



# ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Fincastle, Virginia

10:00 a.m.

February 11, 2024

## THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY Service of Holy Communion, Rite I

PRELUDE

Gavotte II

J. S. Bach

OPENING HYMN

ALLELUIA, SING TO JESUS (vs. 1,3,4)

(#460)

- 1 Alleluia! sing to Jesus!  
his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone;  
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation  
hath redeemed us by his blood.
  
- 3 Alleluia! bread of Heaven,  
Thou on earth our food, our stay!  
Alleluia! here the sinful  
flee to thee from day to day:  
Intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.
  
- 4 Alleluia! King eternal,  
thee the Lord of lords we own:  
Alleluia! born of Mary,  
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:  
thou within the veil hast entered,  
robed in flesh, our great High Priest:  
thou on earth both Priest and Victim  
in the eucharistic feast.

*Alleluia! sing to Jesus*, #460 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898). Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 323

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

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 323

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE SUMMATION OF THE LAW

BCP 324

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

GLORIA (SUNG)

GLORIA IN EXCELCIS

(Pew Insert)

**Gloria. Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

**Gloria. Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 159

O God, who before the passion of thy only-begotten Son didst reveal his glory upon the holy mount: Grant unto us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

CHILDREN'S HOMILY

*People Sit*

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF II KINGS 2:1-12

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**THE PSALM 50:1-6**

BCP 654

1 The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; \*  
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, \***  
**God reveals himself in glory.**

3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; \*  
before him there is a consuming flame,  
and round about him a raging storm.

**4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above \***  
**to witness the judgment of his people.**

5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, \*  
those who have made a covenant with me  
and sealed it with sacrifice."

**6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; \***  
**for God himself is judge.**

GRADUAL HYMN

WHEN MORNING GILDS THE SKIES (vs. 1,2)

(#427)

- 1 **When morning gilds the skies,  
my heart, awaking, cries,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
When evening shadows fall,  
this rings my curfew call,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!**
- 2 **When mirth for music longs,  
this is my song of songs:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
God's holy house of prayer  
hath none that can compare  
with: Jesus Christ be praised!**

*When morning gilds the skies*, #427 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: German, ca. 1800; tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930), alt. Music: *Laudes Domini*, Joseph Barnby (1838-1896).

**A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF MARK 9:2-9**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.  
**People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

*People Sit*

THE SERMON

THE REV. DR. JAN FULLER

*People Stand*

THE NICENE CREED (ALL)

BCP 327

**I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible;  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped  
and glorified;  
who spake by the Prophets.  
And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PARISH PRAYERS

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world, remembering especially all on our Pews News Prayer list.

*(The congregation responds with "Jesus, hear our prayer".)*

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 331

**Celebrant and People:**

**Almighty God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
maker of all things, judge of all men:  
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins  
and wickedness,  
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,  
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,  
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.  
We do earnestly repent,  
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;  
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,  
the burden of them is intolerable.  
Have mercy upon us,  
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
forgive us all that is past;  
and grant that we may ever hereafter  
serve and please thee in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of thy Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

BCP 332

Celebrant:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

COMFORTABLE WORDS

BCP 332

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

THE PEACE & WELCOME

BCP 332

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

Sarabande

J. Brahms

DOXOLOGY

(#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 GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP 340

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**People: It is meet and right so to do.**

SANCTUS

(Pew Insert)

**Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Deus Sabbaoth.  
Pleni sunt coeli et terra.  
Gloria tua, Hosanna in excelsis!**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 336

**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.**

FRACTION

BCP 337

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

AGNUS DEI

*O Lamb of God*

(#S-157)

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.**

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP 337

**We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

BCP 338

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (All Pray Together)

[from the South African Book of Common Prayer (1989).]

**Jesus, may all that is you flow into me.**

**May your body and blood be my food and drink.**

**May your passion and death be my strength and life.**

**Jesus, with you by my side enough has been given.**

**May the shelter I seek be the shadow of your cross.**

**Let me not run from the love which you offer but hold me safe from the forces of evil.**

**On each of my dyings shed your light and your love.**

**Keep calling to me until that day comes when, with your saints, I may praise you for ever. Amen.**

(recited by prisoners who were unable to receive communion during Apartheid)

COMMUNION HYMN

SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD

(#711)

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,  
And all these things shall be added unto you;  
Allelu, alleluia!**

***Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Allelu, alleluia!***

**Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek, and ye shall find,  
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you;  
Allelu, alleluia!**

Words: St. 1, Matthew 6:33; adapt. Karen Lafferty (20<sup>th</sup> cent.). St. 2, Matthew 7:7. Stanza 2 is not part of the hymn as originally written  
Music: *Seek Ye First*, Karen Lafferty (20<sup>th</sup> cent.)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 339

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,

and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN

YE WATCHERS AND YE HOLY ONES

(#618)

- 1 **Ye watchers and ye holy ones,  
bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,  
raise the glad strain, Alleluia!  
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers,  
virtues, archangels, angels' choirs,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
  
- 2 **O higher than the cherubim,  
more glorious than the seraphim,  
lead their praises, Alleluia!  
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,  
most gracious, magnify the Lord,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
  
- 3 **Respond, ye souls in endless rest,  
ye patriarchs and prophets blest,  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,  
all saints triumphant, raise the song,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
  
- 4 **O friends, in gladness let us sing,  
supernal anthems echoing,  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
To God the Father, God the Son,  
and God the Spirit, Three in One,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

*Ye watchers and ye holy ones*, #618 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945). By permission of Oxford University Press. Music: *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from *Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng*, 1623; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). By permission of Oxford University Press.

