



# ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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FOR 10:30 AM - ZOOM ID: 483-170-780

*stmarksglenellyn.org*

*393 North Main Street, Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137*

*Phone: 630-858-1020*

**8:30 & 10:30 AM**

# WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

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

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



## PASTORAL CARE & PRAYER LIST

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

### CONTACTS

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## WELCOME VISITORS AND GUESTS!

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

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

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



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

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OPENING VOLUNTARY

THE ENTRANCE RITE

*Stand as able when the bell is rung*

ENTRANCE HYMN

Hymnal 51

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

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

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

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

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.**

KYRIE

Hymnal S 96

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - - - cy.

Music: From Deutsche Messe; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc.

## THE LITURGY *of* THE WORD

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

### COLLECT FOR THE DAY

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; 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*

8:30 AM SERVICE: proceed to page 6 for the Epistle and then to page 5 for the Psalm.

## THE LESSONS

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THE FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 9:9-12

A reading from the book of the prophet Zechariah.

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!  
 Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!  
 Lo, your king comes to you;  
 triumphant and victorious is he,  
 humble and riding on a donkey,  
 on a colt, the foal of a donkey.  
 He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim  
 and the war horse from Jerusalem;  
 and the battle bow shall be cut off,  
 and he shall command peace to the nations;  
 his dominion shall be from sea to sea,  
 and from the River to the ends of the earth.  
 As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,  
 I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.  
 Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;  
 today I declare that I will restore to you double.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE

Robert Knox Kennedy  
 (b. 1945)

Psalm 145:8-15



- 8 The Lord is gracious and full of com/passion, \*  
 slow to anger and of great /kindness.
- 9 The Lord is loving to /everyone \*  
 and his compassion is over all his /works.
- 10 All your works praise you, O /Lord, \*  
 and your faithful servants /bless you.
- 11 They make known the glory of your /kingdom \*  
 and speak of your /power;
- 12 That the peoples may know of your /power \*  
 and the glorious splendor of your /kingdom.

13 Your kingdom is an everlasting /kingdom; \*  
your dominion endures throughout all /ages.

14 The Lord is faithful in all his /words \*  
and merciful in all his /deeds.

15 The Lord upholds all those who /fall; \*  
he lifts up those who are bowed /down.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 7:15-25a

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Holy Gospel.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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THE GOSPEL

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

*Clergy*  
*People*

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

Jesus said to the crowd, “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;  
we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

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

*The Gospel Acclamation is repeated*

THE SERMON

The Rev. George D. Smith, *Rector*

THE NICENE CREED

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*Stand as able*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We**

**acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS *of* THE PEOPLE

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*The Leader and People pray responsively.*

Triune Love, Creator, Cherisher, and Sustainer of the Universe, you created all human beings in your image:

**Bless us to reflect your love and your light to the whole world.**

Grant that each of your children may recognize our interconnection and our need to serve and care for one another,

**That through living in love, we may honor You as the Loving Source of all life.**

We pray for all clergy and lay leaders within the Church;

**That they may faithfully and humbly live into their callings to be instruments of your peace.**

We pray for the nations of the world and all who govern and hold authority and especially for the United States of America on its 250<sup>th</sup> celebration of independence.

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

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

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

Vast and immeasurable God, we can only reflect your image when we love one another, for each of us reflects only a fraction of the diverse humanity which you created good.

**Grant us the wisdom, patience, and courage to embrace one another in our differences, remembering that no one is outside of your all-encompassing embrace.**

Merciful and compassionate God, we repent of all the harm we have done to one another, and pray for the cessation violence, war and genocide.

**Grant that love may triumph over hate in our hearts and throughout the world.**

Gracious and generous God, you have made a world that can sustain our need but not our greed.

**Grant us the grace to take no more than we give and share with those in need, that poverty and excess may give way to full human flourishing.**

Radiant and wondrous God, who lovingly made this beautiful, vulnerable world, we repent of all forms of materialism, exploitation, and pollution that poison our planet and cover the vibrancy of life with the dust of death.

**Grant us the will and wisdom to nurture our planet to health and care for it with due reverence, that it may be home to countless generations to come.**

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 Tina Ulrich and Patrick Anderson;

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

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

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

*The St. Mark's prayer list is continuously updated. Each person on the list is prayed for daily by members of the St. Mark's Prayer Provider Ministry. If you would like to add a name to this list, have an update for a person on the list or would like to know more about the Prayer Providers, please contact Carolyn Faivre at [carolyn@drfaivre.com](mailto:carolyn@drfaivre.com).*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Please kneel or be seated*

**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.**

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**



**ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE OFFERING**

Thank you for placing your offerings in the plate.

