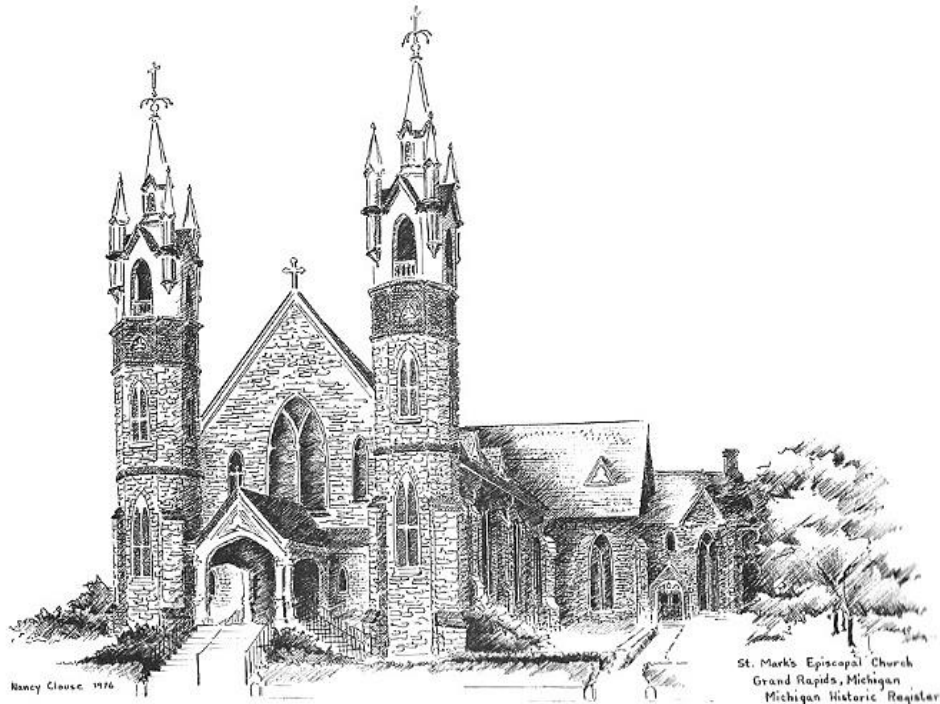


# The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024

8:00 and 10:30 a.m.



**St. Mark's Episcopal Church**  
**134 N. Division Ave**  
**Grand Rapids, MI 49503**  
**[www.stmarksgr.org](http://www.stmarksgr.org)**  
**616.456.1684**

## Welcome to St. Mark's!

... a vibrant community of faith, which has gathered for worship since 1836 and in the current building since 1848. If this is your first visit with us, know that we are delighted you are here. Please, introduce yourself and be sure to sign our guest sign-in sheet in the foyer and/or fill-out a Visitor's Welcome Card. Also, please take a welcome folder on the Welcome Desk.

**Church Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday— 9 a.m. to noon.**

**Weather Policy:** St. Mark's will post closures to WZZM 13, WOOD TV8, Facebook and our website by 7:00 a.m. or as soon as possible. The decision on afternoon and evening activities will be made separately, posted by noon.

**Reserved Spaces for Those in Need:** Note, there are three designated spaces for those in need, two in the north transept and one on the north side of the nave. Please, leave those spaces available and the adjoining pews for family members.

**Safety:** The outer doors to the Parish House will be locked fifteen minutes after Services begin with a security guard on duty to be of assistance. Upon leaving a restroom, please wash hands with warm soapy water and sanitize. Please, pay attention to the nearest exit in the Sanctuary. An announcement will be made in case of an emergency. Children will be ushered out of the building to a designated place for safety away from the Church complex.

