

ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
2300 BANCROFT WAY
BERKELEY, CALIF.

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost /
The Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi

3 October 2021

10:00 a.m.



Welcome to St. Mark's!

This summer at St. Mark's we began a "soft reopening" to in-person worship. We had hoped to open fully in September, but the Delta variant has intervened.

The service remains in a "pared-down" state for the moment, as we adjust to the remaining COVID-safety requirements. Please wear your mask throughout the service, removing it only to make your communions (communion will be administered in one kind only, standing, at the head of the center aisle; once you have received the Host, move to one of the communion stations at the head of either side aisle to remove your mask and consume the Host).

All clergy and other worship leaders have been fully vaccinated. If you are worshiping with us by livestream, a very warm welcome to you as well—please be patient with us as we work out the kinks entailed in the new camera position.

The COVID-19 restrictions are challenging, but by God's grace and your goodwill, we will be able to continue worship with all joy and thanksgiving.



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Entrance Rite

Entrance Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

Dix

1. For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
2. For the beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
4. For the joy of hu - man love, bro - ther, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
5. For the Church which ev - er - more lift - eth ho - ly hands a - bove,
6. For each per - fect gift of thine to the world so free - ly given,

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight,
friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,
of - fering up on ev - ery shore thy pure sac - ri - fice of love,
faith and hope and love di - vine, peace on earth and joy in heaven,

Christ our God, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

Words: Folliot Sandford Pierpoint (1835-1917), alt.
Music: Dix, melody Conrad Kocher (1786-1872);
arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889);
harm. The English Hymnal, 1906

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The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant
Bless - ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

People
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Collect for Purity

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

Kyrie eleison

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e

e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e -

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Gloria in excelsis S-277

1. Glo- ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo- ple on earth.

2. Lord God, hea- ven- ly King, al- might- y God and Fa- ther, we wor- ship you,

we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,

on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

4. you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re- ceive our prayer.

6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. You a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A men.

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The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Collect for St. Francis of Assisi

Most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may, for love of you, delight in your whole creation with perfectness of joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson

Genesis 2:18-24

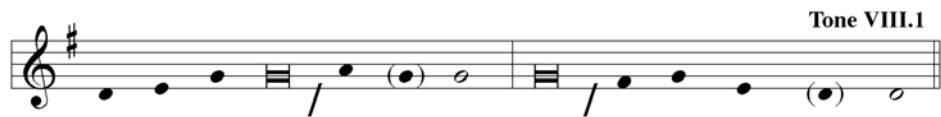
THE LORD GOD SAID, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.” So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, “This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.” Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

Psalm 8

Domine, Dominus noster

Tone VIII.1

- 1 O LORD our / Governor,*
how exalted is your / Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and / children*
your majesty is praised a / bove the heavens.



- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adver/saries,*
to quell the enemy and / the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your / fingers,*
the moon and the stars you have set / in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of / him?*
- the son of man that / you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the / angels;*
- you adorn him with glo/ry and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of / your hands;*
- you put all things / under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and / oxen,*
even the / wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the / sea,*
and whatsoever walks in the / paths of the sea.
- 10 O LORD our / Governor,*
how exalted is your / Name in all the world!

Second Lesson

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

LONG AGO GOD SPOKE TO OUR ANCESTORS in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God’s glory and the exact imprint of God’s very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, “What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet.” Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and

those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, “I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

Alleluia and Verse



*Your words, O Lord, are Spirit and life.
You have the words of everlasting life.*

The Holy Gospel

Mark 10:2-16

¶The Gospeller introduces the Gospel and the people respond with “**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**”

SOME PHARISEES CAME, AND TO TEST JESUS THEY ASKED, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.” Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.” People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

¶The Gospeller concludes the Gospel and the people respond with “**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**”

The Sermon

The Rev. Michael Hiller

The Nicene Creed

All: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

A Litany of Thanksgiving

Leader: Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.
For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.

People: We thank you, Lord.

Leader: For the richness of the mountains, plains and rivers;

People: We thank you, Lord.

Leader: For all creatures that breathe and move and have life;

People: We thank you, Lord.

