



ST MARK'S
Episcopal Church

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 14

August 12, 2018

8 A.M. Sunday Worship with Communion

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. DR. JOSHUA DANIEL, DEACON - IN - CHARGE

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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

Liturgy of the Word for Children is held at 10 a.m. for children ages 4 through 5th grade in our smaller John Roberts Chapel. Children enter our Nave during the processional hymn and return from the chapel during the Peace so that they may share the Eucharist with their families. Liturgy of the Word for Children is a special time for these children, and they sing, pray, craft and hear the Gospel.

FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH Children in kindergarten through 6th grade meet at 6 p.m. for dinner and fellowship, then split up by age. Classes end at 7:30 p.m. Youth in grades 7-12 meet at 5:30pm on Wednesdays.

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 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 to the left of the main entrance, through the Parish Offices door.

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 6:30 p.m. Sundays (John Roberts Chapel)

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.

DIGITAL BULLETINS AND WI-FI ACCESS

Digital bulletins are available; to download please visit <http://stmj.us>. Free Wi-Fi is available throughout the building.

THE WORD OF GOD

All standing, the Officiant says

Officiant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Officiant then continues

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.

The Officiant and people say

**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.**

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Proper 14

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

FIRST LESSON A reading from 1 Kings 19:4-8

Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 34:1-8 *Benedicam Dominum* Read responsively by whole verse.

- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- 2 **I will glory in the Lord; ***
let the humble hear and rejoice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *
let us exalt his Name together.
- 4 **I sought the Lord, and he answered me ***
and delivered me out of all my terror.
- 5 Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
- 6 **I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me ***
and saved me from all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.

8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; * happy are they who trust in him!

SECOND LESSON A Reading from Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

John 6:24-35

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

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

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you , Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. Joshua Daniel, Ph.D.

THE NICENE CREED

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 was made man.

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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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 IV

Deacon or other leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**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 Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE BIRTHDAY PRAYER:

Officiant : Let us pray.

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray on your servant **N** as **N** begins another year. Grant that **N** may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen **N** trust in your goodness all the days of **N** life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE PRESENTATION OF ALMS

All: **All things come of thee O Lord, and of Thine Own have we given Thee**

Officiant: *The Lord be with you.*

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant : *Let us pray.*

Be present, be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; You who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

People and Officiant

**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.**

Deacon: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

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.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Officiant: Let us pray.

Officiant and People

**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.**

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today Sunday

8:00am Sunday Worship with Communion
10:00am Sunday Worship with Communion/Blessing of the Backpacks
6:30pm Compline

Wed 6:15pm Healing Eucharist in Chapel
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Thurs 6pm Men's Club

Sat 10:00am Two Saints' Kitchen, Team # 6

SAVE THE DATE

Mon.- Aug 13 First Day of DaySchool

Thurs.- Aug 16 Men's Club

Wed.- Aug 22 EYC Starts Back

Wed.- Sept 5 Christian Ed Starts Back

Sat.- Oct 6 Church Work Day

Sat.- Oct 20 at 11:00am Father Joshua's Ordination at the Cathedral in Little Rock

Sun.- Oct 28 Adult Formation Begins at 9am

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

8/13 Brandon Haynes
 8/13 Tracey Neves
 8/17 Quiara Hazelwood

Anniversaries

8/17 Rhinda Kesselring
 8/17 Murray Pringle

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgy of the Word with Children

We are looking for responsible teens and adults to volunteer with our Liturgy of the Word with Children ministry. Liturgy of the Word with Children is celebrated on Sunday mornings during the 10am Holy Eucharist Service. This is an opportunity for children to hear the scheduled Gospel reading in language and terms that children can understand.

EYC - As a parish, St. Mark's sent 10 children to camp this year on scholarships. We are beyond thankful for all of your support and we are impressed by your kindness to our EYC kids. It is an honor to be part of St. Mark's in Jonesboro! We will resume our weekly meeting on Wednesday, August 22 at 5-7pm. We will serve pizza and talk about our summer and make plans for our upcoming year in EYC. If you are willing to provide a meal for EYC, please contact me or the office. If you are interested in our Youth Group you can call or text me with any questions **870-340-5559**. Thank you to St. Mark's, Mat and Stephanie

WEEKLY REPORT

Last week # 31		08/05/2018	
Actual Offering	\$5,129.39	Actual Income	\$162,752.88
Needed for Budget	\$5,343.00	Budgeted	\$165,633.00
Surplus (Shortage)	-\$213.61	Surplus (Shortage)	-\$2,880.12
Current Cash	\$79,710.44	Food Pantry	\$20.00
Loan Balance	\$141,041.37	Two Saints	\$ -

Helping Neighbors Food Pantry Thank you for your donations of \$20 and 42 lbs. of food this week. Your continued support is a blessing to many families!

Things to Donate to Helping Neighbors: cereal, cereal bars, peanut butter, canned goods, kid's canned goods such as ravioli, spaghetti and meatballs. and other food items. Clients can also use personal hygiene items like soap, shampoo, laundry detergent and cleaners. We also redistribute used books, small toys, and used magazines. I guess we don't really appreciate shampoo and toilet paper until we don't have any! **We do NOT need Egg Cartons!**

Thank you to all of our St. Mark's Volunteers: Board Member, Gary Latanich.
 Volunteers: Robin Anderson, Scott Darwin, Jane Gill, Susie Grommet, Rhinda Kesselring, Donald Mankin, Pat McAndrew and Karen Olsen

Two Saints Kitchen On August 4, 2018 we served spaghetti, corn, garlic bread, and chocolate cake 45 guest!

Online giving also available by scanning here, using the [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly) mobile app, or going to <http://give.stmarksjonesboro.org>



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