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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 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

OPENING HYMN

Hymnal 432



1 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;
2 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him up - on earth,
*3 O praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound;
4 O praise ye the Lord! Thanks - giv - ing and song

re - joice in his word, ye an - gels of light;
in tune - ful ac - cord, all ye of new birth;
each ju - bi - lant chord re - ech - o a - round;
to him be out - poured all a - ges a - long!

ye hea - vens, a - dore him by whom ye were made,
praise him who hath brought you his grace from a - bove,
loud or - gans, his glo - ry forth tell in deep tone,
For love in cre - a - tion, for hea - ven re - stored,

and wor - ship be - fore him, in bright - ness ar - rayed.
praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.
and sweet harp, the sto - ry of what he hath done.
for grace of sal - va - tion, O praise ye the Lord!

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877), alt.; based on Psalms 148 and 150. Music: *Laudate Dominum*, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918).

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.

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

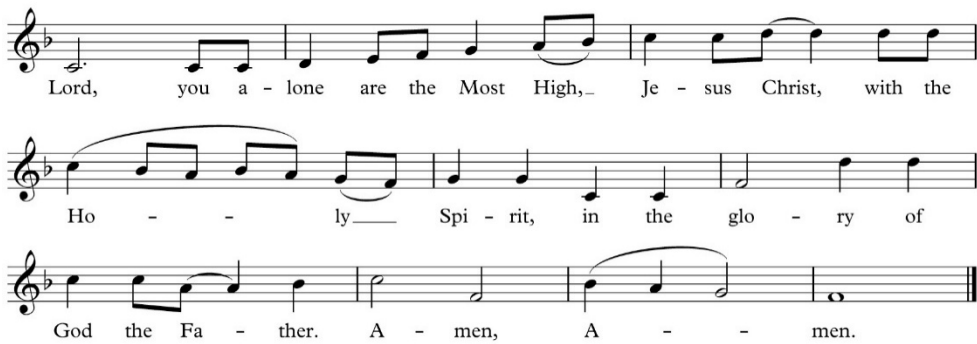
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on

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

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Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the



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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.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 4:11-12,22-28

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse-- a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them.

"For my people are foolish,
 they do not know me;
 they are stupid children,
 they have no understanding.
 They are skilled in doing evil,
 but do not know how to do good."

I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void;
 and to the heavens, and they had no light.
 I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking,
 and all the hills moved to and fro.
 I looked, and lo, there was no one at all,
 and all the birds of the air had fled.
 I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert,
 and all its cities were laid in ruins
 before the LORD, before his fierce anger.
 For thus says the LORD: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end.
 Because of this the earth shall mourn,
 and the heavens above grow black;
 for I have spoken, I have purposed;
 I have not relented nor will I turn back.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSE

Psalm 14

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



- 1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no /God." *
 All are corrupt and commit abominable acts;
 there is none who does any /good.
- 2 The LORD looks down from heaven upon us /all, *
 to see if there is any who is wise,
 if there is one who seeks after /God.
- 3 Every one has proved faithless;**
all alike have turned /bad; *
there is none who does good; no, not /one.
- 4 Have they no knowledge, all those evil/doers ***
who eat up my people like bread
and do not call upon the /LORD?

5 See how they tremble with /fear, *
 because God is in the company of the /righteous.
 6 Their aim is to confound the plans of the af/flicted, *
 but the LORD is their /refuge.
 7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of /Zion! *
 when the LORD restores the fortunes of his people,
 Jacob will rejoice and Israel be /glad.

THE EPISTLE

1 Timothy 1:12-17

A reading from the first letter to Timothy.

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners-- of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able for the Gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The musical notation consists of two systems, each with a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The first system has the lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu -". The second system has the lyrics "- ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al -". The melody is simple, using quarter and eighth notes.



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THE GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-10

Clergy
People

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Clergy
People

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

The Gospel Acclamation is repeated

THE SERMON

The Rev. George Smith, *Rector*

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 PRAYERS *of* THE PEOPLE

The Leader and People pray responsively

Mother, Father, Heavenly Parent, we pray for the Church Universal, our Spiritual Family;
That we all may be one.

