

ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, BERKELEY, CA

The First Sunday after Christmas; Morning Prayer

December 27th, 2020; 10:00 a.m. via Livestream

Welcome to St. Mark's!

This Christmastide, we invite you to share in our joy at the dawn of salvation, the invitation to a new start for the whole world in the birth of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Wherever you may find yourself this Christmas, whether at peace or in need of peace, healthy or in need of healing, clear of conscience or in need of forgiveness, know that this holiday is for you; this Child, and the light which shines from his face, is for you. As we receive him afresh, let our joy be a sign to the world that the Light still "shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."

- John 1:5

Music in preparation for worship

Three Preludes on "Vom Himmel hoch" (Hymn 80)

Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau (1663-1712)

In dulci Jubilo (Hymn 107)

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

¶All sit

Hymn 93

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854), alt. Music: *Regent Square*, Henry Thomas Smart (1813-1879)

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Opening Sentence

Officiant: Behold, I bring you good news of a great joy, which will come to all the people; for unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. *Luke 2:10, 11*

Confession of Sin

Officiant: Let us humbly confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

¶Silence is kept for a time.

All: 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.

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

Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia.

Officiant: Alleluia. To us a child is born:

People: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.

Venite S-35

1. Come, let us sing to the
Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal -
va - tion. 2. Let us come be-fore his pres-en-ce with thanks - giv - ing
— and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. 3. For the
Lord is a great God, and a great King a - bove all
gods. 4. In his hand are the cav-erns of the earth,
— and the heights of the hills are his al - so. 5. The
sea is his, for he made it, — and his hands have
mold - ed the dry land. 6. Come, let us bow down, and bend the
knee, — and kneel be-fore the Lord our Ma - ker. 7. For
he is our God, and we are the peo-ple of his
pas - ture — and the sheep of his hand.
— Oh, that to - day you would heark-en to his voice!

Setting: Jack Noble White (b. 1938)

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Officiant: Alleluia. To us a child is born:
People: **Come let us adore him.** Alleluia.

¶All sit

Psalm 147

¶Read antiphonally by verse; the people read the even verses

Laudate Dominum

- 1 Hallelujah!
How good it is to sing praises to our God! *
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!
- 2 The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; *
he gathers the exiles of Israel.
- 3 He heals the brokenhearted *
and binds up their wounds.
- 4 He counts the number of the stars *
and calls them all by their names.
- 5 Great is our Lord and mighty in power; *
there is no limit to his wisdom.
- 6 The Lord lifts up the lowly, *
but casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; *
make music to our God upon the harp.
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds *
and prepares rain for the earth;
- 9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains *
and green plants to serve mankind.
- 10 He provides food for flocks and herds *
and for the young ravens when they cry.
- 11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; *
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
- 12 But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him, *
in those who await his gracious favor.
- 13 Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; *
praise your God, O Zion;
- 14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; *
he has blessed your children within you.
- 15 He has established peace on your borders; *
he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
- 16 He sends out his command to the earth, *
and his word runs very swiftly.
- 17 He gives snow like wool; *
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.
- 18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; *
who can stand against his cold?
- 19 He sends forth his word and melts them; *
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
- 20 He declares his word to Jacob, *
his statutes and his judgments to Israel.
- 21 He has not done so to any other nation; *
to them he has not revealed his judgments.
Hallelujah!

First Lesson

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

¶All stand

Te Deum

S. ELVEY



WE praise thee O God; we acknowledge thee to | be the Lord.
* All the earth doth worship thee, the Father | everlasting.

- 2 To thee all Angels cry aloud;
the Heavens and all the | Powers therein;
* To thee Cherubim and Seraphim con|tinually do cry,
- 3 Holy Holy Holy Lord God of | Sabaoth;
* Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty | of thy **glory**.
- 4 The glorious company of the Apostles | **praise** thee.
* The goodly fellowship of the | Prophets **praise** thee.
- 5 The noble army of Martyrs | **praise** thee.
* The holy Church throughout all the world | doth acknowledge thee;
- 6 The Father of an infinite Majesty;
Thine adorable true and | only Son;
* Also the Holy | Ghost the Comforter.

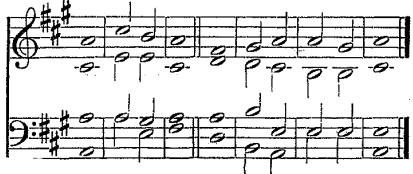
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THOU art the King of | Glory . O Christ.
* Thou art the everlasting | Son of . the **Father**.

- 8 When thou tookest upon thee to de|liver man,
* thou didst humble thyself to be | born of . a **Virgin**.
- 9 When thou hadst overcome the | sharpness . of death,
* thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to | all **believers**.
- 10 Thou sittest at the right | hand of God,
* in the glory | of the **Father**.
- 11 We believe that thou shalt come to | be our Judge.
* We therefore pray thee help thy servants,
whom thou hast redeemed | with thy precious blood.
- 12 Make them to be numbered | with thy Saints,
* in glory | **everlasting**.

