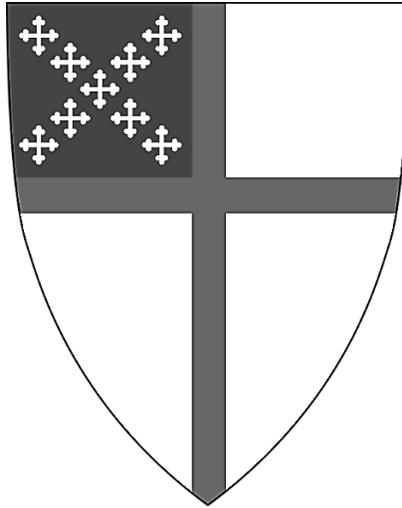


SAINT MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
TROY, AL



APRIL 3, 2022
THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

The Rt. Rev. J. Russell Kendrick,
Bishop of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast
The Rev. Michael Schwarte, Priest
Dr. John Jinright, Organist
Dr. Catherine Allard, Choir Director



First time worshiping at St. Mark's?

Welcome! Please let an usher know that you are visiting so that they can help make you comfortable. If you are new to Episcopal worship, an usher can explain the service—or just ask someone sitting nearby. We are eager to make guests feel welcome at Saint Mark's. If you would like to receive a call from Fr. Michael, please fill out a connection card found in the back of the church and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher. We sincerely hope that you enjoy your visit to Saint Mark's and feel the presence of God in this place.



**Welcome to St. Mark's Episcopal Church. We are glad you are here!
We prepare for the service in silence.**

OPENING SENTENCES

BCP p. 323

The people standing, the Priest says

Priest Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People His mercy endureth for ever.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP p. 323

The Priest says

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.

OPENING ANTHEM

BCP p. 324

The following is said, all standing

Priest Holy God,
 Holy and Mighty,
 Holy Immortal One,

People *Have mercy upon us.*

“Holy God” (Trisagion)

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP p. 325

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Priest Let us pray.

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:16-21

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹⁶Thus says the LORD,
 who makes a way in the sea,
 a path in the mighty waters,
¹⁷who brings out chariot and horse,
 army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
 they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
¹⁸“Do not remember the former things,
 or consider the things of old.
¹⁹I am about to do a new thing;
 now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
 and rivers in the desert.
²⁰The wild animals will honor me,
 the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,
 rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
 ²¹the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

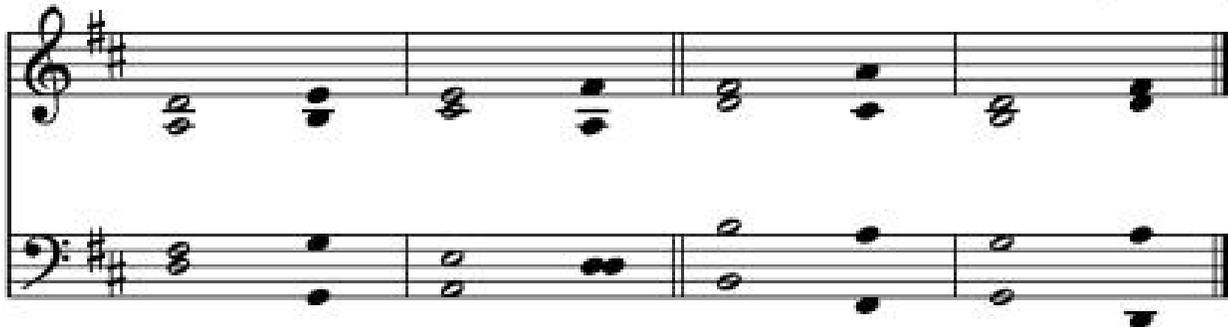
Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 126

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Remain seated.

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



- ¹When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
- ²Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- ³Then they said among the nations, *
“The LORD has done great things for them.”
- ⁴The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.
- ⁵Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
- ⁶Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.
- ⁷Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

SECOND READING: Philippians 3:4b-14

The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Philippi.

- ^{4b}If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more:
⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the
tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as

