



# ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Fincastle, Virginia

10:00 a.m.

February 15, 2026

## THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY Service of Holy Communion, Rite I

PRELUDE

*Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*

J. S. Bach, arr. W. Gillock

OPENING HYMN

ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

#460

- 1 Alleluia! sing to Jesus!  
his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone;  
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation  
hath redeemed us by his blood.
- 2 Alleluia! not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! he is near us,  
faith believes, nor questions how:  
though the cloud from sight received him,  
when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise,  
"I am with you evermore"?
- 3 Alleluia! bread of Heaven,  
Thou on earth our food, our stay!  
Alleluia! here the sinful  
flee to thee from day to day:  
Intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.
- 4 Alleluia! King eternal,  
thee the Lord of lords we own:  
Alleluia! born of Mary,  
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:  
thou within the veil hast entered,  
robed in flesh, our great High Priest:

thou on earth both Priest and Victim  
in the eucharistic feast.

- 5 Alleluia! sing to Jesus!  
his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone;  
Hark! the songs of holy Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation  
hath redeemed us by his blood.

*Alleluia! sing to Jesus*, #460 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898). Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 323

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 323

Almighty 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 SUMMATION OF THE LAW

BCP 324

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 neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

## GLORIA (SUNG)

Pew Insert

**Gloria. (clap); Gloria (clap)**  
**In excelsis Deo.**  
**Gloria. (clap); Gloria (clap)**  
**In excelsis Deo.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 164

O God, who before the passion of thy only-begotten Son didst reveal his glory upon the holy mount: Grant unto us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## CHILDREN'S HOMILY

*People Sit*

### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF **EXODUS 24:12-18**

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight

of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God**

## **THE PSALM 2**

BCP 586

- 1 Why are the nations in an uproar? \*  
Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?
- 2 **Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt,  
and the princes plot together, \***  
**against the LORD and against his Anointed?**
- 3 “Let us break their yoke,” they say; \*  
“let us cast off their bonds from us.”
- 4 **He whose throne is in heaven is laughing; \***  
**the Lord has them in derision.**
- 5 Then he speaks to them in his wrath, \*  
and his rage fills them with terror.
- 6 **“I myself have set my king \***  
**upon my holy hill of Zion.”**
- 7 Let me announce the decree of the LORD: \*  
he said to me, “You are my Son;  
this day have I begotten you.
- 8 **Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for  
your inheritance \***  
**and the ends of the earth for your possession.**
- 9 You shall crush them with an iron rod \*  
and shatter them like a piece of pottery.”
- 10 **And now, you kings, be wise; \***  
**be warned, you rulers of the earth.**
- 11 Submit to the LORD with fear, \*  
and with trembling bow before him;
- 12 **Lest he be angry and you perish; \***  
**for his wrath is quickly kindled.**
- 13 Happy are they all \*  
who take refuge in him!

- 1 When morning gilds the skies,  
my heart, awaking, cries,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
When evening shadows fall,  
this rings my curfew call,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!
- 2 When mirth for music longs,  
this is my song of songs:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
God's holy house of prayer  
hath none that can compare  
with: Jesus Christ be praised!
- 3 No lovelier antiphon  
in all high heaven is known  
than, Jesus Christ be praised!  
There to the eternal Word  
the eternal psalm is heard:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!
- 4 Ye nations of mankind,  
in this your concord find:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Let all the earth around  
ring joyous with the sound:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!
- 4 Sing, suns and stars of space,  
sing, ye that see his face,  
sing, Jesus Christ be praised!  
God's whole creation o'er,  
both now and evermore  
shall Jesus Christ be praised!

*When morning gilds the skies*, #427 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: German, ca. 1800; tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930), alt. Music: *Laudes Domini*, Joseph Barnby (1838-1896).

#### A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT MATTHEW 17:1-9

[Before the Gospel, "**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**" After the Gospel, "**Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**"]

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

*People Sit*

THE SERMON

THE REV. G. WILLIS LOGAN

THE NICENE CREED (ALL)

BCP 327

I 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.

THE PARISH PRAYERS

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world, remembering especially all  
on our Pews News Prayer list.

