

ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Fincastle, Virginia 10:00 a.m. September 14, 2025

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Service of Holy Communion, Rite I

PRELUDE Le petit berger C. Debussy

OPENING HYMN THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS (vs. 1,2,5,6) #645

- The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
 I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine for ever.
- Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.
- 5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never: Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever.

The King of love my shepherd is, #645 from The Hymnal 1982 — Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); para. Psalm 23. Music: St. Columba, Irish melody, harm. Hymnal 1982.

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.*

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. *Matthew 22:37-40*

GLORIA (SUNG)

Glory To God

(Pew Insert)

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 181

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee, mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

CHILDREN'S HOMILY

People Sit

A READING FROM I TIMOTHY 1:12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

THE **PSALM 14** BCP 598

- 1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." * All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.
- 2 The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, * to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.
- 3 Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; * there is none who does good; no, not one.
- 4 Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers * who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?
- 5 See how they tremble with fear, * because God is in the company of the righteous.

- Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, *
 but the Lord is their refuge.
- 7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! * when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.

GRADUAL HYMN

MY SHEPHERD WILL SUPPLY MY NEED

#664

- My Shepherd will supply my need,
 Jehovah is his Name;
 in pastures fresh he makes me feed
 beside the living stream.
 He brings my wandering spirit back
 when I forsake his ways,
 and leads me, for his mercy's sake,
 in paths of truth and grace.
- When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay; one word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
 Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread; my cup with blessings overflows, thy oil anoints my head.
- 3 The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; oh, may thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise.
 There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come; no more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

My Shepherd will supply my need, #664 from The Hymnal 1982 — Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748); para. of Psalm 23. Music: Resignation, American folk melody, acc. David Hurd (b. 1950).

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE 15:1-10

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

People Stand

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".)

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 Resignation arr. M. Hayes

People Stand

DOXOLOGY tune #618

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below, Alleluia! praise him above, ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, RITE I, 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

Pew Insert

SANCTUS (SUNG)

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.

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

FRACTION

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

AGNUS DEI (SUNG)

Pew Insert

BCP 337

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.

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

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.

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

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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

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

THERE'S A WIDENESS IN GOD'S MERCY

#470

- 1 There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea; there's a kindness in his justice, which is more than liberty. There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good; there is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.
- 2 There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven; there is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given. There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head.
- 3 For the love of God is broader than the measure of the mind; and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

 If our love were but more faithful, we should take him at his word; and our life would be thanksgiving for the goodness of the Lord.

There's a wideness in God's mercy, #470 from The Hymnal 1982 — Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863), alt. Music: Beecher, John Zundel (1815-1882), alt.

DISMISSAL BCP 340

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE The Spruce J. Sibelius

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:

George Logan, Sr., Piper Gaul, Charlie Webb (9/14); Jett Field (9/16); Buck Heartwell (9/17).

Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Linda Webb in celebration of Charlie Webb's 26th birthday.

SEMINARIANS: Parker Hughes.

THOSE IN NEED:

Penny Neil Jeff Frazier Carol Anderson Judy Newbern Chelsea G. H. **Jason Christian** Bayer Marie Nganele **Chuck** Geiger John Beverley David Ostrowski **Helen** Madine-Gregory Lucile Bondurant Janet P. **Crofton** Held The Rev. Bob Brodie **Doug** Paysour Pat Honts **Kris** Browning **Tommy** Hunter **Roderick** Plenge **Adam** Burkley Sis Proffitt Meg Johnson Bruce & Gabrielle Clouser

Sharon LaVonne Kidwell Roman Marla Cook

Brook Roncinske **Stephanie** Keith Angela Coon Mario Saade Sandra Kidd Cora Savannah **Yvonne** Killers Jacob Crawford **Sue** Spickard Allen Lavman Jeremiah Crawford Al Suite Si Mandros **Suzanne** Cronise Suzanne **Darlene** Martin Brvce Dalton **Sherry** Vinson Marv Nonie Diebold Charlie Webb Laura Holt McCann Connie Diez

Josh diPalma Gary Welch Joe Mix Carma Duffy Liz Moore **Chad** Whitaker Christine E. Charley Neil **Denise** Williamson **Evelvn** Edwards

Jerry Webb

Edward Neil **Bruce** Wilsie Claire Ferguson Kim Wyrick Matthew Neil **Brooke** Forney

Ella Mitchell

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING:

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 September 14, 2025

Sunday, September 14 - The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00am - Adult Education class in the Parish Hall - Philosophy and Theology

10:00am - Holy Communion, Rite I

Monday, September 15

12:00pm - Bridge Group meets

Tuesday, September 16

7:00pm - Open AA

Wednesday, September 17

3:30pm - BMA Rehearsals

7:30pm - Evening Prayer on Zoom

Thursday, September 18

10:00am - Dorcas Needlework Guild

11:30am - Service of Laying on of Hands

and Communion

12:05pm - Brown Bag Bible Study

Friday, September 19

Office Closed

Saturday, September 20

9:00am to noon - Botetourt Food Pantry 7:00pm - Open AA meeting

Serving Us Today

CELEBRANT & PREACHER: THE REV. G. WILLIS LOGAN

LEM/Intercessor: Kate Parish 2ND Chalice Bearer: Mike Parish

LECTOR: EMILY TALBOT-GUILLOTE

ACOLYTE: COLLIN MURPHY MUSICIAN: ANNA PRESTON

ALTAR GUILD: SALLY WAID, SUSAN HAYS

COUNTERS: CHARLOTTE HAGAN, TBD USHERS: SALLY FIELD, CHARLIE ECHOLS

Have you signed up to make chili yet for the Cookoff on October 18th? We have 6 signed up so far!

Sign up here:

https://stmarksfincastle.org/volunteering.cfm

The Rev. G. Willis Logan, Rector

Jake Webb, Assistant to the Rector Gina Painter, Office Manager/Vestry Clerk Jim Johnston, Treasurer

Tommy Hunter, Organist Anna Preston, Music Minister Allison Caldwell & Ana Uotinen, Children/Youth Ministers

Vestry (Lay Leadership)
Charlotte Hagan (Senior Warden) * Phil Coffey (Junior Warden)
John Alexander * Michelle Cook * Jenine Culligan
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