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THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 22, 2017

5:00 PM CONTEMPLATIVE EUCHARIST

Homilist and Presider
The Reverend R. Justice Schunior

Cell Phones – Please turn off your cell phone or other electronic devices at any time you are in the Nave.
Hearing – The T-Coil system can be accessed by using a hearing aid with a T-setting, or by using one of our headsets. Please ask an usher for assistance.

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Childcare: the Nursery is open! Children up to age 3 are welcome. Take the stairs to the lower level; turn right to go down the hall to the Nursery, which will be the last room on your right.

The Parish Calendar is Online at www.stmarks.net/calendar/month.

Restrooms and water fountains are available in the foyer and on the lower level.

Lost & Found is managed by our new maintenance contractor PMM. Please contact the PMM On-Site Team (202-695-9433) to see if your item has been found or to turn in an item you've found.



JANUARY 15, 2017

Attendance:	295
Pledge & Plate collection:	\$24,091.35



The Epiphany Star above the altar is a gift from Joya Cox, it's creator. It is an icosahedron, a figure with 20 plane surfaces, each of which also serves as the base of a pyramid.



SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 am	Holy Eucharist (<i>Family Eucharist is celebrated the second Sunday of most months</i>)
9:00 am	Children's Chapel (<i>not offered when Family Eucharist is celebrated at 9:00 am</i>)
10:00 am	Sermon Seminar
11:15 am	Holy Eucharist
5:00 pm	Contemplative Eucharist

We formally begin the worship service with the Prelude, a musical offering designed to bring us together for worship that allows for quiet reflection before the service begins. Please respect this time by refraining from conversations in the Nave as much as possible. While greeting each other is important, we ask that you do so outside the Nave or near the doors so that others can have quiet time.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Sentences

Presider Arise shine! In Christ, God's light has been revealed to us; It reaches across time and space.

People We have come to see; we have come to follow.

Presider Arise shine! God's light has been revealed to all people; God's glory has been unveiled in all the earth.

People May we go and tell; may we go and share God's light with our needy world.

A period of silence is observed.

The Collect

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

People Give us grace, O God, to answer readily the call of Jesus and proclaim to all people the Good News of God so that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of God's marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Epistle 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to us.

People Thanks be to God

A period of silence is observed.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 4:12-23

Gospeller The Gospel of Jesus according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Gospeller The Gospel of Jesus.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

The Homily

The Reverend R. Justice Schunior

Music for Meditation

An Affirmation

Presider Let us declare our faith in God.

People **We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Leader God who revealed yourself to wise men following a star
Guide all who search and journey towards your light today,
People **God whose light shines like a bright guiding star have mercy on us.**

Leader God who unveiled yourself in the gift of a child,
Show yourself to all who seek after justice and righteousness today,
People **God whose light shines like a bright guiding star have mercy on us.**

Leader God who was baptized with those who declared their repentance in the Jordan river, Manifest yourself to all who come with repentant hearts today,
People **God whose light shines like a bright guiding star have mercy on us.**

Leader God who fed the thousands with a handful of fish and loaves,
Satisfy our hunger with your word of truth and love,
People **God whose light shines like a bright guiding star have mercy on us.**

Leader God who changed water into wine at a wedding,
Fill all who thirst with the free gift of the water of life,
People **God whose light shines like a bright guiding star have mercy on us.**

Leader We invite all to offer prayers of petition, intercession, or thanksgiving silently or if aloud, ending with "This is my prayer," to which all will respond, "**Amen.**"

A time for individual prayers is observed.

Leader Let us pray.
People **Gracious God, we thank you that Jesus' epiphany reaches across time and space. As we go into this night may we embrace your call to come and see, come and follow, go and tell others. May we remember that we are bearers of Christ's light sent out to touch others. Amen.**

A Prayer of Confession

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is observed.

People **Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought,
in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love
and marred your image in us.**

**We are sorry,
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past;
and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light.
Amen.**

Absolution

Presider God forgives you; forgive yourself and go in peace.
People **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of God be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

All, one with another, exchange a sign of peace.

Welcome

Announcements

Please limit announcements to one minute or less.

