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WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

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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.



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.

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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 630-858-1020, and we will be happy to help you in any way we can.

Cover Art: St. Mark's Pumpkin Patch

OPENING VOLUNTARY

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Stand as able when the bell is rung

OPENING HYMN

1. Gra - cious Spir - it, give your ser - vants joy to set sin's
2. Word made flesh, who gave up glo - ry to be - come our
3. Lov - ing God, who birthed cre - a - tion from the noth - ing -
4. Tri - une God, e - ter - nal Be - ing, nev - er end - ing,

cap - tives free, hope to heal the bro - ken - heart - ed,
great high priest, tak - ing on our hu - man na - ture
ness of space, kin - dling life where all was emp - ty,
un - be - gun, bound - less grace and per - fect jus - tice,

peace to share love's li - ber - ty. Through us bring your balm of
to re - deem the last and least: let your cour - age and com -
turn - ing cha - os in - to grace: when we feel con - fused and
right - eous and for - giv - ing One: so en - fold us in you

glad - ness to the wound - ed and op - pressed; help us claim and
 pas - sion shape and guide our min - is - tries; as our Sav - ior
 fruit - less, dawn up - on our rest - less night; give us faith's im -
 mer - cy that our wills and yours u - nite; through us may the

show God's fa - vor as a peo - ple called and blessed.
 and our Shep - herd, lead us to the truth that frees.
 ag - i - na - tion, hope's re - new - ing, love's de - light.
 world be - hold you, find your love, your truth, your light.

Words: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (B. 1944). Music: Abbot's Leigh, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991).

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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 DEO

Mass of St Cedd | *Peter Nardone*

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Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -

migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry.

mp
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on

us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the

mf
Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer. 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. A - men, A - men.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 31:27-34

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt-- a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSE

Psalm 119:97-104 *Quomodo dilexi!*

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



97 Oh, how I love your /law! *
all the day long it is in my /mind.
98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my /enemies, *
and it is always /with me.

99 I have more understanding than all my /teachers, *
for your decrees are my /study.
100 I am wiser than the /elders, *
because I observe your com/mandments.

101 I restrain my feet from every evil /way, *
that I may keep your /word.
102 I do not shrink from your /judgments, *
because you yourself have /taught me.

103 How sweet are your words to my /taste! *
they are sweeter than honey to my /mouth.
104 Through your commandments I gain under/standing; *
therefore I hate every lying /way.

THE EPISTLE

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

A reading from the second letter to Timothy.

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able for the Gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

Luke 18:1-8

Clergy
People

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Clergy
People

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

The Gospel Acclamation is repeated

THE NICENE CREED

Please 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 LITANY OF HEALING

The Leader and People pray responsively

God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;
We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;
We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;
We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;
We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick or injured. We pray for those on our parish prayer list. You are invited to say aloud names from the list below or other names of those in need of prayer.

Karen Nicholson, Matt, Azza and Yara, Joyce Hetzel, Charles Snider, Ann Cardwell, Chad Alcorn, Martha Sexauer, Jay Mueller, Terry Heschke, Elizabeth Mueller, Colin Valdivia, Pam Benning, Bella Cuttone, Craig Farrow, Daniel Ljubi, Avery, Brian Rogers, George Pliml, Ashley and Kevin, Gretchen Kenower, Lynn Wollstadt, Kris Baier, Bill Van Wienen, Caroline Barclay, Connie Blair, Mark Zelman, Rita Sullivan, Emily Resch, Virginia Vagt, Tim Frawley, Tom Gramm, Jack Clinkman, Mary Parsons, Kaye and Roy Staggs, Mike Bennett, Jeanne Tschampa-Lopotko, John Mueller, Mary Treleven, 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, Alison Aguilar, Maribel Juarez, Brian Winkleman, Jeanne McCauley, Tom Mendralla, Kevin, May Anstee, Mike Finn, Lori Powers, Kristen Davia, Jim Roth, Jan Budzicz, Jim Yehling, Raúl Garcia, McGilvray Family, Karol Pinzón, Sandy Shellenhamer, Kelly Bartsdate, Jason Wilder, Walt Windholz, Mick McGuire, Tina Ulrich, Juan Aguilar, Lucien Greesham, Cooper Stegen, Brenda Laws, Barbara Barajas, Cassandra Echeverria, Thomas Lanzillo, Florrie Gramm, Matt Grief, Rachel Newlin, Franca Muliere, Hannah Strait, Silvino Covarrubias, Danuta Wroblewska, Priscilla Meldrim, Tracy Smith, Mary Jane Malik, Jean True, Sally Neuert, John Cahill, Alondra De Casas, Kaleb Tompkins, Estrella Pedroza, Gwen, Shirley Hoops, Pam Rojc, Aunt Diane, Joseph Strati, June Judd, Jim Drew, Sergio Mazariegos, Stacey Vassallo, Zoila Via Gambini, Diane Arpino, Regina Casey, Alice Vanest, Barry Nelson, Robert Lundin and Victor Nieves.

