



ST MARK'S
Episcopal Church

Day of Pentecost

May 24, 2015

10 A.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Please observe silence before the service for prayer and meditation, so that all may prepare heart and mind for worship. All mobile telephones, pagers and electronic devices with audible alarms should be turned off prior to the service.

**THE RT. REV. LARRY BENFIELD, BISHOP
THE REV. JESSE PERKINS, RECTOR
THE REV. AMBER CARSWELL, CURATE**

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Welcome to St. Mark's Episcopal Church, we are glad you are here! Please complete a Visitor card and place it in the offering plate. St. Mark's is a traditional church for contemporary people and we believe that God's love is for everyone. This is an open-minded congregation where we actively seek, question and wonder about our faith. We also believe that we are the hands of Christ, and mission work within our community is a vital part of what we do here.

AN OPEN TABLE

All are welcome to receive communion here. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please let the minister know when you are at the altar rail. You are invited to come forward and kneel as you are able to receive the bread. You may drink from the cup or take the wine by "intinction," or dipping the wafer into the cup. If you prefer a blessing only, cross your arms over your chest.

SUNDAY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR CHILDREN

Children's Chapel is held at 10 a.m. for children ages 3 through 7 in our smaller John Roberts Chapel. Children enter our Sanctuary during the processional hymn and will return from Chapel during the Peace so that they may share the Eucharist with their families. Children's Chapel is a special time for these children, and they sing, pray, craft and hear the Gospel.

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Children in kindergarten through high school meet at 6 p.m. for dinner and fellowship, then split up by age. Classes end at 7:30 p.m.

NURSERY SERVICES

The nursery is located in the short hallway between the Narthex and the Parish Hall. Nursery is provided for children birth through age 3. Nursery hours are from 9 to 11:30 a.m. The friendly, two-room nursery suite is staffed by a wonderful group of compassionate caregivers who are church members and mothers, too!

RESTROOMS

Are located in the Sanctuary Foyer, through the Parish Offices door, on the right-hand side.

COFFEE BAR

In between the services, enjoy a cup of coffee at our coffee bar, located in the front left corner of the Narthex. Additional church information about our ministries and upcoming events can be found there as well.

OUR SERVICES

Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sundays (Nave)

Compline Service at 7:30 p.m. Sundays (Nave)

Healing Eucharist at 6:15 p.m. Wednesdays (John Roberts Chapel)

JOINING

If you are interested in joining St. Mark's, please let us know on the Welcome Card.

THE WORD OF GOD

Voluntary

HYMN 225

Hail thee, festival day!

Salve festa dies

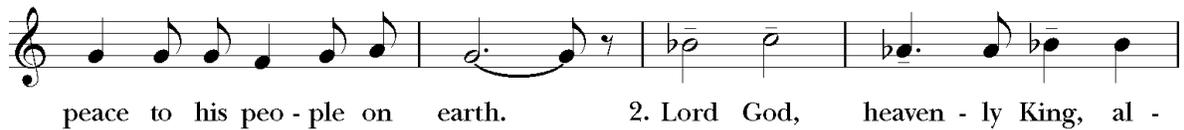
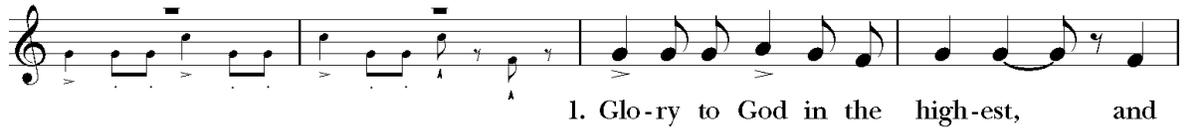
Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

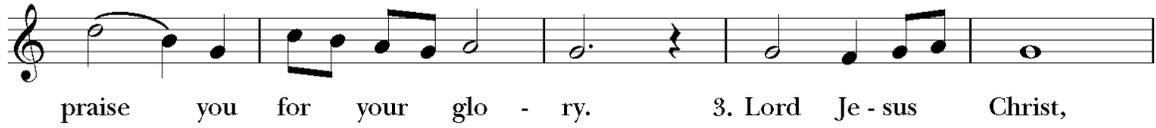
People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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.**

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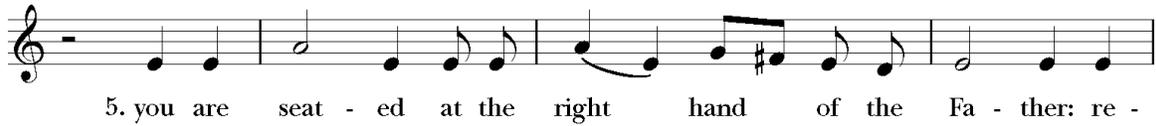
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For



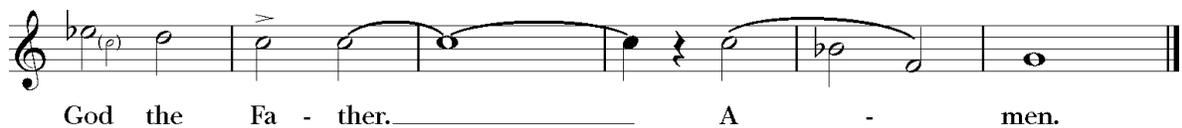
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. 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 LESSONS

FIRST LESSON A Reading from Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 104:25-35,37



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

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

27 There move the ships,
and there is that Le/viathan, *
which you have made for the /sport of it.

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

29 You give it to them; they /gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good /things.

30 You hide your face, and they are /terrified; *
you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their /dust.

31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are cre/ated; *
and so you renew the face of the /earth.