**Parking on Sundays:** Limited parking is available in the Parish Lot. If you are able, please, consider not parking in the Parish Lot to reserve access for those less mobile. Please, consider the free metered parking on Pearl, Ionia, Lyon, Fountain and other streets near the church, the Kendall Lot across the street when the gate is up, the upper levels of the GRCC building on Fountain Street, and the Ellis Parking Lot at 210 Ionia just west of Lyon Street. For the Ellis Lot: vouchers for free parking on Sundays are available from an Usher, a Greeter or on the Resource Table in the north transept (must be used along with original parking ticket).

**Rest Rooms** are located on the main level of the Parish House under the exit sign at the top of the Foyer ramp. Additional rest rooms are located on the second level of the Parish House; those able to use stairs are encouraged to use upper-floor restrooms.

**Weekly Worship and Prayer at St. Mark's:** Eucharist on Sundays at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Midweek Eucharist on Wednesdays at noon from September through May. Compline (Night Prayer) on Mondays and Thursdays at 8:00 p.m. via Facebook live.

**Children's Ministry:** Sundays, we offer children's formation during 10:30 services. This includes formation, nursery care and church school. Please contact the church office.

**Youth Ministry: Grand Rapids Episcopal Youth:** G.R.E.Y. is a joint youth ministry between St. Mark's and St. Andrew's Episcopal Churches for youth in grades 6-12. We have regular formation gatherings during the school year and service as well as social activities throughout the year. Please contact our Director of Youth Ministry, Jeff Brown, for more information: [jeffatgrey@gmail.com](mailto:jeffatgrey@gmail.com).

**Adult Formation Ministry:** *Adult Forums* are offered on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings at different times of the year. *Episcopal 101: An Inquirer's Journey* is offered yearly for adults especially those seeking Confirmation, Reception into the Episcopal Church or to Reaffirm one's faith. A multi-year seminar, *Education for Ministry* (EFM), is offered during the program year. Please, contact Doug Karsen for more information at [karsencd@gmail.com](mailto:karsencd@gmail.com).

**Breakfast Café Ministry:** A program to nourish our neighbors with a hot meal, is at 8:15 a.m. every Saturday. If you would like more information and to possibly volunteer, please contact Judy Freeman at [judyfw@comcast.net](mailto:judyfw@comcast.net).

**Land Acknowledgment:** St. Mark's recognizes that our property sits on land of the indigenous people of the Three Fires. It is our privilege to occupy this land while recognizing and acknowledging with sadness the deep wounds created many years ago by our forebears.

St. Mark's eNews: For the fullest expression of St. Marks' activities, see the weekly eNews in your email or our website.

Cell Phones: We ask that you silence your cell phone; if you are on call, please turn it to vibrate when you enter the church.

### St. Mark's Full-Time\* and Part-Time Staff

The Rev. David Blank, Interim Rector  
The Rev. Susan York, Associate Rector  
The Rev. Jan Gockerman, Deacon  
Thon Deng, Postulant for Holy Orders

Pam Stevenson, Finance Manager\*  
Kate Assarian, Administrative Associate\*  
Dr. Gregory Crowell, Director of Music  
Jeff Brown, Director of Youth Ministry  
Alexis VanZalen, Organ Scholar

Mike Armour, Operations Manager  
Ronnie Hammond, Sexton  
Craig Mosley, Sexton Associate, Video  
Marquice Jackson, Weekend Sexton  
Jamie Interrial, Security Representative  
Eric Gable, Webmaster

# The Gathering of the People

**Prelude** – Selections from Violin Partita in E Major

*J.S. Bach*

Liesl Mom, violin

**Welcome**

**Gathering Hymn** – Blue Hymnal 569: God, the Omnipotent

*Russia*

**Prayer of Invocation**

*Presider I:* † Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*All:* **And blessed be God's reign now and forever.**

**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.**

**Confession and Absolution**

*Presider II:* Let us confess our faults and admit our frailty. (*A pause is observed for reflection*)

*All:* **Before God, with the people of God, we confess to our brokenness: to the ways we wound our lives, the lives of others, and the life of the world. We lay down what is past and look to the future. We take into daily life signs of hope and healing. We reach beyond ourselves, to share the lives of others and touch the wider world.**

*Presider II:* † May God forgive us, Christ renew us, and the Spirit enable us to grow in love.

