

Second Sunday after Pentecost



June 7, 2026

9:30 a.m.

St. Mark's and St. John's Episcopal Church

Welcome to St. Mark's and St. John's!

Name tags are available. We'd love to make one for you if you do not have one already.

Help yourself to coffee in the "cafe," and feel free to bring it to your pew. We're casual.

We invite children to make themselves at home at our children's table, where there are weekly activity bulletins and crayons.

Our live YouTube broadcast begins at 9:30 am. The link to our YouTube channel is available on our website, stmarksandstjohns.org.

We do not pass an offering plate during the service. If you would like to make a financial gift, you can place it in the plate (by the sign-in binder) or contribute online.

PRELUDE

Instrumental

OPENING SENTENCE

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty,
who was, and is, and is to come."

(Revelation 4:8)

Glory to God for ever and ever.

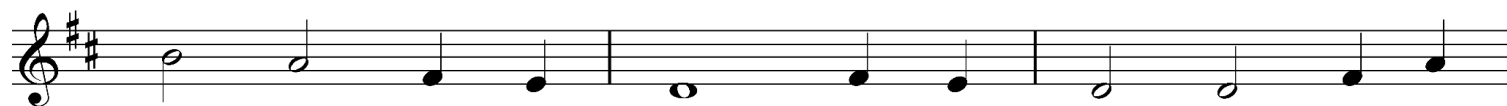
PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

H 1982, 686



1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,



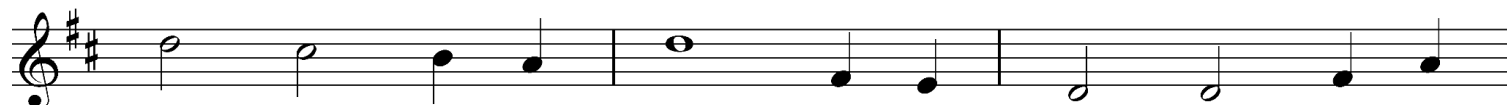
heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good



ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Hosea 5:15-6:6

A reading from the book of Hosea...

Thus says the LORD: "I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: 'Come, let us return to the LORD; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. Let us

know, let us press on to know the LORD; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.' What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early.

Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings."

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 50: 7-15

Hear, O my people, and I will speak:

O Israel, I will bear witness against you;
for I am God, your God.

**I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;
your offerings are always before me.**

I will take no bull-calf from your stalls,
nor he-goats out of your pens;

**For the beasts of the forest are mine,
the herds in their thousands upon the hills.**

I know every bird in the sky,
and the creatures of the fields are in my sight.

***If I were hungry, I would not tell you,
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.***

*Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls,
or drink the blood of goats?*

***Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving
and make good your vows to the Most High.***

SECOND LESSON

Romans 4:13-25

*A reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans, the fourth
chapter...*

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of

all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Alleluia, Alleluia”

MHSO, 20

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - ia! _____

The musical score is written on two staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#), and a 6/8 time signature. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes with various rests and slurs. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!' are written below the notes. The second staff continues the melody, featuring a 9/8 time signature change and ending with a double bar line. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - ia! _____' are written below, with a long horizontal line indicating a continuation of the phrase.

GOSPEL

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, “Follow me.”

And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.”

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Christ

SERMON

The Rev'd Gary Schindler

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Written by Christine Sine

We believe in God above us,

Creator of all things, sustainer of all life.

We believe in Christ beside us,

companion and friend,

redeemer of all the broken pieces of our universe.

We believe in Spirit deep within us,

Advocate and guide, who lives with us eternally.

We believe in God's resurrection created world

where all things are fixed,

and all creation fits together in vibrant harmonies.

We believe in God above, beside, within,

God yesterday, today and forever,

the three in one, the one in three.