32 May the glory of the Lord endure for /ever; *
may the Lord rejoice in all his /works.

33 He looks at the earth and it /trembles; *
he touches the mountains and they /smoke.

34 I will sing to the Lord as long as I /live; *
I will praise my God while I have my /being.

35 May these words of mine /please him; *
I will rejoice in the /Lord.

37 Bless the Lord, O my /soul. *
Halle/lujah!

SECOND LESSON A Reading from Romans 8:22-27

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

All sing the Alleluia, then cantor sings a verse.
All sing the Alleluia.

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Te Deum
REFRAIN: Fintan O'Carroll, Christopher Walker

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! *Fine*

THE GOSPEL John 15:26-27

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, “When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Jesse Perkins

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BCP 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM VI

BCP 392

THE PEACE, GREETINGS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BCP 360

THE BIRTHDAY PRAYER

BCP 830

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Go Forth and Tell

David Ogden

Go forth and tell! O Church of God, awake! God's saving news to all the nations take. Proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour Lord and King, That all the world his worthy praise may sing.

Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all; He will in grace respond to all who call. How shall they call if they have never heard The gracious invitation of his word?

Go forth and tell Where still the darkness lies, In wealth or want, the sinner surely dies: Give us, O Lord, concern for heart and mind, A love like yours which cares for humankind.

Go forth and tell! The doors are open wide: Share God's good gifts -- let no one be denied. Live out your life as Christ your Lord shall choose; Your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.

Go forth and tell! O Church of God arise! Go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies. Go till all the nations his great name adore And serve him, Lord and King, for ever more.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION ~Doxology with Alleluias ~ Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all bles-sings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low: Al-le-
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a - bove ye heav'n-ly host; praise
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Celebrant *People*
 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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

Celebrant
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
 It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

S-129 SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation. Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all. When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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 he 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." Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. Mark and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

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The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

People and Celebrant

**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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

People

There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

S164 AGNUS DEI

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Our table is open to all who seek to experience God's grace. At the invitation of the ushers, please come to the communion rail by the center aisle and kneel or stand to receive the elements.

Celebrant:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Celebrant may also add: Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION ANTHEM *May Thy Holy Spirit* Pavel Tschesnokoff
May Thy Holy Spirit come upon us, O Lord. Alleluia, alleluia

HYMN 229 *Spirit of mercy, truth, and love* Cornish

HYMN 226 *Come, thou Holy Spirit bright* Veni Sancte Spiritus

SENDING OUT EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Priest: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People: **We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

The priest blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

HYMN 224

Hail this joyful day's return

Somme der Gerechtigheit

DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit, Alleluia, Alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

*Flowers on the altar today are given by Jane Gill to the glory of God
in honor of her daughter, Priya's, birthday.*

Pentecost Sunday

The disciples have witnessed Jesus arrested, crucified, and raised from the dead. The question on their minds is, "Now what?" Pentecost is the answer to that question: the Holy Spirit descends upon the disciples and empowers them to continue the work Jesus has begun. The Day of Pentecost is celebrated as the birthday of the church and is one of the days the Prayer Book suggests as appropriate for baptisms. Today, Pentecost is of utmost importance because it reminds us that the Holy Spirit is still leading and comforting us just as it was on that first Pentecost.

Today's Worship Leaders:

Rector: The Rev. Jesse Perkins

Curate: The Rev. Amber Carswell

Eucharistic Ministers: Carol Hinck and Brandon Johnson

Lectors: Rhinda Kesselring and Donald Mankin

Intercessor: Larry Hinck

Ushers: Larry Hinck, Mike Cobb, Phillip Tew

Vergers: Darren Moore and Deb McInturff

Acolytes: Johnny Stayton, Thurifer, Maggie & Kailey Ferguson,
Emma Sairls, Celeste Robinette

Eucharistic Visitor: Steve Replogle

Greeters: Mike & Linda Cobb, Steve & Frannie Replogle

Children's Chapel: Katy Perkins

Vestry Counters: Gary Latanich, Perry Moses, Ryker Robinson

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun Pentecost
Release of Lady Bugs After Each Service
11:30p Potluck Lunch
5:00p EfM
7:30p Compline

Mon Memorial Day, Office Closed

Wed 6:15 Healing Eucharist
7:00 Choir Practice

Sat 10:00a Two Saints' Kitchen, Team # 8

SAVE THE DATE

May 31 Fifth Sunday Breakfast 9am

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

5/28 Thomas Johnson

5/29 Emil Heim

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Confirmation Pictures We have many pictures from our confirmation on April 26; some our parishioners took, some Bishop Benfield took. You can see all of these if you will go to this link:

<http://www.stmarksjonesboro.org/wordpress/2015/04/27/confirmation-2015/>

Helping Neighbors Food Pantry Thank you a great week for Helping Neighbors! Last week St. Mark's donated 93 lbs. of food and \$60 in cash/checks.

WEEKLY REPORT

	Weekly Budget	Year to Date	Annual Budget	Attendance
Offering 05/17/15	\$ 1,699	\$122,628	\$134,524	Last Week 127
Needed	<u>6,178</u>	<u>125,011</u>	<u>134,552</u>	2015 52 Wk Av 148
Difference	(\$ 4,479)	(\$ 2,383)	(\$ 28)	2014 Average 138
Current Cash	\$ 2,537			
Outstanding bills	(-\$ 7,686)		Loan Balance	\$ 171,331

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