May they be made whole;
Hear us, O Lord of life.

Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;
Hear us, O Lord of life.

Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;
Hear us, O Lord of life.

We pray for those who have died and those we remember now silently or aloud. *(People may add their own petitions.)* Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;
Hear us, O Lord of life.

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world; this week we pray for the Mexican state of Colima;
Hear us, O Lord of life.

You are the Lord who does wonders;
You have declared your power among the peoples.
 With you, O Lord, is the well of life;
And in your light we see light.

Hear us, O Lord of life;
Heal us, and make us whole.

Let us pray.

Silence

Following the litany of healing, all are welcome to come to the altar rail for prayers, anointing with holy oil and the laying on of hands.

MUSIC DURING HEALING

GOD IS FORGIVENESS

Ostinato Refrain / Estribillo

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.
 Ten - go sed de ti, oh fuen - te del a - mor.

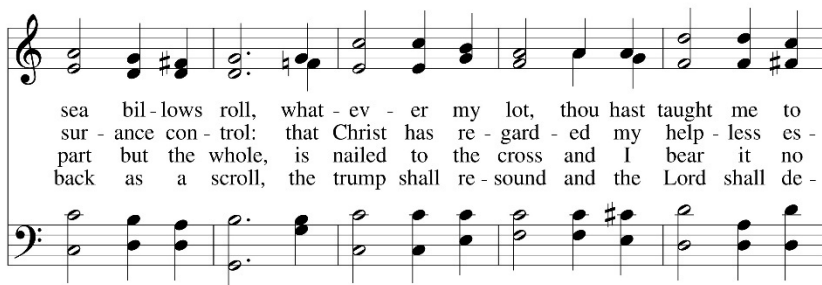
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.
 Ten - go sed de ti: tu a - mor es li - ber - tad.

Text: Psalm 103
 Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994
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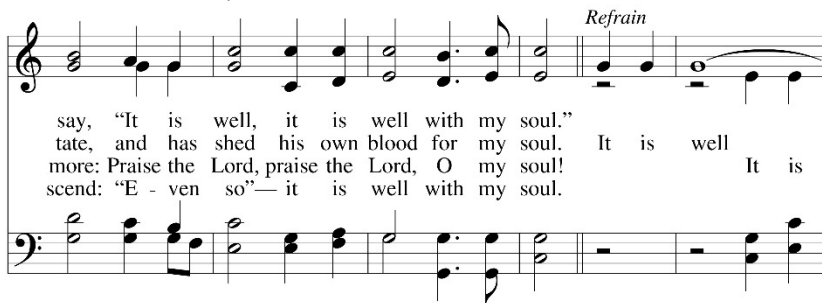
WHEN PEACE LIKE A RIVER



1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when sor - rows like
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let this blest as -
3 My sin—O, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought, my sin—not in
4 And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled



sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to
sur - ance con - trol: that Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es -
part but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no
back as a scroll, the trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de -



Refrain
say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."
tate, and has shed his own blood for my soul. It is well It is
more: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
scend: "E - ven so"—it is well with my soul.

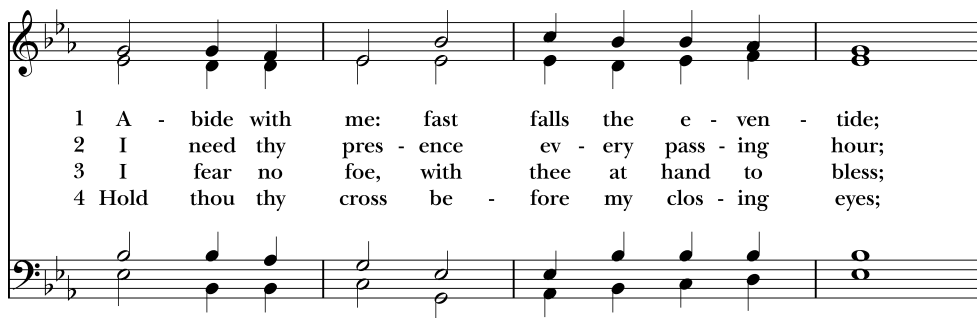


well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

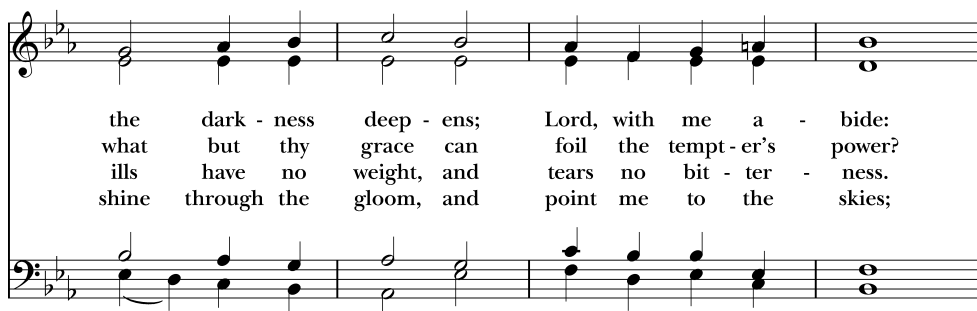
WORDS: Horatio G. Spafford (1828-1888)
MUSIC: Philip P. Bliss (1838-1876)

VILLE DU HAVRE
11.8.11.9.Ref.

