

# ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHAPEL



## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST NOVEMBER 8, 2020



### MORNING PRAYER RITE II

**Prelude**      *Through Adam's Fall Are Wholly Ruined*      J.S. Bach

#### **Greetings and Announcements**

**Hymn 423 (1982)**      *Immortal God Only Wise*

Officiant      God is Spirit, and those who worship must worship  
in spirit and in truth.      *John 4:24*

#### **Confession**

Officiant      Let us confess our sins to God.

Minister and People

*God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us*

*through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.*

### Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

*Amen.*

### The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!*

### Christ our Passover Pascha nostrum

1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

*Alleluia.*

*Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \**

*therefore let us keep the feast,*

*Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \**

*but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.*

*Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \**

*death no longer has dominion over him.*

*The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \**

*but the life he lives, he lives to God.*

*So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \**

*and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.*

*Christ has been raised from the dead, \**

*the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.*

*For since by a man came death, \**

*by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.*

*For as in Adam all die, \**

*so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.*

## The Psalm Appointed

Psalm 70

Deus, in adiutorium

1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; \*

O Lord, make haste to help me.

2 Let those who seek my life be ashamed  
and altogether dismayed; \*

let those who take pleasure in my misfortune  
draw back and be disgraced.

3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back, \*  
because they are ashamed.

4 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; \*  
let those who love your salvation say for ever,  
"Great is the Lord!"

5 But as for me, I am poor and needy; \*  
come to me speedily, O God.

6 You are my helper and my deliverer; \*  
O Lord, do not tarry.

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it  
was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!*

## The Lessons

### Wisdom of Solomon 6:17-20

The beginning of wisdom is the most sincere desire for instruction, and concern for instruction is love of her, and love of her is the keeping of her laws, and giving heed to her laws is assurance of immortality, and immortality brings one near to God; so the desire for wisdom leads to a kingdom.

Here ends the Reading.

**Canticle 11** The Third Song of Isaiah Surge, illuminare  
Isaiah 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19

*Arise, shine, for your light has come, \**  
*and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.*  
*For behold, darkness covers the land; \**  
*deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.*  
*But over you the Lord will rise, \**  
*and his glory will appear upon you.*  
*Nations will stream to your light, \**  
*and kings to the brightness of your dawning.*  
*Your gates will always be open; \**  
*by day or night they will never be shut.*  
*They will call you, The City of the Lord, \**  
*The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.*  
*Violence will no more be heard in your land, \**  
*ruin or destruction within your borders.*  
*You will call your walls, Salvation, \**  
*and all your portals, Praise.*  
*The sun will no more be your light by day; \**  
*by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.*  
*The Lord will be your everlasting light, \**  
*and your God will be your glory.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \**  
*as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

**Matthew 25:1-13**

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all

those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Here ends the reading.

## Homily

Hymn 488 (1982)     *Be Thou My Vision*

## The Apostles' Creed

*Officiant and People together,*

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.

## **The Prayers**

Officiant        The Lord be with you.

People            *And also with you.*

Officiant        Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

## **Suffrages A**

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
- R. And grant us your salvation.
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
- R. Let your people sing with joy.
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- R. For only in you can we live in safety.
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
- R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
- R. Your saving health among all nations.
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
- R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
- R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

We pray especially this day for those who are sick or suffering:  
Maria, Zoma, Marilyn, Clint, Peter, Kevin, Kerri, Rich, Janet, Nancy,  
Frank, George, Caroline, Mary, and all whom we mention now  
either silently or aloud.

We commend to you all who have died especially all whom we  
mention now either silently or aloud.

*The Officiant then says the following Collects*

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**Hymn 758 (WLP)**      *Come Down to the Shore*

## **The General Thanksgiving**

*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you

in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the  
fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.      *Amen.*  
2 Corinthians 13:14

**Hymn** 681 (1982)      *Our Goer to Whom We Turn*

**Postlude**      *Oh How Fleeting. Oh How Feckless*      J.S. Bach

### **Upcoming Events**

**Nov. 22      Walk for Warmth and Interfaith Thanksgiving  
Prayer Service**

**Registration closing soon for Sacred Ground,  
a national Church program on ant-racism**