*All:* **Amen.**

*Presider I:* Let us offer praise to God.

**Gloria**

*Frank E. White*

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, He is the might - y King, mas-ter of  
ev'r - y thing. The cap-tain of my soul, the u-ni - verse con-trol, God is the one  
true ex-pres-sion of life. He's the cre - a - tor, a great cre - a - tor,  
Hea-ven and earth His great-ness pro - claim. The cap-tain of my  
soul, the u - ni - verse con-trol, ho-nor and ma - jes - ty se-cond to none.

## Collect

*Presider II:* God be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Presider:* Let us pray.

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

**The Hebrew Reading** (*You may sit.*)

*1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20*

*Lector I:* A reading from the First Book of Samuel.

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only – you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them." So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day."

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, "No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles."

*Lector:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 138: 1-5, 12-17**

*Confitebor tibi*

*Lector I:* Let us pray the Psalm responsively by half verse.

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; \*  
**before the gods I will sing your praise.**

I will bow down toward your holy temple  
and praise your Name, \*  
**because of your love and faithfulness;**

For you have glorified your Name \*  
**and your word above all things.**

When I called, you answered me; \*  
**you increased my strength within me.**

All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, \*  
**when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

They will sing of the ways of the Lord, \*  
**that great is the glory of the Lord.**

Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; \*  
**he perceives the haughty from afar.**

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \*  
**you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right hand shall save me.**

The Lord will make good his purpose for me; \*  
**O Lord, your love endures for ever;  
do not abandon the works of your hands.**

### **The Christian Reading**

*2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1*

*Lector II:* A Reading from Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians.

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture – “I believed, and so I spoke” – we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

*Lector:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

### **The Gospel Hymn – Red Hymnal 188: It Is Well with My Soul**

*Philip P. Bliss*

### **The Gospel**

*Mark 3:20-35*

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

***People:* Glory to you, O Christ.**

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin” – for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

*Deacon:* The Gospel of Christ.

*People:* Praise to you, O Christ.

**Homily** (*You may sit.*)

Rev. David Blank, Interim Rector

**The Nicene Creed**

**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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.**

**Prayers of the People** (*You may stand.*)

*Lector I:* O God, we ask you to hear the prayers of your people gathered before you and hear our prayers with the response, “O God, hear us.”

*Lector I:* O God, help us to be at peace within ourselves. We pray:

*All:* O God, hear us.

*Lector II:* O God, help us to accept that we are profoundly loved and need never be afraid. We pray:

*All:* O God, hear us.

*Lector I:* O God, help us to be aware that you are the common source of being to us all and to creation. We pray:

*All:* O God, hear us.

*Lector II:* O God, fill us with the presence of your great compassion for us, for all those in need, and those for whom we have promised to pray, especially remembering those on our Parish Prayer List found in the bulletin. We pray for those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries. We pray:

**All: O God, hear us.**

*Lector I:* O God, bless all bishops, priests, and deacons: Michael, Presiding Bishop; Skip, our Assisting Bishop; Bonnie and Rayford, Bishops of Michigan and Northern Michigan; Moises, Bishop of the Dominican Republic and Craig, ELCA Bishop of the North/West Lower Michigan Synod. We pray:

**All: O God, hear us.**

*Lector II:* O God, bless the Hope St. John's of Oscoda and its Senior Warden, Pete Mapes; St. James of Pentwater and its Rector, Sam Morrison. We remember the Province of the Anglican Church of the Congo. We pray:

**All: O God, hear us.**

*Lector I:* O God, help us so to live that all your people may have clean air, food, water, and shelter. Give us grace to do all we can to protect and preserve your creation. We pray:

**All: O God, hear us.**

*Lector II:* O God, may we cease to be a cause of suffering for others. Help us to end violence, hatred, anger, racism and war. We pray:

**All: O God, hear us.**

*Lector I:* O God, we pray for those who have died and those who will die this day unremarked or unattended. May they rest in peace and may light perpetual shine upon them. *(A pause is observed while additional prayers are offered.)* We pray:

**All: O God, hear us.**

*Lector II:* Let us offer additional prayers, either silently or aloud. *(A pause is observed while additional prayers are offered.)* We pray:

**All: O God, hear us.**

*Presider II:* O God, hear our prayers, and kindle within our hearts a flame of love for our neighbors, our foes, our friends, our kindred all.

**All: O God of the poor and the yearning, from the humblest thing that lives to the name that is highest of all, kindle within our hearts a flame of love. Amen.**

## **The Peace**

*Presider I:* The peace of Christ be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

*Presider:* With respect, let us offer one another a sign of peace.

## **Announcements**

## **The Liturgy of the Table**

### **Reception of Gifts**

**Offertory Music** — Fantasia I: Largo

*G.P. Telemann*

## Presentation Hymn

8:00 (spoken)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

10:30

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; O praise him, al-le - lu - ia! Praise God above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## The Invitation

*Presider I:*

Friends in Christ, the table of bread and wine is now made ready.

It is the table of company with Jesus and all who love him.

It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world with whom Jesus identified himself.

It is the table of communion with the earth in which Christ became incarnate.

Come, it is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

## The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer I (BCP)*

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*Presider:* Eternal Triune God, Source of all being, we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love. You call us into friendship with you and one another, to be your holy people, a sign of your presence in the world.

Loving God, through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer which earth has given and human hands have made. May we know your presence in the sharing of these gifts, and in all creation.

We celebrate the life that Jesus has shared through the centuries and shares with us now. Made one in Christ and one with each other, we offer these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice. Therefore, we raise our voices, for ever praising you and saying:



## Sanctus *(Spoken or sung)*

David Hurd

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.

*Presider:* Blessed are you, most Holy, in Jesus Christ, who came among us as a servant and a friend to reconcile us to yourself. We thank you for that life of love, the good news of your reign, and the promise of a banquet where all your children will be free.

*Presider:* For your gift of Christ, we praise you,

**All: we worship and adore you.**

On the night before he died, your Son, Jesus, took bread; he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said, take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said: This cup is the new covenant in my blood poured out for you; do this as often as you drink it to remember me.

*Presider:* For new life in Christ, we praise you,

**All: we worship and adore you.**

Therefore, loving God, recalling now Christ's death and resurrection, we ask you to accept this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. † Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine and upon us, that we may be fed with the body and blood of your Son and be filled with your life and goodness. † Strengthen us to do your work, and to be your body in the world. Unite us in Christ and give us your peace.

*Presider:* For the peace of Christ, we praise you,

**All: we worship and adore you.**

Through Christ our Redeemer, in the power of the Spirit, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise. Blessing, honor and glory be yours, now and forever. **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

*Presider I:* Let us pray the Lord's Prayer in whichever language or version you prefer.