Leader: For the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers and trees;

People: We thank you, Lord

Leader: For the gift of animals in our lives: for animals that comfort us, delight us and give us companionship;

People: We thank you, Lord.

Leader: For animals that give us wool and feathers to keep us warm; for animals that give us milk, cheese and eggs to help us grow and to keep us healthy; for horses, donkeys and oxen that work hard on farms around the world.

People: We thank you, Lord.

Leader: For being our Good Shepherd, for seeking us when we are lost, for bringing us living water, and for leading us to green pastures.

People: We thank you, Lord.

Leader: Holy God, Giver of all good, we ask that we may continue to grow in our grateful enjoyment of your abundant creation; and above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;

People: To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Leader: And we remember those from our community who have departed on the anniversary of their deaths this week:

Wayne Dykkestén. October 8, 2000
Ben Dawson, October 3, 1989
Marjorie Jorgensen, October 9, 1980
The Rev Dr. Anitra Bingham Kolenkow, October 1, 1996
Cordelia Soares, October 9, 1965

[The People are invited to add their own petitions]

Blessing Prayer

All: Creator God, Source of Light and Life, yours are the praise, the glory, the honor and all blessing. To you alone do all things belong. Be praised for giving us the animals, birds and fish which fill your creation. May we think of you and thank you when we care for our pets and your earth. Help us always to be good stewards of all that you have entrusted to us. O God, the world you have made is wonderful. May we all come into your even greater world, the kingdom of heaven, where with those who have gone before us and those who will come after us, we shall live and love forever. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

¶There is silence for a time, then:

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn 593

1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace: where there is
2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is
3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -
4 May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to
5 Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark

1 hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -
2 gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow
3 soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing
4 love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -
5 night to end - less day: Lord, make us ser - vants of your

1 give; where there is strife, may we make one.
2 light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.
3 hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.
4 ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.
5 peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

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Music: Dickinson College, Lee Hastings Bristol, Jr. (1923-1979) LM
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Sursum Corda S-120

Celebrant People
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant People
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant:[...] Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S-124

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Memorial Acclamation S-133

Celebrant
There - fore we pro - claim the mys - ter - y of faith:
Celebrant and People
Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

Setting: Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens (b. 1933)

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The Celebrant continues [...] through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant
People
A - men.

The Lord's Prayer S-119

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Fraction Anthem

The Celebrant chants the first line, then all join in.

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.

Setting: Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens (b. 1933)

Agnus Dei S-161

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:

have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,

you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

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Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof.
But speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

For those unable to receive the eucharist in-person, the following prayer may be used
“[A]ll the benefits of Communion are received even though the Sacrament is not received with the mouth” (BCP 457)

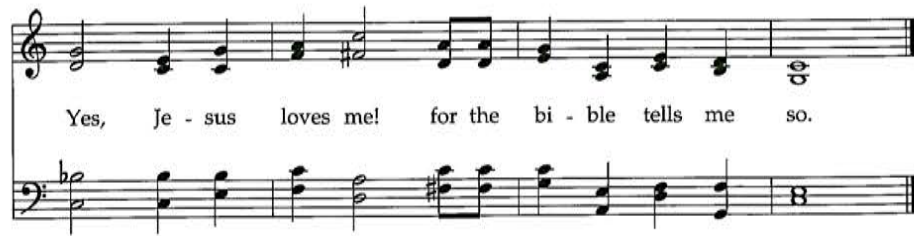
In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Communion Hymn *Voices Found* 163

1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the bi - ble tells me so;
2 Je - sus loves me! he who died, hea - ven's gate to o - pen wide;
3 Je - sus take this heart of mine, make it pure and whol - ly thine;

lit - tle ones to him be - long; they are weak but he is strong.
he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
on the cross you died for me, I will try to live for thee.

Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!



