

Parish Activities - Week of December 3-9, 2017



Sunday, December 3 - The First 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 4

- 1:00pm Dorcas Needlework Guild in the Youth Center

Tuesday, December 5

- 12:00pm Southern Botetourt Clergy Meeting
- 8:00pm Open AA meeting

Thursday, December 7

- 12:00pm Brown Bag Bible Study

Friday, December 8

- Office Closed
- 8:00pm Open AA

Saturday, December 9

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

Serving Us Today

The Rev. G. Willis Logan

LEM: (8:00am) J. Howarth
(10:30 a.m.) R. Manley

Lector: G. Sydnor

Acolyte: Gracie R.

Crucifer: Tyler R.

Altar Guild:

T. Trammell, S. Loeschen

Ushers:

P. Neil, O. Jacobi

Youth Chapel and Nursery:

T. Trammell

Counters:

G. Sydnor, K. Beasley

Coffee Hour:

Charlie & Judy Echols

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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Office Hours Monday - Thursday 9:00am to 2:30pm

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Sunday Morning

Holy Communion at 8am and 10:30am

Adult Class (Ministry Center) at 9:15am

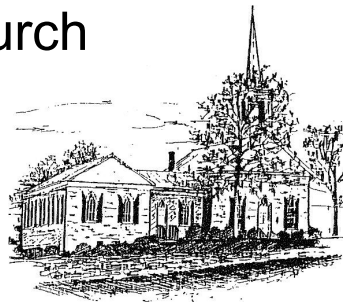
Children's Chapel from 10:30am - 11:10am

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



**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
10:30AM HOLY EUCHARIST II
DECEMBER 3, 2017**

Prelude

Silent Procession

Opening Hymn.....O Come, O Come Emmanuel.....Hymn 56

Opening Acclamation.....BCP 355

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

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

The Kyrie Eleison.....Hymn S-95

Collect of the day.....BCP 211

Children's Homily

First Lesson.....**Isaiah 64:1-9**

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence--as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil--to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

The **Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18**.....BCP 702

Second Lesson**I Corinthians 1:3-9**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◇ The Brown Bag Bible Study will meet Thursday, Dec. 7 at noon
- ◇ Remember to reserve your spot for the Christmas Luncheon at The Glebe on Dec. 12th! Tickets are \$13.50.
- ◇ There will be a Vespers Carol Sing on Sunday, December 17th at 4pm at Emmanuel Chapel in Eagle Rock

December 24 --

8:00am - Holy Eucharist I

10:30am - Lessons & Carols with communion

4:00pm - Christmas Eve Service (full choir, children's homily, communion, and Silent Night sung with candles)



Christmas Eve Schedule

also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Gradual.....Lo! He comes, with clouds descending.....Hymn 58

The Gospel.....**Mark 13:24-37**
Before the Gospel "Glory to You, Lord Christ" After Gospel "Praise to You, Lord Christ"

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

The Sermon.....The Rev. G. Willis Logan
The Nicene CreedBCP 358
The Prayers of the People, Form IV.....BCP 388
The Confession.....BCP 360
The Peace and Announcements.....BCP 360
Offertory.....Wake, Awake.....Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

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 Hymns
... Watchman, tell us of the night.....Hymn 640
... Jesus came, adored by angels.....Hymn 454
Post Communion PrayerBCP 365
The Blessing.....BCP 365
Recessional Hymn...The King shall come when morning dawns....Hymn 73
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 159
First Lesson**Isaiah 64:1-9**
The **Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18**.....BCP 702
Second Lesson.....**I Corinthians 1:3-9**
The Holy Gospel.....**Mark 13:24-37**
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 clergy of St. Paul's, Lynchburg.

MINISTRIES OF ST. MARK'S: Children's Chapel and Adult Education.

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

THANKSGIVING: For those celebrating birthdays this week: **Kim Swanson (12/8); Walter Michael (12/9).**

THOSE IN NEED: Kathy and Terry Austin; Ben; Sandra Sue Bolton; Carol Brenner; Mel Carico; Charlene; Chris; Audrey Clark; Lynn Clark; Angela Coon; Cora; Kara Cordell; Lee Cronise; 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; Cindy Lanford; Christine Lawhorne; Linda & Dwight; Louise Lipes; John M.; Greg Miller; Frances Mounfield; Mary Lou Mullis; Susan Narr; Edward Neil; Cason Newbern; Juliana Nganele; Thomas Nganele; Janet P; David Peszko; Flash Reynolds; Brook Roncinske; Conley Saunders; Savannah; Ethan Todd; Sherry Vinson; Susan W.; Reddie Waid; Paige Ware; Nancy Wells.

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