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

# THE LITURGY of THE TABLE

OFFERTORY HYMN

Hymnal 717

1 My coun - try, 'tis of thee, sweet land of  
 2 My na - tive coun - try, thee, land of the  
 3 Let mu - sic swell the breeze, and ring from  
 4 Our fa - thers' God, to thee, au - thor of

lib - er - ty, of thee I sing; land where my  
 no - ble free, thy name I love; I love thy  
 all the trees sweet free - dom's song; let mor - tal  
 lib - er - ty, to thee we sing; long may our

fa - thers died, land of the pil - grim's pride,  
 rocks and rills, thy woods and tem - pled hills;  
 tongues a - wake, let all that breathe par - take,  
 land be bright with free - dom's ho - ly light;

from ev - ery moun - tain - side let freed - om ring.  
 my heart with rap - ture thrills like that a - bove.  
 let rocks their si - lence break, the sound pro - long.  
 pro - tect us by thy might, great God, our King.

Words: Samuel Francis Smith (1808-1895). Music: *America*, from *Thesaurus Musicus*, 1745.

*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.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Eucharistic Prayer B

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 every-where 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 & BENEDICTUS

Hymnal S 130



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,\_\_\_ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,



God of power and might,\_\_\_ hea-ven and earth are full,\_\_\_ full\_\_\_ of your glo - ry.



Ho-san-na in the high - est. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bles-sed is he who comes\_\_\_



in the name of the Lord.\_\_\_ Ho-san-na in the high - est. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Music: From Deutsche Messe, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc.

*Please kneel or be seated.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Mark all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.*

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

AGNUS DEI

Hymnal S 164

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus re - deem - er re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Music: From Deutsche Messe; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Adaptation: Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc.

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

Peace I leave you, my peace I give. Let your  
*Paz les de - jo, mi paz yo les doy. Que no*  
 German: Frie - den, Frie - den hin - ter - las - se ich euch. Mei - nen  
 Polish: Po - kój, po - kój, po - kój mój da - je wam. Nie le -

hearts be free from fear. My peace I give to you.  
*te - mael free from fear. Mi paz, mi paz les doy.*  
 Frie - den ge - be ich euch. Eu - er Herz ver - za - ge nicht.  
*kaj - cie sie, mó - wi Pan. Po - kój mój zo - sta - wiam wam.*

Text: Taizé Community  
 Tune: Taizé Community  
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### Take my life and let it be

1 Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;  
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with - hold;

take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in  
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -  
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -  
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as

cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.  
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;  
 it shall be no longer mine.  
 Take my heart, it is thine own;  
 it shall be thy royal throne,  
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
 at thy feet its treasure store;  
 take myself and I will be  
 ever, only, all for thee,  
 ever, only, all for thee.

TEXT: Frances Ridley Havergal, 1874  
 MUSIC: H. A. César Malan, 1827

HENDON  
 7.7.7.7

## Hymnal 318

1 Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;  
 2 Here would I feed up - on the Bread of God;  
 3 I have no help but thine; nor do I need  
 4 Mine is the sin, but thine the right - eous - ness;

here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;  
 here drink with thee the roy - al Wine of heaven;  
 an - oth - er arm save thine to lean up - on;  
 mine is the guilt, but thine the cleans - ing Blood.

here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,  
 here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,  
 it is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;  
 Here is my robe, my re - fuge, and my peace;

and all my wea - ri - ness up - on thee lean.  
 here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - given.  
 my strength is in thy might, thy might a - lone.  
 thy Blood, thy right - cous - ness, O Lord, my God.

Words: Horatius Bonar (1808-1889). Music: *Nyack*, Warren Swenson (b. 1937). Copyright © 1970, Warren Swanson.

### ADDITIONAL COMMUNION HYMNS

- Hymnal 321: My God, thy table now is spread
- Hymnal 315: Thou who at thy first Eucharist

### 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.**

1 God of our fa - thers, whose al - might - y  
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the  
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -  
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
 past, in this free land by thee our lot is cast;  
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense;  
 way, lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,  
 be thou our ru - ler, guard - ian, guide, and stay  
 thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease,  
 fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.  
 thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.  
 thy bount - eous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

Words: Daniel Crane Roberts (1841-1907). Music: *National Hymn*, George William Warren (1828-1902).

## THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Following the 8:30 service,*  
All are welcome to the narthex for coffee and to  
the library for the St. Mark's Sunday Forum.

*Following the 10:30 service,*  
All are welcome to Mahon Hall for coffee hour.