Clergy Greeting

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Eucharistic Prayer

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

People **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Presider

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider

And now we pray together:

People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name.

Thy kingdom come, they 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

The Invitation to Communion

Presider We, St. Mark's, recognize this as God's table set before us and for all and this bread and wine as God's food for us and for all.
Therefore whoever we are, from wherever we have come, and whatever we believe,

People **All are welcome and invited to receive. Amen!**

The Communion

Post Communion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

People **Gracious God, in this Eucharist you have given us a foretaste of your eternal banquet. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

The Blessing

Presider May the love of the Creator go before you,
May the life of the Redeemer be within you,
May the joy of the Spirit shine through you,
And the blessing of God be with you now and forever.

People **Amen.**

Dismissal

Presider Go into the world knowing you are led by the light of Christ!

People **Thanks be to God!**

Liturgy Request

At St. Mark's, we frequently change the liturgy (the language we use during our worship service). Our goal is to use language that reflects our common effort to put into words our relationship with God. In order to keep the liturgy truly alive and life giving, we need your input. Please feel free to contact the clergy at any time to discuss the liturgy and how the words we say affect you.

Liturgy Source

Opening Sentences, Mustard Seed House; Collect, The Book of Common Prayer, Revised; Affirmation, Prayers of the People, Confession, Post Communion Prayer, Blessing & Dismissal, "Common Worship" Church of England; Eucharistic Prayer, Enriching our Worship.

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Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

Verger Jennifer Cate

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PARISH PRAYER LIST

Gladys Anderson (*Matt Patton's grandmother*) • Grace Aspinall • Federica Barrow •
Alishia Daugherty Bauman (*Kristen Deutsch's cousin, Stephanie and David Deutsch's daughter-in-law*) •
Pamela Blumgart • Janice Brown • Lynda Bugge •
Sylvie Kalas Braddock (*Barbara Nelson's granddaughter*) •
Anne Carter (*Justi Schunior's mother*) • Joya Cox • Deborah Cunningham •
Andrew Earnest (*Lynda Bugge's grandson*) •
Taylor Emerson (*Randy Marks' niece*) • Mr. and Mrs. David Glaze (*of Boulder CO*) •
Dave Haglund • Celia Hahn • Rick Hayes •
Alice Kistler (*Kathryn Powers' sister*) • Dennis Lewis • Elizabeth Long •
Lilly March • Nat Marks • Lila Marks •
Lina Marks (*Randy Marks' mother*) • Jane Miller • Barbara Nelson •
Leslie F. Nickerson (*Frank Nickerson's father and Amelia Nickerson's grandfather*) •
Randell Prothro • Marilyn Stiles • Arnold Taylor • Debbie Keysor and Joyce Gutson



THOSE OF OUR PARISH SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

Vincent Alcazar (*Parishioner*) • Kayla Baily (*Parishioner*) • Blake Bassett (*Parishioner*)
Clint Billings (*son of Kevin Billings and Mary Louise Wagner*)
P. J. Boehm (*brother of Rachel Boehm*) • Preston Brooks (*Parishioner*)
Stephen Dannenmaier (*brother and brother-in-law of Bill and Molly Dannenmaier*)
Jason Earnest (*son of Erika Bugge, grandson of Lynda Smith-Bugge*)
Kurt Hansen (*nephew of Brock and Penny Hansen*)
Weston Zarek (*son of Tom Zarek*)



THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

Sue Dibblee, mother of Michelle Dibblee • Spc. John P. Rodriguez, Hemet, CA



IN THE DIOCESE OF WASHINGTON:

St. Paul's Church, Baden and St. Mary's Chapel, Aquasco
St. Paul's Church, Rock Creek Parish
St. Paul's Church, K Street
St. Paul's Church, Piney Parish
St. Timothy's Parish, Washington
St. Timothy's Child Development Center
Diocesan Convention: The Bishop of Washington, Diocesan Convention Officers, Clerical and Lay
Delegates, Convention Task Force and Committee Chairs (January 28)
Pray for the Mission and Ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington

IN THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION:

Lake Rukwa - (Tanzania) **The Rt Revd Mathayo Kasagara**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements, not to exceed 150 words, are to be submitted to bulletin@stmarks.net by 5:00 pm on the Tuesday preceding the Sunday you wish the announcement to run.

