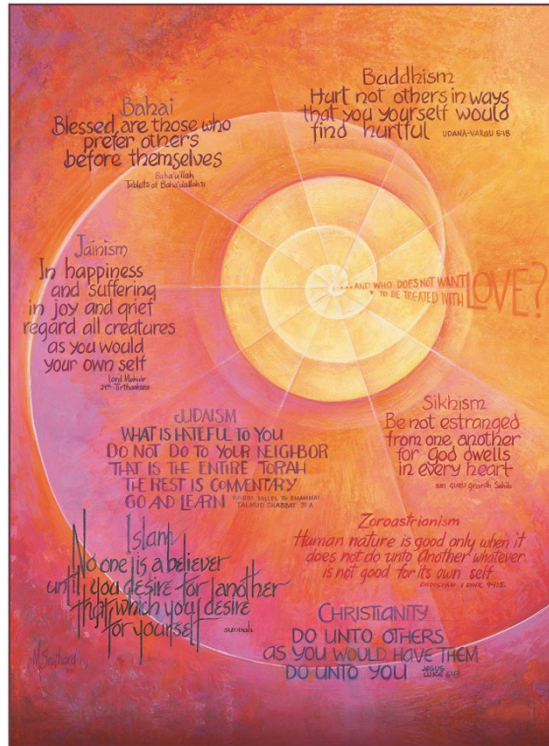




# ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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# WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

*Our Vision: Rooted in Baptism. Growing in Faith. Branching Out into the World.*

This bulletin contains all the information you need to worship with us today. Learn more about St. Mark's Episcopal Church, our ministry and mission, the Diocese of Chicago, and the Episcopal Church in the United States by visiting our website at [www.stmarksglenellyn.org](http://www.stmarksglenellyn.org).



## PASTORAL CARE & PRAYER LIST

The parish prayer list is updated weekly, and names are always welcome to be added. If you or someone you know has a pastoral care need, St. Mark's is here to help.

### CONTACTS

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## WELCOME VISITORS AND GUESTS!

### We'd like to get to know you!

We hope that you feel truly welcome and at home at St. Mark's.

Please fill out the Welcome Card in the pew or scan the QR code to complete the "Visitors and Guests Form."



If you have questions, please speak with the clergy or ushers. You may also call the office at any time at 630-858-1020, and we will be happy to help you in any way we can.

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OPENING VOLUNTARY

THE ENTRANCE RITE

*Stand as able when the bell is rung*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

ENTRANCE HYMN

Hymnal 48



1 O day of ra - diant glad - ness, O day of joy and  
2 This day at the cre - a - tion, the light first had its  
3 This day, God's peo - ple meet - ing, his Ho - ly Scrip - ture  
4 That light our hope sus - tain - ing, we walk the pil - grim



light; O balm of care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most  
birth; this day for our sal - va - tion Christ rose from depths of  
hear; his liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, through Bread and Wine made  
way, at length our rest at - tain - ing, our end - less Sab - bath



bright; this day the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune, sing,  
earth; this day our Lord vic - to - rious the Spi - rit sent from heaven, and  
near. We jour - ney on, be - liev - ing, re - newed with heaven - ly might, from  
day. We sing to thee our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Son; the



"Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," to the great God Tri - une.  
thus this day most glo - rious a tri - ple light was given.  
grace more grace re - ceiv - ing on this blest day of light.  
Church her voice up - rais - es to thee, blest Three in One.

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Music: *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*, German folk song; harm. George Ratcliffe Woodward.

COLLECT *for* PURITY

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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

*Mass of St. Thomas* | David Thorne

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est.

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

heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fath - er, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks we—

praise you for your glo - ry. Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the

high - est. Lord, Je - sus Christ, On - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take— a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us,

You are sea - ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive our prayer.

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est. For you a - lone are the

Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, You a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est.

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# THE LITURGY of THE WORD

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

## COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## THE LESSONS

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### THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 7:55-60

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### THE RESPONSE

Psalm 31:1-5,15-16 *In te, Domine, speravi*

*Verses in **bold** are sung by the congregation*

Robert Knox Kennedy  
(b. 1945)



1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to /shame; \*  
deliver me in your /righteousness.

2 Incline your /ear to me; \*  
make haste to de/liver me.

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag and my /stronghold; \*  
for the sake of your Name, lead me and /guide me.

4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly /set for me, \*  
for you are my tower of /strength.