Grant that each of your children may faithfully and humbly serve you with acts of loving kindness toward all creation;
That all people may rejoice in your Name.

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

We pray for all the peoples of the world, for all who govern and hold authority, and this week for the Mexican state of Baja California;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We pray for this beautiful, vulnerable world you have given us as a home. We confess that we have not been faithful stewards of the land, air, and water you have entrusted to our care. Grant us the will and wisdom to nurture this planet back to health and care for it with due reverence, that it may be home to countless generations to come.
In your tender mercy, make us tender and merciful to this planet and all who call it home.

We pray that you open our eyes, hearts, and hands to those in poverty, who are near and throughout the world. Help us to recognize what we can give, and grant us the humility to receive the gifts of others in true gratitude. Shatter the illusion of scarcity and teach us to share in the abundance of your creation.

In your generosity, make us generous.

We pray for an end to all war, brutality, cruelty, and dehumanization. Let your loving compassion and forgiveness penetrate our hearts and open our eyes so that we finally recognize our adversaries as neighbors and our enemies as friends.

Bless us with forgiveness and compassion, that we may be forgiving and compassionate toward one another.

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 Gerry Neuhaus, brother of Jeanne Kreymer;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Karen Nicholson, Kay Ververka, Matt, Azza and Yara, Joyce Hetzel, Charles Snider, Ann Karen Nicholson, Kay Ververka, 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, Em, 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, Andy Boltz, 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, and Zoila Via Gambini.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Please kneel or be seated

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you

with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Officiant says

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

THE PEACE

Officiant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

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, or by texting STMCHURCH to 73256.

THE LITURGY *of* THE TABLE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Ave, verum corpus natum
de Maria Virgine:
vere passum, immolatum
in cruce pro homine:
cuius latus perforatum
fluxit aqua et sanguine:
esto nobis praegustatum,
in mortis examine.
O Jesu dulcis, O Jesu pie,
O Jesu Fili Mariae.

Ave Verum Corpus | *Marcel Dupré*

Hail the true body, born
of the Virgin Mary:
You who truly suffered and were sacrificed
on the cross for the sake of man.
From whose pierced flank
flowed water and blood:
Be a foretaste for us
in the trial of death.
O sweet, O merciful,
O Jesus, Son of Mary.

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:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Mass of St Cedd | *Nardone*

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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

mf

high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the

f

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

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

the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

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.

AGNUS DEI

Mass of St Cedd | *Nardone*

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p

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 host available upon request.
Please dispose of the serving cup on the nearby tray.*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

My spi - rit is long - ing for you, my God; my

spi - rit is wait - ing in hope. My spi - rit is long - ing for

you, my God; my spi - rit is wait - ing in hope.

The musical score is written for piano in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of staves. The first system has a treble and bass staff. The second system also has a treble and bass staff. The third system has a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are written below the staves, aligned with the notes. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a focus on the words.

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HYMNAL. 314

1 Hum - bly I a - dore thee, Ver - i - ty un - seen,
2 Taste and touch and vi - sion to dis - cern thee fail;
3 O - me - mo - rial won - drous of the Lord's own death;
4 Je - sus, whom now hid - den, I by faith be - hold,

who thy glo - ry hid - est 'neath these sha - dows mean;
faith, that comes by hear - ing, pierc - es through the veil.
liv - ing Bread that giv - est all thy crea - tures breath,
what my soul doth long for, that thy word fore - told:

lo, to thee sur - ren - dered, my whole heart is bowed,
I be - lieve what - e'er the Son of God hath told;
grant my spi - rit ev - er by thy life may live,
face to face thy splen - dor, I at last shall see,


The musical score is written for piano in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of staves. The first system has a treble staff. The second system has a treble staff. The third system has a treble staff. The lyrics are written below the staves, aligned with the notes. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a focus on the words.




tranced as it be - holds thee, shrined with - in the cloud.
 what the Truth hath spo - ken, that for truth I hold.
 to my taste thy sweet - ness nev - er - fail - ing give.
 in the glo - rious vi - sion, bless - ed Lord, of thee.