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



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## LOOKING AHEAD

### July

8	Wed	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm	Midweek Eucharist
13 – 17	Mon – Fri	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Vacation Bible School
18	Sat	12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Meals to Go
31	Fri	6:30 pm – 9:00 pm	Kane County Cougars Game

### August

30	Sun	All Services	Kick Off Sunday
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## UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DuPage United Action

#### Thursday, July 23, 11:00 am

Join fellow St. Mark's parishioners and DuPage United at an affordable housing action at **11 a.m. July 23 in Chicago Lawn**, on the Southwest side of Chicago. A bus and/or carpooling may be possible for those interested.

The outdoor event is a ribbon-cutting for 150+ new homes for affordable home ownership. The governor is expected to attend. DuPage United is hoping for 90 people to attend to show our commitment to building power here in DuPage.

Will you join us? RSVP to Kim Reed at [kimreed178@gmail.com](mailto:kimreed178@gmail.com) or Rebecca Fortner at [rebeccafortner25@gmail.com](mailto:rebeccafortner25@gmail.com) by July 1. Please include if you are interested in a bus and/or carpooling.

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### Little Hands, Wild Flowers

#### -An Art Exhibit by St. Mark's Preschool Children

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## Welcome Rigga Colorito as our New Communications Coordinator.

St. Mark's is happy to announce that Rita Colorito has joined our church staff as our communications coordinator, managing the Sunday bulletin and website, among other duties. Rita has over 30 years of experience as a professional writer and editor. A member of St. Mark's since 2023, Rita also serves on the vestry and various church ministries.



We'd also like to take this time to thank Wes Clay-Anderson, who served in the communications role over the past five years. He has done an outstanding job keeping the St. Mark's community connected, all while parenting full-time from home in Richmond, Virginia. Wes recently started a full-time role as Director of Social Services for Suncrest Hospice. We wish him well on the next exciting chapter of his life.

Please send any bulletin announcements to [communications@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:communications@stmarksglenellyn.org). Deadline: Tuesday at 9 a.m.

### MUSIC NOTES

#### Hymn Requests

Do you have a favorite hymn that you miss singing in church? Send your hymn requests to Seth at [music@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:music@stmarksglenellyn.org). If the hymn is not in our hymnal, we have permission to use music from many other hymnals, but some exclusions may apply.

#### Children's Choir returns in September

Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays, 4:30 – 5:15 pm and the choir will sing about once a month in the 10:30 am service. We welcome all young literate children up through 6th grade. We are also looking for adult volunteers who have a love of children's music ministry. Contact Seth if you are interested at [music@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:music@stmarksglenellyn.org).

### LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

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

Sacred Ground explores issues of Race, Justice, 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.



## Coming in the Fall....

This fall we will partner with the First Congregational Church of Glen Ellyn (FCCGE) for weekly Wednesday night meetings of Voyage. Together we will...



**Look Inward. Reach Outward. Journey Forward.**

### Confirmation 2026-2027

If you have a young person in your household entering 8<sup>th</sup> grade you should have received a letter and email inviting them to participate in Confirmation. Please let Joyce Fletcher know if your student wishes to participate or if you haven't received the correspondence.

### Tuesday evening Teen Bible Study

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

## Summer Youth Events

### Take Me Out to the Ball Game!

#### Friday, July 31 – Faith Night at the Cougars Game

Bring your family and friends and join with our neighbors from First United Methodist Church Glen Ellyn and First Congregational Church Glen Ellyn as we enjoy an evening of fun at the Kane County Cougars Game. Registration is required! The deadline has been extended, but **please RSVP to Joyce with how many people will be coming by July 7.** Tickets are \$9 each. RSVP to [joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org).

#### Saturday, August 8 from 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. – Car Wash in St. Mark's parking lot

Bring your towels, sponges, and enthusiasm! We will raise money for the Glen Ellyn Walk-in Ministry while having fun washing cars.

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

## BIBLE STUDY

### **Welcome to the Tuesday Bible Study! We are beginning a New Study of Romans.**

St. Mark's offers a Bible study led by Fr. George on Tuesday mornings on Zoom from 9 am to 10:30 am. We are at the beginning of Paul's Letter to the Romans.

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

## OUTREACH, OPPORTUNITIES AND UPDATES

### **St. Mark's Meals to Go Saturday, July 18, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm**

St. Mark's hosts a Meals to Go on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of every month from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm. Meals will be available to pick up at St. Mark's at the Hillside entrance. Everyone is Welcome!

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### **How to Support the Glen House Food Pantry**

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

**Items this week: Ketchup, Mustard & Relish, Barbeque Sauce & Mayonnaise, Salsa, Olives & Pickles, Cookies & Crackers, Salt & Pepper, and Bagged Chips & Pretzels.**

Any questions, please contact St. Mark's representative to the Food Pantry, Joyce Frawley, at (630) 476-5655.

