

Parish Activities - Week of December 24-30, 2017



Sunday, December 24 - The Fourth Sunday of Advent

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

Monday, December 25

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Office Closed

Tuesday, December 26

8:00pm Open AA meeting

Wednesday, December 27

Office Closed
Gina on vacation
11:00am Eucharist Service at The Glebe

Thursday, December 28

Office Closed
Willis on vacation

Friday, December 29

Office Closed
Willis on vacation
8:00pm Open AA

Saturday, December 30

Willis on vacation
9:00am Altar Guild
9:30am - noon Food Pantry
8:00pm Open AA

ANNOUNCEMENTS

† The office will be closed this week for Christmas and vacations and will be open again on January 2.
† EMF will meet on January 6th at 8:30am at the Greenwood Restaurant.
† Twelfth Night Charity Concert is Saturday, January 6th at 7pm at Attic Productions Theater in Fincastle. Lonesome River Band will perform.
You can get your tickets in the church office.

WELCOME & INFO

A Very Warm Welcome to you!

We are so glad that you are with us, today. Our prayer each Sunday is that St. Mark's will be a place of refuge, rest, care, and love. We pray for God's grace to touch all those who walk through our red doors. Our red doors remind us of the blood shed on the Cross for you and me.

We would love to get to know you better so please fill out a newcomer card if we do not have your information already on file. You can return the card to the ushers or place them in the collection plate.

A few notes about Sundays at St. Mark's:

Communion - Everyone is welcome to receive the bread and wine. You may receive only the bread or the wine if you wish. If you want to come forward and receive a blessing, then please cross your arms as you come to the Communion Rail.

Adult/Family Education - Our adult Sunday school begins at 9:15 in the ministry center (building below the Church).

Offertory - The loose plate offering on the 4th Sunday of each month is directed to the Rector's discretionary account.

Membership - Looking for a church home? We are looking for you! Willis would love to talk to you about Baptism, Confirmation and joining the church. Note that once you walk through our doors, we consider you a "member"!

Coffee and Fellowship - light refreshments are offered during the adult education hour and immediately following the 10:30 service in the Parish Hall.

Again, we are so happy to see you today!

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

The Rev. G. Willis Logan, Rector
Tommy Hunter, Organist Gret Kidd, Choir Director
Gina Painter, Office Manager/Vestry Clerk
Vestry (Lay Leadership)
Pam Garrison (Sr. Warden) * Carole Geiger (Associate Warden)
Ola Manley, Treasurer * Peter Howarth (Property Manager)
Bruce Wilsie * Gret Kidd * George Sydnor

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Sunday Morning

Holy Communion at 8am and 10:30am
Adult Class (Ministry Center) at 9:15am
Children's Chapel from 10:30am - 11:10am
Nursery-Child Care available from 10:15am to 11:45am

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

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



**10:30AM LESSONS & CAROLS
HOLY EUCHARIST II
DECEMBER 24, 2017**

Prelude
Opening Hymn.....Once in royal David's city.....Hymn 102
(Choir sings verse 1, then all join and sing together)

The Bidding Prayer (standing)
The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**After each lesson the Reader says, "The Word of the Lord."
The Congregation responds, "Thanks be to God."**

THE FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Christ's birth and kingdom are foretold by Isaiah.

Reader: Pam Garrison
Congregation: Prepare the way, O ZionHymn 65

THE SECOND LESSON: Isaiah 11:1-9

The peace that Christ will bring is foreshown.

Reader: Walter Michael
Congregation: Come, thou long expected Jesus. Hymn 66

THE THIRD LESSON: Luke 1:26-35, 38

The angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Reader: Anna Preston
Congregation: The angel Gabriel from heaven came. Hymn 265

THE FOURTH LESSON: Luke 2:1-7

St. Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.

Reader: George Sydnor
Congregation: O Little town of Bethlehem. Hymn 78

THE FIFTH LESSON: Luke 2:8-16

The shepherds go to the manger.