PRAYER INTENTIONS AND MEDITATION

Please be seated

As we commemorate this Second Sunday after Pentecost, we invite you to share prayer intentions that are close to your heart. Write your intentions on the prayer boards, light a candle for healing, and let its glow join the prayers of this community as you place it in the sand.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Filled with the promised Holy Spirit, let us pray in confidence for all who are in need.

Silence

Pour out your Spirit upon the earth to renew the face of the ground, that all may be fed and nourished by the abundant resources you provide for all your people.

Leader: Hear us, O God.

People: **Your mercy is great.**

Pour out your Spirit upon the nations that leaders, judges, and peacekeepers may stand against oppression and seek peace throughout the world.

Leader: Hear us, O God.

People: **Your mercy is great.**

Pour out your Spirit upon those who suffer (*prayer intentions are read*), that they may know healing, hope, and joy.

Leader: Hear us, O God.

People: **Your mercy is great.**

Pour out your Spirit upon all who mourn, that your promise of everlasting life and peace make our hearts sing even in the face of death.

Leader: Hear us, O God.

People: **Your mercy is great.**

Celebrant: Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE


Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Eucharistic Ministers bring the Communion elements and offering forward


OFFERTORY

“Peace Like a River”

LEVAS, 188



1. I've got peace like a riv - er, I've got peace like a
2. I've got joy like a foun - tain, I've got joy like a
3. I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an



1. riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er in my
2. foun - tain, I've got joy like a foun - tain in my
3. o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean in my

1. soul; _____ I've got riv - er in my soul. _____
 2. soul; _____ I've got foun - tain in my soul. _____
 3. soul; _____ I've got o - cean in my soul. _____

“Crowded Table”

by Brandi Carlile, Natalie Hemby,

and Lori McKenna - Text adapted for worship

Refrain: I want a church with a crowded table
 And a place at the altar for everyone
 Let us take on the world while we're fed and able
 And bring us back together when the day is done

Verse: If we want a garden we're gonna have to sow the seed
 Plant a little happiness - let the roots run deep
 If it's love that we give - then it's love that we reap
 If we want a garden we're gonna have to sow the seed

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
 through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,
 which earth has given and human hands have made.
 It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:

through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift-up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right that we should praise you, God of love, our source and our fulfillment, for you create all things, and in you we live and move and have our being. Your wonder is manifest in land and sea and sky. When the times had at last grown full and the earth had ripened in abundance, you made us in your image for yourself.

Even though we've turned from you, again and again you call us to yourself, and in every age, promise liberation through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of God's promise, the Holy Spirit came down on this day from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach and lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many languages and cultures in the confession of one faith

and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all the world.

Now we join hands around your table, and with all creation, we say together your hymn of unending love,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, heaven 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

To you indeed be glory, almighty God, on the night before he died, your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:

Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

After supper, he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood poured out for you; do this in remembrance of me.

And so, in this sacrament, we celebrate and proclaim the mystery of our faith

Christ has died,

Christ is risen.

Christ will come in glory.

Therefore, loving God, recalling now Christ's life, death, resurrection, and ascension, we ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon us and this celebration, that we may be fed with the body and blood of your Son and be filled with your life and goodness. Strengthen us to do your work and to be your ascended body, offering hope to a world in need.

Unite us in Christ and give us your peace. Through your Holy Spirit, burning as a flame, gentle as a dove, may we who receive these gifts live lives of justice, love, and prayer.

**Blessing, honor and glory be yours, here and everywhere,
now and forever. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

Our Father in Heaven,

hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and for ever. Amen

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**We who are many are one body, for we share in this one
bread.**

The feast of life has been prepared for you - partake and be filled with the goodness of God.

