ST. MARK'S

Reformed Episcopal Church

The Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist (The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity)



October 18, 2020 Holy Communion & Sermon

WELCOME!

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;

to all who mourn and long for comfort;

to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want a home;

to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors

and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Family Ministry at St. Mark's Church

We are glad that you are here! The following are ministries offered to help you and your children feel welcome here:

Young children are welcome to remain with their parents during the service, however please be mindful of your fellow worshippers and step into the narthex to comfort or calm an unruly or noisy child. If you should need to step out - speakers in the narthex will allow you to continue to hear the service.

A "crying room" at the end of the narthex provides a place of privacy for nursing mothers or other parents who may need to make use of it (this room is also equipped with speakers so as to hear the service).

Descriptions of all of the above can be found on the information table in the narthex.

For help finding any of these rooms - please do not hesitate to speak to an Usher.

St. Mark's Classical Academy (Pre-School - 8th grade) is an integral part of our ministry to families and children. Learn more at stmarksca.org

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PROCESSIONAL HYMN #289 O God our Help in Ages Past (St. Anne)

ANTE-COMMUNION

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be God: the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

¶ The people kneel.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

A LMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Minister. Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.

THOU shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.



¶ All stand and sing the Gloria In Excelsis.

CLORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, who calledst Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to an Evangelist, and Physician of the soul: May it please thee that, by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

ICHARGE you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

Do your best to come to me soon. For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry. Tychicus I have sent to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will repay him according to his deeds. Beware of him yourself, for he strongly opposed our message.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn	. #404 My God, Accept My Heart This Day	(Song 67)
The Holy Gospe	el	St. Luke 10:1-7
The Hol	ly Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St.	. Luke.
People: Glory be	e to thee, O Lord.	

AFTER this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Nicene Creed

BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

Parish Notices

Welcome to St. Marks! - We are glad you are here! Please do not hesitate to make an usher aware of how we can serve you this morning. Welcome packets are available for our visitors in the narthex - please take one with you to find out more about our ministry here.

Questions? If you are curious about the Christian faith, or would simply like someone to talk to in these unsettling times - please contact our pastor, Fr. Jason Patterson via e-mail (stmarksrec@gmail.com) or by phone (215-884-7660).

COVID. The balcony is open - please feel free to sit up there if the nave seems crowded. Maintaining social distancing and wearing a mask is encouraged, especially for those in a "high risk" cateogry.

Evensong and "Bring your own" dinner - 5pm this evening, October 18th (The Feast of St. Luke). RSVP to Matthew Maule to attend.

October 28th - the Feast of Sts. Simon and James. Holy Communion and "Bring your own" dinner at 6 pm. RSVP to Matthew Maule to attend.

November 1st - All Saints Day. Please join us at 10:00 for Holy Communion and Confirmation, with Bishop Gillin. There is no 8:00 am service this day. After the service all are invited to lite refreshments and a time of fellowship.

To Give Flowers: If you wish to donate flowers to the church, to be used in beutifying the altar - please sign-up in Cranmer Hall.

The Sermon Hymn #424 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say(Kingsf	old)
The Sermon	ems

OFFERTORY

At the Presentation of Alms (Tithes)

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below, Praise Him above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen**.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation, Confession and Absolution

YE who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

Amen; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Presbyter say,

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you (St. Matthew 11:28).

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life (St. John 3:16).

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners (1 Timothy 1:15).

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins (1 St. John 2:1, 2).

Sursum Corda

Lift up your hearts.

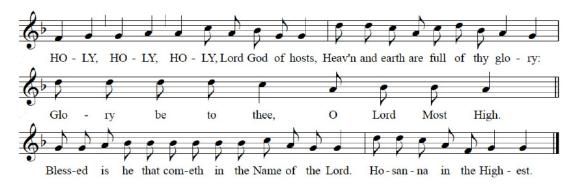
Answer. We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Answer. It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,



Consecration: Institution, Oblation, Invocation

ALL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again: For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise, after supper, he took the Cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

¶ Then shall be said the Oblation.

WHEREFORE, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy Divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

¶ Then shall be said the Invocation.

AND we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thine almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

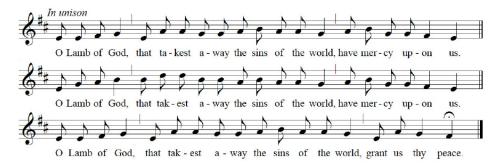
AND we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him. And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. Amen.

And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

UR 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.

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

¶ Then all may join in singing the Agnus Dei, as follows.



¶ The Celebrant shall receive the Sacrament in both kinds and then proceed to deliver the same to the Bishop and other clergy (if any be present) and after that to the People, all devoutly kneeling. When he delivers the Bread and the Cup, he shall say,

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

Those unable to receive Holy Communion today may pray:

In union, O Lord with the faithful at every altar of Thy Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer Thee praise and thanksgiving. I present to Thee my soul and body with the earnest wish that may always be united to Thee. And since I can not now receive Thee sacramentally, I beseech Thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to Thee, and embrace Thee with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing ever separate Thee from me. May I live and die in Thy love. Amen.

¶ When all have communicated, the Celebrant says,

Let us pray.

Authority and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thine everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing (all kneeling)

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

Recessional Hymn #355 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (Coronation)

All are invited to kneel in prayer as the candles are extinguished.

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth, in the Name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Allegro Comodo from Six Pieces (Frank Bridge, 1879-1941)

Birthdays & Anniversaries in October

Happy Birthday to: Kirsten Horton (5th); Jason Patterson (11th); Tom Caldwell (12th); Nan Hamilton (15th); Eileen Pursley (21st); Katharina Brand (29th); Rick Bartlett (30th).

Happy Anniversary to: Ray & Susan Cassidy (1st) and James & Larisa Syrow (18th).

Is your birthday or anniversary missing? Please contact the church office so that we can update our records!

Welcome, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. If you are visiting St. Mark's Church for the first time, please fill out one of the Visitor Cards, found in the pew in front of you, so we can have a record of your visit. You'll also find Prayer Request cards in the same location. Please place these cards in the offering plate or give them directly to an usher or the pastor.

Clergy

The Most Rev'd Ray Sutton, Presiding Bishop
The Rt. Rev'd R. Charles Gillin, Bishop Ordinary
The Rev'd Jason S. S. Patterson, Rector
The Rev'd Tait Deems, Assisting Priest
The Rev'd Matthew Maule, Deacon
The Rev'd Aaron Cappucci, Deacon

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