to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN

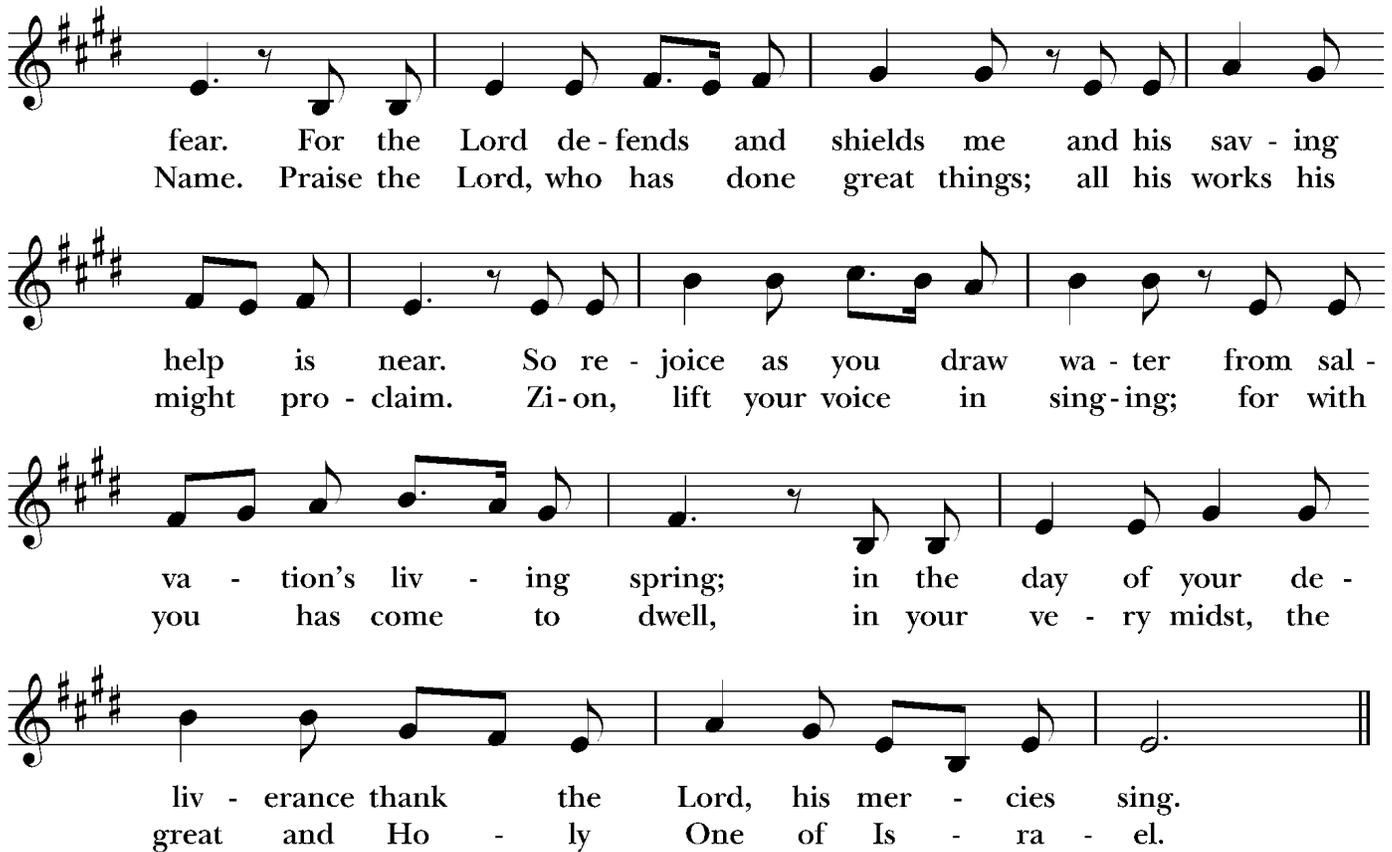
Hymn #679

“Surely it is God who saves me” (Thomas Merton)

All stand.



1 Sure - ly it is God — who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not
2 Make his deeds — known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed



fear. For the Lord de-fends and shields me and his sav-ing
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his
help is near. So re-joice as you draw wa-ter from sal-
might pro-claim. Zi-on, lift your voice in sing-ing; for with
va-tion's liv-ing spring; in the day of your de-
you has come to dwell, in your ve-ry midst, the
liv-erance thank the Lord, his mer-cies sing.
great and Ho-ly One of Is-ra-el.

GOSPEL: John 12:1-8

All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
John.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

¹Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵"Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶(He said this not

because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷Jesus said, “Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

“ONE SAVIOR, TWO REACTIONS”

THE NICENE CREED

BCP p. 326

All stand.

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Form IV)

BCP p. 388

All remain standing.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP p. 330

The Priest says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved thee with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

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.

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

“Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.” *Matthew 11:28*

THE PEACE

BCP p. 332

All stand.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

BCP p. 343

The Priest says

I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

Romans 12:1

DOXOLOGY

Hymn #380, v.3

“Praise God, from whom all blessings flow”

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP p. 340

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II

The People remain standing.

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

PROPER PREFACE

BCP p. 341

Facing the Holy Table, the Priest proceeds

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, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again. 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

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“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord”

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

BCP p. 341

The people kneel or stand.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

BCP p. 336

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Priest Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People therefore let us keep the feast.

FRACTION ANTHEM

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“Jesus Lamb of God”

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP p. 337

The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer

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.*

INVITATION

BCP p. 338

The Priest says

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.

Gluten-free wafers are available for communion. Please let the priest know when you come forward to receive.

DISTRIBUTION

BCP p. 338

The minister delivers the Sacrament in both kinds to the people.

COMMUNION HYMN "

"Let thy blood in mercy poured"

Hymn #313

"O God, unseen yet ever near"

Hymn #332

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP p. 339

After Communion, the Priest says

Let us pray.