The gifts of God for the people of God take them in remembrance of Christ's life, death, and resurrection and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

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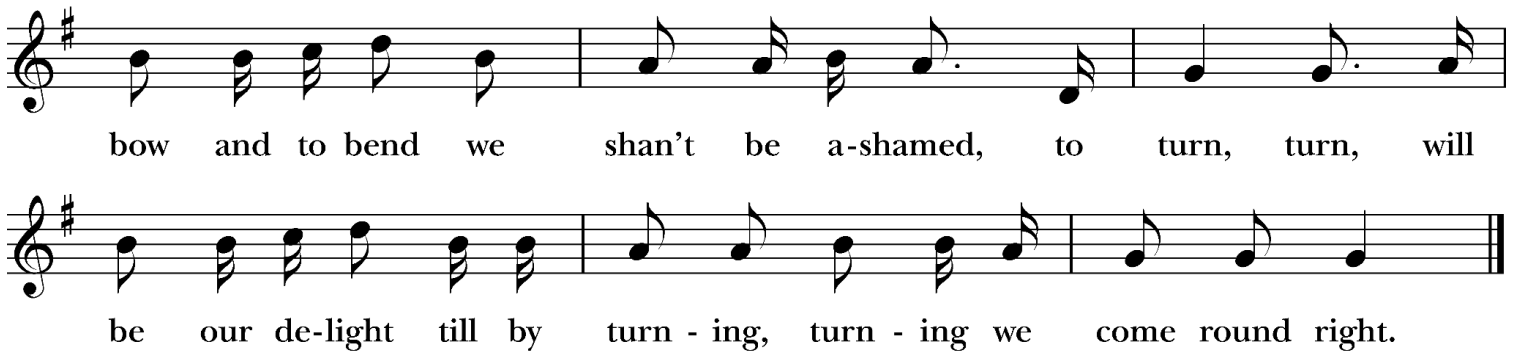
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FRACTION ANTHEM

"Simple Gifts"



'Tis the gift to be sim - ple, 'tis the gift to be free,
'tis the gift to come down where we ought to be,
and when we find our - selves in the place just right,
'twill be in the val - ley of love and de - light.
When true sim - pli - ci - ty is gained to



bow and to bend we shan't be a-shamed, to turn, turn, will
be our de-light till by turn - ing, turn - ing we come round right.

The gifts of God for the people of God take them in remembrance of Christ's life, death, and resurrection and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*All are invited to come to the table.
Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available.
If you would like to receive a blessing just let us know.*

All who thirst, all who hunger, come and be filled with the goodness of God.

COMMUNION MUSIC

"Blessed Assurance"



1 Bless-ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! O what a
2 Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, vis - ions of
3 Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, I in my



fore - taste of glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of
rap - ture now burst on my sight; an - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a -
sa - vior am hap - py and blest; watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a -



God, born of his spi - rit, washed in his blood.
bove ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love.
bove, filled with his good - ness, lost in his love.



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my



sa - vior all the day long; this is my sto - ry, this is my



song, prais - ing my sa - vior all the day long.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection, you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread

of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

"THE BLESSING" (Aotearoa)

adapted for SMSJ liturgy - original music and words by
Chris Brown, Cody Carnes, Kari Jobe, Steven Furtick

**The Lord bless you and keep you,
make Her face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord turn Her face toward you and give you peace. (2x)**

Amen, amen, amen.

Amen, amen, amen.

**May Her favor be upon you and a thousand generations
And your family and your children and their children,
and their children. (2x)**

Amen, amen, amen.

Amen, amen, amen.

FINAL BLESSING

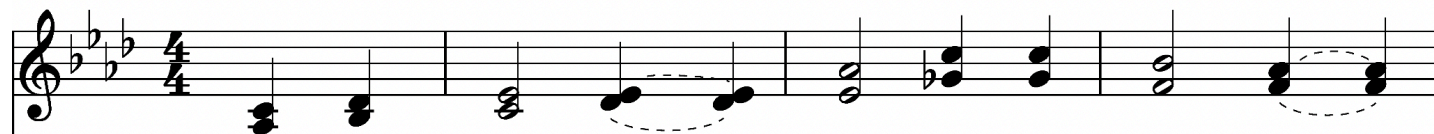
May the Spirit of truth, who poured out the fire of love upon the first disciples, ignite within you a passion for the healing of the world. May the God of love and justice strengthen you to be God's hands and feet in this world—to mend the broken pieces, to speak the language of peace, and to walk the living way of Jesus. And the blessing of God Almighty: Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, be with you now, breathe through you always, and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECESSIONAL HYMN