5 Into your hands I commend my /spirit, \*  
for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of /truth.

15 My times are in your /hand; \*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who /persecute me.

†16 Make your face to shine upon your /servant, \*  
and in your loving-kindness /save me.

THE SECOND READING

1 Peter 2:2-10

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner”,

and

“A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God's people;

once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Holy Gospel.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Festival Alleluia | *James J. Chepponis*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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THE GOSPEL

John 14:1-14

*Clergy*  
*People*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
**Glorify to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

*Clergy*  
*People*

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The Gospel Acclamation is repeated*

THE SERMON

The Rev. George D. Smith, *Rector*

THE NICENE CREED

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*Stand as able*

**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.**

THE PRAYERS *of* THE PEOPLE

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*The Leader and People pray responsively.*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for the nations of the world and all who govern and hold authority;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

We pray for awareness and appreciation of Indigenous peoples past and present, who for thousands of years, lived, hunted, grew food, played, worshipped and were buried on the land upon which we now worship and live;

**That there may be wisdom, healing and reconciliation.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

We pray for those who have died, especially the Rev. Robert Wyatt, priest of the Diocese of Chicago and long-time associate priest of St. Mark's. Give to the departed eternal rest.

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. We pray for those on our parish prayer list, whom we name now silently or aloud.

Karen Nicholson, Matt, Azza and Yara, Joyce Hetzel, Ann Cardwell, Chad Alcorn, Martha Sexauer, Jay Mueller, Terry Heschke, Elizabeth Mueller, Colin Valdivia, Pam Benning, Bella Cuttone, Daniel Ljubi, Avery, Brian Rogers, George Pliml, Ashley and Kevin, Gretchen Kenower, Bill Van Wienen, Caroline Barclay, Connie Blair, Emily Resch, Tim Frawley, Jack Clinkman, Kaye and Roy Staggs, Jeanne Tschampa-Lopotko, John Mueller, Kara Ward, Don Wink, Lee and Natalie, Laura Bird, Karen Galligan, Sue Mylander, Janet, Sylvie Resch, Rose Schnell, Donna Valkuchak, Michael Wagoner, Lesa Bennett, Norman and Joy Ellsworth, Maribel Juarez, Brian Winkleman, Tom Mendralla, Kevin, May Anstee, Mark Finn, Lori Powers, Kristen Davia, Jim Roth, Jan Budzicz, Jim Yehling, Raúl Garcia, Karol Pinzón, Sandy Shellenhamer, Kelly Bartsdate, Jason Wilder, Walt Windholz, Mick McGuire, Tina Ulrich, Lucien Greesham, Cooper Stegen, Barbara Barajas, Thomas Lanzillo, Florrie Gramm, Matt Grieff, Rachel Newlin, Danuta Wroblewska, Priscilla Meldrim, Tracy Smith, Mary Jane Malik, Sally Neuert, Alondra De Casas, Kaleb Tompkins, Estrella Pedroza, Gwen, Shirley Hoops, Pam Rojc, Aunt Diane, Joseph Strati, Sergio Mazariegos, Zoila Via Gambini, Alice Vanest, Barry Nelson, Higinio Camarillo, Mallory Warman, Vicki Sheridan, David Roberts, Karen Evans, Shelley Hoffman, Mike McGrath, Shirley Schafer, Anne Schafer, Chris Kulawik, Jenn McFadden, Jennifer Sousa, Miguel Aguilar, Martha Torres, Tara Schoen, Carlos Ramirez, Anthony DeBorde, Nina Sol Del Angel, Frank Steele, Benjamin Burke, Karen Sahr, Nate Treleven and family, Mila Helene Eden, Zita Limeta Alejo, Yael Mijangos Limeta, Joanne East, George Powell, Ellen Mandel, Tony Kaye, Margaret Nolan, Katie Wood, Micah Yale, Kathleen Lootens, Ben Luna, and Sue Peters.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**



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### ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE OFFERING

Thank you for placing your offerings in the plate.  
Offerings are also received with gratitude by QR code (on the left), by mail online at [www.stmarksglenellyn.org](http://www.stmarksglenellyn.org), or by texting STMCHURCH to 73256.