DISMISSAL

BCP 340

Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Ancient of Days



# St. Mark's Weekly Prayer List

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.

**IN OUR ARMED FORCES:** Patrick Funkhouser; Erin Funkhouser; Caleb Bradley; Nathan Bradley; Mason Alexander; Reeve Alexander; Jimmy Brown; Eric Burton; Ali Taha; Griffith Wood; Logan Ching; and **First Responders**.

**THANKSGIVING:** For those celebrating birthdays this week:  
Conley Saunders (2/13).

*Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God.*

**SEMINARIANS:** Jake Webb, Parker Hughes.

## THOSE IN NEED:

Jason Christian Bayer  
Kris Browning  
Bob Bryant  
Adam Burkley  
Lynn Clark  
Angela Coon  
Cora  
Jacob Crawford  
Jeremiah Crawford  
Suzanne Cronise  
Nonie Diebold  
Eva  
Christine E.  
Brooke Forney  
Yvonne Frazier  
Chelsea G. H.  
Chuck Geiger  
Jim Harris  
Laura Holt McCann  
Pat Honts  
Tommy Hunter

Meg Johnson  
Kay  
Lynne Kessler  
Jim Ketron  
Sue Ketron  
Sharon LaVonne Kidwell  
Yvonne Killers  
Allen Layman  
Leslie  
George Lester  
Mary  
Phillip Maye & family  
Edwina Michael  
Greg Miller  
Liz Moore  
Lisa N.  
Charley Neil  
Edward Neil  
Matthew Neil  
Judy Newbern

Juliana Nganele  
Hi Nicely  
Janet P.  
Doug Paysour  
Emily Perdue  
Roderick Plenge  
Douglas Pomrenke  
Sis Proffitt  
Roman  
Brook Roncinske  
Mario Saade  
Savannah  
Aubrey Scaletta  
Ray Smith  
Naomi Stoltzfus  
Dave VanAken  
Sherry Vinson  
Jeanie Walker  
Chad Whitaker  
Denise Williamson  
Kim Wyrick

**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

## Parish Activities – Week of February 11, 2024

### Sunday, February 11 – The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

10:00am - Holy Communion, Rite I with The Rev. Dr. Jan Fuller.

### Monday, February 12

12:00pm - Bridge Group meets

### Tuesday, February 13

7:00pm - Open AA

11:00am - Service of Holy Communion at  
The Glebe, Fr. Bob Copenhagen -  
Celebrant/Preacher

### Wednesday, February 14

11:00am - Imposition of Ashes at The Glebe  
in Chapel, Fr. Bob Copenhagen

12 noon - Ash Wednesday Service of Holy  
Communion with Imposition of Ashes -  
The Rev. Sue Bentley

4:00-5:30pm - BMA Rehearsal

5:00pm - Piccoli Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm - Community Ash Wednesday Service at St. Mark's Methodist in Daleville

### Thursday, February 15

10:00am - Dorcas Needlework Guild

12:00pm - Brown Bag Bible Study led by Jan Fuller

### Friday, February 16

Office Closed

### Saturday, February 17

9:30am - Noon Food Pantry

7:00pm - Open AA meeting

### **Serving Us Today**

CELEBRANT & PREACHER: THE REV. DR. JAN FULLER

INTERCESSOR: EMILY TALBOT-GUILLOTE

CRUCIFER/CHALICE BEARER: BRIAN WOOD

LECTOR: KAREN BEASLEY

MUSICIAN: ANNA PRESTON

ORGANIST: TOMMY HUNTER

ALTAR GUILD: SUSAN HAYS, SALLY WAID

COUNTERS: WALTER MICHAEL, MIKE PARISH,  
PHIL COFFEY

USHERS: PENNY NEIL, DANIELLE, MARYSTONE,  
HEATHERLYN, HAZELLEIGH



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### **The Rev. G. Willis Logan, Rector**

Tommy Hunter, Organist      Anna Preston, Music Minister

George Sydnor, Treasurer      Sue Spickard, Bookkeeper

Gina Painter, Office Manager/Vestry Clerk

Allison Caldwell, Children's Minister

#### Vestry (Lay Leadership)

Karen Beasley (Senior Warden) \* Dan Collins (Junior Warden)

Charlotte Hagan \* Meggan Laucher \* Walter Michael

Trudy Trammell \* Bruce Wilsie

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