"Take My Hand, Precious Lord"

LEVAS 106



1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me
2. When my way grows— drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger



1. stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; _____
2. near, When my life is al - most gone; _____



1. — Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the
2. — Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand, lest I



1. light, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on. _____
2. fall, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on. _____

DISMISSAL

Alleluia. Alleluia. Go in peace. Be bold knowing we live in the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Cindy will be on vacation time June 1-15. Pastor Maria is available for any pastoral care needs during this time. Please contact the office (585-654-9229) or reach out via email. Thank you to Rev. Gary Schindler who will be celebrating worship on June 7 and 14!

NEXT SUNDAY following Church - **Sunday, June 7th** for our monthly "*More Than Coffee*" gathering. We're beginning this new tradition on the first Sunday of each month! If you're interested in bringing something to share please sign-up on the sheet in the back.

Weekly Food Shelf - We serve between 40-70 households each week with emergency food assistance for neighbors across Monroe County. If you'd like to be part of this mission-critical volunteer force, please contact Pastor Maria at mhartz@stmarksandstjohns.org.

EDEN Community Days - Beginning in June, the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month will be EDEN Community Days! We will gather in our gardens and invite neighbors in for community time - sharing produce, sharing stories, and sharing time together. The invitation is open to neighbors, partners, and our congregation.

Join us in welcoming upcoming Volunteer Groups & Partners

“Service for Sammi” - June 28

Missionpalooza! - July 6

June Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays	Anniversaries
Bruce B. - June 1 Theresa H. - June 13 Mary E. - June 17 Ra'Quel N. - June 20 Char K. - June 24 Dave E. - June 25 Michele H. - June 25	Scott & Peajay - June 20

SMSJ Weekly Calendar

June 8-14, 2026

Monday, 6/8	
Tuesday, 6/9	4:00 pm - Gardening at EDEN 1199 5:00 pm - Gardening at EDEN Merchants
Wednesday, 6/10	9:00 am - Gardening at EDEN Church 10:30 am-Noon - Food Shelf
Thursday, 6/11	
Friday, 6/12	Church Office Closed
Saturday, 6/13	
Sunday, 6/14	9:30 am - Holy Eucharist

*Please note: beginning in June, the Church Office will be closed on **Fridays** for summer hours.*

Worship Leader Schedule - Lectors

Date	Crucifer	First Lesson & Psalm	Second Lesson	Greeter & Prayers of the People
6/7	Scott	Mike	Heather	Walt
6/14	Paul	Nancy R.	Helena	Bob
6/21	Joe	Mary Ellen	Deb	Theresa
6/28	Sharon	Ella	Bonnie	Dave

Eucharistic Ministers

Date	Common Cup	Single Cup Tray	Collect Cups
6/7	Helena	Bob	Paul
6/14	Joe	Mary Ellen	Steve
6/21	Ella	Tom	Nancy R.
6/28	Michele	Heather	Sharon



EDEN COMMUNITY DAYS

JUNE-SEPTEMBER
2ND & 4TH
SATURDAYS

10:00AM-NOON

REFRESHMENTS | FRESH PRODUCE GIVEAWAYS | GARDEN ADVICE

MORE INFORMATION AND WEEKLY LOCATION:
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Rob Thornton

Amelia Yousey

Deacon Emeritus
The Rev'd Mike Finn

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Sharon Kowalski ('28)

Bob Caruso (Clerk)

Terri Censak ('29)

Dave Everson ('28)

Heather Gilfoy ('27)

Michele Holmes ('28)

Deb Snyder ('29)

Nancy Willer ('27)

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('28)

Nancy Ramsay ('26)

Ella Webster ('26)

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