## THE LITURGY *of* THE TABLE

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Victimae Paschali laudes



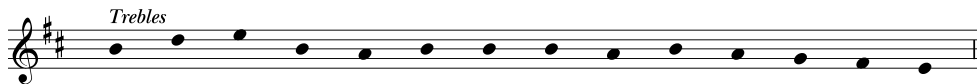
1. Chris-tians, to the Pas - chal vic - tim of - fer your thank - ful prais - es!



2. A lamb the sheep re - deem - eth: Christ, who on - ly is sin - less,



rec - on - cil - eth sin - ners to the Fa - ther.



3. Death and life have con - tend - ed in that com - bat stu - pen - dous:



the Prince of life, who died, reigns im - mor - tal.

*Men*

4. Speak, Ma - ry, de - clar - ing what thou saw - est, way - far - ing:

*Trebles*

5. "The tomb of Christ, who is liv - ing, the glo - ry of

Je - sus' re - sur - rec - tion; 6. bright an - gels at - test - ing,

the shroud and nap - kin rest - ing. 7. Yea, Christ my hope is a -

ris - en; to Gal - i - lee he will go be - fore you."

*All*

8. Christ in - deed from death is ris - en, our new life ob - tain - ing,

have mer - cy, vic - tor King, ev - er reign - ing!

A - men. Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Wigbert [Wipo of Burgundy] (d. 1050?); tr. *The Antiphoner and Grail*, 1880, alt. Music: *Victimae Paschali laudes*, plainsong, Mode 1; melody att. Wigbert [Wipo of Burgundy] (d. 1050?); acc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937).

*Following the Offertory, the service continues with this blessing over the gifts*

All things come of Thee, O Lord,  
**And of Thine own have we given Thee.**



Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

*The Officiant continues*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our

dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Music: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944). Setting: Copyright © Church Publishing Inc.

*The Officiant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

AGNUS DEI

*Mass of St. Thomas* | David Thorne

Lamb of God; you take a-way the sin of the  
Lamb of God; you take a-way the  
sin of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of  
God; you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us.  
world: Grant us peace.

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The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## ALL ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE THE HOLY COMMUNION

*Join in one of the two lines to receive communion. Gluten free hosts are available upon request.  
Please dispose of the serving cup on the nearby tray.*

### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

There is one Lord, one faith, one bap - ti - sm,  
*Hay un Se - ñor, u - na fe, un bau - tis - mo,*

there is one God who is Fa - ther of all.  
*un so - lo Dios, quien es Pa - dre de to - dos.*

Text: Ephesians 4, adapt. by Robert J. Batastini, b.1942, and the Taizé Community, 1984  
 Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994  
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### Hymnal 51

1 We the Lord's peo - ple, heart and voice u - nit - ing, praise him who  
 2 This is the Lord's house, home of all his peo - ple, school for the  
 3 This is the Lord's day, day of God's own mak - ing, day of cre -  
 4 In the Lord's ser - vice bread and wine are of - fered, that Christ may

called us out of sin and dark - ness in - to his own light,  
 faith - ful, ref - uge for the sin - ner, rest for the pil - grim,  
 - a - tion, day of re - sur - rec - tion, day of the Spi - rit,  
 take them, bless them, break, and give them to all his peo - ple,

that he might a - noint us a roy - al priest - hood.  
 ha - ven for the wea - ry; all find a wel - come.  
 sign of hea - ven's ban - quet, day for re - joic - ing.  
 his own life im - part - ing, food ev - er - last - ing.

Words: John E. Bowers (b. 1923), alt.  
 Music: Decatur Place, Richard Wayne Dirksen (b. 1921)

## Hymnal 204

1 Now the green blade ris - eth from the bur - ied grain,  
 2 In the grave they laid him, Love whom hate had slain,  
 3 Forth he came at Eas - ter, like the ris - en grain,  
 4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,

wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;  
 think - ing that nev - er he would wake a - gain,  
 he that for three days in the grave had lain,  
 thy touch can call us back to life a - gain,

love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been:  
 laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen:  
 quick from the dead my ris - en Lord is seen:  
 fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:

*Refrain*

Love is come a - gain like wheat that spring - eth green.

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## ADDITIONAL COMMUNION HYMNS

Hymnal 187: Through the Red Sea brought at last

Hymnal 178: Jesus is Lord of all the earth

BIRTHDAY BLESSING

Watch over your servant(s), O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

Hymnal 182

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing, His cross stands  
 2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
 3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -  
 4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,  
 5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
 2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the  
 3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the  
 4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet  
 5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.  
 2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.  
 3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.  
 4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.  
 5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

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## THE DISMISSAL

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

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY

All are welcome to Mahon Hall for coffee hour.



