



Welcome Home

St. Mark's Episcopal Church: A Community of Grace

We spread God's word, love like Jesus, enjoy worshipping together, and help our neighbors.



Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost, November 9, 2025

Thank you for your 2026 pledge
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Welcome Home

We are glad you are here to join us for worship and to share in the inclusive, reckless, extravagant love of God. Please fill out a Connect Card; join us for refreshments after the service; and visit our website at stmarks-upland.org.

Children & Youth Have a Place Here

Sunday school for ages 3-12 in the chapel next to the altar at 10AM. Youth Group ministry meets the first Sunday of each month at 11:30 AM in Rm 18.

Good News

Haiti Partnership, Nov 23; Bible Study, Tuesdays, 9-10:30AM, Rm 16;
Centering Prayer Group, Wednesdays, 7-8PM, Chapel

Today's Ministers

Music: Choir, Tim Ruzon

Readers: (8AM) Canon Serena B,
Ralph M, Dr. Jim B

(10AM) Brandon H, Barbara N

Eucharistic Ministers: (8AM) Cheryl
W (10AM) John F

Digital Ministry: (10AM) Emilio &
Michael D

Altar Guild: Dr. Jim B, EB S, Larry &
Bively S

Sextons: (8AM) Larry & Bively S
(10AM) Dale B

Hospitality: Connie W, Dale B,
Coco

Ablution Guild: Kathy B

Acknowledgements

Nicene Creed: Enriching our Worship; Lectionary: RCL, Track 2; Psalms:
Psalter for the Christian People; Prayers of the People: Rites and Rituals;
Eucharistic Prayer A: EOW; Lessons: Job 19:23-27a; Psalm 17:1-9; 2
Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17; Luke 20:27-38

Prelude and Welcome (10AM): Please remain seated.

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Entrance Hymn (10AM): Please stand as you are able.

Hymnal 475

God himself is with us

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Opening Acclamation: Please stand as you are able.

Clergy: Glory to our loving, liberating, life-giving God.

Community: **Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.**

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.

Gloria (10AM)

"S" (Service) numbers are found in the front section of the blue Hymnal.

Hymnal S-278

Glory to God in the Highest

William Matthias

Centering Prayer and the Collect of the Day: Please be seated.

God be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

Take a deep breath. Notice God's presence and action around and within. When the time is right the Collect of the Day then "collects" our individual thoughts and prayers.

First Testament

A reading from the book of Job.

Job said,

"O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book!

O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever!

For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;

and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God,

whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

(8AM) Let us say the psalm responsively by whole verse alternating between reader and community beginning with the reader.

(10AM)



- ¹ Hear my plea of innocence O LORD; give heed to my cry; *
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
- ² Let my vindication come forth from your presence; *
let your eyes be fixed on justice.
- ³ Weigh my heart, summon me by night, *
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.
- ⁴ I give no offense with my mouth as others do; *
I have heeded the words of your lips.
- ⁵ My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; *
in your paths my feet shall not stumble.
- ⁶ I call upon you O God, for you will answer me; *
incline your ear to me and hear my words.
- ⁷ Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, *
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand
from those who rise up against them.
- ⁸ Keep me as the apple of your eye; *
hide me under the shadow of your wings,
- ⁹ From the wicked who assault me, *
from my deadly enemies who surround me.

New Testament

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

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Sequence Hymn (10AM)

Hymnal 628

Help us, O Lord

St. Ethelwald

Gospel: Please stand as you are able

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

The Gospel of our Savior. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon: At the invitation of the preacher, please be seated.

The Nicene Creed: Please stand as you are able.

