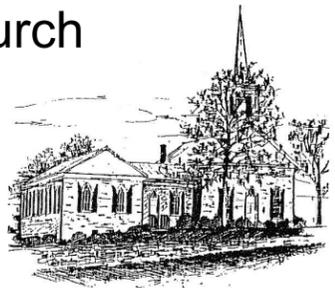




A shared ministry parish, called to:
Know Christ and make Christ known



Sunday, July 16 - The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00am HE I
9:15am Adult Class - We will continue our study of Acts
10:30am Children's Chapel
10:30am HE II
4:00pm Appalachian Vespers

Tuesday, July 18

8:00pm Open AA

Thursday, July 20

1:00pm Dorcas Needlework Guild

Friday, July 21

Office Closed
8:00pm Open AA

Saturday, July 22

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

Serving Us Today

The Rev. Canon Connor B. Gwin

LEM: (8:00am) C. Geiger
(10:30 a.m.) R. Manley

Lector: L. Webb

Acolyte: Gracie R.

Crucifer: Tyler R.

Altar Guild:

E. Moore, O. Manley

Ushers:

O. Jacobi, K. Cahoon

Youth Chapel and Nursery:

Emily T.-G.

Counters:

G. Sydnor, B. Heartwell

Coffee Hour:

Manleys & K. Cahoon

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 - All baptized Christians are 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) and we offer Nursery at this time, too.

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

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)
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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 12:15pm

Prelude
Processional.....Come, thou fount of every blessing.....LEVAS 111
Opening Acclamation.....BCP 355
Celebrant: Blessed by God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit
People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
Gloria.....Hymn S-280
Collect of the Day.....BCP 231
Children's Homily

First Lesson.....**Genesis 25:19-34**
These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger." When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

The **Psalm 119:105-112**.....BCP 772
Second Lesson**Romans 8:1-11**
There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of

Announcements

- We welcome The Rev. Canon Connor B. Gwin to our service today.
- Appalachian Vespers will be held at Emmanuel Chapel today at 4:00pm. The Rev. Canon Connor B. Gwin will celebrate, with George Honeycutt and friends bringing the music.



death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Gradual Hymn.....Rock of Ages.....Hymn 685

The Gospel.....**Matthew 13:1-9,18-23**
Before the Gospel "Glory to You, Lord Christ" After Gospel "Praise to You, Lord Christ"

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!" "Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

The Sermon.....The Rev. Canon Connor B. Gwin
 The Nicene CreedBCP 358
 The Prayers of the People, Form IV.....BCP 388
 The Confession.....BCP 360
 The Peace and Announcements.....BCP 360
 Offertory Hymn.....Surely it is God who saves us.....Hymn 679

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
 One bread, one body.....LEVAS 151
 Blessed Jesus, at thy word.....Hymn 440

Post Communion PrayerBCP 365
 The Blessing.....BCP 365
 Recessional Hymn.....Spread, O spread, thou mighty word.....Hymn 530
 Dismissal
 Postlude

8:00am HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation.....BCP 323
Celebrant: Blessed by God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit
People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
 Kyrie.....BCP 324
 The Collect of the Day.....BCP 179
 First Lesson**Genesis 25:19-34**
 The **Psalm 119:105-112**.....BCP 772
 Second Lesson.....**Romans 8:1-11**
 The Holy Gospel.....**Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**
Before the Gospel "Glory to thee, O Lord"; After Gospel "Praise to thee, O Christ"

Sermon.....The Rev. Canon Connor B. Gwin
 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 Aidan Community and their director.

MINISTRIES OF ST. MARK'S: We Care Team and Prayer Ministry.

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

THANKSGIVING: For those celebrating birthdays this week: **Zachary Moore, Amie Uotinen (7/18); Mel Carico (7/21); Sarah Hagan (7/22).**

Altar flowers are given to the glory and honor of God by Judy Newbern in gratitude for family.

THOSE IN NEED: Carol Brenner; Estelle Brodeur; Brooks Cabe & his family; Mel Carico; Charlene; Jae-Woon Choi; Chris; Lynn Clark; Angela Coon; Cora; Jane Daniel; Kathy Davis; Janet Dey; Diane; Christine E.; Bill Eddins; Jett Field; Audrey Fontenot; Renee Fowler; Steve Gibson; Steve Gordon; Helen Gregory; Gretchen Greiner; Jack Guarino; baby Roman Halton; Tammy Hamilton; Stuart Hickey; Charles Holland; Laura Holt; Sidney Hunter; Don Irons; Jan; Yvonne Killers; Cindy Lanford; Christine Lawhorne; Greg Miller; Mary Lou Mullis; Bertha Nalls; Susan Narr; Edward Neil; Juliana Nganele; Janet P.; Noah P.; David Peszko; Flash Reynolds; Robyn; Brook Roncinske; Conley Saunders; Savannah; Alison Sower; Ethan Todd; Sherry Vinson; Isabelle W.; Susan W.; Reddie Waid; Bob Webb; Nancy Wells; Skip Yohe.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Ray Meador.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING: Meador and Cahoon families.

St. Mark's Prayer Ministries

† Willis is available to talk and pray: call, email or text him.
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 † Prayer Chain: Emergency situations contact Susan Hays by phone