Gabriel Howard, *son of Andy & Sandra Howard* • Teresa Johnson • Jay Johnson, *brother-in-law of Tacia Johnson* • Judy Justus • Delaney Kirchner, *niece of Matt Kirchner* • Charlie Lettner, *daughter of Martha Lettner* • Grace Lettner, *daughter of Martha Lettner* • Kathleen Lettner, *daughter of Martha Lettner* • Isaiah Mothershed, *friend of Gretchen Constantine* • Lynn Parsons • Lisa Polk • Jenny Ruckley, *former parishioner* • Jim Ryan, *friend of Tacia & Mike Johnson* • Mary Ellen Seamonds • Dick & Stephanie Solar, *friends of Chris Schultze* • Madison White • Jordyn White

*If you have a name to add to the prayer list, please send it to [prayers@stmarksevanston.org](mailto:prayers@stmarksevanston.org)*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### April 14, 2024

#### **Adult Forum 9am Series: Easter Resurrection at the Movies!**

Greg+ leads an Adult Forum series each week at 9am in the Parlor over coffee and breakfast treats, and beginning today the topic is Easter and Resurrection in the Movies. This week we look at clips from *Places in the Heart*, starring Sally Field. Join us as we discuss this film and its religious allegory. All are welcome to attend, even if you've never attended one before.

#### **Spring in the Garden**

Rain and warm weather are bringing flowers and new growth to the gardens. If you are interested in providing annuals or cold-hardy perennials for up to five planters in the front of the church, please contact Lola Himrod at [lhimrod@comcast.net](mailto:lhimrod@comcast.net) or 847-864-7815. Or, if you are interested in ordering and/or organizing a planting party this fall of spring bulbs, she would be happy to hear from you.

#### **Red Cart Sunday – Next Sunday, April 21st**

Help the Wednesday Lunch Program! Bring jugs of juice/non-carbonated drinks (apple juice, cranberry juice, lemonade, or iced tea) or powdered mix for iced tea or lemonade. Package cookies (Oreos, windmill, and fudge stripe, etc. are preferred). We also need grocery style plastic bags that we use to pack lunch items for people who request a lunch to go. Place items in the red cart at the back of the sanctuary.



#### **Earth Day Eve – Prayer for the Planet, April 21st at 4pm in Raymond Park**

On Sunday, April 21st, in anticipation of Earth Day 2024, there will be an interfaith gathering called “Prayer for the Planet” at Raymond Park, 1501 Hinman Ave. in downtown Evanston. (Rain location is St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, 939 Hinman Ave.)

Join houses of worship from across Evanston in an interfaith service of prayer for “this fragile Earth, our island home” (BCP p.370).

#### **May Day Celebration (Cross Quarter Days) on Sunday, April 28th at 4pm at St. Mark’s**

A continuation of the Feast of St. Mark’s! Hosted by St. Mark’s and St. Matthew’s together, at our church – 1509 Ridge Ave., Evanston, IL 60201 in the courtyard and around the campus. This all-ages event includes a celebration of the blossoming and abundance of all life, and a time of worship. Activities include: planting a seedling to take home, materials for making wind streamers to take home, an opportunity for contemplation and (weather permitting) a bonfire outdoors. For more info or feedback, contact Allison Ashley at [creation@stmarksevanston.org](mailto:creation@stmarksevanston.org).

#### **Consider Giving to our Trust – St. Mark’s Day, Sunday, April 28th**

This year St. Mark’s will be celebrating St. Mark’s Day on April 28th. Our tradition since the creation of St. Mark’s 1970 Trust Fund, our “rainy day” fund, has been to deposit our open collections on that day, along with any specially designated contributions, into the 1970 Trust. Over the years, this Fund has provided much-needed money for various extraordinary purposes, including both unanticipated operating and capital expenditures. So, please keep this important goal in mind as St. Mark’s Day approaches, and give generously to ensure our future financial stability. For more info or questions, please contact Patrick Furlong and the rest of the committee at [investment@stmarksevanston.org](mailto:investment@stmarksevanston.org).

### **Mulching Party on the St. Mark's Courtyard & Grounds – Sunday, May 19th after the 10am service**

It's time for mulching our beautiful grounds and property for the summer season. As we have done in previous years, we are calling on all parishioners to join together to make the work go by super-fast. Sunday, May 19th is the Feast of Pentecost, and the last Sunday before Memorial Day Weekend and the unofficial start of the summer season. Wear jeans and outdoor clothes to the 10am service and plan to stay to pitch in, if you are able. Coffee Hour will be both inside and outside as a treat (weather-permitting). For more info or to volunteer in advance, please let Lola know at [lhimrod@comcast.net](mailto:lhimrod@comcast.net).

### **Race Against Hate 2024 – Sunday, June 16th**

Join with our Episcopal kin in saying NO! to Racism in Evanston as we support our friends at the YWCA in their battle to End Racism. St. Matthew's, St. Augustine's (Wilmette), St. Andrew Pentecost, St. Luke's and St. Mark's are participating again in this annual event, a walk/race for a cause: to support the equity work of the YWCA. Last year, the Episcopal team was the top fundraising team. What will we do this year? To register, go to [tinyurl.com/racehate2024](https://tinyurl.com/racehate2024) and look for the team: *Episcopalians Unite Against Hate*. And Save the Date, June 16th.

### **The Next Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church – Slate of 4 Nominees Announced**

The Episcopal Church's next presiding bishop will be chosen this June from a slate of four nominees, whose names were released April 2: Nebraska Bishop **J. Scott Barker**, Pennsylvania Bishop **Daniel G.P. Gutiérrez**, Atlanta Bishop **Robert Wright**, and Northwestern Pennsylvania Bishop **Sean Rowe**, who also serves as bishop provisional of the Diocese of Western New York. Those four bishops – and any additional candidates nominated by petition – will be presented for election at the 81st General Convention, which convenes June 23-28 in Louisville, Kentucky. The nominees' names will be formally submitted June 25 during a joint session of the House of Bishops and House of Deputies. On June 26, the bishops will elect, and deputies will be asked to confirm, the church's 28th presiding bishop, who will succeed Presiding Bishop Michael Curry beginning Nov. 1.



“We appreciate the many Episcopalians who prayerfully set us on our way to discerning this slate of nominees,” Alaska Bishop Mark Lattime said in a news release announcing the slate. Lattime and Steve Nishibayashi, a lay leader in the Diocese of Los Angeles, are co-chairs of the Joint Nominating Committee for the Election of the Presiding Bishop. The committee began its work in the fall of 2021. The committee's slate is marked by geographical and racial diversity, though it includes no women or LGBTQ+ nominees.

The nominee bishops also draw on a range of experiences in seeking to become presiding bishop for the office's next nine-year term.

To read the biographies of each candidate, please go to this link: [tinyurl.com/pbtec](https://tinyurl.com/pbtec)



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**Choir – St. Mark's Parish Choir**  
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**Officiant – the Rev. Greg Millikan**

**Sunday, May 5, 2024 – 7pm**

**Pre-Service Recital – 6:45pm**

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