*(The congregation responds with "Jesus, hear our prayer".)*

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 330

Almighty God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
maker of all things, judge of all men:  
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 honor and glory of thy Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### ABSOLUTION

BCP 332

Celebrant:

Almighty 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*

#### COMFORTABLE WORDS

BCP 332

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

#### THE PEACE & WELCOME

BCP 332

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

#### THE HOLY COMMUNION

##### OFFERTORY

*In Remembrance*

arr. E. T. Rogers

*People Stand*

##### DOXOLOGY (SUNG)

#380, v. 3

**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.**

##### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, RITE 1, PRAYER 2

BCP 340

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**People: It is meet and right so to do.**

## SURSUM CORDA

BCP 340

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,

## SANCTUS

Pew Insert

**Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Deus Sabbaoth.  
Pleni sunt coeli et terra.  
Gloria tua, Hosanna in excelsis!**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 336

**Our 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.**

## FRACTION

BCP 337

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**People: Therefore let us keep the feast.**

## AGNUS DEI

Pew Insert

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.**

## PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP 337

**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 we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

BCP 338

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (All Pray Together)

[from the South African Book of Common Prayer (1989).]

Jesus, may all that is you flow into me.

May your body and blood be my food and drink.

May your passion and death be my strength and life.

Jesus, with you by my side enough has been given.

May the shelter I seek be the shadow of your cross.

Let me not run from the love which you offer but hold me safe from the forces of evil.

On each of my dyings shed your light and your love.

Keep calling to me until that day comes when, with your saints, I may praise you for ever. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN

HERE I AM, LORD

WLP #812

- 1 I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in deepest sin  
My hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me,  
I will hold your people in my heart.*

- 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them,  
They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
Give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them.  
Whom shall I send?

*Refrain*

- 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them,  
My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide  
Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?

*Refrain*

*I, the Lord of sea and sky*, #812 from *Wonder Love and Praise* — Words and Music: Daniel L. Schutte. Copyright © 1981, Daniel L. Schutte; and New Dawn Music, 5536 NE Hassalo, Portland, OR 97213. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 339

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting



kingdom. 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 honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

THE BLESSING

BCP 339

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.*

CLOSING HYMN

YE WATCHERS AND YE HOLY ONES

#618

- 1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,  
bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,  
raise the glad strain, Alleluia!  
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers,  
virtues, archangels, angels' choirs,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 O higher than the cherubim,  
more glorious than the seraphim,  
lead their praises, Alleluia!  
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,  
most gracious, magnify the Lord,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,  
ye patriarchs and prophets blest,  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,  
all saints triumphant, raise the song,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 O friends, in gladness let us sing,  
supernal anthems echoing,  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
To God the Father, God the Son,  
and God the Spirit, Three in One,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Ye watchers and ye holy ones*, #618 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945). By permission of Oxford University Press. Music: *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from *Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng*, 1623; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). By permission of Oxford University Press.

DISMISSAL

BCP 340

Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

*Minuet and Trio*

W. A. Mozart

# St. Mark's Weekly Prayer List

Prayer requests for individuals and families are left on for 4 Sundays unless requested. If you wish for someone to be left on longer, please let the office know at the time you make the request.

**IN OUR ARMED FORCES:** Patrick Funkhouser; Erin Funkhouser; Nathan Bradley; Mason Alexander; Reeve Alexander; Jimmy Brown; Eric Burton; Ali Taha; Griffith Wood; Logan Ching; and First Responders.

**THANKSGIVING:** For those celebrating birthdays this week:  
Conley Saunders (2/15); James L. Snyder (2/19); Tommy Hunter (2/21).

*Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God.*

## SEMINARIANS:

## THOSE IN NEED:

Danielle Alexander  
Carol Anderson  
Jason Christian Bayer  
The Rev. Sue Bentley  
Cousin Beth  
John Beverley  
The Rev. Bob Brodie  
Kris Browning  
Adam Burkley  
Kay Canham  
Gabrielle Clouser  
Marla Cook  
Angela Coon  
Cora  
Jacob Crawford  
Jeremiah Crawford  
Suzanne Cronise  
Bryce Dalton  
Connie Diez  
Josh diPalma  
Christine E.  
Evelyn Edwards  
Claire Ferguson  
Brooke Forney

