

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

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TO OUR WORSHIPPERS

We welcome you to St. Mark's Episcopal Church, the oldest standing building in Haines City, Florida. We hope that you enjoy your worship today. This is a peaceful and beautiful place that God has provided for us to come in thanksgiving and share His love with each other. If you are seeking a place to call home away from your dwelling, please come each week and enjoy the blessings from God our Father and the love that exudes from the people who worship here. If you have any question, please contact one of our ushers or call our office number 863-422-1416.

ST. MARK'S MISSION STATEMENT - PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

OUR VESTRY

Annette Ifill, Dawn Strachand, Myrtle John-Frazer, Joslyn Williams, Cheryl Payne, Vernon Reid, Courtland Witcher, Eugene Ralph, and James Moore.

OUR CLERGY

The Rt. Rev. Gregory O. Brewer, D.D., Bishop

The Rev. Christopher E. Brathwaite, Rector

The Rev. Dorothy Hunter-Spencer, Deacon

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The Lesson: Isaiah 42:1-9 (see back page)
Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: *Thanks be to God.*
The Psalm: Psalm 29

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, *
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; *
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; *
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; *
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; *
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; *
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; *
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

The Epistle: Acts 10:34-43 (see back page)
Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: *Thanks be to God*

The Gradual: *Baptized in Water (vs. 1 & 2)* **Hymnal 1982 #294**
Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

The Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17 (see back page)
Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Gradual: *Baptized in Water* (vs. 3) **Hymnal 1982 #294**

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. William Guthrie

The Baptismal Covenant:

On this day of our Lord's baptism, let us reaffirm our own baptismal covenant.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: *I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.*

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: *I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the
Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: *I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.*

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Prayer for Our Parish: *Heavenly Father, send your Holy Spirit to guide and direct your church as we look to the future with true understanding of the revelation of your promises. Give the leadership the right thinking, speaking and actions, that they in turn may encourage the entire congregation to the richness of your bountiful goodness, so that your Name may be glorified in all we do, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

A Prayer for Our Candidate: *O God, look with favor on John, whom you have called to a special ministry in your church. Guide him from distractions, protect him from all snares of the evil one, and keep him focused on the journey to ordained ministry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Confession of Sin:

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

The Peace:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Welcome, Notices, Announcements, Birthday/Anniversary Blessings

The Offertory Hymn: *My God, Accept my Heart*

Hymnal 1982 #697

The Doxology:

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

The Great Thanksgiving – Prayer A

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 them thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the

knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord, 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 he 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer:

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Fraction Anthem:

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:

Give us your peace, give us your peace.

The Invitation:

Celebrant: 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

Communion Hymn: *Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness* Hymnal 1982 #339

Prayer after Communion:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members

Of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food

In the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.

Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage

To love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing:

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn: *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

Hymnal 1982 #616

Dismissal:

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord and each other.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

WE PRAY FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING FOR THOSE LISTED:

Bertram & Norma Branford, Gloria Carter, Laverne Carter, Rachel Doyle, Walter & Monica Foster, Helen Iehl, George Jenkins, Larry Laney, Bonnie McClure, Hugh & Lois McGlashon, Mary Elizabeth Merlin, Helen Millington, Sally Phillips, Jeannette Stokes, Perry T., David Williamson, Robbie Williamson, Aldwyn Ifill, Carolyn Turner, Skip McGlashon, Elaine John, Oscar Phillips, Ted & Betty Bast, The Rev. Kevin Nourie, and Betty Browne.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES:

Michael L, Danny S, James W; Ashli A, Jean A, Quinton B, Steve C, Merrill D, Craig J, Bryan S, Andre S; Clark S; Adam C, David M, Casandra R, Patrick S; Betsy C, Anna N; James B; and Chad W. and all other military personnel serving our nation at home or abroad.

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:

Pray for Church of Our Savior, Palm Bay and Church of the Blessed Redeemer, Palm Bay.