

The mission of the Parish of St. Mark & St. Paul is
to worship God,
to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ,
to serve the world for which Christ died,
to educate and nurture our community,
and welcome all.

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The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 17, 2025

Welcome to this morning's service of worship!
Restrooms are available in Claiborne Parish House,
the building directly behind the church.

Nursery care is available (more information in Announcements).

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude

Hymn 1 (*blue book*): “Father, we praise thee” *Christe sanctorum*

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity Prayer Book (red) page 355

Benedictus es: S236 (*near front of hymnal*)

Collect of the Day (*insert*)

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:23-29 (*insert*)

Psalms 82 (spoken at 8:30; sung at 11:00)



1 God takes his stand in the coun- | cil of heaven; *
he gives judgment in the midst | of the gods:
2 "How long will you | judge unjustly, *
and show favor | to the wicked?
3 Save the weak | and the orphan; *
defend the hum- | ble and needy;
4 Rescue the weak | and the poor; *
deliver them from the power | of the wicked.
5 They do not know, neither do they understand;
they go a- | bout in darkness; *
all the foundations of the | earth are shaken.
6 Now I say to you, | "You are gods, *
and all of you children of | the Most High;
7 Nevertheless, you shall | die like mortals, *
and fall like | any prince."

8 Arise, O God, and | rule the earth, *
for you shall take all nations | for your own.

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:29-12:2 *(insert)*

Sequence Hymn Wonder, Love & Praise *(green book)* 819: “Guide my feet, Lord”

Gospel: Luke 12:49-56 *(insert)*

Sermon The Rev. Kelly Ramer Moody

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The Peace

Announcements

Offertory Hymn 314: “Humbly I adore thee, Verity unseen” *Adoro devote*

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A) Page 361

Sanctus: Wonder, Love, & Praise *(green book)*, 858

The Lord’s Prayer (Contemporary)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins	as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.
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At the Breaking of the Bread Hymnal, S155

Communion of the People:

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. Anyone may come forward to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms across your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available; simply ask the priest.

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors *(when needed)*

(in unison) In the name of this parish, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Postcommunion Prayer page 365

Hymn 347: “Go forth for God, go to the world in peace” *Litton*

Blessing

Dismissal

Postlude

The flowers at the altar today are given to the greater glory of God by the Bruces on their wedding anniversary August 17.

Altar Guild — Lynda Gotko, Andrea Sanders

Flower Guild — Marilyn Phelps

Bread Baker — Andrea Sanders

Tellers — John Gatta

Coffee Hour — Annette Smith

8:30 service

Vestry — Neil Patterson

Server — Drew Richaud

Chalice Bearer — Beth Wiley

Readers — John Solomon, Robin Bates

Intercessor — Neil Patterson

Acolyte — Will Moody

Usher(s) -- Bruce Baird

11:00 service

John Gatta

Julia Bates

Liz Camp, John Gatta

Erin O’Rourke Nieman

Betty & Jimmy Blythe

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Scottish Episcopal Church

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Anselm’s Church, Nashville

Prayer Requests: Steve Burnett, Corky Carlisle, Karen Davis, Sophie Geraghty, Mike Jones, Pat, Erika Lewis, Mike Mattei, Julian Price, Leah Rhys, Isaiah Shelby, Evelyn Taylor, Freddy Tucker, Dickie Zabbia, refugees, and the people of Gaza, Iran, Israel, Kursk, Lebanon, Myanmar, Sudan, Syria, and Ukraine, those harmed by flash floods.

Birthdays: Peggy Ward, Nicole Noffsinger-Frazier, Dixon Myers, Lynn Taylor, Patton Watkins, and Alex Bruce.

Departed: Rick Holmes

Announcements

This Sunday the Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 8:30 and 11am. The 11am service will be livestreamed on our Facebook page and remains available there.

Nursery Services: Infants and toddlers through three years old are invited to gather downstairs in Claiborne Hall. Cara Kitzrow and Diana Rung will be supervising the nursery.

The Rev. Rob Lamborn will be on vacation through August 22. The parish office remains open 9am-noon and 1-4:30pm MWF and 9am-1pm TuTh. Outside of office hours, for pastoral emergencies please contact Deacon Betty Carpenter at (931) 636-3656, or for other urgent matters Senior Warden Robin Bates at (240) 298-0953.

Welcome Picnic is Coming August 24th! — Everyone is invited to come kick off a new program year and welcome neighbors new and old. There will be fried chicken, and all kinds of salads, sides and desserts. Please sign up on the sheet in Kennerly to bring your favorite salad, side dish, or dessert. There is also a need for volunteers to help with setup and take down. We will be on the lawn (weather permitting) after the second service. Everyone is welcome!

Rector's 10 year anniversary at St Mark & St. Paul: On Sunday August 31, the Parish Life Committee will host a celebration of Father Rob's 10 years of service to the parish and 30 years as an ordained priest. There will be cake and time for parishioners to share remembrances of Fr. Rob's eventful 10 years at our parish. Please plan on joining us after the 11:00 am service.

Connections for Parents: Will meet on Sunday August 17 at 9:45 in the Hethcock room.

Godly Play continues this Sunday at 9:45 am for children (3 years old through 5th grade).

- Godly Play 1: *The Flood & the Ark*, Storyteller -- Cara Kitzrow, Doorperson -- Jori Smith
- Godly Play 2 - *Books of the Bible*, Storyteller -- Barbara Prunty, Doorperson -- Jeannie Babb
- 4th/5th - *Maniac Magee*, Storyteller -- Julia Bates, Doorperson -- Matthew Mitchell (Meets in Brooks Hall)

Flood Relief: Episcopal Relief and Development is working with the Diocese of West Texas to provide support. Donations may be made to episcopalrelief.org or via check to Episcopal Relief & Development (815 Second Ave., New York NY 10017).

Rite-13 Mission Trip: Ten young people and four adults joined the mission trip to Kentucky with the Appalachian Service Project. They helped with flood recovery efforts in the eastern part of the state. They will be sharing about their experiences in the next newsletter and in Sunday Forum in the fall. You can still make a donation to help cover trip costs; simply mark your donation "Rite 13 mission trip".

Adult Choir: Adult choir will begin rehearsing August 3 in between services since there is no forum. Then once the forums begin, choir practice will be Sundays 12:30-1:30. The first anthem will be August 31.

Children's choir: rehearses on Wednesday after school. To enroll your child contact Wyatt Poe at: music@stmarkstpaul.org

Centering Prayer Group: Mondays at 7pm and Tuesdays at 2:30pm, both in the sanctuary.

Lectionary Bible Study is on hiatus and will resume on Tuesday September 2 at 3:30pm.

Sunday Forum theme for 2025-2026 is from Micah 6:8 which tells us to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God. The Christian Formation Committee is currently scheduling a slate of speakers to help us apply this call to our own context. For more information, talk with Robin Bates or Jeannie Babb.

Reed Carlson will launch this year's forum on August 24 at 9:45am with a talk on social justice from the perspective of the prophets.