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 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

Clergy: Let us pray for the church and the world. (*There may be slight pause for silent prayer.*)

Leader: Generous God, we pray for the Church. We pray that you comfort and strengthen us in every good work and deed. Give us courage in uncertain times. We call upon you, O God; **For you will answer us.**

O Lord, you are righteous in all your ways. Where, in the world, the innocent cry out for justice, hear their cries and help them. We call upon you, O God; **For you will answer us.**

Make us quick to ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty. Open our eyes, great Creator, to all your marvelous works. We call upon you, O God; **For you will answer us.**

Holy God, vindicator of the innocent, we ask you to bless and keep all those who offer their time and services and lives to defend the helpless and the threatened. May we live to see a day when violence and war are no more. We call upon you, O God; **For you will answer us.**

Almighty God, bring peace, justice, and reconciliation to the Holy Land and Haiti. We call upon you, O God; **For you will answer us.**

Great God, those with whom your Spirit abides need not fear. Hide those who are distraught and those who are afraid under the shadow of your wings. Through grace, give to your saints eternal comfort and good hope. We call upon you, O God; **For you will answer us.**

God of the living, in you all are alive. May those who now rest in peace, one day rise to behold you face to face. We call upon you, O God; **For you will answer us.**

Let us offer our own prayers of thanksgiving and intercession.

Confession and Absolution of Sin: Please kneel as you are able.

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.

Honoring Veterans

Please come forward for a blessing for yourself and to present the name of a family member or loved one.

The Peace: Please stand as you are able.

The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

Everyone's space and sensitivities are respected. When someone offers their elbow, fist, or a peace sign, we respond appropriately.

Announcements: Please visit our website for the latest weekly newsletter
The Good News (stmarks-upland.org)

Offertory: Your contributions make a difference. Thank you for your generosity.

The Offertory is an action and a lifestyle of giving thanks. It is based on the belief that we give out of blessing, not from duty or obligation.

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<https://tinyurl.com/5dsw728s>



Offertory Anthem (10AM)

The Summons

Traditional, John L. Bell

Doxology & The Great Thanksgiving: Please stand as you are able.

All things come of thee, O God; **And of thine own have we given thee.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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:

Sanctus: Said at 8AM; sung at 10AM (Hymnal S-128)

**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.**

...Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

...By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

Lord's Prayer

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.

Fraction Anthem

(8AM) Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

(10AM) Hymnal S-165

Jesus, Lamb of God

Matthias

Healing prayer and anointing by the Daughters of the King are available in the chapel to the left of the altar. (Every Second Sunday at 10AM)

We ask the minister if we desire a gluten-free wafer. We receive the wine in a personal chalice. They are placed in the baskets by the pillars as we return to our seats. To receive a blessing, we cross our arms across our chest. It is the historic position of the church that communion is complete with just one of the elements. We let an usher know if we wish communion

to be brought to us. The Bread and the Cup are given with these words: The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.** The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

Communion Hymn (10AM)

Hymnal 719 O Beautiful for spacious Skies Materna

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors

The Prayer of St. Francis: Please stand as you are able.

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

*Blessing: After the blessing the community responds: **Amen.***

Mission Hymn (10AM)

Hymnal 579 Almighty Father, strong to save Melita

*Dismissal: After the dismissal the community responds: **Thanks be to God.***

Postlude (10AM)

Prelude and Fugue in E Minor BWV 533 "Cathedral" J.S. Bach
I. Prelude

Please join us in the parish hall for fellowship and refreshment.

St. Mark's Episcopal Parish: A Community of Grace

Our Mission: To be a place where love and hope abound: we welcome everyone to our worship and communion, we help one another understand God and know Jesus, we nurture our community and the world, and we celebrate diversity and work for social justice.

Our Vision: We will be a faith community that spreads God's word, loves like Jesus, enjoys worshipping together, and helps our neighbors.

Vestry

Class of 2026:

Gail Dean, Fellowship

Kathy Osterkamp, Outreach,
Worship

Susan Mackall, Christian

Education

Class of 2027:

Paul Stapp, Senior Warden

Lisa Drew, Jr. Warden, Finance

Ed Muehlbacher, Outreach

Class of 2028:

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Rose Barraza, Office Administrator

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The Very Rev. Keith Yamamoto,
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