



ST MARK'S
Episcopal Church

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 27
November 11, 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, PRIEST

www.StMarksJonesboro.org

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.

ADULT FORMATION AT 9:00AM SUNDAY MORNINGS IN THE PARISH HALL This is an Adult Education Group that allows us to engage in conversation, reflect on the diverse points of scripture and go deeper into our faith.

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 Celebrant says

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

The Celebrant 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 Celebrant says

Holy God,

Holy and Mighty,

Holy Immortal One,

People **Have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY Proper 27

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he 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 17:8-16

The word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain

on the earth.” She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 146 *Lauda, anima mea* *Read Responsively by whole verse*

1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! *

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

**2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *
for there is no help in them.**

3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
and in that day their thoughts perish.

**4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the Lord their God;**

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps his promise forever;

**6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.**

7 The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; *
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

**8 The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.**

†9 The Lord shall reign for ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

SECOND LESSON A Reading from Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL Mark 12:38-44

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

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

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Joshua Daniel, Ph.D. THE

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**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:

Celebrant Let us pray.

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

THE PRESENTATION OF ALMS

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING- RITE II, PRAYER A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **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.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord 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 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **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.***

The Celebrant continues

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All are invited to share in the bread and wine of holy communion. To receive the bread, place one hand in the other with palms up and extend them to the minister distributing the bread. To receive the wine, please assist the minister with the cup, grasping the base and guiding the cup to your lips; or you may dip the bread in the cup. If you choose not to receive the bread or the wine but instead receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.

After prayerfully considering your gift next year, please bring it to the altar.

CONSECRATION OF GIFTS

The Rev. Dr. Joshua Daniel

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant 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.**

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

*Flowers on the altar today are given in loving memory of our beloved Katherine Herring,
daughter of Rhonda Herring Dauer
Also in loving memory of Charles Carr by Becky Carr*

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today Sunday

8:00am Holy Eucharist
9:00am Adult Formation in the Parish Hall
10:00am Holy Eucharist
Consecration Sunday : Luncheon after late service in the Parish Hall
3:30pm Handbell Rehearsal
5:00pm EfM
6:30pm Compline

Wed 5:30pm EYC- Thanksgiving Meal
6:00pm Christian Ed
6:15pm Healing Eucharist
7:00pm Choir rehearsal

Thurs 6:00pm Men's Club:Soup and spades. We will wrap up shrimp boil and take nominations for president

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

SAVE THE DATE

Sun. Nov. 18 at 2:30pm Hope Suzuki Recital in the Nave

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

11/11 Heather Epps
11/11 Rowan Pringle
11/12 Terry Barnett
11/14 Ryker Robinson III

11/15 Marie-Jose Patton
11/16 Robin Anderson
11/16 Ruth Scroggin
11/17 Jim McInturff

Anniversaries

11/14 Stephen & Frannie Replogle

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

EYC November News- We meet Wednesdays from 5:30pm-7:30pm

For the month of November, our EYC group will be collecting food and donations for the Humane Society. At the end of November, we will take our donation to the Humane Society. Our EYC kids chose this project and feel very passionate about this need in Jonesboro. They will be talking to friends, family, church members and using their own money to help with this project. If anyone wants to help us, we will have a labeled box in the Narthex. Requested items: Odoban, Fromm puppy Gold, Merrick canned, toys, soft treats, paper towels, blue dawn dishwashing, liquid laundry detergent any kind, puppy pads, trash bags, paper towels, toilet paper, old towels, blankets, beds any size, bottled water, hand soap, any size any kind dry dog or cat food



You are cordially invited to the inaugural Fall solo Recital of Hope's Suzuki Strings.

Sunday, November 18, 2018 at 2:30 pm

St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 351 West College Avenue, Jonesboro, AR 72401

This is Free and Open to the Public.

Refreshments will be served after the recital.

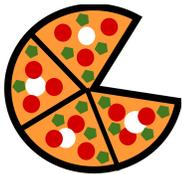
Parishioners: If you know of someone who is in the hospital, ill, injured, or elderly and they would like to receive home Communion or a visit, please let the church office know. 932-2124



For Our Children We are now inviting the children to take a more active role in the church's offering. We're asking our kids to bring a can of food or some other non-perishable item so that during the offertory they can bring the food to altar as an offering. We'll then donate the food to **Helping Neighbors**. So if you have a child, help remind them to bring a can of food!

Some suggestions for this Thanksgiving Season- Stuffing Mix, Canned pumpkin, Cake mix,

Frosting, Cream of Chicken Soup, Cream of Mushroom Soup, Cream style Corn, Green beans, and Cranberry Sauce.



EYC - We meet weekly on Wednesdays at 5-7pm.. ***Thank you to those of you who have provided a meal for 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. Mat & Stephanie



FREE

Jonesboro Community Thanksgiving Meal

Jonesboro Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Thursday, Nov. 22, at 11 am: St. Bernards

Auditorium, 505 E. Washington. Churches from all over Jonesboro come together each year to provide

a meal to the hungry on Thanksgiving Day. Last year we served 1,825 total meals. Traditionally St. Mark's has contributed money to purchase cranberry sauce for this event, the cost to provide cranberry sauce is around \$400.00. We would love to do this again. If you would like to help with a donation, please make a note on the memo line of your check, or on your envelope for "Community Thanksgiving Dinner". Volunteers report at 9:30am to help serve. Bring homemade or store bought desserts to Auditorium 1-5pm Wed. before Thanksgiving.

WEEKLY REPORT

Last week # 44		Through 11/04/2018	
Attendance	138	Actual Income	\$211,208.93
Actual Offering	\$4,966.67	Budgeted	\$234,960.00
Needed for Budget	\$5,340.00	Surplus (Shortage)	-\$23,751.07
Surplus (Shortage)	-\$373.33		
Current Cash	\$64,869.01	Food Pantry	\$40.00
Loan Balance	\$139,074.03	Two Saints	\$0.00

Helping Neighbors Food Pantry Thank you for your donations of \$40 and 21 lbs. of food this week. Your continued support is a blessing to many families!

Things to Donate to Helping Neighbors: *Some suggestions for this Thanksgiving Season- Stuffing Mix, Canned pumpkin, Cake mix, Frosting, Cream of Chicken Soup, Cream of Mushroom Soup, Cream style Corn, Green beans, and Cranberry Sauce.* 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.

Two Saints Kitchen On November 3, 2018 Team #7 served spaghetti, corn, green beans, and bananas to 45 people, with several seconds.

FYI If you shop at Kroger and have Kroger Card you can add Two Saints Kitchen Inc. to your Community Rewards. The amount you spend is tabulated and Kroger donates a portion back to groups in the community. To do this: access your card's profile and look on the left for the "Community Rewards" tab, enter the enrollment number for Two Saints. Inc. : UY029. Thank you for helping feed the hungry in Jonesboro!

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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