Words: Att. Thomas Aquinas (1225?-1274); sts. 1-3, tr. *Hymnal* 1940; st. 4, tr. *Hymnal* 1982. Sts. 1-3, Copyright © The Church Pension Fund. Music: *Adoro devote*, French church melody, Mode 5, *Processionale*, 1697; acc. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944), alt.


HYMNAL 334




1 Praise the Lord, rise up re - joic - ing, wor - ship, thanks, de -
 2 Scat - tered flock, one shep - herd shar - ing, lost and lone - ly,
 3 Sins for - giv - en, wrongs for - giv - ing, we go forth a -




vo - tion voic - ing; glo - ry be to God on high!
 one voice hear - ing, ears at - ten - tive to your word;
 lert and liv - ing in your Spi - rit, strong and free.

Christ, your cross and pas - sion shar - ing, by this Eu - cha -
 by your Blood new life re - ceiv - ing, in your Bo - dy,
 Part - ners in your new cre - a - tion, seek - ing peace in



rist de - clar - ing yours the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
 firm be - liev - ing, we are yours, and you the Lord.
 ev - ery na - tion, may we faith - ful fol - lowers be.

Words: Howard Charles Adie Gaunt (1902-1983), alt. By permission of Oxford University Press. Music: *Alles ist an Gottes Segen*, melody att. Johann Balthasar König (1691-1758), alt.; harm. Johann Löhner (1645-1705), after chorale ver. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

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.**

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

Prelude on 132nd Psalm, “alla J.S. Bach” | *Charles Wood*

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:



For newcomers, visitors and everyone else
Coffee and conversation with the rector and senior warden
Today after the 10:30 am service in Room 204

St. Mark's offers a warm welcome to all visitors and newcomers. If you would like to learn more about our community, ask questions about our beliefs or programs, or simply have a friendly chat, please join me and senior warden Patti King after today's 10:30 am service in room 204 (across from Mahon Hall). This brief meet-and-greet offers a relaxed space for conversation and connection. We look forward to getting to know you!

- Fr George / rector@stmarksglenellyn.org

LOOKING AHEAD

September 2025

14	Sunday	11:40 am – 12:40 pm	A Q&A for Newcomers & Everyone
16	Tuesday	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Vestry Meeting
18	Thursday	Starting at 5:30 pm	Downtown Glen Ellyn Illuminated Concert Series at St. Mark's
19	Friday	6:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Art Exhibit Reception & Artist Talk
20	Saturday	12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Meals to Go
20	Saturday	1:00 pm – 3:30 pm	"The Father" movie & discussion
22	Monday	7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	DOK Meeting
24	Wednesday	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Youth Night
25	Thursday	6:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Community Dinner
26	Friday	7:00 pm	Trivia Night – All Church Event

October 2025

1	Wednesday	6:00 pm – 6:30 pm	St. Francis Pet Blessing
4	Saturday	9:30 am – 11:30 am	Pumpkin Unloading
26	Sunday	9:00 am – 1:00 pm	Blood Drive



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Welcome to St. Mark's Sunday School

- Sign up today 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. To sign up to volunteer in Sept or Oct, (there will be quarterly sign-ups) go to this link, <https://signup.com/go/iekMfgU> 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mums for Sale!

The St. Mark's mums are ready for you to purchase. The cost per mum is \$12 - the best deal in town! The net profits from the sale will benefit Glen House Food Pantry and The Glen Ellyn Walk-in Ministry.

- The Glen House Food Pantry serves low-income neighbors who live, work, or attend school in DuPage County where 93,000 residents are at risk of hunger. In the first six months of 2025, the Pantry doubled the number of times they distributed food over 2024 and welcomed 265 new families. They provided 455,000 pounds of food compared to 420,000 in the first six months 2024.
- The Glen Ellyn Walk-in-Ministry housed at First United Methodist Church provides immediate emergency assistance for Glen Ellyn residents and PADS clients in the form of gift cards or vouchers for food, gas and Metra train tickets. They also provide help with utilities, prescriptions and car repair with limited annual amounts for guests.



Mum Sales Tent Volunteers - We need volunteers to help with the sales tent. Please use this link <https://tinyurl.com/yr3rtdbt> or the QR code to the left to sign-up for timeslots.