ABIDE WITH ME



1 A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide;
 2 I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;
 3 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
 4 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;



the dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide:
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's power?
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness;
 shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;



when o - ther help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 Who, like thy - self, my guide and stay can be?
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?
 heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain sha - dows flee;



help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bide with me.
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me.
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

Words: Henry Frances Lyte (1793-1847). Music: *Eventide*, William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

IN THE LORD I'LL BE EVER

Ostinato Refrain

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -
El Se - ñor es mi for - ta - le - za, el Se - ñor es mi can -

joyce! Look to God, do not be a - fraid. Lift up your
ción. El nos da la sal - va - ción. En él con -

voic - es, the Lord is near; lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near.
fí - o, no te - me - ré. En él con - fí - o, no te - me - ré.

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 Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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THE PEACE

Officiant
People

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.

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THE LITURGY *of* THE TABLE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

O Salutaris Hostia | *Edward Elgar*

O salutaris hostia
quae caeli pandis ostium,
bella premunt hostilia:
da robur, fer auxilium

*O saving victim
who opens the gate of heaven,
our foes press on us:
give strength, bring aid.*

Uni trinoque Domino
sit sempiterna gloria,
qui vitam sine termino
nobis donet in patria.

*To the Lord, three in one,
be everlasting glory,
for he gives us life without end
in his Kingdom.*

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.

Please stand as able

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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

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Please kneel or be seated

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.**

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

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.

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga a nosotros tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

The Officiant breaks the consecrated Bread, silence is kept

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world, have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

mp

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world,

pp rit.

grant — us peace, 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

Refrain

Christ, my hope, and Christ, my joy, Christ, my strength, and my

The image shows a musical score for a two-part setting of the Refrain of the hymn 'Christ, My Hope and Joy'. The score is written for a soprano and a bass voice. The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor), and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a clear cadence at the end of the phrase. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

light, Christ, my con - fi - dence a - lone, in you I

trust and have no fear; in you I trust and have no fear.

Words: Refrain, tr. from German by William Bradley Roberts; verses by William Bradley Roberts.
 Music: Refrain, Spanish folksong from Taizé; arr. William Bradley Roberts © 1994 William Bradley Roberts.
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HYMNAL. 475 “GOD HIMSELF IS WITH US”

HYMNAL 670

Unison or harmony

1 Lord, for ev - er at thy side let my place and por - tion be,
 2 When I come be - fore thy Word, qui - et my anx - i - e - ty;
 3 What thy Spi - rit doth re - veal, that may I in faith re - ceive;
 4 Is - rael, now and ev - er - more in the Lord Al - might - y trust;

strip me of the robe of pride, clothe me with hu - mil - i - ty,
 teach me thou a - lone art Lord, let my heart find rest in thee.
 though my doubts I sore - ly feel, thy sure prom - ise I be - lieve.
 him, in all his ways, a - dore, wise, and won - der - ful, and just.

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ADDITIONAL COMMUNION HYMN AS NEEDED

Hymnal 309 “O Food to pilgrims given”

