

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 Episcopal Parish of —

St. Mark & St. Paul

—On the Mountain—

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany:

January 18, 2026

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 during both services (more information on *Announcement insert*).

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude

Hymn 535 (blue book): "Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim" Paderborn

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

Prayer Book (red) page 355

Gloria in Excelsis: Hymnal S280

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Collect of the Day (insert)

First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7 (insert)

Psalm 40:1-12 (Spoken at 8:30; sung at 11:00.)



1 I waited patiently u- | pon the | Lord; *
he stooped to me and | heard my | cry.

2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the | mire and | clay; *
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my | footing | sure.

3 He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise | to our | God; *
many shall see, and stand in awe,
and put their trust | in the | Lord.

4 Happy are they who trust | in the | Lord! *
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn | to false | gods.

5 Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!
how great your wonders and your | plans for | us! *
there is none who can be com- | pared with | you.

6 Oh, that I could make them | known and | tell them! *
but they are more than | I can | count.

7 In sacrifice and offering you | take no | pleasure *
 (you have given me | ears to | hear you);
 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you | have not | required, *
 and so I said, "Be- | hold, I | come.
 9 In the roll of the book it is written con- | cerning | me: *
 'I love to do your will, O my God;
 your law is deep | in my | heart."
 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great | congre- | gation; *
 behold, I did not restrain my lips;
 and that, O | Lord, you | know.
 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
 I have spoken of your faithfulness and | your de- | liverance; *
 I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great | congre- | gation.
 12 You are the Lord;
 do not withhold your compa- | ssion from | me; *
 let your love and your faithfulness keep me | safe for | ever.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (insert)

Sequence Hymn 550: "Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult"

Restoration

Gospel: John 1:29-42 (insert)

Sermon

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Prayers of the People, Form V

Confession of Sin

The Peace

Announcements

Offertory Hymn 307: "Lord enthroned in heavenly splendor"

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer 1 from *Enriching our Worship*)

Sanctus: S-129

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.

At the Breaking of the Bread: Hymnal, S-155

At Communion:

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. For the sake of public health, please drink from the chalice or decline it by crossing your arms across your chest.

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

green insert

Hymn 599: "Lift every voice and sing"

Lift Every Voice

Blessing

Dismissal

Postlude

The flowers at the altar today are given to the greater Glory of God by Wendy and Jay Howard in memory of Joseph Skelly, in honor of Jessica Howard, and in thanksgiving for their son Evan Prothro Howard on his birthday.

Altar Guild — Robin Bates, Andrea Sanders

Bread Baker — Julia Bates

Tellers — John Gatta, Julia Bates

Flowers — Cheryl Lankhaar

Coffee Hour — Susan Holmes

8:30 service

Vestry — Neil Patterson

Server — Seanna Mainord

Chalice Bearer — Liam Nieman

Readers — Neil Patterson, Robin Bates

Intercessor — Diane Jones

Acolytes — Cayleigh Mainord, Sawyer Mainord

Usher(s) — Ann & Doug Seiters

11:00 service

John Gatta

Jaxon Rudder

Julia Bates

Jennifer Michael, Matthew Mitchell

Jay Fisher

John Gatta, Susan Holmes

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: — Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: — Church of the Holy Trinity, Nashville and the 194th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee

Prayer Requests: Brady Hall, Emily Hauze, Kim Heitzenrater, Phebe Hethcock, Mike Jones, Mike Mattei, Julian Price, Rick Reuhling, Leah Rhys, Isaiah Shelby, Rachel Suarez, Evelyn Taylor, Freddy Tucker, those who are refugees or suffering the effects of war or violence.

Birthdays: Mickey Suarez, Cullen Thompson, Annie Beaumont, Lucy Beaumont, Elizabeth Leffler-Mitchell, and Cara Kitzrow

Eucharistic Prayer 1

(from Enriching our Worship 1)
For the Season after Epiphany, 2026

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant
It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. The following Preface may be used at any time. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.
Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

Celebrant and People [music in Hymnal S129]
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life.
You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.
You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.
But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.
Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus.

Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory.

Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with [_____ and] all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.
AMEN.

**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.**

At the Breaking of the Bread: music in Hymnal, S155

Postcommunion Prayer

**God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love
to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

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.

Martin Luther King Day: The church office will be closed on Monday January 19 in observance of the holiday.

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.

Sunday Forum: This Sunday, Dr. Lydia Reinig, the College's Director of Dialogue Across Difference Program, will address Sunday's St. Mark and St. Paul weekly forum on "Stewarding Connection in Contentious Times: Dialogue as a Path to Curiosity, Humility, Justice, and Love." The talk is part of a year-long series on Micah's injunction to "do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God."



Dr. Reinig notes that, in fraught times when communities are filled with fear and intractable divisions, the values of dialogue call us forward to steward connections across our differences. Her talk will explore how we can be part of creating the conditions and space for constructive dialogue that make being in community and finding Christ in one another possible.

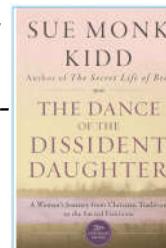
Dr. Lydia Reinig directs co-curricular initiatives in public dialogue for students, offers workshops and programming for the campus colleagues, and teaches annually in the Rhetoric program. She holds a Ph.D. from the University of Colorado Boulder in Communication, and an M.A. in Communication Studies from Colorado State University. Her research in Colorado focused on public participation on local environmental policies and supported deliberative engagement in local communities. She has also conducted research on ways of sustaining dialogue in the face of polarization.

Next Sunday January 25, Fr. Rob will be leading a Rector's Forum.

January/February Book Study: *The Dance of the Dissident Daughter*

Our first book of the new year will be *The Dance of the Dissident Daughter* by Sue Monk Kidd. Beth Wiley will lead the discussion.

Get your copy now, and join us Tuesday nights through Feb 10. We will gather, as usual, around the table in Brooks Hall with finger foods and drinks, 5:30-6:30 pm.



The Flower Guild works behind the scenes each week to beautify our sanctuary. They are looking for volunteers who enjoy flower arranging or have a desire to learn. Please contact Betty Barton Blythe bbblythe43@gmail.com if you are interested or want to learn more.

Advent Wreaths – If you still have the foam or wire wreath forms, the candles, candleholders or pins from your wreath the Hildegard Guild has a box outside Godly Play 1 room where you can drop them off for reuse.

Red Cross Blood Drive will be on Tuesday January 20, from 11am to 4pm. To schedule an appointment, please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code UOS019



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

Lectionary Bible Study: meets every Tuesday at 2:30 pm in Brooks Hall. The class begins with a brief prayer and a reading of the Gospel lesson appointed for the coming Sunday.

Adult Choir: Adult choir practice is Sundays 12:30-1:30pm.

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

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

Godly Play 1: *Parable of the Good Shepherd*, Storyteller – Cara Kitzrow, Doorperson – Heidi Sohl

Godly Play 2: *Parable of Parables*, Storyteller – Cheryl Lankhaar, Doorperson – Diana Rung

4th/5th: (Meets in 1st floor Brooks Hall) – Julia Bates, Matthew Mitchell

Youth Sunday School: (Meets upstairs in Brooks Hall).

Rite-13 and J2A: Young people in grades 6-10 are invited to participate in Rite 13 and Journey to Adulthood (J2A) on Sunday afternoons. Please contact Hilary Bogert Winkler (hbwchurch@gmail.com) for details.