Reader: Emily Moore
Congregation: While shepherds watch their flocks by night. Hymn 94

THE SIXTH LESSON: John 1:1-14

St. John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation.

Reader: The Rev. G. Willis Logan
Congregation: O come, all ye faithful Hymn 83

A Greeting The Rev. G. Willis Logan

Offertory.....Jesus, My Savior, Born in a Manger.....Mengel

The Presentation Hymn.....Hymn 380 (Vs. 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 HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A.....BCP 361

SanctusHymn S-129
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 Consecration PrayerBCP 362

The Lord's Prayer.....BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread.....BCP 364

The Invitation to Communion

Communion Hymn

... The first Nowell the angel did sayHymn 109

Post Communion PrayerBCP 365

The Blessing.....BCP 365

Closing Hymn.....Hark! The herald angels sing.....Hymn 87

Dismissal

Please join us downstairs for refreshments and fellowship

Postlude

8:00AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation.....BCP 323

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

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

Kyrie.....BCP 324

Collect of the Day.....BCP 160

First Lesson**2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16**

The **Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26**.....BCP 713

Second Lesson.....**Romans 16:25-27**

The Holy Gospel.....**Luke 1:26-38**

Before the Gospel "Glory to thee, O Lord"; After Gospel "Praise to thee, O Christ"

Sermon.....The Rev. G. Willis Logan

The Nicene Creed.....BCP 326

Prayers of the People.....BCP 328

The Confession.....BCP 331

The Peace.....BCP 332

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory & Doxology

V. All things come of thee, O Lord; R. And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer I).....BCP 333

Sanctus.....BCP 333

The Lord's Prayer.....BCP 336

The Breaking of the Bread.....BCP 337

The Invitation to Communion

Post Communion Prayer.....BCP 339

The Blessing.....BCP 339

Parish Announcements

Dismissal

Today's 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.

DIOCESE OF SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA: The people and Rector of St. Peter's, Callaway.

MINISTRIES OF ST. MARK'S: Ushers, Acolytes, the Choir, Altar Guild, Lectors, Stewardship Counters, and Lay Eucharistic Ministers.

IN OUR ARMED FORCES: Nicholas Borsa; David Diaz; Patrick Funkhouser; Steve Funkhouser; Erin Funkhouser; Catharina Lindsey; Andrew Tucker; Caleb Bradley; Eric Burton; Mason Alexander.

THANKSGIVING: For those celebrating birthdays this week: Bette Mahony (12/25).

THOSE IN NEED: Kathy and Terry Austin; Ben; Carol Brenner; Mel Carico; Charlene; Chris; Audrey Clark; Lynn Clark; Sandra Claytor; Angela Coon; Cora; Jane Daniel; Kathy Davis; Debby; Christine E.; Judy Echols; Audrey Fontenot; Renee Fowler; Mary Gibson; Steve Gibson; Helen Gregory; Gretchen Greiner; Roman Halton; Tammy Hamilton; Jim Harris; Stuart Hickey; Charles Holland; Laura Holt; Lawton Kasey; Cindy Lanford; Sharon LaVonne Kidwell; Christine Lawhorne; Allen Layman; Steve M.; Greg Miller; Frances Mounfield; Mary Lou Mullis; Susan Narr; Edward Neil; Juliana Nganele; Thomas Nganele; Lana Gail O'Neal; Janet P; David Peszko; Flash Reynolds; Brook Roncinske; Conley Saunders; Savannah; Brenda Simmons; Ethan Todd; Tracy; Sherry Vinson; Susan W.; Reedie Waid; Paige Ware; Fayette Weaver; Nancy Wells; Denise Williamson; Jennifer Woodson.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING:

St. Mark's Prayer Ministries

† Willis is available to talk and pray: call, email or text him.

† *We Care Ministry:* A prayer and service ministry for St. Mark's

† Contact: Carole Geiger (geiger.caroleb@gmail.com)

† Prayer Chain: Emergency situations contact Susan Hays by phone