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.**

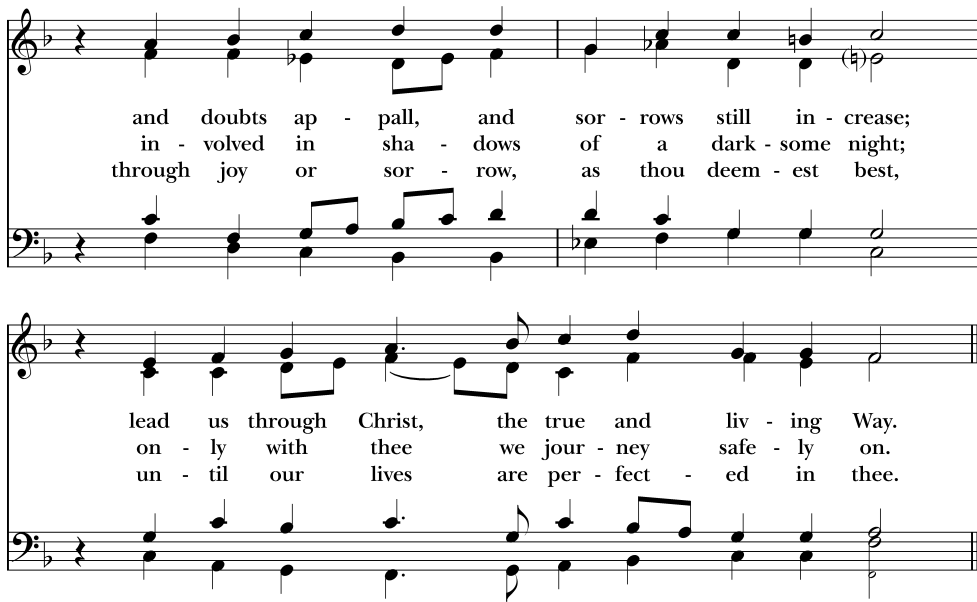
CLOSING HYMN

Hymnal 703

Unison or harmony

1 Lead us, O Fa - ther, in the paths of peace;
2 Lead us, O Fa - ther, in the paths of right;
3 Lead us, O Fa - ther, to thy heaven - ly rest,

with - out thy guid - ing hand we go a - stray,
blind - ly we stum - ble when we walk a - lone,
how - ev - er rough and steep thy path may be;



and doubts ap - pall, and sor - rows still in - crease;
in - volved in sha - dows of a dark - some night;
through joy or sor - row, as thou deem - est best,

lead us through Christ, the true and liv - ing Way.
on - ly with thee we jour - ney safe - ly on.
un - til our lives are per - fect - ed in thee.

Words: William Henry Burleigh (1812-1871), alt. Music: *Song 22*, melody and bass Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625).

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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 and make your donation by check payable to St. Mark’s or electronically using this QR code:



LOOKING AHEAD

October

19	Sunday	All Services	Trick or Treat for UNICEF – Boxes Distributed
21	Tuesday	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Vestry Meeting
22	Wednesday	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Exodus Refugee Journey Experience
23	Thursday	6:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Community Dinner
26	Sunday	9:00 am – 1:00 pm	Blood Drive

November

2	Sunday	6:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Evensong for All Saints
5	Wednesday	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm	Midweek Eucharist
5	Wednesday	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Youth Night
8	Saturday	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	StrokeScan
8	Saturday	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	SCARCE Pumpkin Smash
9	Sunday	9:30 am – 10:30 am	Parish Breakfast
9	Sunday	All Services	Pledge Sunday for 2026 Giving Campaign

CURRENT EVENTS

The Pumpkins are Here! Announcing the 19th Annual St. Mark's Pumpkin Patch for DuPagePads!

The pumpkins are here! The sale continues through Halloween, October 31. The "Patch" is open 24 hours a day with the use of an honor payment system. We rely primarily on this honor system for pumpkin sales with volunteers helping with the sales on Saturdays and Sundays. Over the years, this system has worked incredibly well and is a testimony to the ethics of our community.

Over the past 18 years, the "Patch" netted a total of \$136,648 for DuPagePads. Last year's "Patch" netted \$9,845!

Please sign up to staff the sales tent on the clipboards in the narthex by using this QR code or go to this link: <https://tinyurl.com/dwzc4bhw>



If you have any questions, please contact the front office at frontdesk@stmarksglenellyn.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BE A CHRISTMAS BASKET ELF! (Translation: sponsor a family to provide gifts and a food gift card to enhance their Christmas!) Be part of the decades-long tradition at St. Mark's to partner with ReVive Center for Housing and Healing to help families in need. Choose a family size based on your budget: plan to spend \$30-50 per person on new gifts plus \$25 per person on a Jewel gift card. Options: Gift cards instead of gifts are now OK and a single large gift for the family instead of individual gifts if that fits your situation best is also OK. The family sizes range from 1 to 6 and there are more than 30 to choose from. Sponsor on your own or partner with a friend or with a group. Email or call **Sheila Plecha** to request a family (let her know family size; special requests like kids' ages are also fine). Boxes with wrapped packages are due at church beginning Sunday, December 7th. Questions? Please contact Sheila Plecha, splecha24@gmail.com or 248-202-7348. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

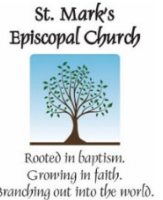
ST. MARK'S PRAYERS FOR THE STATES OF MEXICO

Branching Out Into The World...

At St. Mark's our Vision statement is, *"Rooted in Baptism, Growing in Faith, Branching Out into the World."*

Today in the prayers of the people, we are praying for one of the Mexican states of **Colima**.

- Capital: Colima
- Information: A small state on the Pacific coast, Colima is known for its active volcano, Volcán de Fuego, its pleasant climate, and its agricultural production, particularly of lemons and coconuts.



BIBLE STUDY

A New Bible Study Begins: 1 Thessalonians - the First Christian Scripture

St. Mark's offers a Bible study led by Fr. George on Tuesday mornings on Zoom from 9 am to 10:30 am. **We started a new study on Tuesday, October 14** that focuses on 1 Thessalonians. This book / letter has the distinction of being the earliest of Paul's letters known to us, written approximately 35 years after Jesus was crucified. It was also written before the Gospels and serves as a window into the life of the early Christian movement and its struggles and questions. Is Paul a fraud? Will those who have died participate in the resurrection? With Christ coming again soon, why work?

