

Saint Mark's Church

Geneva, IL



Holy Eucharist Rite II
The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost
October 25, 2020

Welcome in the Name of the Lord

We're glad you are here! If you are visiting, please introduce yourself to the clergy after the service, and fill out one of the response cards at the Information Table. We would like to get to know you.

About Communion

All baptized Christians who know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome to the Communion table. Scripture assures us that God forgives and welcomes all who come to him in repentance and faith (1 John 1:19).

To receive communion, stand and hold out your hands, palms up, one hand over the other. The sealed bread and wine will be placed in your hand. Please move down the altar rail as indicated, first take the bread, then take the wine, and place the chalice in the receptacle provided.

Children are welcome to receive communion. If you prefer, they may receive a blessing rather than communion.

To receive a blessing rather than communion, please cross your arms over your chest.

Our Discipleship Strategy

The pathway to transformation at St. Mark's consists of:

1. Weekly participation in a Eucharistic service.
2. Participation in a Cornerstone Group.

Eucharistic Worship is the historic form of Christian worship through liturgy. Our expression is based on the Book of Common Prayer. It is where our community gathers to receive Christ in the Word and Sacraments, offer praise and thanksgiving through excellent music, and pray for our needs and those of others.

Cornerstone Groups are where we create Christian community, engage historic teaching, and participate in Christ's mission.

This booklet faithfully follows the order for the Holy Eucharist, Rite II,
from the 1979 Book of Common Prayer.

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Geneva, IL. Photography by Ron Walkington.

Prelude **Canzona in D, BuxWV 168**

Buxtehude

All stand

The Word of God

BCP p. 355

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant says

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.

All say

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

All pray

**Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope,
and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love
what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The Lessons

The people sit

Reader A reading from Deuteronomy.

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord’s command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequaled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All say

Psalm 1

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- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

The Epistle

Reader A reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians.

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

All stand

Gospel **Matthew 22:34-46**

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

"The Lord said to my Lord,
"Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet"?"

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Priest The Holy Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Mark A. Tusken, Rector

All stand

The Apostles' Creed

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All say I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 Creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
 and born of the Virgin Mary.
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
 He descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again.
 He ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

All remain standing

The Prayers of the People

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Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

***People* For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;

***People* For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

***People* For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

***People* For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

***People* For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader For all bishops and other ministers;

***People* For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Lord, we ask for your blessing on Lidia today. Thank you for the safe arrival of her grandchild. Continue to protect her and equip her for all that you have for her in the future.

The people may add their own petitions.

Leader Hear us, Lord;

***People* For your mercy is great.**

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The people may add their own thanksgivings.

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;

***People* And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The people may add their own petitions.

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

***People* Who put their trust in you.**

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Confession

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Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People 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.

Celebrant 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.**

All stand

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Zion's Walls

Copland

All stand as the offerings are brought to the altar.

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of Thine own have we given Thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:

The Sanctus

**All say Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
 Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.**

The Celebrant continues

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:

**All say Christ has died.
 Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.**

The Celebrant continues

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 pray:

The Lord's Prayer

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All pray 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

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.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and Wine are given to the communicants with these words

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Communion of the People

Instrumental Praise the Lord, Rise up Rejoicing

Kosche

Post-communion Prayer

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All 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 Celebrant blesses the people.

Hymn 376

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

Hymn to Joy

Verse 1

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

Verse 2

All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
blooming meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.

Verse 3

Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
well-spring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.

Priest

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Fugue in C, BuxWV 174

Buxtehude

*Musicians: Elaine Bennington, Soprano; Sue Steele, Mezzo Soprano;
Ricardo Rivera, Tenor; Theo Farrell, Bass;
Dr. Lance Peeler, Organist*

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Announcements

The flowers are given to the glory of God by Bill Bloch and his family, in loving memory of Ann Bloch.

Vestry Nominations Now Accepted: If you or someone you know is called to serve God on our vestry, please complete a nomination form, which can be found on our website, at stmarks-geneva.org/about/vestry/, along with a description of the vestry roles and responsibilities.

Please submit the form online or print and put it in Cindy Pauer's church mailbox **by Nov 8.**

If you are nominating someone other than yourself, please be sure to confirm with the candidate his/her willingness to serve prior to submitting the name. The Nominating Committee includes Cindy Pauer, Mark Neibch, Mike Simon, Aimee Spring, and John Bernard. Contact: Cindy Pauer at cpauer@sbcglobal.net, or any other vestry member.

Opportunities to Serve: Ministries in our Community

Salvation Army Food Pantry Ingathering is Nov 8. Please bring peanut butter & jelly, canned meats, paper products, soaps/detergents, or feminine hygiene items. Bins will be at entrances, and at curbside communion pickup. Leave donations on your doorstep if communion is delivered to your home. **Please be generous — the food pantry has very high demand now.**

Our ministry to Hesed House is Mon/Tues, Nov 9/10. Please sign up online to provide a casserole or some of the food items (located under "Serve/Locally/Hesed House/sign up to provide food" on our website). **Donations needed in the kitchen 11:30am-1:30pm on Sun, Nov 8. Precooked casseroles needed in the kitchen 2-4pm on Mon, Nov 9** while we are making sandwiches. **Monetary donations also accepted,** checks to St. Mark's Church, memo "Hesed House."

Announcements (continued)

Trinity Soup Kitchen: Please join us for our bi-monthly service at The Sandwich Board hosted by Trinity Episcopal Church in Aurora. Our next service date is **Thurs, Nov 19**. Please join us! Contact: Jenny Anderson, jjarn40@aol.com, or Jill Zimmer, zimmom@sbcglobal.net.

Due to the Covid pandemic we are no longer serving lunch at Trinity Episcopal in Aurora. But we are still able to provide sack lunches for them!

