

# ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHAPEL



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## Welcome and Announcements

Hymn #686 Hymnal 1982 (#807 ELW)

*"Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing"*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Lord, have mercy upon us

**Christ, have mercy upon us**

Lord, have mercy upon us

Almighty God, the 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 your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. **Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy upon us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: Receive our prayer. For you alone**

**are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Lord be with you: **And also with you.**

Let us pray. O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us: Heal us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

### **Scripture readings**

#### **Jeremiah 23:1-6**

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### **Psalm 23**      *Dominus regit me*

1 The Lord is my shepherd; \*

I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures \*

and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul \*

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil; \*

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*

you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

### **Ephesians 2:11-22**

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision” —a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in

whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Mark 6:30-34, 53-56**

The Holy Gospel according to Mark: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

**Hymn #1017 ELW**     *"Come to Me, O Weary Traveler"*

1. "Come to me, O weary trav'ler; come to me with your distress; come to me, you heavy burdened; come to me and find your rest."
2. "Do not fear, my yoke is easy; do not fear, my burden's light; do not fear the path before you; do not run from me in fright."

3. "Take my yoke and leave your troubles; take my yoke and come with me. Take my yoke, I am beside you; take and learn humility."
4. "Rest in me, O weary traveler; rest in me and do not fear. Rest in me, my heart is gentle; rest and cast away your care."

### **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

In peace, let us place into the hands of our Good Shepherd our prayers for the Church, the world, and the needs of all people...

We bless you, O God, for your tender mercy in gathering us into the flock of your beloved Son Jesus; and we pray that you would so build up your Church in your Spirit that all barriers to your love may disappear. For one, united body to sing your praise; Lord, in your mercy/**Hear our prayer**

Give us grace and strength to follow where our Savior leads; grant us forgiveness when we stumble or stray... For renewal, day by day, with your grace and goodness; Lord, in your mercy/ **Hear our prayer**

For the peace of Jerusalem we pray...Grant, O Lord, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may move every human heart, that the barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions vanish, and hatreds cease; that, with our divisions healed, all might live in justice and peace; Lord, in your mercy/ **Hear our prayer**

We thank you for times of refreshment and leisure; to all who travel in this season, grant safe journeys and joyous homecomings; Lord, in your mercy/ **Hear our prayer**

Anoint with your healing grace all who cry to you for health, in body, mind, or spirit; we ask especially for these, whose needs are close to our hearts: John S., Sully, Joey, Maria, Zoma, Marilyn, Peter, Kerri, Rich, Janet, Frank, Caroline, Mary, Gloria, John, and for those who have no one else to pray for them, Lord, in your mercy/ **Hear our prayer**

Rejoicing in our undying fellowship with your servants of every time and place, into your hands, O most gracious and loving God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your beloved Son Jesus, who is Lord forever and ever.

**The Peace** (from your pew)

**Offering**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

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 our thanks and praise.**

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave you thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup and gave you thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sins. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life, his death, his resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all glory and honor, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray: **Our Father, who art in heaven...**

**The Communion**                      *Lamb of God*

**Postcommunion Thanksgiving**

We give you thanks, Almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The blessing of Almighty God: Father, [+]Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

**Hymn #196 LEVAS (#774 ELW)**

*“What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine”*

**Dismissal and Postlude**

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## **Announcements:**

We will have the collection plate at church but we will not be passing the plate around. We want to continue to stay safe during COVID and more people have been donating electronically.

# 3 ways to give



### **Church**

Outdoor Secure  
Mailbox



### **Online**

[mywell.org/give/stmarkschapel](https://mywell.org/give/stmarkschapel)



### **Mail**

42 N. Eagleville Rd  
Storrs, CT 06268

## **Text To Give!**

Text stmarkschapel to 40101

Texting is an easy way for people to access the My Well Giving platform, without the need to remember a specific URL. Simply text the church short name, "stmarkschapel" to 40101. Once you text the shortname to 40101 Mywell will send back a link to access or create an account on the My Well Giving platform. Message and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP for help. Text STOP to cancel.

## **TABLETS IN CHURCH**

People are encouraged to bring their tablets to church and view the bulletin electronically.

## **STEEPLE CHASE RIDE/WALK**

**Saturday, August 21, 2021**

**St. Mark's has set up a team page!**

To Donate or Register visit:

<https://www.pledgereg.com/3778/Team/16097>