

Parish Activities - Week of January 29-February 5, 2017



Sunday, January 29

8:00am Morning Prayer I (Bishop's message)
 9:15am Adult Class
 9:30am Choir Rehearsal
 10:15am Youth Chapel
 10:30am Morning Prayer II
 (Bishop's message)

Monday, January 29

10:00am Parish Life Meeting

Tuesday, January 31

8:00pm Open AA

Friday, February 3

Office Closed
 8:00pm Open AA

Saturday, February 4

8:30am EMF at Greenwood
 9:00am Altar Guild
 9:30am - noon Food Pantry
 8:00pm Open AA

Sunday, February 5 - The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

8:00am HE I
 9:15am Adult Class
 9:30am Choir Rehearsal
 10:15am Youth Chapel
 10:30am HE II

Serving Today

LEM: (8 a.m.) C. Geiger
 (10:30 a.m.) Emily T.-G.

Lector: P. Gordon
Acolyte: Mark P.

Altar Guild: L. Jacobi
Ushers: TBD

Youth Chapel and Nursery:
 Emily T.-G., TBD

Counters:
 B. Wilsie, B. Heartwell

Coffee Hour:
 Allen & Ann Layman

PEWS NEWS

ANNOUNCEMENTS and UPCOMING EVENTS

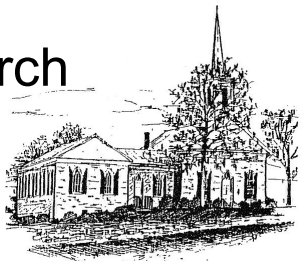
- † 01-30 Parish Life Meeting at 10:00 in Ministry Center
- † 02-04 EMF at Greenwood Restaurant, 8:30am
- † 02-06 Dorcas Guild (Quilting/Needlework) in Youth Center, 1:00pm
- † 02-14 Vestry Meeting, 3:00pm
- † 02-16 Dorcas Guild (Quilting/Needlework) - 1:00pm
- † 02-20 Parish Life Meeting - 10:00am in Carico Library

Take a look at what's coming up at St. Mark's!

- ◇ Shrove Tuesday - Feb. 28
- ◇ Ash Wednesday - March 1
- ◇ First Sunday in Lent - March 5
- ◇ Lenten Suppers - March 8, 15, 22, 29; April 5
- ◇ Willis's first Sunday - March 19
- ◇ Appalachian Vespers - March 19, April 23, May 21 - 4pm at Emmanuel Chapel
- ◇ Palm Sunday - April 9
- ◇ Easter Sunday - April 16

Take this list and a moment of your time to put them on your calendar, in your smartphone or planner, write them on your hand, or however you keep track of things for your schedule! Times for Lenten suppers TBD.

**Saint Mark's Episcopal Church
 Fincastle, Virginia**



A shared ministry parish, called to:
 Know Christ and make Christ known

**The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
 10:30am Morning Prayer II
 January 29, 2017**

Prelude
 Youth Chapel Blessing
 Processional *Christ is the world's true light.* Hymn 542
 Opening Sentences BCP 76
 Confession (Second Bidding) BCP 79
 Invitatory. BCP 80
 Jubilate BCP 82 (S-42)

Preparing the Word Lectionary Year A

Today's scriptures underline the upside-down nature of life in God's kingdom. The prophet Micah proclaims that the only sacrifice God wants is justice. Paul insists that God's foolishness and weakness are more powerful than worldly wisdom and strength. In the Beatitudes, Jesus describes true happiness in a way of life that runs contrary to ordinary human expectations.

Psalm 15. BCP 599

First Lesson Micah 6:1-8
 Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. "O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord." "With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

CALL ON HIS NAME



Pledge Status

	Month of	YTD
2016 Pledges	December	12/31
Pledges Received	\$10,715	\$103,160
Pledges Budgeted	\$9,512	\$114,145
Non-Pledge Donations	\$3,965	\$40,855
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St. Mark's Episcopal Church
 Our Lord Jesus Christ, Permanent Rector of St. Mark's
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 Tommy Hunter, Organist Gret Kidd, Choir Director
 Gina Painter, Office Manager
 Sunday morning services at 8am and 10:30am
 Adult Class at 9:15am
 Nursery-Child Care available from 10:15am to 12:15pm
 Office Hours Monday - Thursday 9:00am to 2:30pm

Canticle 9S-214

Second Lesson**1 Corinthians 1:18-31**

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength. Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