**(Traditional) 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.**

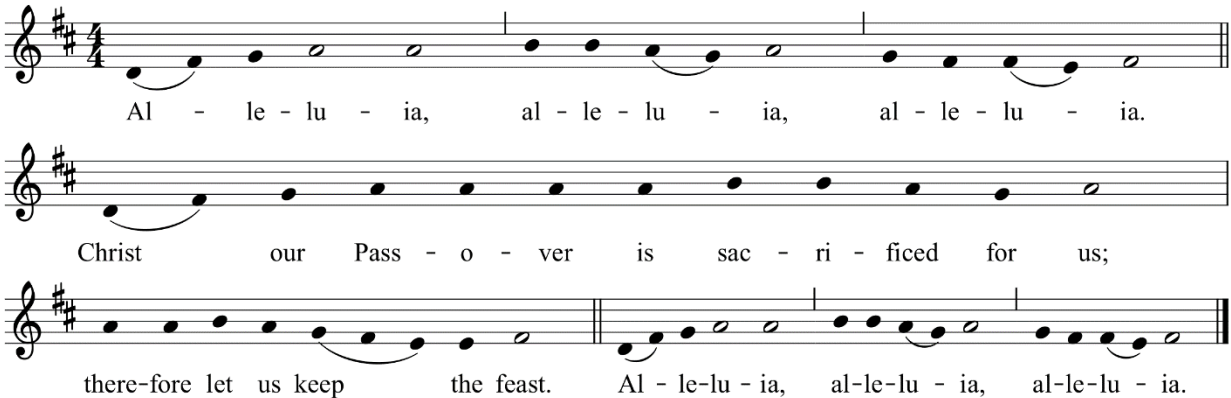
**(Contemporary) Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive**

those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

(Spanish) Padre nuestro, que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre; Venga tu reino. Hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy el pan de este día y perdona nuestras deudas, como nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores y no nos dejes caer en la tentación mas libranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder, y la gloria por los siglos de los siglos. Amen.

### Breaking of the Bread and Reception of the Sacrament

David Hurd



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, 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, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Presider:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*People:* **Let us take them in remembrance that Christ died for us and feed on him in our hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.**

**Instruction for Receiving Communion:** *As is our tradition, all are invited to receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist, bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Jesus. Following the distribution of consecrated bread, please feel free to dip your host into consecrated wine offered in a cup for intinction. Gluten-free consecrated bread is available upon request. If you prefer to receive a blessing, come forward with hands crossed over your chest. Please follow the Ushers' direction to the communion rail and fill in from right to left. All are welcome at the Table of the Lord.*

**Healing Prayer:** *When present in the South Transept, healing ministers offer a brief and simple prayer.*

**Communion Music** — Violin Sonata in G Minor: Adagio

J.S. Bach

**Post-Communion Prayer** (*You may stand.*)

*Presider II:* Let us pray:

**All:** **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people forgiven, healed, renewed, that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

### The Blessing

*Presider I:* May the road rise to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, the rain fall soft upon your fields, and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of God's hand. And may God bless us, †Father, Son and Holy Spirit this day and forever more, we pray:

**All:** **Amen.**

**Hymn of Sending Forth** — Blue Hymnal 594: God of Grace and God of Glory

Cwm Rhondda

## Sending Forth

*Priest or Deacon:* Our Worship has ended — now our Service begins.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude - Fantasia

Thomas Morley

*Thank you for being with us today. We are all invited to participate in the St. Mark's tradition to remain seated until candles are extinguished and the postlude has ended. Then join us in the Parish Hall for further fellowship.*

## The St. Mark's Prayer List

Contact the church office to add names to the prayer list. Names may be removed after one month unless requested.

### The Sick and Other Needs

David Abbott  
Alissa Almont  
Dave Atkinson  
Jayne Austin  
Ed Cox  
Terry Dusendang  
Ruth Hammond  
Jamie Interrial  
Bill Isenberg  
Jennifer Julius  
Kathryn Marmion  
Laura Maslonka  
Jim, Chris McClain  
Evelyn Mitchell  
Doris Molina  
Bill Nasser  
John Oatley  
Chris Reale  
Marilee Wexstaff

Sue Allen  
Susan Andrews  
Nita DeGraaf  
John Gracki  
Irene Haizman  
Mary Rollins  
Irene Savara  
Roma Warmington  
Jean Zylstra

### In Military Service

B.G. Timothy Brower, Sr. USA  
PV2. Cailen Donahue McLea, USA  
Spc. Henry Dykema, ARNG  
Cpt. Nathan Gaggin, USAF  
Col. Lt. Gabriel Monsalvo, USMC  
Col. Todd Murray, USAF

