



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.



Fourth Sunday of Easter, April 26, 2026

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 Children's Chapel for children ages 3-12 featuring Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and Godly Play takes place in the chapel next to the south side of the altar at 9:50AM on Sundays. Youth for Christ for young people in grades 6-12 meets on the first Sunday of each month at 11:30 AM in Room 18.

Good News

May 3: Mothers' Day Dedications due

May 11: Red Cross Blood Drive

May 21: Foothill Family Shelter Gala, Padua Hills

Sign up: May 24 Pentecost Readers

Register for Foxberry Preschool Bilingual Summer Camp, June 1- Aug 21

Register to Learn American Sign Language, June 14 – Aug 2

Bible Study, Tuesdays 9AM | Centering Prayer Group Wednesdays 7PM

Today's Ministers

Music: Choir, Tim R

Readers: (8AM) Cheryl W, Larry S

(10AM) Carol M, Paul T, Moli T

Eucharistic Ministers:(8AM) Cheryl

W (10AM) John F

Digital Ministry: (10AM) Paul S,

Craig G

Altar Guild: Bively S, Dr. Jim B, EB S,
Cheri C

Sextons: (8AM) Larry & Bively S
(10AM) Alma Z

Hospitality: Dr. Jim & Karin B

Ablution Guild: EB S

Acknowledgements

Prayers of the People: Planning for Rites & Rituals; Eucharistic Prayer A:

Enriching our Worship 1; Texts: NRSVUE; Psalm text, Inclusive Psalter;

Readings: Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-10

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

Erschienen ist der herrliche Tag BWV 629

J. S. Bach

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J. S. Bach

Entrance Hymn (10AM): Please stand in body or spirit.

Hymnal 178 *Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord* Alleluia No. 1

Opening Acclamation: Please stand in body or spirit.

Clergy: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Community: **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Hymn of Praise (10AM): Hymnal S-278, Glory to God in the Highest
The "S" (Service) numbers are found in the front section of the blue hymnal.

**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.**

Prayer of Preparation

**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.**

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. The community responds: **Amen.***

Acts of the Apostles

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

Psalm

(8AM) Let us say the psalm responsively by half verse, up to the asterisk, alternating between the reader and the community beginning with the reader.

(10AM)

George A. MacFarren
(1813-1887)



- 1 The Lord / is my / **shepherd; ***
I / shall not / be in / **want.**
- 2 You make me lie / down in green / **pastures ***
and lead me be- / side / still / **waters.**
- 3 You re- / vive my / **soul ***
and guide me along right pathways / for your / Name's / **sake.**
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall / fear no / **evil; ***
for you are with me;
your rod and your / staff, they / com-fort / **me.**
- 5 You spread a table before me

in the presence of / those who / **trouble me; ***
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my / cup is / run-ning / **over.**
‘ Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the / days of my / **life, ***
and I will dwell in the house / of the / Lord for / **ever.**

New Testament

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

“He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

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Sequence Hymn (10AM): Please stand in body or spirit.

Hymnal 190

Lift your voice rejoicing

Fisk of Gloucester

Gospel: Please face the reader.

The Holy Gospel of Our Savior Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own

sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

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

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

The Apostles' Creed: Please stand in body or spirit.

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.

Prayers of the People

Clergy: Let us pray for the church and the world. (Silence.)

Reader: Guardian of our souls, call your Church to greater righteousness. Help us to live by your example and follow in your steps. Revive our souls, **and guide us along right pathways.**

Guardian of our souls, spread out your table in the presence of those who are troubled. Feed their souls and bodies with your good and generous gifts. Revive our souls, **and guide us along right pathways.**

Guardian of our souls, you have blessed us with a beautiful planet full of places where we can find rest and peace. May we care for it, as you care deeply for all you have made. Revive our souls, **and guide us along right pathways.**

Guardian of our souls, you desire the goodwill of all the people. Give us generous hearts and open hands. Give peace and justice to the people of Iran, Haiti, and the Holy Land. Revive our souls, **and guide us along right pathways.**

Guardian of our souls, it is your presence that comforts us. Make your presence known to the sick and the sorrowful, to the fearful and the weak. Revive our souls, **and guide us along right pathways.**

Guardian of our souls, you came that we may have life, and have it abundantly. Bring the dying and the dead into your eternal home. Revive our souls, **and guide us along right pathways.**

Let us offer our own prayers of thanksgiving and intercession.

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.

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Offertory Hymn (10AM)

I Know That My Redeemer Liveth

George F. Handel

Kathy Ostercamp, Soprano

Doxology & The Great Thanksgiving: Please stand in body or spirit.

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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-130)

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 that comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all. Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior 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 Jesus 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. 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.**

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

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 Hymn: Spoken at 8AM; sung at 10AM (Hymnal S-155)

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

*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 202

The Lamb's high banquet

Ad cenam Agni Providi

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors

The Prayer of St. Francis: Please stand in body or spirit.

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 460

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!

Hyfrydol

Dismissal: After the dismissal the community responds:

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude (10AM)

Erschienen ist der herrliche Tag

Johann Gottfried Walther

Please join us 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 worshiping together, and helps our neighbors.

Vestry

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