

Communion Anthem – Let all mortal flesh keep silence arr. Gustav Holst

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand. King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords in human vesture, in the Body and the Blood he will give to all the faithful his own self for heavenly food. Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way, as the Light of Light descendeth from the realms of endless day, that the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away. At his feet the six-winged seraph; cherubim with sleepless eye veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry, “Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!”

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Communion Hymns *sung by all*
O light of light, Love given birth (*Jesu dulcis memoria*) Hymnal 134
Fairest Lord Jesus (*St. Elizabeth*) Hymnal 383

Sending out of the Lay Eucharistic Visitors (*when applicable*)
Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I 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.
Congregation **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

Please stand
Prayer for Mission *said by all* BCP 365
Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Hymn in Procession *sung by all*
Ye watchers and ye holy ones (*Lasst uns erfreuen*) Hymnal 618

Dismissal BCP 366

Postlude – Heldenmusik - “La Majesté” Georg Philipp Telemann

Music Notes

Trumpet – Dr. Randy Tinnin *Timpani* – Whitney Morgan
Today is the last Sunday after the Epiphany, and we hear again in the Gospel the wonderful miracle of Christ’s glorious and dazzling Transfiguration, which is retold in poetic form in the opening, sequence, and first communion hymns. The offertory anthem is a classic for the Epiphany season, and the communion anthem reflects themes from today’s psalm. The second communion hymn reflects the Transfiguration, reminding us that “Jesus shines brighter...”, while the closing hymn is an old favorite that gives us a last chance to sing our “Alleluias” before we give them up when Lent starts this Wednesday.

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VISITOR INFORMATION

Children’s Chapel

A Children’s Chapel, including music and a story, is offered for all potty-trained 3-year-olds through 3rd graders during the service. To participate, children simply follow the cross in procession to the McCarty Early Learning Center after the reading of the Gospel and then return as a group during the Peace.

Nursery and Restrooms

A **nursery** is available during the service for children through age 2. It is located in the McCarty Early Learning Center across the circular drop off west of the church. **Restrooms** are located in the church office building south of the church.

Sunday Classes for Adults and Children

Sunday classes for adults and children are offered at 10 a.m. Please see the announcements insert for a list of classes and their locations.

GIVING INFORMATION

Offerings can be put in the plate or text SMJAX to 53555 or scan QR code →

PLEDGE

To make a 2026 pledge scan QR code →

Worship Participants

We thank God for those leading worship and pray that all will be blessed in our service today.

Lectors

Acolytes

Chalice Bearers

Ushers

Verger

Altar Guild

Flower Guild

Laura Ropp, Barbara Stevenson, Randy Gordon

Louisa Holyer, Alice Holyer, Sunny Scheu

Anne Gorman, Amy Morales, Barbara Stevenson, Jordan Eyrick LEV Carol and Jim Rountree

Ben DeVino, Randy Gordon, Andrew Taylor

Courtland Eyrick

Leslie Freeman, Stephanie Baker, Dudley Grace, Trisha MacRae, Caroline Mann, Una Pardue, Lindsay Runnels, Barbara Simcox, Tori Tutwiler

Hope Eller, Jane Ashley Racine

THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

and in loving memory of Anne Banks Grace by her family.

*Please contact the church office to donate and dedicate altar flowers.

St. Mark’s Episcopal Church Vision

St. Mark’s is a missional church built at the headwaters of the Gospel where the life and light of Christ flow into our community, our city, and God’s world. (Ps 46:4-5)

St. Mark’s Episcopal Church Mission

To cultivate generations of servant-leaders rooted in God’s Word and nurtured by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus to the world.

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St. Mark’s Episcopal Church

A River of Grace. A Life Abundant.

Welcome! We are delighted to have you join us for worship today! Newcomers, please complete a Connect Card (located in the pew in front of you) so that we can get to know you better. Regular attendees, please use this same card to ensure we have your current contact information. Please note that all page numbers listed in the bulletin preceded by BCP refer to the red Book of Common Prayer in the pews. Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982. Hymn numbers preceded by an “S” (service music) are found near the front of the hymnal.

Information on childcare, restroom locations, and educational offerings is on page 6.

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

February 15, 2026 - Holy Eucharist - Rite II - 11:00 a.m.

Prelude – Heldenmusik - “La Grâce” Georg Philipp Telemann

The Word of God

Please stand
Hymn in Procession *sung by all*
O wondrous type! O vision fair (*Wareham*) Hymnal 137

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity BCP 355
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**
Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria *sung by all* *musical setting:* Hymnal S 280
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
 we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
 you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
 you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
 in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