S. ELVEY



O LORD save thy people and bless thine | heritage.
* Govern them and lift them | up for **ever**.

- 14 Day by day we | magni.fy thee;
* And we worship thy Name ever | world without end.
- 15 Vouchsafe O Lord to keep us this day with|out sin.
* O Lord have mercy upon us, have | mercy . upon us.
- 16 O Lord let thy mercy be upon us, as our | trust . is in . thee.
* O Lord in thee have I trusted;
let me never | be confounded.

¶All sit

Second Lesson

John 1:1-18

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

¶All stand

Benedictus S-248

1. Bless - ed be the Lord, the God of Is - ra - el; he has come
to his peo - ple and set them free. 2. He has raised up for us
a mighty sa - vior, born of the house of his ser - vant Da - vid.
3. Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us
from our en - e - mies, from the hands of all who hate us.
4. He prom - ised to show mercy to our fa - thers and to remember his
ho - ly cov - e - nant. 5. This was the oath he swore to our father
A - bra - ham, to set us free from the hands of our en - e - mies,
6. Free to worship him with - out fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the

days of our life. 7. You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
 for you will go before the Lord to pre - pare his way, 8. To give
 his people knowledge of sal - va - tion by the for - give - ness of their sins.
 9. In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall
 break up - on us, 10. To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the
 shadow of death, and to guide our feet in - to the way of I nt.]
(Gloria Patri may be omitted)
 11. Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit:
 12. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - nt.]

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The Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth;
 And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
 who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
 born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, dead, and buried.
 He descended into hell.
 The third day he rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven,
 and is seated on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
 From thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Ghost,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Officiant: Let us pray.
All: **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.

Suffrages

Officiant: Show us your mercy, O Lord;
People: **And grant us your salvation.**
Officiant: Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
People: **Let your people sing with joy.**
Officiant: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
People: **For only in you can we live in safety.**
Officiant: Lord, keep this nation under your care;
People: **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
Officiant: Let your way be known upon earth;
People: **Your saving health among all nations.**

Officiant: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People: **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
Officiant: Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People: **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Second Collect

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Third Collect

Lord God, Almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Officiant offers the parish's regular intentions, and bids the people offer their own.

Hymn VF 35

The musical score consists of three distinct sections:

- Section 1:** Treble clef, key of G major (two sharps). The lyrics describe various types of children: Star-child, Street child, Grown child, Spared child, Hope-for-peace child; earth-child, beat child, old child, spoiled child, peace child; go-between of God, no place left to go, memory full of years, having wanting more, God's stupendous sign.
- Section 2:** Treble clef, key of G major (two sharps). The lyrics describe various types of children: love child, hurt child, sad child, wise child, down-to-earth child; Christ child, used child, lost child, faith child, earth child; heaven's lightning rod, no one wants to know, story told in tears, knowing joy in store, star of stars that shine.
- Refrain:** Treble clef, key of G major (two sharps). The lyrics are "This year, this year, let the day arrive, when Christ-mas come for ev-ery-one, ev-ery-one a-live!"

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¶All sit

Meditation

The Rev'd Kenneth Schmidt

¶All stand

Concluding Prayers

Almighty and Everlasting God, from whom comes every good and perfect gift: Send down upon our bishops, and other clergy, and upon the congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of your grace; and, that they may truly please you, pour upon them the continual dew of your blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honor of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

The Grace

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. be with us all evermore. **Amen.** (*2 Corinthians 13:14*)

Hymn 99

Refrain

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and
every where; go tell it on the mountain, that
Jesus Christ is born!

1 While shep - herds kept their
2 The shep - herds feared and
3 Down in a low - ly

watch - ing trem - bled man - ger o'er when the si - silent hum - ble flocks by the lo! a - bove Christ was night, earth born, be - rang and

Repeat Refrain

hold, through-out the hea-vens there shone a ho - ly light.
out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sa - vior's birth.
God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

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Postlude

Ou S'en vont ces gais bergers

Claude Balbastre (1724-1799)

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81900615080?pwd=R2lEejNadkNSOGISL0dZSFJ0dzJVUT09>

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St. Mark's Parish Prayer List

In our Parish: Outreach Ministries – UC Berkeley Canterbury, Hot Meals for the Hungry, InAsMuch Offerings, Suitcase Clinic and the Social Justice Committee

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for Christians in other denominations and the work of the ecumenical movement