The Zoom ID is: 483-170-780. The Bible study begins with people logging in at 9 am. After a period of check-ins and conversation, we say a prayer at 9:30 am and then read and discuss a chapter of the scripture text. Questions? Contact Fr. George at 630-858-1020, ext 222 or by email at rector@stmarksglenellyn.org.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Welcome to St. Mark's Sunday School!

- Sign up to be a volunteer leader
- Register your child for Sunday School



The 2025 – 2026 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, 4th and 5th.
- 2nd 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.

Signups for Sept. & Oct. are at the following link: or use the QR code to the right:



Registering Your Children:



Please register your children who will be attending this year, so that we can prepare for our classes. Use this link, <https://tinyurl.com/3h7tm8h5> or the QR code to the left to register.

We look forward to a wonderful year of faith and friendship!

If you have any questions please contact Gina Wood, Director of Children's Ministry, at childrensministry@stmarksglenellyn.org

2026 GIVING CAMPAIGN



Do you remember your *first door* into St. Mark's?

Think back to your first experience with St. Mark's. Do you remember what it was? Maybe it was a visit to check out a new church home. Maybe you were attending a program. Perhaps it was through the Preschool or the Parents' Day Out Program. Maybe you stopped to buy a pumpkin or a mum that was on display. Or perhaps you came to meet a need, ask a question, or talk with someone. Maybe it was something you couldn't easily explain...

The "doors" into St. Mark's are many—and as unique as each of us who walks through the doors, hallways, and spaces of our parish home. Each door represents an entry into a community where God's love is shared and all are welcome.

Our Lord promised that when we knock, the door shall be opened. The upcoming Giving Campaign for 2026 invites everyone to reflect on the many blessings we have received and to support our ministry so that the doors of St. Mark's may swing open even wider to all.

Later in October, you will receive an email and a USPS mailing with materials about the 2026 Annual Giving Campaign. Please be on the lookout—more information to come!

The 2026 Giving Campaign Committee

Chip Bennett, Chris Goebbert, Karen Hill, Patti King, Samantha Kyrkostas, Kyle McCordic, Rebecca McCordic, George Smith, Javier Valdivia

Youth Night

Wednesday, October 22 – Exodus Refugee Journey Experience

6 -6:30 p.m. - Pizza

6:30 - 8:00 p.m. - Refugee Journey Experience

Mahon Hall



All youth are invited, along with their family and friends, to participate in the ALL CHURCH **Refugee Journey Simulation**. You will experience what it is like to be forced to flee your home and your country, to live in a camp or a series of camps, and to apply for refugee status. This will be a meaningful experience for all.

Invite your friends!!

Fall Youth Night Schedule

October 22

November 5 and 19

December 3 and 17

For more information, contact Joyce Fletcher, joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org

Announcing, “The Collective”

Glen Ellyn churches are coming together to give 6th-12th graders a place to grow through faith, friendship, and fun.



Join us for:

- **OCT 26** - Halloween Party at First Congregational Church, 5 - 7 p.m.
- **NOV 1-2** - Sleep out Saturday, First United Methodist Church, 5 pm. - Sunday morning
- **NOV 19** - Friendsgiving, St. Mark's, 6:30 - 8 pm.

For more information, contact Joyce Fletcher, joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org.

8th Graders and Older are Invited to Participate in St. Mark's Confirmation - 2025–2026



All students entering 8th grade and above are invited to participate in the Year-long St. Mark's Confirmation program, which begins this fall. Confirmation is an opportunity for young people to investigate their faith and choose to reaffirm the promises made on their behalf at baptism. Confirmation with the Bishop of Chicago will take place on Saturday, April 25, 2026 at St. Mark's.

- Attend the Confirmation Retreat on Friday, October 24 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

- Attend the First Confirmation class with Father George on Sunday, October 26 from 9:30 - 10:20 a.m. in Lehman Parlor
- Confirmation Commissioning will take place on Sunday, October 26 during the 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. services

We hope that your family will prayerfully consider participating in this opportunity to explore Confirmation in the Episcopal Church.

For more information, please contact Joyce Fletcher at joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org

ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Adult Formation Sundays from 9:30 - 10:20 am Library



Fall Adult Formation

Fellowship and lifelong learning are the hallmarks of Adult Formation at St. Mark's. 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 Adult Formation!

Oct 12 *Day of Respect for Cultural Diversity*

Miguel Briones

Celebrated as the Day of Cultural Diversity in Argentina, many think of October 12 as Columbus Day or Indigenous Peoples Day. What does Respect for Cultural Diversity really mean? What steps can we take to understand and respect other cultures?