Please contact Hester Bury with questions, hesterbury@gmail.com.



All church event
Trivia Night
Fri, Sep 26 @ 7 p.m.
Mahon Hall

Mistress of Ceremonies
Joyce Fletcher

Please bring a snack to share

Register at:
TheWclub@stmarksglenellyn.org

MUSIC NOTES 🎵

The Choirs of St. Mark's

- St Mark's Singers (SATB choir) rehearses on Thursdays 7:30 – 9:00.
- Coro de Alabanza rehearses Wednesdays 6:30 – 7:30 pm.

Love to sing? Play an instrument? Contact Seth at music@stmarksglenellyn.org to get involved!

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study - Unveiling Hope: A Study of The Book of Revelation

Everyone is welcome to attend this Bible Study. We meet Tuesdays on Zoom from 9 am - 10:30 am. The Zoom link is the same one for Sunday worship: 483-170-780.

The Book of Revelation, the final book of the Bible, is often misunderstood and intimidating because of its elaborate images and symbols. The Tuesday Bible study will journey through the text and arrive at God's ultimate promise of a new heaven and a new earth. This study will bring clarity and encouragement for the challenges of today's world. Questions? Contact Fr. George at 630-858-1020, ext. 222 or rector@stmarksglenellyn.org.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

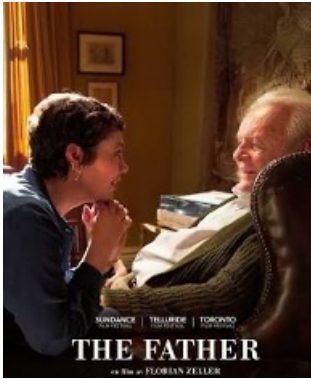
St. Mark's Preschool Scholarship Fund for 2025 - 2026

St. Mark's Preschool Scholarship Fund, established in 2023, reflects our commitment to providing quality education to those who might otherwise not have the financial means to do so.

St. Mark's Preschool, established in 2010, is inspired by the Reggio philosophy of child education which emphasizes learning through creative exploration. The preschool is a member of the National Association of Episcopal Schools and offers programs for preschoolers prior to their enrollment in kindergarten.

To support the scholarship fund, please make a check out to St Mark's with "preschool scholarship" in the memo, or go to the following link to contribute, <https://onrealm.org/stmarksglenellyn/give/now>, then choose "Preschool Scholarships Fund" or scan the QR code to the right. St. Mark's Preschool is grateful for the generosity of the St. Mark's community! If you have any questions about the preschool, please contact the Preschool Director, Kristine, at preschool@stmarksglenellyn.org.





MOVIE – DISCUSSION:
Anthony Hopkins and Olivia Colman in
“The Father”
Saturday, September 20, 1 -3:30 p.m.
St. Mark’s Library

The challenges of caring for a loved one with dementia
The challenges of being a loved one with dementia

This viewing event is open to all who have been touched by dementia: son or daughter; sibling or spouse; friend, healthcare worker, or spiritual advisor. “The Father” won Oscars in 2021 for Best Actor and Best Adapted Screenplay, and it scores 98% on Rotten Tomatoes. Post-film discussion will be led by Dr. Anne Windholz, former English professor, healthcare chaplain, and caregiver. Refreshments will be served. Join us to watch, share, and learn together.



SAFETY PLANS WORK

There is Hope.



- 1 Write 3 warning signs that a crisis may be developing.**

- 2 Write 3 internal coping strategies that can take your mind off your problems.**

- 3 Who/What are 3 people or places that provide distraction?**
 (Write name/place and phone numbers)

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- 4 Who can you ask for help?** (Write name/place and phone numbers)

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- 5 Professionals or agencies you can contact during a crisis:**

Clinician <hr/>	Phone <hr/>
Local Urgent Care or Emergency Department:	
Address <hr/>	Phone <hr/>

Text or call 988 or chat 988lifeline.org

- 6 Write out a plan to make your environment safer.**
 (Write 2 things)



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 SUICIDE & CRISIS
 LIFELINE

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ST. MARK’S PRAYERS

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 **Baja California**



- **Capital:** Mexicali
- **Information:** The northernmost and westernmost state, it shares a border with California. It is a major manufacturing center and a popular tourist destination, known for its bustling border cities and the wine country of the Guadalupe Valley.