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Post-Communion Prayer

All: Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

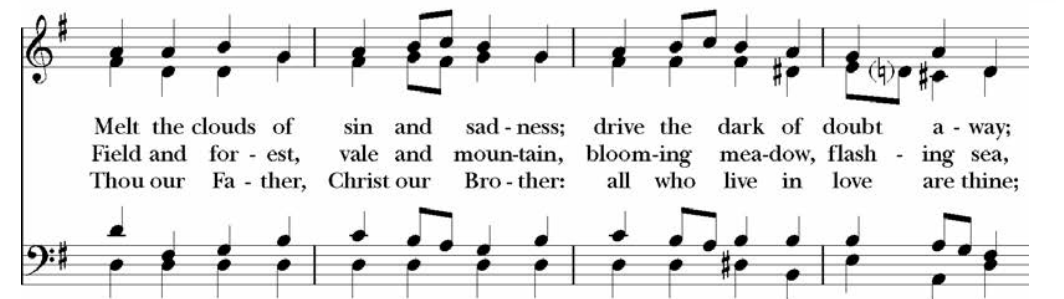
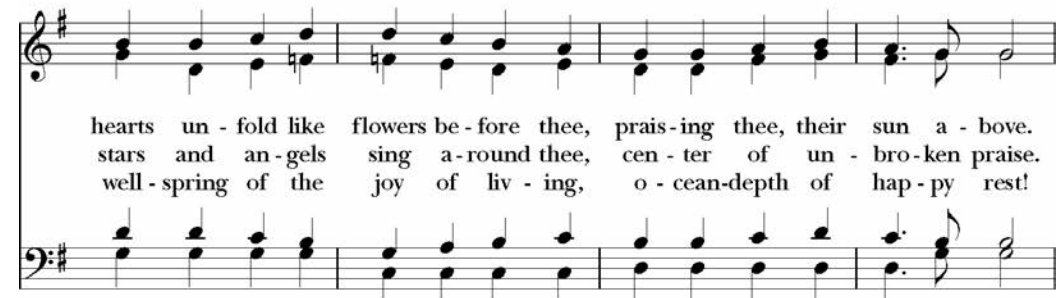
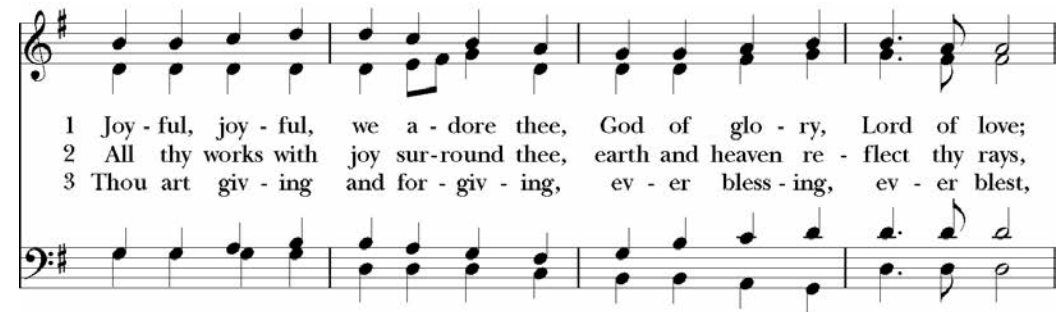
¶The Celebrant will bless the people.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace.

People: Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn 376



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All are invited to join us for virtual coffee hour via Zoom.

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Pet Blessing after Mass!
October 3rd (TODAY), 11:30 a.m.: Blessings on Ellsworth Street

While we can't have our usual pet blessing liturgy, we certainly can still bless your furry, feathered, and/or scaly friends—and you! The Rev. Michael Hiller will be on the west steps of the church on Ellsworth Street with holy water, happy to bless you. If you don't have a pet, just bring yourself! (Masks required.)

Serving This Week

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Rev. Michael Hiller
<i>Director of Music & Organist</i>	George Anton Emblom
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<i>Bidder</i>	Judith Berling
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St. Mark’s Parish Prayer List

In our Parish: Hospitality Ministries - Coffee Hour Hosts, Newcomers Committee, Special Events Host, Ushers & Greeters

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church in Wales

We pray for peace and justice in the world:

- For an end to all prejudice and wrongful discrimination.
- For Earth; for the wisdom and commitment to care for it through our practices.
- For the people serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, domestically and throughout the world.
- For those who find themselves homeless, hungry, and without proper resources.
- For refugees everywhere.