### Prayer for the Transition

### Members of the Vestry

Dawn Buller, Sr. Warden  
Judy Freeman, Jr. Warden  
Brian Topolewski, Clerk  
Gloria Lara, Treasurer  
Jon Anderson  
Ben Busman  
Laura Kozminski  
Emily Krueger  
Penny Larsen  
Dan McDonald  
Carmela McIntire  
Amy Richards-Duncan

### Search Committee

Bob Brower  
Doug Busman  
Nancy Dodge  
Karen Hunter  
Penny Larson  
Shawn Miller  
Heather Tafel  
Darren Walhof  
Jackie Yam

### Postulant for Holy Orders

Thon Deng  
Cathy Stevens

## Offerings and Multiple Ways to Give to St. Mark's

Place check or cash in the offering plate

Electronic giving (email [pams@stmarksgr.org](mailto:pams@stmarksgr.org))

Vanco Mobile App from any mobile device:



Pay by text - text 616-205-9714 from your phone to send a payment

Mobile App Square Cash - Cashtag: \$stmarksgr Web address: [cash.me/\\$stmarksgr](https://cash.me/$stmarksgr)



Mail a check to the church

Online at our website at [www.stmarksgr.org](http://www.stmarksgr.org) through PayPal

Remember St. Mark's in your Estate Planning (A brochure is available at the Welcome Desk.)

Gifts or transfer of stock

As we enter the summer months, we kindly ask for your continued support through pledges and offerings. Additionally, the financials are available for your review on the bulletin board. Thank you for your ongoing support of St. Mark's mission and ministry!

## Parish Notes

**Welcome!** Guests, please sign the book in the front lobby. Fill out a Welcome Card (stored inside the podium) to get a name tag, receive weekly eNews or join the St. Mark's Family in Faith as a full member.

**Sunday Children's Formation:** There will be a brief pause in programming, but Sunday sessions will resume in a few weeks. There will be an announcement soon with more information on timing.

**Update from the Rector Search Committee:** The team is currently reviewing candidates for our position! As previously noted, we cannot share particulars of any candidate, but we can ask that you continue to pray for St. Mark's and each candidate during this time. Additionally, there are now printed copies of the Parish Profile for your review at the Welcome Desk as well as on the "Rector Search" page of the St. Mark's website.

**Vestry Person of the Day:** If you have questions or ideas, speak with Gloria Lara at the Welcome Desk after the 10:30 a.m. Service. Representatives for the 8:00 a.m. Service are Dan McDonald and Brian Topolewski.

**West Michigan Gay Men's Chorus, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm.** Enjoy this concert, including our sexton Ronnie singing and signing ASL, at St. Cecilia's Music Center. Tickets are available at [www.wmgmchorus.org](http://www.wmgmchorus.org) for \$20.

**Volunteer for Pride Booth, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 12:00-6:00 pm.** Come spread God's love for all people. Sign up for a time slot at the Welcome Desk or through Scot, [s.gugle@comcast.net](mailto:s.gugle@comcast.net).

### Church Spotlights: Graduate Recognition and Celebration

Those moving up to middle school: Libby Stoppels-Hughes, Liam Hoyt, Stellan Muschiana

Those moving up to high school: Landyn York, Liv York

High School Graduates:

John Brewer graduated from Grand Rapids Christian High School and is headed to Kalamazoo College in the fall. He is the son of Christopher and Rachel Brewer.

Jacey Breck Doyle graduated from C. A. Frost Environmental Science Academy and will enter Grand Rapids Community College in the fall. She is the daughter of Joseph Doyle and the granddaughter of Judith Coby.

Ella Todd graduated from Lowell High School and will be attending the University of Michigan this fall to study pre-dental. Among Ella's accolades are that she had the 4<sup>th</sup> highest academic points in her class and was captain of varsity tennis. She is the daughter of Shannon Todd and granddaughter of Jim and Anne Todd.

### Thank you to the Children's Formation Team!

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