The Sunday Altar Flowers may be given in honor or memory of a loved one and for other special occasions such as birthdays and anniversaries. The suggested donation is \$50. Please complete the “Altar Flowers” sign-up in the narthex or email the front desk at [frontdesk@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:frontdesk@stmarksglenellyn.org) and make your donation by check payable to St. Mark’s or electronically using this QR code:



## LOOKING AHEAD

### May

3	Sun	2:00 pm	Crop Hunger Walk
3	Sun	6:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Evensong for Eastertide
6	Wed	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm	Midweek Eucharist
9	Sat	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Garden Team Kick-off Meeting
16	Sat	9:00 am – 2:30 pm	Anti Racism Training
20	Wed	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm	Mid-week Eucharist
30	Sat	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Forest Bathing Fieldtrip

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### St. Mark's Garden Team Kick-Off

Whether you have a "green thumb" or a "brown thumb" or are just looking for an excuse for extra sunshine, you are invited to join the St. Mark's Gardening Team. There are opportunities to adopt an area on your own or with others, as well as joining us for group gardening days. Join us at the kickoff meeting on **Saturday May 9th at 10:00 am** at St. Marks in the Library.



For more information, please contact Jenn McFadden - [jennmcfadden22@yahoo.com](mailto:jennmcfadden22@yahoo.com) or 312-545-4040.

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### Coffee Hour Hosts Needed!

Coffee Hour = Community! But it doesn't happen without you. Following the 10:30 am service, coffee hour hosts provide a lite bite almost 40+ weeks/year. That means we need that many hosts. It's such a valuable part of meeting and getting to know your spiritual community and we hope you come often and enjoy it! It's so easy! We try to get two hosts/Sunday. Anyone can do it!

- Bring a coffee cake, cookies, cheese and crackers whatever ~ serving platters are in the kitchen.
- Julian makes coffee, has tea, water, cups, etc. All done for you.
- It's NOT a breakfast ~ just something to go with coffee or tea.
- You'll be called the week before as a reminder and have any questions answered.
- Committee members come and offer to help if needed.
- Wear a name tag and greet people. That's it! And THANK YOU to some of you who do it so often!

Sign-up is in the narthex. Call or text Lois Sheridan with questions: 630 947-3882. Thank you!

# Choral Evensong

ON THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Featuring the music of  
Margaret Rizza and Mendelssohn

Choir

**St Mark's Singers**

Organist & Choirmaster

**Seth Luna**

Guest Conductor

**Jonathan**

**Cramer**

**Sunday, May 3, 2026 | 6 pm**

St Mark's Episcopal Church, Glen Ellyn

Zoom ID : 483-170-780

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### CROP Hunger Walk – Today, Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup>



Join St. Marks CROP Walk team as we join with other Glen Ellyn and Wheaton churches to raise funds and awareness for global and local hunger. We will walk a 3-mile route starting at the Glen House Snack Center at 800 N. Roosevelt Road. More information at this link:

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/chw/team/st-marks-episcopal-2>

Questions - Hester Bury - [hesterbury@gmail.com](mailto:hesterbury@gmail.com)

**St. Mark's  
Vacation Bible  
School!**

# RAINFOREST FALLS

**Exploring the Nature of God**

**July 13-17, 2026**  
9:00am - 12:00pm  
\$100 per Child / \$200 Family Maximum

**Register Today!**

Registration

Payment

## Women's Group May 6th: An Evening of Yoga to Center Yourself

After the long winter we've had, we could all use a good physical and mental stretch. Yoga is the ancient practice of connecting the mind, body, and spirit through breathing exercises, physical postures, and relaxation techniques. Lindsay Anderson, a yoga instructor at Studio 11 Yoga & Wellness in Wheaton, will lead St. Mark's Women's Group in an evening yoga session. Anderson also regularly teaches yoga to children at St. Mark's preschool.

You don't need to know yoga to participate. All ability levels are welcome.

When: Wednesday, May 6, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Where: Mahon Hall

What: We will socialize for a bit. Then we'll have about 45 minutes of yoga.

What Else: Please bring your own mat if you have one. We'll also have extra mats on hand.

Dress in clothes that allow you to move and stretch.

Contact Rita at [women@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:women@stmarksglenellyn.org) with questions.



