



St. Mark's City Heights
Episcopal Church
MANOS DE DIOS - WE ARE GOD'S HANDS

Holy Eucharist

Advent

Join online at 9:45 am tinyurl.com/stmarkszoom

If this is your first time worshipping at St. Mark's, we welcome you! Wherever you are on your journey of faith we are glad you are here, and we invite you to join us in all that we do. If you are joining us online today and would like to have Holy Communion brought to your home please email Fr. Richard at fr.richard@stmarks-cityheights.org

The in-person service is being streamed live and pictures may be taken during the service. If you don't wish to be seen on camera or to be photographed, please ask someone at the welcome table for appropriate seating.

Welcoming Prayer

Holy Spirit living within us, guide our hearts and minds as we welcome today all those who worship with us as part of the St. Mark's family. Give us discerning hearts so that everyone who worships with us feels welcomed in the spirit of your love. Help us to recognize each person as an individual sent by you who will enrich our lives. And most of all, O God, let this community be a place of love and acceptance of all your children; in the name of your child, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Gathering Song

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The Lighting of the Advent Wreath & Prayer

The Word of God

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

Kyrie

MHSO 37

Musical score for Kyrie, MHSO 37. The score is written in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves. The first staff has the lyrics: Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri -. The second staff has the lyrics: c e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son! c ste c - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son! repeat Kyrie. The score includes a key signature change to G major and a repeat sign at the end of the second staff.

Confession of Sin

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

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Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

The collect of the day is said.

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The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

**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 of 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.
With the Father and the Son 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.**

Prayers of the People

The Peace

Blessings for Birthdays and Anniversaries

For a Birthday

O God, we come before you with hearts full of gratitude and joy as we celebrate this/these birthday(s). Thank you for this special day, for the gift of life, and for the opportunity to celebrate another year together. In your Holy name we pray. Amen.

For an Anniversary

O God, we thank and praise You for the gift of this anniversary and the love and joy that it brings. Pour out we pray, Your love, joy, grace and peace into the hearts of all who are celebrating this day. We pray that in this remembrance, that you join each of us closer, to each other, and to You. Amen.

The Offertory

The Table is prepared: The Liturgy of the Table Begins.

The Doxology

Methodist Hymnal 94

The musical score for the Doxology is presented in five systems, each with a vocal line and a corresponding lyric line. The first system is marked 'Unison' and contains the lyrics 'Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise'. The second system is marked 'Harmony' and contains 'God, all crea-tures here be - low: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -'. The third system is marked 'Unison' and contains 'lu - ia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise'. The fourth system is marked 'Harmony' and contains 'Je-sus Christ, whose power up-lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho-ly Spir - it!'. The fifth system is marked 'Unison' and contains 'Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!'. The score is written in a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a 3/4 time signature.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B (BCP Expansive)

If able and comfortable, the people remain standing.

Presider God be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus and Benedictus

S 125, Richard Proulx, A Community Mass

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

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Saint Mark and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, in the language of our own heart.

**Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu Nombre,
venga tu reino,
hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.**

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

**Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
Perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden.**

**Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against
us.**

**No nos dejes caer en tentación y
líbranos del mal.**

**Save us from the time of trial, and
deliver us from evil.**

**Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el
poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por
siempre. Amén.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the
glory are yours, now and forever.
Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

The Invitation

Presider This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him, and for those who want to love him more. So, come, those who have much faith and those who have little, those who have been here often and those who have not been here long, those who have tried to follow and those who have failed. Come, not because the Church invites us; it is Christ, and he invites us to meet him here.

Presider 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.

The Prayer of Spiritual Communion For Those On Zoom

Presider We know that some of us are joining this morning on zoom, and although they can not physically receive the holy sacraments, they can receive in their hearts.

People **In union, Blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of Your Church where Your blessed body and blood are offered, I long to offer You praise and thanksgiving. I believe that You are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray You to come into my heart, my soul, and my mind. I unite myself to You, and embrace You with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing separate me from You; let me serve You in this life until, by Your grace, I join You in Your reign of unending peace. Amen.**

We will be offering communion in both kinds: bread & wine.

If you would like to receive the bread and wine please hold out both hands. You can either drink from the chalice (in which case, after receiving the bread, go to the altar server on the left) or have the bread intincted (dipped) into the wine and given to you (in which case go to the altar server on the right after receiving the bread.)

If you would like to receive the bread only please hold out one hand.

If you would prefer not to receive the body and bread but receive a blessing, please cross your hands over your chest.

If you would like to receive gluten free bread please tell the presider.

Communion Hymn

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Post Communion Prayer

People Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Presider God's Blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always. Amen.

(source: Celtic, Enriching Our Worship 1)

Sending Hymn

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Dismissal

Presider Our worship service has come to an end, our service to the world continues. Go in peace, to love and serve the world!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**