We make sack lunches in St. Mark's kitchen on the 3rd Thursday of each odd-numbered month, 8:00-10:30am. We would love to have you join us! If you aren't able to help in the kitchen, we are also looking for food donations.

Rector/Associate Rector Studies

Rector's Study has a series about Moses on Saturdays, 8am. Attend in-person in the fellowship hall or by zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/77163049583>

Meeting ID: 771 6304 9583

Study the Sunday Lectionary Readings, led by the Rev. Dr. Marcus Johnson. Class meets in-person at 9am in Larrabee House.

Associate Rector's Cornerstone Study Group: Thursdays 10am, at St. Mark's. This group is led by Dr. Amy Peeler and reflects on scripture and periodically participates in a service project together. **Meets every other week, next on Nov 5.** amy.peeler@gmail.com

Cornerstone Ministry

Join a Cornerstone Group this Fall.

Wednesday Morning Men's Cornerstone Group: Wednesdays, 7-8 am, at Larrabee House. Contact Bill Spring, billspring4@gmail.com, 331.588.4044 or John Bernard, txinstc@sbcglobal.net, 630.336.5444. Studying the weekend teaching and lectionary scripture passage. Meets weekly.

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Ministry Opportunities

There are many opportunities available. If you are interested in learning more about what is needed, please reach out to the contact person.

- * **Acolyte** lights candles, assists priest at Eucharist. Training provided. Adults, students age 9+. Contact: Office, 630.232.0133, office@stmarks-geneva.org
- * **Altar Guild** prepares and clears the altar. Contacts: Ginny Spring, 630.232.4989, ginnyspring362@hotmail.com, or Mary Bernard, 630.513.5047, txinstc@sbcglobal.net
- * **AudioVisual** manages lights, sound, and livestream during worship and special services, training provided. Teens, adults. Contact: Erik Turner, 630.621.7961, turnerer@gmail.com
- * **Lector (1st Reader)** reads first scripture. Audition required. Teens, adults. Contact: Office, 630.232.0133, office@stmarks-geneva.org
- * **Lift Operator (Larrabee House)** operates the lift to help those with difficulty on stairs, training provided. Teens, adults. Contact: Office, 630.232.0133, office@stmarks-geneva.org
- * **Mission Commission** meets monthly, maintains contact with our Cross-Cultural Workers. Teens, adults. Contact: Bob Wright, 630.251.7483, wright.bob.116@gmail.com
- * **Usher** assists with seating, distributes bulletins, presents offering, counts congregation. May choose to serve at 8:00, 9:00, or 10:30. Teens, adults. Contact: Office, 630.232.0133, office@stmarks-geneva.org

St. Mark's "e-mail" Prayer Warriors: If you have a prayer need or would like to join the prayer warriors, please send an e-mail to office@stmarks-geneva.org.

Christmas Preparation

2020 Salvation Army Christmas – “Un-Decorate” the Gift Tree

Thank you for the incredible generosity you have shown in years past supporting our mission to help local families at Christmas, through the Salvation Army. **We have an easier format this year.**

Starting in early November, we will have a **Christmas Gift Tree** set up in the Narthex with gift tags. Some tags will list a single gift item and some tags will have 2-4 gift items. If you pick a tag with multiple gift items, please purchase all of the items. Each tag will have a number on it. Please write the Tag Number(s) you select in the binder near the Christmas tree along, with your name, phone number, and email address. As in the past, please do not wrap the presents.

The Salvation Army’s greatest need is gifts for 12-18 year olds. Gift cards valued at \$25 would be welcome and greatly appreciated, but please feel free to donate any gift (no tag necessary). **Gift tree tags will also be available on our website.**

Return gift(s) to St. Mark’s (please drop them off in the parlor) by Nov 29. If you shop online, you can ship directly to the Salvation Army, **to be received there by Nov 29 — be sure to add the gift tag number to the address:**

The Salvation Army
Attention Tag # ____
1710 South 7th Ave.
St. Charles, IL 60174

Thank you so much for your generosity and for helping to “un-decorate” the gift tree!

Christmas Pageant 2020: Around this time of year we announce try-outs for the annual Christmas Pageant. Due to COVID19, we will not be holding a pageant AT St. Mark’s this year. However, we are asking you to help us keep the pageant alive by taking part in our **“Scene By Scene by St. Markers” Pageant** instead. Interested?

The idea: Miss Stacie will divide the original pageant script up into small scenes and send them your way (based on # of people involved). Adults, children, and/or whole families will recreate a scene from the pageant using ONLY those people, props, and costumes found at home. A bed sheet becomes Joseph’s robe; a baby in a highchair becomes King Herod (an apt adaptation for the whiny tyrant, don’t you think?); etc. Film the scene and send it back to Miss Stacie for compiling. The completed film will be released on or near December 24th for your viewing pleasure!

To be included, please **email Stacie Johnson** (sjohnson@stmarks-geneva.org) **by Oct 30**, for more information and to get your scene! **All St. Markers encouraged to get involved!**



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Who We Are

We are a Christian community that worships God in the Anglican tradition,
engages the historic teaching of the church,
and participates in Christ's mission.

The Rev. Dr. Mark A. Tusken	Rector
The Rev. Dr. Amy Peeler	Associate Rector
The Rev. Dr. Marcus Johnson	Associate Rector

Worship Schedule

Sunday

8:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite I
9:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II Online Worship Available Nursery (RSVP online) StM Kids Connect (RSVP online), StM Youth 678 Connect (RSVP online)
10:30 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II

Curbside and Home Delivery of Communion available 8:00-11:00 am
(Online Sign up for Home Delivery required by 5:00 pm Saturday)

Saturday

7:30 am	Morning Prayer (Chapel)
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