Official Parish Calendar online at: <http://www.stmarks.net/connect/calendar/>

From the Vestry & Parish Leadership

1) The Annual Meeting is March 26 following a 10 am-only morning service. Every year at our annual meeting we elect new leadership that helps Clergy and Staff attend to the day to day business of St. Mark's. All church members are encouraged to attend to elect two wardens, three Vestry members, and two Diocesan delegates as well as consider an amendment to the bylaws changing the term of office for wardens from one to two years with an option to run for one additional year.

A) Running for Office, is a brochure describing the responsibilities of the job openings, is available in the are in the track racks in the Nave.

B) Nominating petitions are also in the tract racks (pink) or available electronically on the website and from members of the Nominating Committee (Peter Sherer, Doris Burton, Jack Burton, Steve Dalzell, Fritz Henn, Martha Huizenga, Bill Dickinson, or Marilu Sherer) and must be submitted no later than COB Feb 19. Submit to Nominating Committee members or drop in the envelope on the foyer grey board.

C) Eligibility To be eligible to vote, you MUST have (a) made a financial contribution [the bylaws do not require a pledge] no later than noon on March 26, 2017 and affirmed your desire to be a member OR (b) be a confirmed Episcopalian whose name is in our parish register. Note: it is an either/or.

2) 2017 Canvass Be. Belong. Give. The formal Canvass period has ended -- many thanks to our stalwart canvassers for canvassing and to so many members for pledging! As of **15 January, we've achieved about 90%** of our goal of \$870,000 and we're down to the last 100-or-so pledgers! If you haven't already, PLEASE make your 2017 Canvass pledge today!

Together we can make that 100% mark and get our 2017 operating budget finalized -- which needs to happen in the next few weeks. To find all the forms and background information you need, go to stmarks.net/donate and click one of the links to "Pledge to Donate in the Future" or "Forms For Making or Paying a Pledge." You can pledge online, you can download a paper pledge form and mail it in, or you can pick one up in the tract racks and either put it in the collection plate or in the office mailbox at the top of the stairs. Questions? Write to Nora Howell at stmarkscanvass@gmail.com.

From the Office

3) bulletin@stmarks.net is here! In an effort to streamline our bulletin production process we have established a St. Mark's bulletin email address: bulletin@stmarks.net Please direct announcements, suggestions, lay leadership volunteer assignments et al and anything else you can think of that is related to the St. Mark's bulletin to the new address. Many thanks!

Worship

4) 11:15 Lay Servers. Would you like to play a central part in our worship? We are recruiting volunteers to be lay servers at the 11:15 service. No particular experience or training is needed although there is a manual. Volunteers generally sign up once a month or once every two months. This is an important, meaningful position. **Contact:** Linda Huntington at 301 279-2248.

5) 11:15 Bread and Wine Rota: January and February are now available on the SignupGenius site: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0949acac29a6fe3-bread>. Put in your request before the rush. We are now requesting 2 bottles of wine until further notice. You can sign up on the website or email me at cecbill@mac.com.

6) Acolyte Service. Interested in being an acolyte at 11:15 services? Participating in the service adds another dimension to your experience of, and is a contribution to, our community's weekly ritual. All the training and support you might need will be provided. Interested? Contact Michael Knipe @haroldknipe@gmail.com, or 202-487-3990.

7) Mark Your Calenders For May 4-6, 2017, for ProgressiveChristianity.org's *EMBRACE FESTIVAL* in Portland, Oregon where you can join hundreds of others from all over the country to experience some of the amazing creativity and spiritual exploration that are undergirding the future of Christianity. In 1994 St. Mark's then rector Jim Adams created The Center for Progressive Christianity, which today is called ProgressiveChristianity.org. This network has continued to lead the way in offering resources for creating sacred community, pursuing social justice, and fostering personal transformation and is now poised for this on-the-ground, in person celebration. Embrace Festival will be packed with information, ideas, workshops and fun. Don't wake up next spring and discover you've already obligated yourself elsewhere! More information at <embracefestival.com> or talk to Susan Flanders, susanflanders@earthlink.net or Janice Gregory, janmaxgreg@gmail.com.