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For more information about the many outreach efforts undertaken by St. Mark's, please contact Hester Bury at [hesterbury@gmail.com](mailto:hesterbury@gmail.com)



# Little Hands, Wild Flowers



An Art Exhibit by St. Mark's Preschool Children

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St. Mark's Preschool has been a part of the St. Mark's community for the past 15 years. The Preschool is inspired by the Reggio Emilia approach to Early Childhood Education. Reggio Emilia is a town in Italy whose early childhood education is driven by a cooperative, child-driven curriculum. Founded by teacher, Loris Malaguzzi, in the 1960's, the Reggio Emilia education philosophy is a pioneering approach to early childhood education emphasizing the interests of children and valuing the child as thoughtful, resourceful and resilient; full of wonder and capable of deep understanding. The Reggio approach respects children's thoughts and ideas and allows them, through self-directed activities, to use their natural curiosity on the path to discovery.

The teachers set up provocations -intentional, open-ended explorations of specific materials - which feed into the wonders of the children promoting deeper thinking and prompting further questions. Often, the exploration evolves into a study, a long-term discovery of a certain idea or topic. Throughout the study, teachers observe the children's interests, plan provocations, engage in thought provoking conversations and activities, document children's thoughts and wonders, and display them on document panels for families to see. Documentation of children's work in progress is viewed as an important tool in the learning process for children, teachers and parents. Pictures of children engaged in experiences, their words as they discuss what they are doing, feeling and thinking, and the children's interpretation of experience through the visual media are displayed as a graphic representation of the dynamics of learning.

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## Little Hands, Wild Flowers — *An Art Exhibit by St. Mark's Preschool Children*

### 1) *"Delightful Flowers"*

**Viviana C, Braden L, Rosie S, Harrison W**

Watercolor, Modeling Paste, Chenille Stems

### 2) *"Roses Are Red"*

**Jack C, Mac D, Eloise D, Lia S, Elodie S**

Tempra Paint, Water, Watercolor

### 3) *"Flower Towers"*

**Oscar A, Mylo B, Kit C, Silas S**

Oil Pastels, Watercolor

### 4) *"Purple Wysteria"*

**Joie I, Willow R, Carter R**

Watercolor, Tempra Paint

### 5) *"Crinkled Art"*

**Hattie C, Madgey C, Brian D, Brady E, Nayan M, Sienna S**

Watercolor, coffee filters

### 6) *"Ballon Flowers"*

**Hattie C, Madgey C, Brian D, Brady E, Anna J, Everett M, Paxton M, Nayan M, Ada R, Sienna S**

Tempra paint, Watercolor

### 7) *"Rainbow Dot Flower"*

**Hattie C, Madgey C, Brian D, Brady E, Anna J, George K, Everett M, Paxton M, Nayan M, Miles O, Ada R, Sienna S, Alden S**

Watercolor, dot painters on card stock

### 8) *"Rainbow Flowers"*

**Winnie B, Emmie C, Lola C, Coleman C, Jack F, Oliver H, Johnny I, Brooklyn M, Danny O, Elle P, Arthur R, Lu S, Wes S**

Watercolor, Acrylic

### 9) *"Sunflower Surprise"*

**Winnie B, Emmie C, Lola C, Coleman C, Jack F, Oliver H, Johnny I, Brooklyn M, Danny O, Elle P, Arthur R, Lu S, Wes S**

Pen, Watercolor

### 10) *"Pot of Blooms"*

**Winnie B, Emmie C, Lola C, Coleman C, Jack F, Oliver H, Johnny I, Brooklyn M, Danny O, Elle P, Arthur R, Lu S, Wes S**

Watercolor, Craft Foam, Sharpie, Budap

### 11) *"Flowers for Good"*

**Acrylic Arlow A, Mae B, Vince D, Sloane HB, Abe M, Piper O, Nico P, Wells P, Jack R, Coco S, Julian S, Shay U**

Watercolor, Acrylic

### 12) *"Our Flower Country"*

**Arlow A, Mae B, Vince D, Sloane HB, Abe M, Piper O, Nico P, Wells P, Jack R, Coco S, Julian S, Shay U**

Watercolor, Tempra

### 13) *"Anna Tree"*

**Arlow A, Mae B, Vince D, Sloane HB, Abe M, Piper O, Nico P, Wells P, Jack R, Coco S, Julian S, Shay U**

Watercolor, Tissue Paper, Branch

### 14) *"Flower Camp"*

**Arlow A, Mae B, Vince D, Sloane HB, Abe M, Piper O, Nico P, Wells P, Jack R, Coco S, Julian S, Shay U**

Watercolor, Sharpie



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**The deadline for announcements is Tuesday at 9:00 am. Please submit to [communications@stmarksglenellyn.org](mailto:communications@stmarksglenellyn.org). Thank you!**