



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.



Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 19, 2025

10/26 Bishop Diane Jardine Bruce
11/2 All Saints & Blessing of Pledges

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 children 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 Room 18.

Good News

Trunk or Treat, Oct 25, 4-7PM

Blessing of Halloween Costumes (All ages), Oct 26

Doves Workday, Oct 26 – following the 10AM Service

Foothill Family Shelter Fundraiser: Viva Las Vegas, Oct 27

Blood Drive, Oct 30

Tell Out My Soul, Blessing Pledges (2026 Estimate of Giving), Nov 2

Haiti Partnership, Nov 23

Bible Study, Tuesdays, 9-10:30AM, Room 16

Centering Prayer Group, Wednesdays, 7-8PM, Chapel

Today's Ministers

Music: Choir, Tim Ruzon

Readers: (8AM) Canon Serena B,

Larry S (10AM) Derek M, Carol M,

Paul T

Eucharistic Ministers: (8AM) Dean B

(10AM) Karin B

Digital Ministry: (10AM) Craig G, Dr

Jim B

Altar Guild: Kay A, Cheryl H, Kathy
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Sextons: (8AM) Larry & Bively S
(10AM) Ed M

Hospitality: Sharon & Ed M

Ablution Guild: Rosalyn F

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: Genesis 32:22-31; Psalm 121; 2 Timothy
3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8

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

Chorale Prelude on a Melody by Orlando Gibbons

Healey Willan

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

Gather Us In

Marty Haugen



1. Here in this place new light is stream-ing, Now is the dark - ness
2. We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, We are the old- who
3. Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, Here we will take the
4. Here in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, Not in some heav - en,



1. van - ished a - way, See in this place our fears and our dream - ings,
2. yearn for your face, We have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
3. bread of new birth, Here you shall call your sons and your daught - ers,
4. light years a - way, But here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



1. Brought here to you in the light of the day. _____
2. Called to be light to the whole hu - man race. _____
3. Call us a - new to be salt for the earth. _____
4. Now is the King - dom, now is the day. _____



1. Gath - er us in- the lost and for - sak - en, Gath - er us in- the
2. Gath - er us in- the rich and the haught - y, Gath - er us in- the
3. Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, Give us to eat the
4. Gath - er us in and hold us for ev - er, Gath - er us in and



1. blind and the lame; Call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
2. proud and the strong; Give us a heart so meek and so low - ly,
3. bread that is you; Nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
4. make us your own; Gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



1. We shall a - rise at the sound of your name. _____
2. Give us the cour - age to en - ter the song. _____
3. Lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true. _____
4. Fire _____ of love in our flesh and our bone. _____

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. The community responds: Amen.

First Testament

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

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 I lift up my eyes to the / **hills**; *
from where is my help to / **come**?
- ² My help comes from the / **LORD**, *
the maker of heaven and / **earth**.
- ³ The LORD will not let your foot be / **moved** *
and the One who watches over you will not fall a- / **sleep**.
- ⁴ Behold, the One who keeps watch over / **Israel** *
shall neither slumber nor / **sleep**;
- ⁵ It is the LORD watches over / **you**; *
the LORD is your shade at your right / **hand**,
- ⁶ So that the sun shall not strike you by / **day**, *
nor the moon by / **night**.
- ⁷ The LORD shall preserve you from all / **evil**; *
the LORD shall keep you / **safe**.
- ⁸ The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming / **in**, *
from this time forth for ever- / **more**.

New Testament

A reading from the second letter to Timothy.

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so

that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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Sequence Hymn (10AM)

Hymnal 571

All who love and serve your city

Birabus

Gospel: Please stand as you are able

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

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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

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

Canon Serena Beeks

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.

Reader: We pray, O God, for the Church and its leaders. May we proclaim the truth and share the Good News. Give your Church grace that each member may carry out their ministry fully.

Put your word within us, O God; **Write it on our hearts.**

We pray, O God, for all those who interpret and establish laws, especially judges. Give our leaders wisdom equal to their responsibilities, that they may serve the common good and promote justice throughout the world. Put your word within us, O God; **Write it on our hearts.**

We pray, O God, for all of creation. In the beauty of hills and streams, we glimpse your majesty. In the wonder of sun and moon, we glimpse your

power. May we be responsible in our care and protection of all you have given us. Put your word within us, O God; **Write it on our hearts.**

We pray, O God, for our world. Bring peace, justice, and reconciliation to the Holy Land and Haiti. Put your word within us, O God; **Write it on our hearts.**

We pray, O God, for the people of our community. May those who cry out for justice, see justice. May those who search for truth, find truth. May those who fear for their own safety, find their comfort and security in you. Put your word within us, O God; **Write it on our hearts.**

We pray, O God, for the sick and the sorrowful. May those who call upon you for healing also find you to be their faithful healer. Put your word within us, O God; **Write it on our hearts.**

We pray, O God, for all who have died. May all those justified by your Son, Christ Jesus, be judged by him as faithful and good. Put your word within us, O God; **Write it on our hearts.**

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.

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)

God be in my Head

arr. Colin Brumby

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.

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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

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.**

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

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 325 *Let us break bread together* Let us break bread

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors: *After the prayer:* **Amen.**

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 423 *Immortal, invisible, God only wise* St. Denio

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

Postlude (10AM)

Prelude and Fugue in D Minor BWV 554 (II. Fugue) J.S. Bach

Please join us in the parish hall for fellowship and light 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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