Christian Education

8) INTRODUCTION TO LIFE AT ST. MARK'S. Three sessions from 12:30-2:00, **Sundays, March 5, 12, 19, and May 7, 14, 21.** Opportunities to formally join St. Mark's congregation during a liturgy are on March 26, and May 28. Leaders: The Rev. Michele Morgan and Youth and Family Director Caroline McReynolds-Adams. In the Dozier Library.

9) CATECHESIS: Have you ever wondered what goes on in the Catechesis classrooms? Want to give back to St. Mark's by teaching Sunday School? Hope to connect more closely with St. Mark's youth? We are looking for a few good volunteers to help teach. Catechesis runs from late September through May each year. Training is provided. If you'd prefer to try a couple classes before committing to the full year, that's ok too - we welcome any participation! All teachers will need to complete the "Safeguarding God's Children" class. Please contact Kris Humphrey (kristenjhumphrey@gmail.com) or Nora Howell (nora.howell.va@gmail.com) for more information.

10) Christian Education Catalog: The 2016-17 Christian Education Catalog is now available on-line at <http://www.stmarks.net/grow/classes/>. Please take a moment to check out our classes. You'll find information on Sunday School, Adult Bible Study, and classes on a variety of topics ranging from race and privilege to the art of documentary film. Questions? Contact Lucy Brown (lucybrown66@gmail.com) and Joe Calizo (jcalizo@gmail.com).

11) ONGOING CHRISTIAN EDUCATION. These groups meet weekly and are open to newcomers.

Marching Through the Bible: Gospel of Mark, Sundays, 10:00-11:00 am, Penniman Room

SMMC Meditation, Mondays, 7:30-9:00 pm, Nave

Tuesday Night Bible Study, 7:30-9:00 pm, Dozier Library

Wednesday Morning Bible Study, 11:00 am-12:15 pm; brown bag lunch follows, Elders' Room

12) Tuesday Night Bible Study is exploring the Christian mystic tradition, starting with four medieval English mystics: Richard Rolle and The Fire of Love, the anonymous author of The Cloud of Unknowing, Walter Hinton and The Ladder of Perfection and ending with Dame Julian of Norwich and Revelations of Divine Love. Our text will be Visions of God by Karen Armstrong. We hope that this may become an ongoing inquiry into religious mysticism as it is experience in Christianity and other faith traditions. **When/Where:** Thursdays 7:30-9pm. **Where:** Dozier Library. **Fee:** \$25 contribution per semester. Questions? Contact Bill Jones (billclough@icloud.com) or Kathleen Grant (queenmommy17@gmail.com)

13) MARCHING THROUGH THE BIBLE: The Gospel of Mark. This weekly class meets at 10a.m. in the Penniman Room. The Jesus stories in Mark, our Patron Saint, are the oldest in the New Testament, and reflect the struggles in the early Christian community during the first Jewish revolt against Rome (66-74 A.D.). The stories are pithy, direct, and challenging, with Jesus's sidekicks (the disciples) behaving very much like us! The course consists of class discussion of the Mark text assigned for that day. Regular attendance is encouraged. Additional readings are not expected. "Marching Through the Bible" is named in memory of our long-time convener, Francis "Buzz" March. Fee: \$25 per semester. Convener: Bob Ewald.

15) THE BIBLE, THE BIRTH OF CHRISTIANITY. AND GENDER (JESUS SEMINAR ON THE ROAD): APRIL 21-22 Celene Lillie (Union Theological Seminary) and Deborah Niederer Saxon (Christian Theological Seminary, IN) will examine the leading role of women in the rise of Christianity and the formation of Christian beliefs. Why does gender continue to be so prominent in religious disputes about knowledge, purity, and authority? How does that relate to Roman imperial power? What's the new story about women and Christian origins revealed by recent scholarship? Sessions at St. Marks: Friday, 4/21, 7:30 p.m.–9:00 p.m, Saturday, 4/22, 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Chris Berendes (jesusseminardc@gmail.com), [facebook.com/jesusseminardc/](https://www.facebook.com/jesusseminardc/)

Music & Arts

16) MUSIC LESSONS. The St. Mark's Music Studio offers voice lessons with Kellie McHugh (kellie.mchugh.81@gmail.com) and Adam Caughey (adamcaughey@gmail.com) and piano lessons with Jeff Kempeskie (jeff.kempeskie@stmarks.net). Students of all ages and levels of experience are welcome.

