

# ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Fincastle, Virginia 10:00 a.m. August 17, 2025

# THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Service of Holy Communion, Rite I

**PRELUDE** 

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
Duet with Sue Loeschen

arr. V. Labenske

OPENING HYMN

I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT

#490

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.

I want to follow Jesus.

God set the stars to give light to the world.

The star of my life is Jesus.

In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

2 I want to see the brightness of God.

I want to look at Jesus.

Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

Refrain

3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ.

I want to be with Jesus.

When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.

Refrain

*I want to walk as a child of the light*, #490 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Kathleen Thomerson (b. 1934). Copyright © 1970, 1975, Celebration, Aliquippa, PA 15001. All Rights Reserved. Used by permission. Music: Houston, Kathleen Thomerson (b. 1934).

#### OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 323

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

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

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. *Matthew 22:37-40* 

GLORIA (SUNG)

Glory To God

(Pew Insert)

Gloria. (clap); Gloria (clap) In excelsis Deo. Gloria. (clap); Gloria (clap) In excelsis Deo.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 180

Almighty God, who hast given thy only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin and also an example of godly life: Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavor ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

#### CHILDREN'S HOMILY

WILLIS LOGAN

People Sit

#### A READING FROM ISAIAH 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.

He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines;

he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it;

he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah,

judge between me and my vineyard.

What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it?

When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard.

I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured;

I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down.

I will make it a waste;

it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briers and thorns;

I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel.

and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting;

he expected justice, but saw bloodshed;

righteousness, but heard a cry!

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

#### THE PSALM 80:1-2, 8-18

BCP 702 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; \*

2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, \* stir up your strength and come to help us.

shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

- 8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; \* you cast out the nations and planted it.
- 9 You prepared the ground for it; \* it took root and filled the land.
- 10 The mountains were covered by its shadow \* and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.
- 11 You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea \* and its branches to the River.
- 12 Why have you broken down its wall, \* so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?
- 13 The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, \* and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.
- 14 Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine; \* preserve what your right hand has planted.
- 15 They burn it with fire like rubbish; \* at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, \* the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; \* give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
- 18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; \* show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

- My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary,
   Savior divine!
   Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away;
   O let me from this day be wholly thine.
- 2 May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire; as thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire.
- While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide; bid darkness turn to day; wipe sorrow's tears away, nor let me ever stray from thee aside.

My faith looks up to thee, #691 from The Hymnal 1982 — Words: Ray Palmer (1808-1887). Music: Olivet, Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

#### A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE 12:49-56

[Before the Gospel, "Glory be to thee, O Lord." After the Gospel, "Praise be to Thee, O Christ."] Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

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,

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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.
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#### 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 330

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 Now Thank We All Our God arr. I. Good

People Stand

DOXOLOGY tune #618

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

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, RITE I, PRAYER 2

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.

SURSUM CORDA BCP 340

Pew Insert

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: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

#### AGNUS DEI (SUNG)

Pew Insert

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.

#### 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!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you, Seek and ye shall find, Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you; Allelu, Alleluia!

#### 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

#### BEFORE THY THRONE, O GOD, WE KNEEL

#574

- Before thy throne, O God, we kneel: give us a conscience quick to feel, a ready mind to understand the meaning of thy chastening hand; whate'er the pain and shame may be, bring us, O Father, nearer thee.
- 2 Search out our hearts and make us true; help us to give to all their due. From love of pleasure, lust of gold, from sins which make the heart grow cold, wean us and train us with thy rod; teach us to know our faults, O God.
- For sins of heedless word and deed, for pride ambitious to succeed, for crafty trade and subtle snare to catch the simple unaware, for lives bereft of purpose high, forgive, forgive, O Lord, we cry.
- 4 Let the fierce fires which burn and try,

our inmost spirits purify: consume the ill; purge out the shame; O God, be with us in the flame; a new-born people may we rise, more pure, more true, more nobly wise.

Before thy throne, O God, we kneel, #574 from The Hymnal 1982 — Words: William Boyd Carpenter (1841-1918), alt. Music: St. Petersburg, Dimitri S. Bortniansky (1751-1825).

