



# Welcome to St. Mark's Chapel

*Open hearts, open minds, open doors*

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
10:00 a.m.  
Sunday, August 22, 2021  
Morning Prayer Rite II

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

Hymn *Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!* #438 Hymnal 1982

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!**

**The Morning Psalm:** Psalm 63:1-8 Deus, Deus meus

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; \*  
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,  
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.  
Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, \*  
that I might behold your power and your glory.  
For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; \*  
my lips shall give you praise.  
So will I bless you as long as I live \*  
and lift up my hands in your Name.  
My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, \*  
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,  
When I remember you upon my bed, \*  
and meditate on you in the night watches.  
For you have been my helper, \*  
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.  
My soul clings to you; \*  
your right hand holds me fast.

## The Psalm Appointed

**Psalm 34:15-22**

*Benedicam Dominum*

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15 The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, \*  
and his ears are open to their cry.  
16 The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, \*  
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.  
17 The righteous cry, and the Lord hears them \*  
and delivers them from all their troubles.  
18 The Lord is near to the brokenhearted \*  
and will save those whose spirits are crushed.

- 19 Many are the troubles of the righteous, \*  
but the Lord will deliver him out of them all.
- 20 He will keep safe all his bones; \*  
not one of them shall be broken.
- 21 Evil shall slay the wicked, \*  
and those who hate the righteous will be punished.
- 22 The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, \*  
and none will be punished who trust in him.

**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**

### **Ephesians 6:10-20**

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Here ends the Reading.

*The Canticle is prayed aloud together*

**Canticle N**                      *A Song of God's Love*      *1 John 4:7-11*

**Beloved, let us love one another, \*  
for love is of God.**

Whoever does not love does not know God, \*  
for God is Love.  
In this the love of God was revealed among us, \*  
that God sent his only Son into the world,  
so that we might live through Jesus Christ.  
In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us \*  
and sent his Son that sins might be forgiven.  
Beloved, since God loved us so much, \*  
we ought also to love one another.  
For if we love one another, God abides in us, \*  
and God's love will be perfected in us.

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!

#### John 6:56-69

Jesus said, "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father." Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

Here ends the reading.

#### Homily

#### Hymn

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

#111 LEVAS

## 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 B

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;  
R. **Govern and uphold them, now and always.**  
V. Day by day we bless you;

- R. **We praise your name for ever.**  
V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;  
R. **Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.**  
V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;  
R. **For we put our trust in you.**  
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;  
R. **And we shall never hope in vain.**

We pray especially this day for those who are sick or suffering: , John S., Sully, Joey, Maria, Zoma, Marilyn, Peter, Kerri, Rich, Janet, Frank, Caroline, Mary, Gloria, John, Colleen, Michael 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*

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who 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.**

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Hymn**

*Where He Leads Me*

**#144 LEVAS**

## **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**

*Take my life, and let it be consecrated*

**#707 Hymnal 1982**

**Postlude**

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## **Announcements:**

We will have the collection plate at church but we will not be passing the plate around. We want to continue to stay safe during COVID and more people have been donating electronically.

### **3 WAYS TO GIVE**

#### **Church:**

Outdoor Secure Mailbox

#### **Mail:**

42 N Eagleville Rd, Storrs, CT 06268

#### **MyWell:**

Online: [mywell.org/give/stmarkschapel](https://mywell.org/give/stmarkschapel) or Text: Text stmarkschapel to 40101

### **TABLETS IN CHURCH**

People are encouraged to bring their tablets to church and view the bulletin electronically.

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 29<sup>th</sup>**

Students are back at school!

Choir returns!

Sunday School begins!

Coffee Hour!

Sign up for preparing a meal for students after Campus Communion 5 pm Sundays!