

Birthdays: Ned Murray, Alice Finn, Lane Price, Jamie Pappas, Jan Stevens, Malkelm Leffler, Phoebe Pearigen, Phil White, Blythe Ford, Julia Sumpter, Betty Barton Blythe, and Jennifer Michael.

Departed: Joe Burnett, Margaret Jeanine Metzger Wehrmeyer

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 Last Sunday after Pentecost
November 23, 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 688: “A mighty fortress is our God” *Ein feste Burg*
Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity Prayer Book (red) page 355
Gloria in excelsis: S278 (near front of hymnal)
Collect of the Day (insert)
First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6 (insert)
Psalm 46: (spoken at 8:30; sung at 11:00) Wyatt Poe (b. 1998)



1 God is our re- | fuge and | strength, *
a very present | help in | trouble.
2 Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be | moved, *
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths | of the | sea;
3 Though its waters | rage and | foam, *
and though the mountains tremble | at its | tumult.
4 The Lord of hosts | is with | us; *
the God of Jacob | is our | stronghold.
5 There is a river whose streams make glad the ci- | ty of | God, *
the holy habitation of | the Most | High.
6 God is in the midst of her;
she shall not be | over- | thrown; *
God shall help her at the | break of | day.
7 The nations make much ado, and the king- | doms are | shaken; *
God has spoken, and the earth shall | melt a- | way.
8 The Lord of hosts | is with | us; *
the God of Jacob | is our | stronghold.

9 Come now and look upon the works | of the | Lord, *
what awesome things he has | done on | earth.
10 It is he who makes war to cease in | all the | world; *
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the | shields with | fire.
11 "Be still, then, and know that | I am | God; *
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted | in the | earth."
12 The Lord of | hosts is | with us; *
the God of Jacob | is our | stronghold.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:11-20 *(insert)*
Sequence Hymn 495: “Hail, thou once despised Jesus” *In Babilone*
Gospel: Luke 23:33-43 *(insert)*
Sermon The Rev. Robert C. Lamborn
Nicene Creed page 358
Prayers of the People, Form VI page 392
Confession of Sin page 360
The Peace
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Offertory Hymn 435: *(8:30)* “At the name of Jesus” *King's Weston*
Offertory Anthem: Adult Choir “Hark I hear the harps eternal” Mark Schweizer (1965-2019)

<i>1 Hark, I hear the harps eternal Ringing on the farther shore, As I near those swollen waters With their deep and solemn roar.</i>	<i>2 Hallelujah, hallelujah, Hallelujah, praise the Lamb! Hallelujah, hallelujah, Glory to the great I AM!</i>
<i>3 And my soul, tho’ stain’d with sorrow, Fading as the light of day, Passes swiftly o’er those waters, to the city far away.</i>	<i>4 Souls have crossed before me saintly, to that land of perfect rest; And I hear them singing faintly In the mansions of the blest.</i>

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A) Page 361
Sanctus & Benedictus: S128
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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Agnus Dei: S165
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 494 *(blue book):* “Crown him with many crowns” *Diademata*
Blessing
Dismissal
Postlude

The flowers at the altar today are given to the greater glory of God by Lane and Julian Price in thanksgiving for church, for healing, for family, and for friends. And by Dr. Joe Wehrmeyer, Cheryl Lankhaar and family in memory of Margaret Jeanine Metzger Wehrmeyer, mother of Dr. Joseph Wehrmeyer, who passed away November 21 at age 91. Also in thanksgiving for her gifts of faith and love of life passed on to her children.

Altar Guild — Lynda Gotko, Beth Wiley
Flower Guild — Betty Barton Blythe
Bread Baker — Diane Jones
Tellers — John Gatta
Coffee Hour — Diane Jones

8:30 service
Vestry — Robin Bates
Server — Seanna Mainord
Chalice Bearer — Beth Amundson
Readers — Linda Lankewicz, Jay Fisher
Intercessor — Robin Bates
Acolytes —
Usher(s) -- John Solomon

11:00 service
John Gatta
Jaxon Rudder
Julia Bates
Susan Holmes, Lane Price
Beth Wiley
Theo Leffler-Mitchell
Jimmy & Betty Blythe

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia
Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Christ Church, Tracy City

Prayer Requests: Duane, Steve Butler, Corky Carlisle, Karen Davis, Katherine Fisher, Sophie Geraghty, Brady Hall, Emily Hauze, Kim Heitzenrater, Phebe Hethcock, Mike Jones, Anita Larson, Mike Mattei, Julian Price, Leah Rhys, Isaiah Shelby, Evelyn Taylor, Freddy Tucker, Myron Van de Ven, refugees, the people of Gaza, Israel, Lebanon, Sudan, Syria, and Ukraine.