The People may join in saying this prayer

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.*

BLESSING

BCP p. 339

The priest blesses the people, saying

The Lord bless you and keep you. *Amen.*

The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you. *Amen.*

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace. *Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN

(stand)

Hymn #610

“Lord, whose love through humble service...”

DISMISSAL

BCP p. 340

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Abide with me”

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Coffee Hour & Fellowship: Please join us in the Parish Hall immediately after today's service for fellowship and fun!

Wednesday Eucharist (12:10 p.m.): We celebrate the Eucharist each Wednesday at noon in the Nave. This is a spoken service lasting no more than 30 minutes. It is a great time of spiritual refreshments in the midst of the week and easily fits the work-week schedule. Please join us, all are welcome!

Midweek Soup and Service April 6: (6 - 6:30 p.m.) Simple Lenten meal in the Parish Hall, (6:30 - 7 p.m.) Lenten service in the Nave.

Easter preparation and church-wide cleanup: Please join us Saturday, April 9th at 9 a.m. to do some spring cleaning on Saint Mark's campus from the Seabury house to the Parish Hall and everything in between. Bring family and friends! Coffee and refreshments will be provided!

Easter Lily sign-up: Sign-up sheets in the hall.

Support the Ukraine Crisis Response: Episcopal Relief and Development
<https://www.episcopalrelief.org/>

Station of the cross: We will commemorate Jesus' walk to the cross on Friday, April 15 at 5 p.m. To volunteer as a reader or cross bearer, contact Joel Williams at 334-372-7566 or jlwlaw@troycable.net

UTO: Ingathering Easter Sunday.

Easter Flower Cross: As is our beautiful tradition, the children of St. Mark's will join the procession on Easter Sunday and place flowers on the cross. Please bring flowers from home to share with the children; Flowers from your yard are welcome!

Easter Egg Hunt: St. Mark's will host an Easter egg hunt for the children immediately following the Easter Holy Eucharist. Parents, please be sure to bring your children's Easter baskets. All members of St. Mark's are asked to bring filled Easter eggs to be hidden for the children.

Choir: The St. Mark's choir practices on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm., and all are invited to come make a joyful noise. Email Catherine Allard at callard@troy.edu for more information.

Food Pantry: St. Mark's provides supplemental food to the community from three locations.

- Seabury House, Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – Noon
- Charles Henderson Child Health Clinic, 1300 US 231
- Boys and Girls Club, Colley Senior Complex, 715 E Elm St.

Jail Ministry: We continue serving the inmates and staff by sending cards each month to let them know that we are thinking about them, and that they remain in our prayers. For information on how you can participate in this ministry, please call Judy Dye (334-268-8824).

Nursery: The nursery is available during church service hours for infants through age 4.

Church Office: The church office at 405 West College Street is open Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to Noon. Phone: 334-566-2619. Email: stmarkstroy@gmail.com.

St. Mark's Vestry

Class of 2022: Caleb Dawson; Judy Dye; Diane Porter, Treasurer.

Class of 2023: Jordan Medeiros; Kathy Omasta; Joanna Taylor, Junior Warden.

Class of 2024: Sharon Denison, Clerk; Karl Pollack; Donna Schubert, Senior Warden

Restroom: A restroom is located in the Parish Hall (through the door next to the piano).

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Serving Today

<i>Priest</i>	The Rev. Michael Schwarte
Crucifer	Elizabeth Dawson
Torch Bearers	David Dawson, Josephine Dawson
First Reading	Curt Porter
Second Reading	Angela Dautartus
Prayers	Earl Ingram
Ushers	John Anderson, Judy Dye
Altar Guild	Deb Davis, Jessica Pollack, Michelle Armstrong
Nursery	Ying Schwarte, Abbey Knight

Serving Apr. 10 PALM SUNDAY

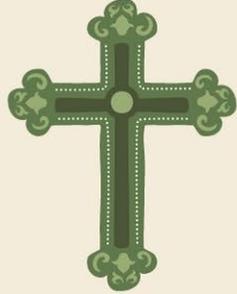
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UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 3	
9:30 a.m.	Christian Education
10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
11:30 a.m.	Coffee and fellowship in the Parish Hall
Wednesday, April 6	
12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
6 p.m.	Lenten Supper
6:30 p.m.	Evening Prayer
7 p.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday, April 10 PALM Sunday	
9:30 a.m.	Christian Education
10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
11:30 a.m.	Coffee and fellowship in the Parish Hall
Wednesday, April 13	
12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
Thursday, April 14 MAUNDY THURSDAY	
6 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service
Friday, April 15 GOOD FRIDAY	
12:10 p.m.	Good Friday Veneration
5 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Saturday, April 16 HOLY SATURDAY	
7 p.m.	Easter Vigil
Sunday, April 17 EASTER DAY	
9:30 a.m.	Brunch in the Parish Hall
10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11:30 a.m.	Easter Egg Hunt

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Please join us for an

Easter Celebration

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

Brunch - 9:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist - 10:30 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt - 11:30 a.m.

April 17, 2022

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