Chelsea G. H.  
Chuck Geiger  
Rob and Charlotte Hagan  
Crofton Held  
Pat Honts  
Tommy Hunter  
Meg Johnson  
Ed Johnston  
Sharon LaVonne Kidwell  
Stephanie Keith  
Yvonne Killers  
Allen Layman  
Helen Madine-Gregory  
Si Mandros  
Darlene Martin  
Mary  
Laura Holt McCann  
Ella Mitchell  
Joe Mix  
Liz Moore  
David Moyer  
Charley Neil  
Edward Neil  
Matthew Neil  
Penny Neil

Judy Newbern  
Marie Nganele  
David Ostrowski  
Gary Overbay  
Janet P.  
Doug Paysour  
Roderick Plenge  
Sis Proffitt  
Roman  
Brook Roncinske  
Mario Saade  
Savannah  
Sue Spickard  
Patti Suite  
Suzanne  
Mike Thompson  
Sherry Vinson  
Virginia  
Krystal Weaver  
Charlie Webb  
Jerry Webb  
Gary Welch  
Chad Whitaker  
Denise Williamson  
Bruce Wilsie  
Kim Wyrick

**FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:** Charles Poindexter; Ruby Painter.

**FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING:** Poindexter, Geiger families; Painter families.

## St. Mark's Prayer Ministries

Willis and Jake are available to talk and pray: call, email or text them.

*We Care Ministry:* A prayer and service ministry for St. Mark's

Contact: Carole Geiger (geiger.caroleb@gmail.com)

Prayer Chain: Emergency situations contact Susan Hays by phone (540) 884-2555

## Parish Activities – Week of February 15, 2026

### Sunday, February 15 - The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

9:00am - Adult Education - *Annual Diocesan Convention Recap*

10:00am - Holy Communion, Rite I

### Monday, February 16

*Presidents' Day*

*Office Closed*

12:00pm - Bridge Group meets

### Tuesday, February 17

6:00pm - Vestry meeting

7:00pm - Open AA

### Wednesday, February 18 - Ash Wednesday

3:30-6:00pm - BMA Rehearsal

11:00am - Imposition of Ashes at The Glebe (The Rev. Dr. Robert T. Copenhagen and Chaplain Donna)

6:30pm - Community Ash Wednesday service at Fincastle United Methodist Church | Willis Preaching

### Thursday, February 19

10:00am - Dorcas Needlework Guild

### Friday, February 20

Office Closed

### Saturday, February 21

9:30am - Botetourt Food Pantry

7:00pm - Open AA meeting

#### **The Rev. G. Willis Logan, Rector**

Jake Webb, Assistant to the Rector

Gina Painter, Office Manager/Vestry Clerk

Jim Johnston, Treasurer

Tommy Hunter, Organist Emeritus      Anna Preston, Music Minister

Allison Caldwell & Ana Uotinen, Children/Youth Ministers

#### **Vestry (Lay Leadership)**

John Alexander \* Phil Coffey (Junior Warden)

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### **Serving Us Today**

CELEBRANT & PREACHER: THE REV. G. WILLIS

LOGAN

LEM/INTERCESSOR: WALTER MICHAEL

2<sup>ND</sup> CHALICE BEARER: BRIAN WOOD

LECTOR: EMILY TALBOT-GUILLOTE

ACOLYTE: LUKE LAYMAN

MUSICIAN: ANNA PRESTON

MUSICIAN FOR THE DAY: DR. JAMES MATTHEWS

ALTAR GUILD: SUSAN HAYS, JENINE CULLIGAN

COUNTERS: TBD

## **SAVE THE DATE**

### **LENTEN Season 2026, Mental Health and Theology**

Beginning 25 Feb and running through the month of March (4, 11, 18 and 25) we will have an all Parish Lenten Dinner beginning at 6pm in the Ministry Center. Our talks will focus on Mental Health and Theology. What does the Bible say about depression? What about therapy? If you would like to help with any of the meals, please contact Michelle Cook ([mcook250316@gmail.com](mailto:mcook250316@gmail.com) | 910-580-1252).

#### **Brief Schedule:**

6-650pm visit and eat

650-730 presentation and q/a

We are so excited about this time together.