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.

Sunday Forum 9:45-10:45 in Kennerly Hall: this Sunday will be a Rector's Forum providing a reintroduction to the Gospel of Matthew as we enter a new church year.

November Book Study: happens Tuesday nights 5:30-6:30 with food and beverage in Brooks Hall dining room. Join us in November, Julia Bates will lead a study of *Psalm for the Wild Built*, a novella by Becky Chambers. Julia writes: *"Part of our responsibility as Christ followers living in troubled times is to build a vision of what we want to create on the other side of the turmoil. Martin Luther King did that in his vision messages to America as our culture went through wrenching changes in the 50s-70s. What I find in Rebecca Chambers short parable is a vision of what a post-industrial/post pollution world could look like."*

Advent Study: On the first three Tuesdays in this Advent (Dec 2, 9, 16), Rev. Tom Gildemeister will lead a study on Frederick Buechner: Writing for the Kingdom. This will take place in Brooks Hall, 5:30-6:30pm. Please bring a snack or drink to share. The Advent Study will take the place of our usual Book Study for the month of December.

Christmas Memorials: It is that time of year when the Altar Guild offers church members an opportunity to contribute to the beauty of our church during this blessed holiday season. Please consider honoring your family and friends with a 2025 donation towards poinsettias and Christmas decorations. The Flower Fund donation is \$50.00, which may include up to 6 dedications per family in one donation. Please specify whether the gift is an honorarium as a thanksgiving dedication for living family and friends or a memorial gift for the dearly departed, including the names of those dedicated. Please email me, **Cheryl Lankhaar** at cheryllankhaar@gmail.com, no later than **Tuesday, 12-16 at 11 AM, including exactly how you want your dedication to read.** To streamline this process, only email Cheryl with details of your donation so all information is collected in one spot.

Sunday December 7 is CAC Pantry Sunday. This month CAC is in need of: macaroni & cheese, shelf stable milk, dry beans, pasta, and paper towels CAC serves those in need with food and in other ways 9 to 11am, Monday through Friday. Please call 931-598-5927.

Hurricane Melissa relief: Donations may be made to **Episcopal Relief & Development** <https://www.episcopalrelief.org/> or PO Box 5121; Boone, IA 50950-0121.

The Hildegard Guild — To decrease the parish's carbon footprint, the Guild's first project is to step up the recycling effort beyond the cardboard and paper that are currently being recycled. The plan is for Guild members to take turns delivering the recyclables to the convenience center. Want to join the Guild and take a turn? See John Gatta, Wendy Howard, or Mary Priestley for more information or to sign up. *Viriditas!*

Reading Buddies: The Community Action Committee is working with Sewanee Elementary School to recruit reading buddies who can help out during library time for our young students. This partnership requires consistent volunteers who will read with students and help select books, while overall fostering a love for reading and providing support for the library program. If you are interested, please contact Sarah at cac@stmarkstpaul.org to see how you can get involved.

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

Lectionary Bible Study at Saint Mark and Saint Paul's 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. The group is convened and the conversation moderated by the Reverend Scott Lee.

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 & 2 combined: *The Story of Daniel*, Storyteller — Cheryl Lankhaar, Doorperson — Cara Kitzrow
4th/5th: *Maniac Magee*, (Meets in 1st floor Brooks Hall)
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 Aaron Elrod (aelrod@sewanee.edu) for details.

Education for Ministry, celebrating 50 years of community, is a program created here on The Mountain. This year there is a NEW Wide-Angle View which encompasses the previous four areas of study with a more definitive theologically reflective perspective. The core practices are the heart of EfM and provide a means of navigating this complex world with Faith, Hope, and Love.