Oct 19 *Following the Prince of Peace in a World of War*

Lindsey Paris-Lopez

What is the Christian responsibility for peacemaking in a war-torn world? During the first week of this 2-week series, Lindsey Paris-Lopez will discuss how violent interpretations of scripture have weaponized Christianity in the past and present, as well as how inclusive, merciful interpretations of those same scriptures have nurtured faith-based movements for peace and justice.

Oct 26 *Following the Prince of Peace in a World of War*

Lindsey Paris-Lopez

We will focus on the current crises, particularly in the Middle East. We will speak to how militant interpretations of Christianity have contributed to the devastation of the region. We will creatively contemplate how to follow Jesus' call to love neighbor and enemy alike as we pray and work for peace together.

Nov 2 *Orthodox Icons: Windows to Heaven*

Aphrodite Peponis

Learn about the theology and symbolism of icons. We will discover how the artistic attributes and symbolism of Icons have enabled spiritual enrichment and enhanced meaningful prayer life for centuries.

Nov 9 *Beyond St. Mark's, Part I: The Episcopal Church - Divinity in the Details*

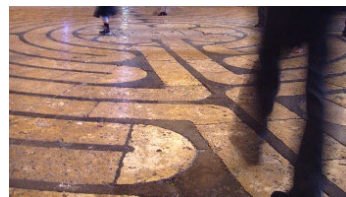
Father George

As part of The Episcopal Church, St. Mark's is one of 44 national and regional churches that make up the worldwide Anglican Communion. Learn about the structure of the Episcopal Church. Beyond our stately appearance, The Episcopal Church is a dynamic, messy, transparent and human organization.

For more information about Adult Formation, contact Joyce Fletcher at

joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org

St. Mark's Sacred Ground Program: Exploring 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.

Wednesday, Oct 22 Exodus Refugee Journey Simulation

Mahon Hall 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Follow in the Footsteps of a Refugee

All St. Markers from middle school and up are invited to take on the roles of refugees forced to flee their homeland, making tough decisions along the way. This immersive experience engages participants through compelling true stories and discussion questions.

Wednesday, Oct 29 Impure (a documentary) Library

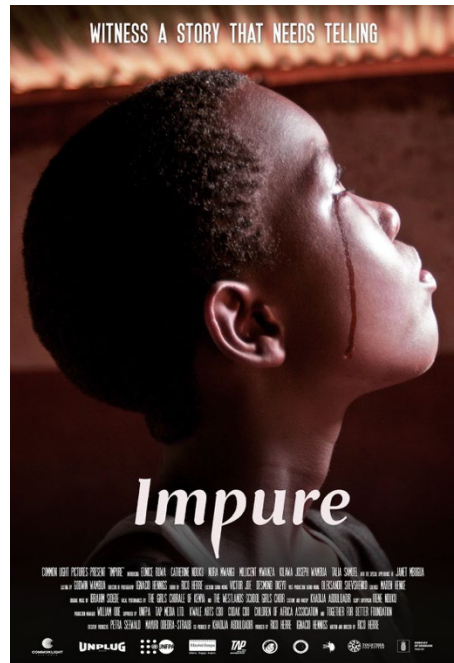
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

International Neighbors is showing *Impure*, a documentary about the “period shaming” that takes place in much of Africa and how it interferes with the education of women.

IMPURE—a Feature Film
Wednesday, October 29
St. Mark's Library
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Registration not required

“IMPURE” is a coming-of-age story that addresses the issue of “period shaming”. Inspired by a true incident in Kenya, it tells the story of a young girl who tragically took her own life after facing ridicule from her teacher and classmates for getting her first period at school. The movie sheds light on the taboo surrounding menstruation and aims to highlight the harmful consequences of staying silent about such experiences, which often lead to degradation and shame for many girls and women.

For more information contact Joyce Fletcher at joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org



Tuesday, Nov 25 Monthly Meeting Library and Zoom 7:30 - 9:00 pm

Immigration Issues Update with Sara Dady

Sara Dady has been practicing family-based immigration including visas for victims of domestic violence and other crimes, asylum as well as deportation defense for over 17 years.

Questions? Contact Joyce Fletcher at joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org

OUTREACH

Need a Helping Hand with Meals?

If you or someone you know could use a few home-cooked meals—whether due to illness, recovery, a new baby, or another life event—St. Mark's is here to help.

Through the *Meal Train* platform, our caring volunteers provide lovingly prepared meals delivered right to your door.

To request meals or learn more, please contact Kristina Roth and Jessie Commo at kroth1280@gmail.com or 773-383-1884

Would you like to join our team of meal volunteers? We'd be blessed to have you share in this meaningful ministry.