We pray for those with illness or with other needs:

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| • Bill Anderson | • Everett Kinney | • Barbara Renton |
| • Barbara Borsch | • Gus Koerber | • Caroline Rone |
| • Cain family | • Corrie Lassen | • Lisa Rowe |
| • Iris Commins | • Geoff Logan | • Virginia Ruff |
| • Geoffrey Cook | • Ben Lesser | • Kimberly Steil |
| • Michael Cook | • Neil McGraw | • Doris Strakosch |
| • Emily Crowley | • Tim Main | • Drew and Lydia Tweedale |
| • Margaret Deeths | • Karin Milliman | • Teresa Vosper |
| • Nancy Ditzler | • Bob Mills | • Alice Vest |
| • Tristan Donato | • Chris, Alice, Ethan & Hailey Moore | • Wayne Weng |
| • Wren Donato | • Judy Moore | • Louis Weil |
| • The Rev'd Michael Dresbach | • Curtis Morgan | • Diane Whiteside |
| • Dale Evans | • Virginia Muller | • Jean Widaman |
| • Elizabeth Falk | • Jean O'Meara | • Wilkinson Family |
| • Ronald Greene | • Jim Pehling | • Jamey Williams |
| • Martha Greenough | • Peter Piccione | • Michael Willmore |
| • Haverty family | • Emeline Pineda | • Wendy Wisely |
| • Holly Herr | • Lynn Poland | • Fran Youtzy |
| • Janice Hiles | | • Jose and Kim |
| • Diana Hilliard | | • Barbara |
| • Andrew Howarth | | • Laird |
| • Leonard Johnson | | • Bryan |

We pray for those awaiting or recovering from surgery:

- Michael Starkman

We pray for those who have died:

- Lesa Day Reed • Karen Wilson • Norman Macdonald

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

From Generation to Generation

The Prayers of the People will now include the recitation of the names of those from the St. Mark’s Community who have passed away during that week in ages past, specifically from the Sunday to the following Saturday. At the end of the reading of the names, the bidder will invite the congregation to name others as well. In the Jewish tradition, such a list is called the Yahrzeit list. Creating this list is a labor of love, a work in progress, and a list with many intricacies that will continued to be fine-tuned as time goes on. The important thing for the parish community is that we name and remember those who have loved, built, sustained, and enriched the St. Mark’s Community. George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959) captures these sentiments beautifully in the following hymn text:

Our Father, by whose servants our house was built of old,
Whose hand hath crowned her children with blessing manifold,
For thine unfailing mercies far-strewn along our way,
With all who passed before us, we praise thy Name today.
The changeful years unresting their silent course have sped,
new comrades ever bringing in comrades’ steps to tread:
And some are long forgotten, long spent their hopes and fears;
safe rest they in thy keeping, who changest not with years.
They reap not where they labored; we reap what they have sown:
our harvest may be garnered by ages yet unknown.
The days of old have dowered us with gifts beyond all praise:
our Father, make us faithful to serve the coming days.

-Hymn 289 from *The Hymnal* 1982

InAsMuch Offering for October—Fire Relief Appeal of the Episcopal Diocese of Nor. Cal.

Coordinated by the Social Justice Committee, St. Mark’s sponsors a monthly InAsMuch offering named after Jesus’ appeal in the Gospel of Matthew to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, care for the sick, and visit those in prison: *“In as much as you have done it into one of the least of these . . . you have done it unto me”*. Last month St. Mark’s raised funds for The United Thank Offering of The Episcopal Church. Our appeal in November will be dedicated to St. Mark’s Hot Meals ministry and in December to the local PAWS Fund. In December we’ll also post our full calendar for 2022. This month we dedicate our offering to **The Fire Relief Appeal of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern California**. Thanks to its partnership with Episcopal Relief and Development and the generosity of many individuals, churches and charitable organizations, the Diocese of Northern California has already received over \$38,000.00 to respond to the destruction caused by the many fires in northern California, including the major ones we’ve learned so much about in the local and national press, which have made Caldor, Dixie, Fawn, and River household words. Much more assistance is needed for the Diocese of Northern California to continue offering immediate, direct aid to the individuals, families, and communities in need of emergency shelter, food, water, clothing and medical care; and also to maintain commitments for the long-term restoration of devastated homes and neighborhoods. For more information about the Diocese of Northern California’s fire relief endeavors, see www.norcalepiscopal.org. To donate to the October appeal, please place a check made out to St. Mark’s Episcopal Church (with Fire Relief on the memo line) in the offering plate on Sundays or mail it to the Parish Office at 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, CA, 94704. You may also contribute on line using the parish