17) DO YOU LIKE TO SING OR PLAY AN INSTRUMENT? If so, we want to know! Singers of all voice parts are needed in the Chancel Choir (regular Thursday 7:30-9:30 pm rehearsals in the nave). Teens are invited to sing with the Teen Choir and children are invited to sing with the Boys & Girls Choir (both rehearse Sundays, 11-11:45 in the Music Studio & Elders' Room, respectively). The Handbell Choir rehearse every other Wednesday from 6:45-8 pm. No prior experience necessary. There are also opportunities to play solo instrumental pieces year-round. Please contact jeff.kempeskie@stmarks.net.

18) St. Mark's Players will hold auditions for "Evita" in Baxter Hall between 7 and 10 pm on Monday, January 23, and Tuesday, January 24.

19) "Recent Tragic Events", the tale of a blind date, with complexities, in Minneapolis on September 12, 2001 will be presented by St. Mark's Players this month. The actors are well rehearsed because the first two performances have already been held. Next performances will be at 8 pm Thursdays, the 26th, Friday, the 27th, and Saturdays, the 21st and 28th. There will be a matinee Saturday, January 28th at 2 pm. Come out and support your really local theater.

20) FAMINE! WAR! GENOCIDE! PATRIARCH! MISOGYNY! CLIMATE CHANGE! Yahweh himself, Abraham, Sarah, Noah and his wife, David, Bathsheba, and Solomon in all his glory come alive for one-night-only **Saturday Feb. 4 7 PM**. "**Arguing with God**," the one-act dramedy -- with a pronounced feminist twist and anti-war tilt -- by DC playwright John Henry, co-founder of the Committee for the Republic. One critic has hailed the play as "audacious ... sharp and smart, pithy and epigrammatic" with "devil-may-care performances, huge laughs." And "it is the women in Henry's play who consistently stand up to Yahweh ... it is the women who take their stand on the side of justice." More info at Stone Hill Theatrical Foundation on Facebook. Tickets available at the door or through arguingwithgod.eventbrite.com.

Outreach

21) TODAY Salvation Army Grate Patrol – January 22nd. Please join us in Baxter Hall after the 10 am Sermon Seminar to make 200 bagged meals for the Salvation Army's Grate Patrol van to distribute Sunday evening. Future Sundays for your planning purposes are 2/26 and 3/26.

22) Curious about the 2017 St. Mark's Holy Land Pilgrimage? The trip is in formation and scheduled for October 17 – 29. Come to an information meeting for further conversation and details on **Sunday, January 22 from 2 – 4 pm in the Adams Room**. Meet with others who have expressed interest, as well as people who have travelled with the group in the past. We will have some books and films available for lending as well as some Middle Eastern mezze to whet your appetite for the trip. Contact ka-ren.getman@gmail.com for further info.

23) Thanks for supporting the Advent Olivewood and Olive Oil Sale. Middle East Working Group is grateful to all who purchased the Canaan and Al'Ard olive oil and tapenade as well as the olivewood nativities and ornaments. Our sales were over \$6000.00. Your support netted \$2,894.50 for refugee assistance. The balance was used to purchase our product from artisans and farmers in the W. Bank. A portion of the proceeds will be sent to an organization working with refugees who are still living in camps after fleeing their home countries and the rest will be donated for the St. Mark's share our Capitol Hill Good Neighbor Program to assist with the resettlement of our Afghan family. If you would like to provide some additional assistance to the CHGNP fund or would like to volunteer in the project, please contact karen.getman@gmail.com