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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| • Sean Aaberg | • Anthony (Sandy) Knittel | • Caroline Rone |
| • Bill Anderson | • Gus Koerber | • Lisa Rowe |
| • Christy Blessing | • Ann Lack | • Virginia Ruff |
| • Barbara Borsch | • Corrie Lassen | • Roosevelt Sanders |
| • Brian Brende | • Ben Lesser | • Doris Strakosch |
| • Cain family | • Louise Lindsay | • Paul Strid |
| • Rosemary Campos | • Joan Ludlam | • Teresa Vosper |
| • Geoff Chin | • Neil McGraw | • Alice Vest |
| • Roberta Cleveland | • Tim Main | • Jane Weidman |
| • Geoffrey Cook | • Bob Mills | • Diane Whiteside |
| • Michael Cook | • Rita Minjares | • Wilkinson Family |
| • Emily Crowley | • Judy Moore | • Jamey Williams |
| • Wren Donato | • Bob Morgan | • Michael Willmore |
| • The Rev'd Michael Dresbach | • Curtis Morgan | • Fran Youtzy |
| • Dale Evans | • Virginia Muller | • Jose and Kim |
| • Richard Dean Evans | • Jean O'Meara | • Jonathan |
| • Deborah and Murray Flagg | • Jim Pehling | • Sara |
| • Barbara Forsstrom | • Peter Piccione | • Lynn and Drew |
| • Barbara Fuller | • Emeline Pineda | • Betty Anne |
| • Martha Greenough | • Cindy Pierce | • Barbara |
| • Andrew Howarth | • Lesa Day Reed | • The Haverty family |
| • Leonard Johnson | • Barbara Renton | • Chloe Allman and family |
| • Betty Key | • Cynthia Reynolds | • John |
| • Everett Kinney | • Eileen Rice | • Bob |

We pray for those awaiting or recovering from surgery:

- Mark Harville
- Michael Starkman
- Logan Learned
- Wendy Wisely
- Evelyn Larsen

We pray for those who have died:

- Dr. Joe Karcher

To add a name, change a listing, or share a date of importance on the parish prayer list, please email the Parish Administrator directly at office@stmarksberkeley.org. Be sure to specify which list best suits the need. Please be mindful that this list is meant specifically for parish prayers. The list will be refreshed throughout the year.

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public Office Hours

At the time we would normally be in the chapel for the weekday masses -- 12pm on Wednesdays and Fridays -- Fr. Hiller and Fr. Blake will host an hour's worth of "public office hours" for conversation about prayer, faith, or anything else on your minds. Following our usual pattern, Fr. Hiller will take Friday and Fr. Blake will take Wednesday. Check out the Lion for links.

Thank you to those who have made their 2021 pledge!

Thank you to everyone who has pledged so far! Your support is always appreciated! Thus far, we have received 74 pledges totaling \$266,695. If you haven't pledged yet, remember you can pledge online or Download a pledge card and email it to office@stmarksberkeley.org or mail it to 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, CA, 94704. More information can be found in our Weekly Lion.

Parish Conversations on Racial Justice

Our Sacred Ground program is underway! It's not too late to join, even now. Please just reach out to Toni or Fr. Blake if you'd like to sign up.

December InAsMuch Offering for the PAWS Fund

If you wish to donate to the December InAsMuch Appeal for PAWS send a check (made out to St. Mark's Episcopal Church, with PAWS Fund on the memo line) to the Parish Office at 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, CA 94704 or use the Parish website:

<https://www.stmarksberkely.org/donate/>

The PAWS Fund's was organized in the East Bay in 2011 and granted nonprofit status by the IRS in 2013. Here is their website: <http://pawfund.org/>

THANK YOU for your generosity! - *The Social Justice Committee of St. Mark's*

The View from Saint Luke - Join us as we follow the ministry and teaching of Jesus in the Gospel of Luke. We're in the middle of the Sermon on the Plain. Should you have any questions, please contact Fr. Hiller at priestly@batnet.com. Blessings to you.

The link for every Monday evening at 7:00 is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89767873221?pwd=Ti9vT3VRVkJOUlERXZzSjlGK0syQT09>.

Weekly Meditation sessions are via Zoom on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm.

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. For questions - Barbara Koerber (b_koerber@comcast.net).

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88973398054?pwd=Y2lmbkNOZVZkeFJWY1Ijc0JIY09IZz09>

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MUSIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are cordially invited to attend the Second Sunday Evensong/Organ Recital Series sponsored by St. Mark's, Berkeley, on Sunday, January 10th. Evensong will be offered at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom, followed by an organ recital offered by Brett Judson at 4:00 p.m. via Livestream. The Zoom reception will follow the organ recital, approximately at 4:50 p.m.

Events This Week at St. Mark's

<u>Sunday, December 27</u>	<i>First Sunday after Christmas – John 1:1-18</i>	
10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Livestream
11:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Zoom
<u>Monday, December 28</u>	<i>Parish Office Closed Holy Innocents</i>	
7:00 p.m.	Luke Bible Study	Zoom
<u>Tuesday, December 29</u>	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
7:00 p.m.	Meditation and Compline	Zoom
<u>Wednesday, December 30</u>	<i>Parish Office Closed – No Office Hours</i>	
7:00 p.m.	Choir Gathering	Zoom
<u>Thursday, December 31</u>	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
<u>Friday, January 1</u>	<i>Parish Office Closed – No Office Hours The Holy Name</i>	
<u>Saturday, January 2</u>		
<u>Sunday, January 3</u>	<i>Second Sunday after Christmas – Matthew 2:13-23</i>	
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	Livestream
11:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Zoom