DISMISSAL BCP 340

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE Nocturne J. Sifford

## St. Mark's Weekly Prayer List

Prayer requests for individuals and families are left on for <u>4 Sundays unless requested</u>. 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; 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: **Lisa** Uotinen (8/19).

Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Susan Hays in loving memory of Jane K. Hays.

**SEMINARIANS: Parker** Hughes.

#### THOSE IN NEED:

Carol AndersonChelsea G. H.David OstrowskiJason Christian BayerChuck GeigerJanet P.Lucile BondurantHelen Madine-GregoryDoug PaysourThe Rev. Bob BrodieCrofton HeldRoderick PlengeKris BrowningPat HontsSis Proffitt

Adam Burkley Tommy Hunter Blair Bullock Rives

Bruce & Gabrielle Clouser Infant Jax Roman

Marla Cook Meg Johnson **Brook** Roncinske Sharon LaVonne Kidwell Mario Saade Angela Coon Cora **Stephanie** Keith Savannah Sue Spickard Jacob Crawford Yvonne Killers Jeremiah Crawford Allen Layman Al Suite Suzanne Suzanne Cronise Si Mandros

Bryce Dalton Darlene Martin Mike Thompson

Nonie Diebold Mary Terry

Laura Holt McCann **Sherry** Vinson Connie Diez Josh diPalma Ella Mitchell Jeanie Walker Charlie Webb Carma Duffy Joe Mix Liz Moore Eva Jerry Webb **Charley** Neil Gary Welch Christine E. **Chad** Whitaker Evelyn Edwards **Edward** Neil Matthew Neil **Denise** Williamson **Claire** Ferguson

Brooke ForneyJudy NewbernBruce WilsieJeff FrazierMarie NganeleKim Wyrick

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Robert Wilsie; Jane K. Hays.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING: The Wilsie & Phillips families; Susan Hays and family.

### St. Mark's Prayer Ministries

Willis and Jake are available to talk and pray: call, email or text them.

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 (540) 884-2555

### Parish Activities - Week of August 17, 2025

#### Sunday, August 17 - The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00am - Adult Education in the parish hall. A Visit with Jan Fuller and Book Signing

10:00am - Holy Communion, Rite I

#### Monday, August 18

12:00pm - Bridge Group meets

#### Tuesday, August 19

6:00pm - Vestry Meeting

7:00pm - Open AA

#### Wednesday, August 20

7:30pm - Evening Prayer on Zoom

#### Thursday, August 21

10:00am - Dorcas Needlework Guild

11:30am - Service of Laying on of Hands &

Communion

12:05pm - Brown Bag Bible Study

#### Friday, August 22

Office Closed

#### Saturday, August 23

9:00am to noon - Botetourt Food Pantry

9:30am - Women's Day Retreat

7:00pm - Open AA meeting

### **Serving Us Today**

CELEBRANT: THE REV. G. WILLIS LOGAN

PREACHER: THE REV. DR. JAN FULLER

LEM/INTERCESSOR: EMILY TALBOT-GUILLOTE

2<sup>ND</sup> CHALICE BEARER: MIKE PARISH

LECTOR: KATE PARISH

ACOLYTE: LUKE LAYMAN

MUSICIAN: ANNA PRESTON

ALTAR GUILD: ANN SOWERS, SUSAN HAYS

COUNTERS: JOHN ALEXANDER, TBD

USHERS: DAN & KAREN BEASLEY

#### **Summer Adult Education, Part II**

Aug. 17 – A Visit with Jan Fuller & Book Signing

Aug. 24 - Why God Loves Summer!

Aug. 31 - An Update on Bishop Search Process,

what does it mean for us?

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

Jake Webb, Assistant to the Rector Gina Painter, Office Manager/Vestry Clerk Jim Johnston, Treasurer

Tommy Hunter, Organist Anna Preston, Music Minister Allison Caldwell & Ana Uotinen, Children/Youth Ministers

Vestry (Lay Leadership)

Charlotte Hagan (Senior Warden) \* Phil Coffey (Junior Warden)
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# Sign up now!! August 23, 2025

9:30am - 2:00pm



Drawing the Mind into the Heart: A Contemplative Women's Retreat

#### Led by The Rev. Becky McDaniel

Sign-up sheet is on bulletin board outside the sacristy.

Registration paperwork and information on the retreat are on the window in the Narthex