24) Refugee Update: With the very generous contributions from your homes, **The Capitol Hill Good Neighbor Program** has now furnished three apartments for Afghan families, two at Parkview Gardens in Riverdale and one in Cheverly. We will now team with others in CHGNP to provide employment counseling, transportation, general orientation, language competency, financial assistance, etc. If you have skills and interest, please contact karen.getman@gmail.com

25) Helping refugees: what are the choices? Find out on February 11. St. Mark's will host an event where you play the part of someone involved in the refugee crisis, in a scenario set in DC. Learn what people and your elected government can do. Listen to what other people think. Find common ground. Work towards solutions, not postures. For more information, go to <http://www.refugeemegagame.com>. Sign up now, it's free to participate!

26) The Middle East Working Group announces "The 2017 St. Mark's Pilgrimage to the Holy Land". Planning has begun for travel in mid-October 2017 a 10 – 14 day options. Once again, MEJDI Tours will provide travel support for a multi-narrative encounter with people and places. The historical holy sites of our own Christian faith and other Abrahamic religions (Islam and Judaism) are a highlight of the pilgrimage. But differing from traditional Holy Land trips, our itinerary will include meetings with individuals whose work for peace and justice are beacons of light in a troubled land. **Interested? Want to know more?** Add your name to the sign up sheet in the foyer or contact Tom and Karen Getman at karen.getman@gmail.com **and we will contact you with preliminary itineraries, costs, and a registration of intent.**

27) A SOUP KITCHEN THANK YOU! Special thanks to our sandwich making volunteers, who last Sunday prepared 200 sandwiches for needy persons in our area! We greatly appreciate the efforts of Kathy Tatko, Jessie Babcock, the Rev. Michele Morgan, and visiting volunteer Nathan Babb, who helped Soup Kitchen Co-Manager Jack Richards with this important effort, in direct support of the St. Mark's Sunday Suppers program in downtown DC.

28) Save the Date: March 8: Homelessness in our city is widespread and touches both genders as well as families. Join St. Mark's Woman to Woman and the Outreach Committee as guest speaker Korrin Bishop leads a discussion on Women and Homelessness in DC and across the nation. We encourage attendees to bring donations of new feminine products and/or new ladies undergarments. 6:30-8:30pm in Baxter Hall. Last name A-M Bring a small sweet or savory snack, N-Z Bring a beverage of your choosing.

Parish Life

29) SAVE THE DATE! EILEEN BLUMENTHAL WILL BE RETURNING TO CALIFORNIA IN EARLY FEBRUARY SO WE PLAN A PARISH LUNCH ON JANUARY 29. More details to follow or contact Penny Farley at p3farley@me.com or 301 420-4473 or Raiford Gaffney at rgaffneydc@gmail.com or 202 460-5414.

30) Third Agers Lunch at the Baxter Hall Movie Palace on Saturday, Feb 4 @ 11am. All are invited to the Winter Potluck featuring Mike Canning, author of *Hollywood on the Potomac*. Mike, a Capitol Hill neighbor and a major film buff, will give his great program about how Washington has been depicted in the movies over the years. Bring your favorite chili, salad or a beverage to serve 8. Mike will have his book available for purchase. Please RSVP to Barbara Harvey (bsh33@cornell.edu). Questions or comments send to Susan Sedgewick (jssedgewick@gmail.com) Your Third Ager team: Barbara Harvey, Susan Sedgewick, and Don Gangloff.

31) Columbarium News: The vestry recently voted to raise the price for St. Mark's columbarium niches from \$1200 to \$1500, effective January 1, 2017. The change was based on an analysis of the prices now being charged at other churches in our area and is the first such increase in 10 years. Anyone considering the purchase of one or more niches is encouraged to contact Penny Hansen (pennyhansn@aol.com), the Columbarium Coordinator, before the price change at the beginning of the coming year. Purchase of niches is limited to members of St. Mark's Church and their immediate family.

32) READING GROUP meets the first Monday of every month in the Dozier library downstairs opposite the nursery at 7:30 p.m. For February 6, we will read The Summer Before the War by Helen Simonson. If you have read the book, please join us for the discussion. **Contact:** Linda Ewald (*lherbe@yahoo.com*, 301 541-5133).

33) CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP for those caring for a seriously ill or otherwise incapacitated family member or friend. The group now meets on the second and fourth Monday evenings from 6:30-7:30 pm in the Dozier Library. Please note the change in day and time. If you think such a group might be helpful to you, please contact Mary Welker (292-387-4083) (*marymwelker@aol.com*) or Pamela Blumgart (202-631-4936) (*pjblumgart@mail.com*) prior to attending a meeting. **Next meeting: January 23, 2017.**

34) LOOKING FOR HELP WITH HOUSEHOLD SERVICES? Help David Durant help you. After Easter, St. Mark's replaced Green Maintenance with PMM as its janitorial services provider. GM laid off David Durant who had worked at SM for 7 years. Since then, David has actively sought permanent employment. Meanwhile, he has only been able to obtain sporadic work such as detailing cars, indoor carpet cleaning, raking yards, etc.). Except for these odd jobs, and contributions from a few parishioners, he has received no other financial support; his present situation is urgent. In her letter of recommendation, Michele described David as efficient, very diligent and hardworking with a passion for caring for the people of St. Mark's. To help him obtain part-time employment or to perform odd jobs for you or your neighbors, please contact Penny Farley (*p3farley@verizon.net*), Pete Eveleth (*peter.eveleth@gmail.com*) or Nat White (*whitenat1938@gmail.com*).

Youth & Family Ministries

35) TODAY, High School Service Trip Interest Meeting! All rising High School youth are invited to our final interest meeting for the June 24- July 1 High School Service Trip to Nicaragua! Join us at 11am in the Adams Room TODAY to hear more about our service partner, Fabretto, and receive final trip details. Email Caroline (*caroline@stmarks.net*) for more information.

36) January 29, Young Families Worship Conversation. Are you a family with young children who attends our 9am service, Children's Chapel, and 2nd Sunday Family Eucharist? We want to hear from you at a special gathering with Rev. Michele, 10am in the Adams Room. Come let us know what you need and desire most from the morning service. Does your family attend the 5pm service? We want to hear the same from you! Join Michele and I at 4pm on January 29th to help us learn how we can best cater to the 5pm service to your family. Questions? Email Caroline!

37) January 29, Middle School Service Trip Interest Meeting! All rising Middle School youth are invited to our final interest meeting for the July 9-14 Middle School Service trip right here in DC! Join us at 11am in the Adams Room on Sunday, January 29 to hear more about our service partner, and receive trip details. Email Caroline (*caroline@stmarks.net*) for more information.

38) February 5, Parenting Teens Group Gathering. Are you the parent of a Middle or High School aged youth? Join fellow St. Mark's parents of teens on Sunday, February 5 at 10am in the Adams Room for a conversation about the trials and triumphs of parenting. A light breakfast will be provided. Come and connect!

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MONDAY, JANUARY 23

10:00am — 1:15pm	Dance/Pilates	<i>Craighill Dance Studio</i>
6:00pm — 7:15pm	Sivananda Hatha Yoga	<i>Craighill Dance Studio</i>
6:30pm — 7:30pm	Care Givers Support Group	<i>Dozier Library</i>
6:30pm — 10:00pm	St. Mark's Players Auditions <i>Evita</i>	<i>Baxter Hall</i>
7:30pm — 9:00pm	SMMC Meditation	<i>Adams Rm</i>

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24

12:15pm — 1:15pm	Sivananda Hatha Yoga	<i>Craighill Dance Studio</i>
4:15pm — 9:30pm	Dance Classes	<i>Craighill Dance Studio</i>
6:00pm — 7:05pm	Sivananda Hatha Yoga	<i>Adams Rm</i>
6:30pm — 10:00pm	St. Mark's Players Reset	<i>Nave, Baxter Hall</i>
7:00pm — 8:30pm	Refugee Meeting	<i>Elders Rm</i>
7:00pm — 9:30pm	Finance Committee	<i>Penniman Rm</i>
7:30pm — 9:00pm	Bible Study	<i>Dozier Library</i>