### Forest Bathing

at the St. Charles Healing Gardens

**WHEN?** Saturday, May 30, 2026

**WHERE?** Meet at church at 9 a.m. and carpool to the St. Charles Healing Gardens. The Healing Garden experience will be led by St. Mark's Spiritual Director and Certified Guide, Tammy Minuti.  
Optional: Lunch in St. Charles



Cost of \$20 per person will cover entrance and facilitator fees.



Registration is **REQUIRED!** Scan QR code or sign up at:  
<https://forms.gle/mA17HtZVbedQh3q6>

Sponsored by St. Mark's Sacred Ground

Contact Joyce Fletcher at [joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org) or call/text (630) 204-3175 for more information

**FRIDAY  
22  
MAY**

**ST. MARK'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
GLEN ELLYN  
7:30PM**

**FEMALE BARDS**  
THE STORIES, POETRY, AND MUSIC OF WOMEN

**LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES**

**Start Your Day in Prayer – on Zoom**

If you are looking for a simple and meaningful way to begin your mornings, join St. Mark's **Morning Prayer on Zoom** every Monday, Tuesday, and Friday at 8:30 am. Morning Prayer is a brief, 20-minute service of prayers and scripture that is available to you from the comfort of your own home. All are welcome!

- **When:** Mondays, Tuesdays, & Fridays at 8:30 am
- **Where:** Zoom (Meeting ID: **483 170 780**)
- **Questions:** Contact George Smith at [rector@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:rector@stmarksglenellyn.org) | 630-858-1020, ext. 222

**Sacred Ground - St. Mark's Social Justice Group**

Sacred Ground explores issues of Race and Faith – All are welcome!

St. Mark's Sacred Ground Group is a continuation of a program developed by the National Episcopal Church to explore the intersection of race and faith. All are encouraged to join the journey this year as we increase our awareness and work to become agents of change in our church, our communities, and the world.

**Saturday, May 16**      Anti-Racism Training      Lehman Parlor      9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
*Advance Registration required. Contact Joyce Fletcher. Spots are limited.*

**Tuesday, May 26**      Monthly Meeting      Library      7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

**Saturday, May 30**      Healing Gardens      Field Experience  
We will meet at St. Mark's at 9 a.m. and carpool to the Healing Gardens in St. Charles. St. Mark's Spiritual Director will lead us in 2 hours of Forest Bathing. Those who wish will have lunch together in St. Charles before returning to St. Mark's. Cost of \$20 per person covers entrance facilitator fees. *Advance Registration required.*



or at <https://forms.gle/9gxa4g43WV6sNDNr9>

Questions? Contact Joyce Fletcher at [joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org)

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## **The St. Mark's Sunday Forum**

9:30 am – 10:20 am, Library  
In person & on Zoom

Fellowship and lifelong learning for adults and youth are the hallmarks of St. Mark's Forum. Connect with your friends and make new friends, as we explore a variety of topics relating to the St. Mark's Vision—Rooted in Baptism, Growing in Faith, Reaching Out into the World.

No commitment or rsvp is required. Come when you are able or interested in the topic. Join in the community learning and sharing at the St. Mark's Forum.

**May 3                      Spirituality in America    Deacon Miguel Briones**

For many people, being spiritual means observing rituals, studying texts, and attending religious services—well, religiously. For others, it is not at all a question of traditional structures or notions of God. What is spirituality for you in these times?

**May 10                      The Nicene Creed: A Theological Exploration                      Lindsey Paris-Lopez**

We recite the Nicene Creed every Sunday, but why do these affirmations, in particular, make up the core tenets of our faith? What do they say about the Triune nature of God, why do they omit the substance of Jesus' life and ministry, and how do they shape our living faith? Lindsey Paris-Lopez will facilitate a conversation on core content and key questions regarding the Creed.

**May 17                    Making Peace with Our Neighbor**

**Jamie Hommowun**

At times, it feels like the differences between us are growing wider by the minute. It seems that everyone wants to bridge the gaps and “return to civility,” but no one has a plan for how to do that – especially when the things that divide seem so fundamental and irreconcilable. Join Dr. Jamie Hommowun, PsyD, for a discussion of some of the principles of reconnection explored in the Enemies Project and how we might apply these to our own lives.