St. Mark's Meals To Go

Saturday, November 1, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm, Hillside Entrance

St. Mark's Episcopal Church will be giving out a hot meal to go to anyone who wants or needs one on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month, from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. All are welcome! www.stmarksmeals.org. **Our next Meals to Go lunch will be November 15.**

Questions? Contact David Dornblaser at dornblaser@me.com

Glen House Food Pantry – Top Needs

Top Needs: Tomato Sauce (Low Sodium, Canned Kidney Beans, Beef/Chicken Broth (Low Sodium), Boxed Potatoes Scalloped / Au Gratin), Tea & Coffee, and Spices: Cinnamon & Turmeric. Please can bring items to donate to St. Mark's and place them in our shopping cart in the hallway between the library and the narthex.

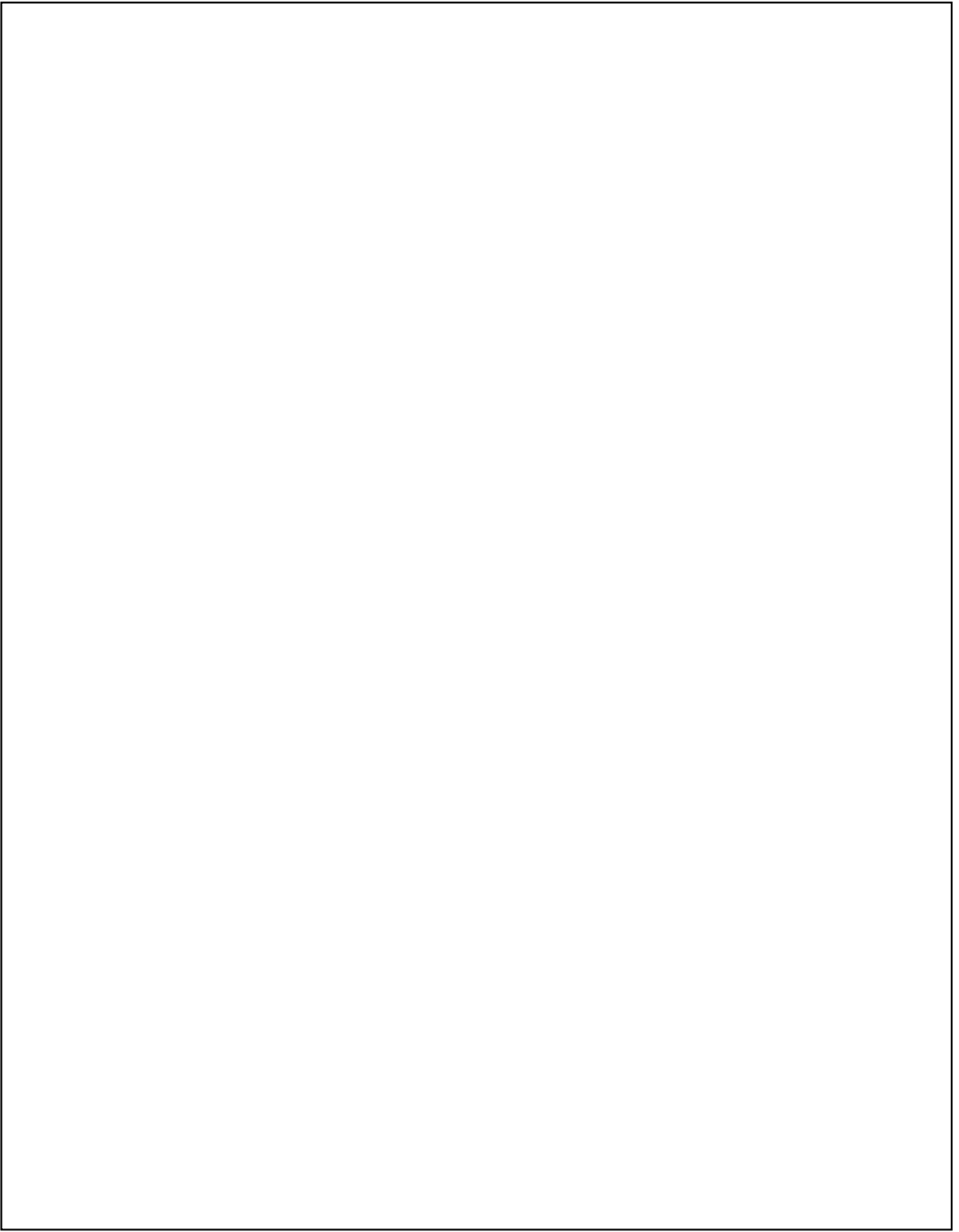
Questions? Contact Joyce Frawley at jfrawley260@gmail.com.

Volunteer to become an Academic Coach with CREO DuPage

CREO DuPage is a pre-college program that started as a ministry of St. Mark's Episcopal Church. CREO matches first-generation college-bound students from Spanish-speaking families with volunteers who help them establish and accomplish academic and career goals during weekly virtual meetings. We provide activities, training, and ongoing support. To learn more, visit our website: <https://creodupage.org/volunteer>.



Questions? Contact Krista Suzuki at krista.suzuki@creodupage.org.