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

11:00am — 1:00pm	Wednesday Bible Study	<i>Elders Rm</i>
11:30am — 12:30pm	Mat Exercise/Weights	<i>Craighill Dance Studio</i>
4:15pm — 7:30pm	Dance Classes	<i>Craighill Dance Studio</i>
5:15pm — 6:30pm	Sivananda Hatha Yoga	<i>Adams Rm</i>
6:30pm — 10:00pm	St. Mark's Players Auditions <i>Evita</i>	<i>Penniman Rm</i>
6:45pm — 8:15pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	<i>Elders Rm</i>
7:00pm — 8:00pm	Refugees Meeting	<i>Rectors Rm</i>

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

12:00pm — 12:30pm	Holy Eucharist	<i>Chapel (Nave)</i>
5:00pm — 8:00pm	St Mark's Players Set Up	<i>Nave, Baxter</i>
6:30pm — 8:00pm	Integral Hatha Yoga	<i>Adams Rm</i>
7:30pm — 9:00pm	Bible Study Group	<i>Dozier Library</i>
7:30pm — 9:30pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	<i>Elders Rm</i>
8:00pm — 11:00pm	St. Mark's Players present <i>Recent Tragic Events</i>	<i>Nave, Baxter Hall</i>

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

7:00am — 8:00am	Hatha/Vinyasa Yoga	<i>Adams Rm</i>
5:00pm — 8:00pm	St Mark's Players Set Up	<i>Nave, Baxter Hall</i>
6:00pm — 8:00pm	Women's AA Meeting	<i>Adams Rm</i>
8:00pm — 11:00pm	St. Mark's Players present <i>Recent Tragic Events</i>	<i>Nave, Baxter Hall</i>

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

9:00am — 5:00pm	Catechesis Formation	<i>Undercroft</i>
10:00am — 12:00pm	Hatha/Vinyasa Yoga	<i>Adams Rm</i>
11:00am — 3:00pm	Third Agers	<i>Baxter Hall</i>
2:00pm — 5:00pm	St. Mark's Players present <i>Recent Tragic Events</i> (12pm Set Up)	<i>Nave</i>
5:00pm — 11:00pm	St. Marks Players present <i>Recent Tragic Events</i> (8pm)	<i>Nave, Baxter Hall</i>
7:00pm — 8:00pm	AA Meeting	<i>Adams Rm</i>

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

9:00am — 11:00am	Holy Eucharist	<i>Nave</i>
10:00am — 11:00am	Sermon Seminar	<i>Nave</i>
10:00am — 11:00am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Sunday School	<i>Lower Level</i>
11:00am — 11:45am	Teen/Boys & Girls Choir Rehearsal	<i>Music Studio/Elders Rm</i>
11:15am — 12:30pm	Holy Eucharist	<i>Nave</i>
4:30pm — 7:30pm	Yoga Classes	<i>Craighill Dance Studio</i>
5:00pm — 6:00pm	Contemplative Eucharist	<i>Nave</i>



Welcome Guests!

We'd like to get to know you better!

We invite you to fill out this page, tear it off, and drop it into the offering plate or hand it to one of the greeters as you leave. Please take the rest of this service bulletin with you, so that you can refer to the service schedule, office directory, and information about upcoming events and classes at St. Mark's.

We hope you feel at home with us. If you have questions, please speak with the clergy or one of the greeters after the service. You can also call the office at any time and we will be happy to help you in any way we can.

Thank you for visiting St. Mark's today.

Go in peace and return often!

After completing, please tear off this page and place in offering plate or give to greeter:

(please print)

I attended:

- 9 am Holy Eucharist
- 10 am Sermon Seminar
- 11:15 am Holy Eucharist
- 5 pm Contemplative Eucharist
- Special (wedding, funeral, etc.)

Name _____

Email _____

Zip Code _____

Phone _____

I am interested in learning more about:

- Baptism (child, adult)
- Getting married at St. Mark's
- Music (choir, lessons)
- Children/youth classes & programs
- Adult classes
- Senior programs/activities
- Outreach/community service
- Environmental issues
- Yoga classes
- Dance classes
- St. Mark's Players (theatrical productions)

Would you like to be contacted by a clergyperson?

- Yes
- No