GROW & RENEW: NARTHEX PROJECT UPDATE



The success of the St. Mark's Grow & Renew Capital Campaign is providing funding that will enable us to renovate the narthex and install a handicap accessible lift for access to the library and front office. A committee led by David Dornblaser, Tim Kocher and Bill Constien has engaged the architectural firm of Bailey Edward and the law firm of Lora Fausett Barker. The next steps will be hiring a general contractor and the start of the permitting process with the Village of Glen Ellyn. We expect the project to begin in early 2026 and be completed in early summer. We will have more specifics about the timeline and final cost estimates once the various parts of the project are put out for bid. We will be updating the parish regularly and if you have specific questions or concerns contact David Dornblaser at (630) 215-7999 or dornblaser@me.com.

LANDSCAPES AND MUSINGS: AN EXHIBITION BY
DAN LOBRACO



SEPTEMBER 7 - NOVEMBER 23, 2025

Reception and 7:15 pm Artist Talk at St. Mark's
Friday, September 19, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Artist Dan Lobraco presents watercolor work from both his travels and invented landscapes. His travel watercolors are primarily created en plein air, a practice he finds deeply fulfilling. According to the artist, "I find it to be so important when traveling to take the time to sit sometimes for a few hours and paint a place that I am visiting. I feel that this process is spiritual, and allows me to truly connect with a location by observing the intricate details necessary for these paintings. This deliberate slowdown offers an almost cathartic contrast to the usual fast pace of life, allowing me to appreciate the surrounding world."

ARTWORKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Youth Night - ROAR!

If you will be entering 6th - 12 grade in the Fall, you are invited to be part of the St. Mark's Youth Program. This fall, our Youth Leader, David Profitt, will guide us as we look at the life of Jesus and apply His teachings to our lives. We'll be sharing food, fun, and meaningful discussion.



Invite your friends!

Fall Youth Night Schedule

September 24

October 8 and 22

November 5 and 19

December 3 and 17

Questions? Contact Joyce Fletcher at 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.



- Parents of 8th graders – An email and a letter were sent to you, detailing the program goals. You can also find Confirmation information on the St. Mark's website under Youth Ministries.
- Talk about Confirmation in your family. Discuss the various ways to serve in the church by being an acolyte, reader, or usher.
- Students – Plan to attend the Confirmation Retreat on Friday, October 24 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- Confirmation Commissioning will take place on Sunday, October 26.

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!

Sept 14 *Refugee Resettlement Update*

Jody May

The landscape of refugee resettlement is rapidly changing. Jody May, Director of Education for Exodus World Services, will clarify what has changed, explain how Exodus is responding, and offer opportunities to meet urgent needs and walk beside recently resettled refugee families and individuals in Chicagoland.

Sept 21 *Who is My Neighbor?*

Jane Stoller-Schoff and John Schoff

Refugees, immigrants, green card holders, asylum seekers, illegals/undocumented—who are all these groups of people and how do they get here? How does our faith inform our response to the needs of these groups of people? Join Jane Stoller-Schoff and John Schoff as they share their experiences hosting newcomers to our country and encourage us to think about these questions.

Sept 28 *Landscapes and Musings: An Exhibition*

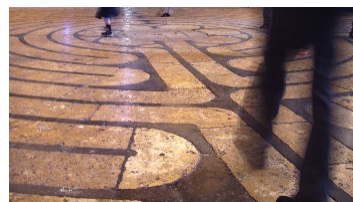
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For more information about Adult Formation, contact Joyce Fletcher at joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org

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.



Tuesday, Sept 16 - Sitting in for the American Dream, a talk by Van Gilmer. As a student during the 1960 lunch counter sit-in, he was inspired to take action.

7:00 - 8:00 pm at the Glenside Public Library.

Registration Required: <https://glenside.librarycalendar.com/event/greensboro-sit-ins-52848>

Tuesday, Sept 23 - September meeting - Kirk Burger will share an update from the McKee Preservation Group and Midwest SOARRING. 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. in the St. Mark's Library and Zoom.