Join with St. Mark's for a **Refugee Journey Simulation**

Wednesday, October 22, 6:30–8:00 pm

Join us for pizza from 6:00–6:30 pm

St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 393 N Main St, Glen Ellyn, IL

In this interactive simulation, your group will take on the roles of refugees forced to flee their homeland, making tough decisions along the way. This immersive experience engages participants through compelling true stories and discussion questions. Please join us!

QUESTIONS? Contact Joyce Fletcher
joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org

exodusworldservice.org



The 2025 Glen Ellyn Interfaith Prayer Breakfast

STRONGER BRIDGES

Abbington Distinctive Banquets, Glen Ellyn
Wednesday, October 29th 7:30 - 9:00am
Doors Open at 7:00



Featuring Dr. Alexander Massad: Stronger Bridges Built On Differences



Dr. Alexander Massad is Assistant Professor of World Religions at Wheaton College where he directs the Certificate of World Religions program. Dr. Massad is a leader in the field of Comparative Theology, where he focuses on Christian-Muslim thought and practice. He earned his Ph D from Fuller Theological Seminary. He also holds graduate degrees from Georgetown University and University of Virginia and his undergraduate from Trinity University. He is the author of the book *Witnessing God: Christians, Muslims and the Comparative Theology of Missions*, and of numerous articles on inter-religions faith and practice.



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All Saints' Sunday is November 2nd

Please submit the names of family members or friends who have passed away to be read on All Saints' Sunday, November 2nd during Evensong at 6:00 pm.

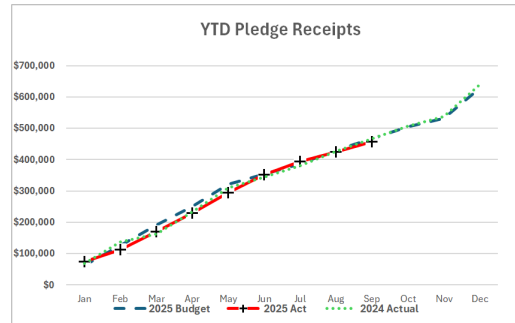


Fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate, turn it into the church office, email names to frontdesk@stmarksglenellyn.org, or complete it online at <https://tinyurl.com/4cjjwrpt> or scan the QR code. **Please write names clearly and offer a pronunciation guide if needed.**

St. Mark's Episcopal Church Summary Financial Report Sep-25

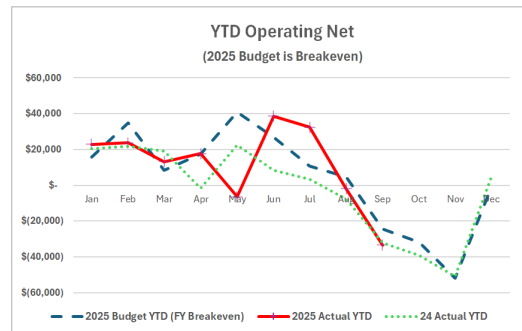
<u>Receipts</u>	<u>YTD Act</u>	<u>FY Budget</u>	<u>% of FY Budget</u>
Pledges	452,651	629,000	72%
Unpledged & Other Donations, Open Plat	76,722	127,000	60%
Usage Income	103,065	125,200	82%
Other Income	39,550	38,086	104%
St. Mark's Total Revenue	671,988	919,286	73%

<u>Expenses</u>			
Salary & Hourly Compensation	408,100	530,894	77%
Ministry Costs	18,577	25,935	72%
Music Programs	8,604	17,220	50%
Administrative Costs	136,919	179,648	76%
Buildings & Grounds	106,100	137,000	77%
Children & Youth	7,313	9,400	78%
Mission & Outreach	19,745	19,950	99%
St. Mark's Total Expenses	705,359	920,047	77%
Net St. Mark's Revenue/(Exp)	(33,371)	(761)	



<u>Cash</u>	<u>Mth-End</u>
Treasurer's Checking - operating	88,202
Schwab Account - operating	258,452
Less Treasurer's Checking - restricted	(77,773)
Net Cash Available for Church Operati	268,881
Other Cash (Preschool, PDO, Other)	155,042

<u>Current Debt Liability</u>	<u>Mth-End</u>
Debt Reduction Loan - Diocese	484,419
<u>Long-Term Debt Liability</u>	
Building Mortgage	366,766
Total Debt Liabilities	851,185



For Sept 2025, St. Mark's YTD operating net was a deficit of \$33,371 which was below the YTD budget by \$8,654. Actual pledges received YTD of \$452,651 were below budget by \$13,970. Unpledged, open plate and other donations were below budget by \$16,430. St. Mark's cash available for current operations is \$268,881. St. Mark's continues to have significant liabilities - the Church Building Mortgage and the Diocesan Loan. If there are any comments or questions, contact Cam Gowans, cameronbgowans@gmail.com. Finance Committee meetings are on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, at 6pm (online) and are open to all of St. Mark's.



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