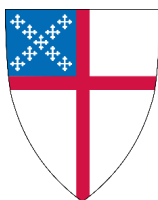


ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL
CHURCH
TROY, AL



OCTOBER 10, 2021
THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

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



We prepare for the service in silence.

Prelude

“March” from Floridante

Handel

Processional Hymn (stand)

Hymn #680

“O God, our help in ages past”

Opening Sentences

BCP, p. 355

Gloria

S #236

The Collect

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament

(sit)

Amos 5:6-7,10-15

Seek the LORD and live,

or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,

and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate,

and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore, because you trample on the poor

and take from them levies of grain,

you have built houses of hewn stone,

but you shall not live in them;

you have planted pleasant vineyards,

but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions,

and how great are your sins—

you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;

and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.

Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;

it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Psalm 90:12-17 (*stand and sing*) *Domine, refugium*

12 So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.

14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted
us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.

16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.

17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.

The Epistle (*sit*) **Hebrews 4:12-16**

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints

from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Sequence Hymn *(stand)* *Hymn #455*
“O love of God, how strong and true”

The Holy Gospel

Mark 10:17-31

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them

and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The Sermon (sit)

The Nicene Creed (stand) BCP, p. 358

Prayers of the People - Form III BCP, p. 387

Confession of Sin (kneel) BCP, p. 360

Peace (stand)

Announcements (sit)

Offertory

Doxology (stand) Hymn #380, v3
“Praise God from whom all blessings flow”

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer A (stand) BCP, p. 361

Sanctus S-129

“Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might”

Consecration BCP, p. 362

Fraction Anthem S-164
“Jesus, Lamb of God have mercy on us”

First time worshipping at St. Mark's?

Please make yourself known by signing the guest registry at the back of the church and by filling out a visitor card and give it to one of the ushers. We'd like to hear from you!

A restroom is located through the door next to the piano at the front of the church. The nursery is available during church service hours for infants through age 4.

Serving Today

Celebrant	The Rev. Michael Schwarte
Crucifer	Joel Williams
Torch Bearers	Mary Alice Medeiros, Sarah Taylor
First Reading	Joyce Landers
Second Reading	Joyce Landers
Prayers	John Jinright
Ushers	John Anderson, Gene Omasta
Altar Guild	Teri Williams, Amy Gaskin
Nursery	Abbey Knight, Jean Orendorff
Refreshments	The Bryants
Flower Guild	Florist

Sunday Oct 10, 2021	9:30 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Wednesday Oct 13, 2021	5:00 pm	Vestry Meeting - Parish Hall
Oct 17, 2021	9:30 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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

- Seabury House, Monday - Thursday, 9:00 - 12:00
- 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 Gene Omasta (334-672-7017) or Judy Dye (334-268-8824).

Serving Oct. 17

Celebrant	The Rev. Michael Schwarte
Crucifer	Addison Armstrong
Torch Bearers	Josephine Dawson, John Clarke Bryant
First Reading	Joanna Taylor
Second Reading	Joanna Taylor
Prayers	Curt Porter
Ushers	Randy Bryant, Bob Whitson
Altar Guild	Judy Dye, Kathy Omasta
Nursery	Abbey Knight, Teri Williams
Refreshments	Susan Anderson
Flower Guild	

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St. Mark's Vestry
 Class of 2020: Ann Hart; Jean Orendorff; Suzanne Price.
 Class of 2021: Judy Dye, Senior Warden; Natalie Bryant, Junior Warden; Caleb Dawson.
 Class of 2022: Kathy Omasta; Jordan Medeiros; Joanna Taylor, Clerk.
 Diane Porter, Treasurer.