Sunday, Sept 28 - Zoom interview with Jimmie and De Kirkpatrick and filmmaker Louise Woehrle (A Binding Truth). 3:00 – 4:00 pm at St. Mark's Library

Questions? Contact Joyce Fletcher at joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org

Education for Ministry (EfM)

Education for Ministry (EfM) is a program in theological education created by the University of the South School of Theology. Through small group study and theological reflection, participants grow in understanding their faith and their call to ministry. EfM focuses on equipping lay people to engage in ministry in their everyday lives, both at home and in their churches. A four-year program and a new one-year overview are offered at St. Mark's starting on Thursday, September 18, from 6:30pm - 8:30pm



Interested or have questions? Contact David Dornblaser at dornblaser@me.com.

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 kr Roth1280@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, September 20, 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 October 4.**

Questions? Contact David Dornblaser at dornblaser@me.com

Glen House Food Pantry – Top Needs

Top Needs: Canned Soups (Low Fat) & Canned Corn, Sugar, Spaghetti, Crackers (Low Sodium), Sauces: Soy/Teriyaki/BBQ, and Shampoo & Body Wash. You 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.

If you have any questions, please 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>.

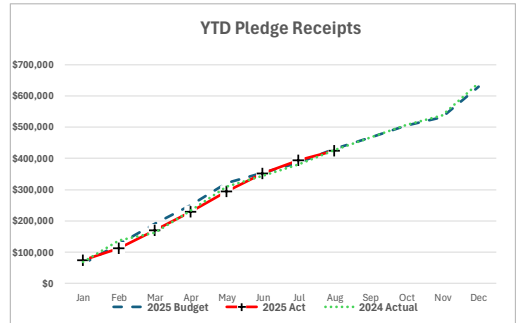


Questions? Contact Krista Suzuki at krista.suzuki@creodupage.org.

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

<u>Receipts</u>	<u>YTD Act</u>	<u>FY Budget</u>	<u>% of FY Budget</u>
Pledges	420,819	629,000	67%
Unpledged & Other Donations, Open Plate	64,405	127,000	51%
Usage Income	92,413	125,200	74%
Other Income	37,531	38,086	99%
St. Mark's Total Revenue	615,168	919,286	67%

<u>Expenses</u>			
Salary & Hourly Compensation	343,675	521,393	66%
Ministry Costs	16,431	25,935	63%
Music Programs	6,019	18,860	32%
Administrative Costs	131,798	179,648	73%
Buildings & Grounds	93,147	137,000	68%
Children & Youth	5,642	9,400	60%
Mission & Outreach	18,445	27,500	67%
St. Mark's Total Expenses	616,998	919,286	67%
Net St. Mark's Revenue/(Exp)	(1,829)	-	

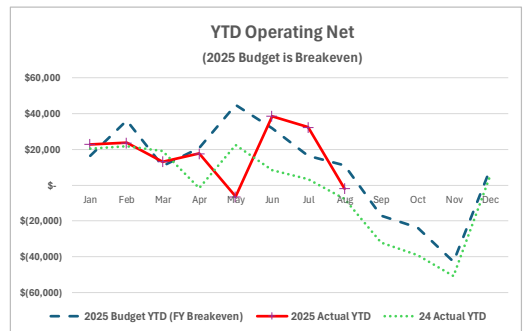


<u>Cash</u>	<u>Mth-End</u>
Treasurer's Checking - operating	109,328
Schwab Account - operating	235,507
Less Treasurer's Checking - restricted	(73,353)
Net Cash Available for Church Operations	271,482
Other Cash (Preschool, PDO, Other)	223,939

<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
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For Aug 2025, St. Mark's YTD operating net was a deficit of \$1,829 which was below the YTD budget by \$12,904. Actual pledges received YTD of \$420,819 were below budget by \$8,836. Unpledged, open plate and other donations were below budget by \$19,163. St. Mark's cash available for current operations is \$271,482. 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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The deadline for announcements is Tuesday at 9:00 am. Please submit to communications@stmarksglenellyn.org. Thank you!