**May 24                    Stepping Forward: Leadership as Ministry**  
**Josh O’Shea, Patti King, and other past and present St. Mark’s wardens**

Join a conversation with current and past wardens as they reflect on what it’s like to care for and serve the life of our church. Through shared stories and guided discussion, we’ll explore how leadership takes shape through faith, relationship, and everyday acts of commitment. This is an opportunity to listen, reflect, and consider how we support one another in the common life of our parish.

For more information about the St. Mark’s Forum, contact Joyce Fletcher at [joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org)

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**Anti-Racism Training**  
**Saturday, May 16, 2026**

**9 am - 2:30 pm; St. Mark’s Lehman Parlor**

Do you want to gain insight into your own biases and beliefs? This Anti-Racism training, designed and led by members of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago Anti-Racism Commission, is designed for St. Markers to challenge our biases and attitudes, teach about the history of racism in our country, and look at ways forward. Lunch is included. **Spots are limited!**



Please reserve your spot by contacting Joyce Fletcher at [joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org)

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

### Welcome to St. Mark's Sunday School!



#### The Sunday School Program Includes:

**Nursery** For infants through 3 years of age during all services (8:30 am, 10:30 am and 1 pm).

**8:30 a.m.** Godly Play Sunday School for ages 4 and older.

**10:15 a.m.** Sunday School is offered for ages 4 and older.

- 10:15 - Gather in Mahon Hall for a greeting, song and music.
- 10:30 - Classrooms for Pre K, K – 1st, 2nd & 3rd, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> half of Church service --Worship with parents with participation at the altar.

#### Volunteering:

Please sign-up to be a classroom volunteers (adults over 18) or a youth assistants (junior high/high school students). This is a fun, easy opportunity for EVERYONE to help the St. Mark's children grow in their faith! Volunteer to sign-up for ONE hour 4 times per year (though you are welcome to teach MORE than 4 times if you like!). Everything you need to lead the class will be clear and provided to you. Sign up using the QR code to the right.



## BIBLE STUDY

### Welcome to the Tuesday Bible Study! We are studying 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians.

St. Mark's offers a Bible study led by Fr. George on Tuesday mornings on Zoom from 9 am to 10:30 am. We are at the beginning of 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians.

**The Zoom ID is: 483-170-780.** This Bible study begins with people logging in between 9 am and 9:30 am. After check-ins and conversation, we pray at 9:30 am and then read and discuss a chapter of the text. Questions? Please contact Fr. George at 630-858-1020, ext. 222 or by email at [rector@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:rector@stmarksglenellyn.org).

## OUTREACH

### St. Mark's Meals to Go

St. Mark's hosts a Meals to Go on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of every month from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm. Meals will be available to pick up at St. Mark's at the Hillside entrance. Everyone is Welcome! The Winter / Spring 2026 Saturday dates for Meals to Go are: May 16<sup>th</sup>, June 6, & June 20.

## How to Support the Glen House Food Pantry

You may drop off your donations to Glen House Food Pantry at 55 N. Park Blvd., or you may bring them to St. Mark's and put them in the shopping cart inside the front door, and we will make sure your donations get to the Food Pantry.

**Items this week: Canned Pineapple & Mandarin Oranges (in Natural Juice), Canned Peas, Boxed Tea Bags & Bagged Coffee, Mayonnaise & Ketchup, Relish & Salsa, and Flavored Water & Low-Sugar Juice.**

Call the Pantry at (630) 469-6988 if you need to arrange another drop off time. Any questions, please contact St. Mark's representative to the Food Pantry, Joyce Frawley, at (630) 476-5655.

### YOUTH NEWS

## The Last Youth Night for 2025-2026 School Year!

**Wednesday, May 6, 2026, 6:30 – 8 p.m.**

**Lehman Parlor and the Game Room**

Come to our last Youth Night for the school year on Wednesday, May 6! We will be eating pizza, playing games, and talking about how Jesus' life and teaching apply to our lives. AND...we'll be enjoying a special dessert!

All youth in 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to attend Youth Nights. **Bring your friends!**

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## Tuesday evening Teen Bible Study

Come to St. Mark's on Tuesdays from 5 – 6 p.m. for a teen-led Bible Study, meeting in the Teen Room (also known as Lehman Parlor). We're going to look at how to spread God's love as a teen. Bring your Bible if you have one. We'll have plenty on hand. Hope to see you there.

For more information, contact Joyce Fletcher at [joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org)

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