Gradual Hymn. Blest are the pure in heart Hymn 656

Third Lesson**Matthew 5:1-12**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

The Bishop’s Message.(Read by LEM)

Apostles Creed BCP 96

Offertory.*What does the Lord require.*Routley

Presentation HymnHymn 380, V. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Lord’s Prayer (traditional) BCP 97

Suffrages BBCP 98

Collect of the DayBCP 215

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Collects for Sunday, GuidanceBCP 98, 100

Second Prayer for Mission. BCP 100

Intercessions (See Prayers of the People)

The General ThanksgivingBCP 101

A Prayer for our new Rector and his family

Almighty God, we give you thanks and praise for your love and for sending (Fr.) Willis and his family to us. We ask you to continue to fill them and us with the fire of Your love and a passion for mission that Your ministries among us will reveal Your presence in St. Mark’s and the whole community. In Jesus name we pray. Amen

Hymn in Recession Help us, O Lord, to learn.Hymn 628

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Dismissal

Postlude

**8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Rite I
The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**

Opening Sentences.BCP 38

Confession (Second Bidding). BCP 41

The Invitatory & Psalter.BCP 42

Venite. BCP 44

Psalm 15 BCP 599

First Lesson**Micah 6:1-8**

Canticle 2. BCP 49

Second Lesson. **1 Corinthians 1:18-31**

Canticle 6BCP 52

Third Lesson **Matthew 5:1-12**

The Bishop’s Message(Read by LEM)

The Apostles Creed.BCP 53

The Offertory

The Lord’s PrayerBCP 54

The Suffrages A. BCP 55

The Collect of the Day.BCP 164

Collects for Sunday, Guidance. BCP 56, 57

Second Prayer for MissionBCP 58

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Parish Announcements

Dismissal

Prayers of the People

Prayer requests for individuals and families are left on for 4 Sundays unless requested. If you wish for someone to be left on longer, please let the office know at the time you make the request.

**ANGLICAN CYCLE AND COMPANION PRAYERS:
The Diocese of Lichfield - (Canterbury, England) and THE DIOCESE OF HAITI; Our Companion DIOCESE OF LEEDS (The Rt. Rev. Nicholas Baines, Bishop).**

**DIOCESE OF SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA:
Pray for all participants in our Annual Convention and their safe travels.**

MINISTRIES OF ST. MARK’S: Choir.

IN OUR ARMED FORCES: Nicholas Borsa; David Diaz; Patrick Funkhouser; Steve Funkhouser; Catharina Lindsey.

THANKSGIVING: For those celebrating birthdays this week: **Michael Scott (2/2); Charlotte Hagan (2/3).** For **Willis Logan** and his family.

Altar flowers are given to the glory and honor of God by His appreciative congregation.

THOSE IN NEED: Mary Lou Arney; Daniel Beasley; Carol Brenner; Brooks Cabe & his family; Mel Carico; Charlene; Jae-Woon Choi; Lynn Clark; Chris; Christine E.; Dan Collins; Angela Coon; Cora; Jane Daniel; Dabney Weaver Dwyer; Bill Eddins; Audrey Fontenot; Drax Geiger; Steve Gibson; Steve Gordon; Karen Gray; Helen Gregory; Gretchen Greiner; Jack Guarino; baby Roman Halton; Tammy Hamilton; Stuart Hickey; Charles Holland; Laura Holt; Jan; John & Elaine; Yvonne Killers; Suok Kim Cindy Lanford; Christine Lawhorne; Joyce Layman; Hannah Levis; Ray M.; MaryStone; Greg Miller; Mary Lou Mullis; Edward Neil; Noah; Janet P; Jim Pate; David Peszko; Flash Reynolds; Bee Ring; Denise Robertson; Brook Roncinske; Savannah; Butch Thompson; Ethan Todd; Kelly Van Aken; Sherry Vinson; Isabelle W.; Susan W.; Reedie Waid; Bob Webb; Nancy Wells; Edwin Yarter.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: SaraBeth Hammond; Lois Farmer; Rodney Downie; Stephan Williams.

THOSE GRIEVING: The Hammond; Farmer; Downie and Newbern; Williams, Hopkins and Levis families.

OUR 2017 VESTRY: Pam Garrison, Carole Geiger, Peter Howarth, Gret Kidd, Ola Manley, George Sydnor, and Bruce Wilsie.