website <https://stmarksberkely.org/donate/>. Thank you for your generosity! *The Social Justice Committee of St. Mark’s*.

All-Parish Social Hour via Zoom on Thursday, 7 October

This time of pandemic has been challenging for each of us. Breakthrough COVID-19 infections are on the rise and we struggle to know how to maneuver what that means. Cultivating pastoral support within our parish community seems to be even more vital as we continue to march forward into the fall season with so many unknowns. In my service at Temple Sinai, Oakland, I have encountered the following prayer penned by Rabbi Sidney Greenberg (1917-2003):

"May the door of this synagogue be wide enough to receive all who hunger for love, all who are lonely for friendship.

May it welcome all who have cares to unburden, thanks to express, hopes to nurture.

May the door of this synagogue be narrow enough to shut out pettiness and pride, envy and enmity.

May its threshold be no stumbling block to young or straying feet.

May it be too high to admit complacency, selfishness and harshness.

May this synagogue be, for all who enter, the doorway to a richer and more meaningful life."

Interestingly, if one replaces the noun ‘synagogue’ with ‘church,’ I find that synagogue life is community life, and community life is parish life. My experience as a church/synagogue musician has taught me that fostering community is one of the most important aspects of our life together. I also believe that these insightful words of Rabbi Greenberg can offer us here at St. Mark’s a path to help our community grow and, in turn, be a blessing to each other and to the world. His prayer is also an extension of celebrating what we already strive to do here at St. Mark’s, namely ‘Celebrating God’s inclusive love.’ It’s simply that Rabbi Greenberg’s language is more concrete. With this in mind, I cordially invite each of you to attend an on-line zoom gathering on Thursday, October 7, beginning at 6 p.m. I am hopeful that this time will provide an opportunity to share thoughts and ideas to help build a “richer and more meaningful life” together. Also, please *do* encourage others to attend.

Please use the following Zoom link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83517852322?pwd=YW9DMzB6RGVVM3ZlWW9KRGZlZXpmQT09>

Meeting ID: 835 1785 2322 / Passcode: 088955 / One tap mobile: 14086380968

I look forward to seeing you on October 7th at 6 p.m.!

Sincerely,

George Emblom, Director of Music

From the Director of Music:

On Sunday, October 10, the Feast of the Dedication, until Sunday, 21 November, the Feast of Christ the King, we will learn and offer a brand new setting of the Ordinary of the Eucharist composed by Robert Lehman. The “Richmond Mass” was commissioned in 2019, and dedicated to the Association of Anglican Musicians for the 2020 Conference which was to be

held in Richmond, VA. However, due to COVID, that conference was rescheduled to June 2022. Mr. Lehman writes: The mass "was commissioned for the Richmond conference along with many others in an effort to increase the repertoire of congregational settings. Toward that end, I tried to keep mine as simple as possible by trying to make the melodies both diatonic and intuitive. The success of my efforts will be measured by whether it is used, I suppose." Mr. Lehman holds Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in organ performance with honors from Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; a Master of Music degree in church music from Westminster Choir College, Princeton, New Jersey; and he earned a Doctorate from the Graduate Theological Foundation of South Bend, Indiana, where his particular area of study was pre-Reformation English liturgy with emphasis on the Sarum Use and the ecclesiastical music of the English Middle Ages beginning with chant and culminating in the complex polyphony of the late fifteenth-century Eton Choirbook. He has served on the staff of several distinguished churches, including the Washington National Cathedral (of which he is a Fellow), the Princeton University Chapel, and Saint Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in New York City. For fourteen years he served as organist and choirmaster of historic Christ Church in New Haven, Connecticut where, under his leadership, the choir and music program gained an international reputation for excellence. He served The Church of St. Michael & St. George in St. Louis, Missouri as Organist and Choirmaster from 2008-2021. Lehman has appeared with numerous ensembles including the National Symphony Orchestra, the Handel Festival Orchestra, the Washington Chamber Symphony, the St. Louis Symphony Brass, the New Haven Symphony Orchestra, the Choral Arts Society of Washington, the Cathedral Choral Society, the Bach Society of St. Louis, the Carnegie Brass Quintet, the Fine Arts Brass Quintet, the Annapolis Brass Quintet, and the River City Brass Band—the original fully-professional English-style brass band in the United States. He has recorded with several of these ensembles. Maintaining an active career as a performer, Lehman is featured often as a conductor and solo recitalist both in this country and abroad. His discography includes works of J.S. Bach, French Classical Noël's for Christmas, music for organ and brass with members of the River City Brass Band, and works of nineteenth and twentieth century composers. In addition, he has recorded with the Woodley Ensemble, of which he was the founding director, the Christ Church Choir, the Grace Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys of San Francisco and the Washington National Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys for Angel/EMI Records. His compositions are published by several American publishers and have been recorded by leading choirs around the globe. His work is heard regularly over NPR and the BBC, he has authored book chapters and numerous articles on the topic of liturgy and music, and he has been the recipient of many awards and honors.

Commemoration of All Faithful Departed in Observance of All Souls' Day on Monday, 1 November 2021, at 7:30 p.m. Please note that incense will be used at this liturgy.

The names of those who have died during the past year will be read at the altar. If you have names to submit, please submit them no later than Wednesday, 27 October to the parish office at office@stmarksberkeley.org. You are invited to bring photos of loved ones who are no longer living and place them on a table at the south front of the nave. Votive candles will burn on the tables during liturgies in November. Photographs may remain there until the conclusion of the liturgy on Sunday morning, 21 November. The offering received at the service will be for the ongoing work of the ministry of music of St. Mark's Choir Association. Checks may be made payable to St. Mark's Choir Association or a donation may be made on-line: https://www.aplos.com/aws/give/St_Marks_Choir_Association

Welcome from the Campus Ministry to UC Berkeley!
As we enter into the new school year with all of its excitement and possibilities (in all senses), Tom Poynor, the Episcopal Chaplain to Cal, wants all students to know that there is a place for them to connect, be supported, and get some free coffee! Tom hopes to meet you soon and encourages you to be in touch. Please send an email to calcanterbury@gmail.com and Tom will be in touch soon. Welcome (or welcome back), and Fiat Lux!

Weekly Meditation sessions are via Zoom on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. - We will start by listening to a short teaching related to the meditation process and then we will meditate for 20 - 25 minutes. There will be an opportunity for questions and/or discussion, and the evening will end with Compline. These sessions will be suitable for long-time meditators as well as those who have been thinking about starting a meditation practice. Questions - contact b_koerber@comcast.net. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89607974966?pwd=a1F1K1lOQVZTUit3SCtvZ2UzaHpOUT09>
Meeting ID: 896 0797 4966 / Passcode: 6043 / One tap mobile: +16699009128

WEEK AT ST. MARK'S

<u>Monday, 4 October</u>		<i>The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi</i>	
4:00 p.m.	Suitcase Clinic		
<u>Tuesday, 5 October</u>			
5:30 p.m.	Regathering Committee		Zoom
7:00 p.m.	Meditation and Compline		Zoom
<u>Wednesday, 6 October</u>			
5:00 p.m.	Bridge Group		Lion's Hall
5:30 p.m.	Choir Board Meeting		Library
<u>Thursday, 7 October</u>			
6:00 p.m.	All-Parish Social Hour		Zoom
<u>Sunday, 10 October</u>		<i>Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost — Mark 10:17-31</i>	
		<i>Anniversary of St. Mark's Dedication</i>	
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist		Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist		Nave & Livestream
11:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Zoom
3:00 p.m.	Evensong		TBA