

Birthdays: Gary Keeble, Camilla Springfield, Nancy Chapman, Gayle Hayes, Ashley Sosebee, Jolie Calhoun, Denise Thompson, Alexis Bond
Anniversaries: None
Serving in the Armed Forces: Will, Blane, Jordan, Matthew, James, Emerson, Owen, Chrissy and Thomas.

Is a birthday or anniversary missing? Please contact the church office at admin@stmarksepiscopaldalton.org

St. Mark’s Prayer Chain - If you have a prayer request, you may contact Cathy Houser 706-624-8913, or 404-219-8139; housermc@aol.com

This Sunday at St. Mark’s
September 20, 2026
8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I
9:00am No Early Adult Sunday School
9:45am No Adult Sunday School
10:30am Holy Eucharist Rite II
Brunch- Stewardship Sweet Sunday
Noon - Strength in Stillness

Every Thursday
Bible Study - 6:00 pm Library
Al-Anon - 7:00 pm Parish Hall

A Look Ahead *Subject to Change*
Sept 21 6pm Outreach meeting
Sept 22 6pm Vestry
Sept 27 - Mediterranean Pilgrimage begins
Oct 4 4pm-7pm Ocktoberfest
October 12 Columbus Day
Oct 12 10am Quilting for Others
Oct 17 - Gathering with St. Timothy
Oct 18 Consecration Sunday
Oct 18 4-5pm St. Francis Day
Oct 18 6pm Royal Oaks
Oct 19 4:30pm Children’s Church meeting

Every Monday
6-8pm Grief Share

Every Tuesday
6:15pm Evening Prayer

Every Wednesday
Handbells - 5:15pm
Chancel Choir - 7:30pm

Rector	The Rev. Rick Tiff
Music Director & Organist	Beth Nichols
Eucharistic Ministers	8:00AM Debora Buckner 10:30AM Mike Renfroe Tim Hawkins
Lector OT Lector NT	Jack Donlon Stephanie Jinright
Prayer Leader	Stephanie Jinright
Verger	Scott Hamlin
Acolytes	Mary Kizer Matt Allred, Jackie Phillips
Flower Guild	Annelle Serritt
Altar Guild	Sally Little, Andrea Hamlin
Linen Guild	Marilyn Lance
Ushers	8:00 AM Don Hayes, Jr. 10:30 AM Jonathan Renfroe Andy Hull
Oblation Bearers	Renfroe Family
Vestry of the Day	Jerrid Thompson
Welcome Cart Video	Hamlin Family Gregory Washington

The Holy Eucharist: Rite I

We begin the service in silence.

The Word of God



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Opening Acclamation	BCP p. 323
The Collect for Purity	BCP p. 323
The Gloria	BCP p. 324

The Collect of the Day

Grant us, O Lord, not to mind earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to cleave to those that shall abide; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading Exodus 16:2-15	
The Psalm: Psalm 145:1-8	BCP p. 801
(Please stand and read responsively, by half verse)	

The Second Reading Philippians 1:21-30

The Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

Sermon	The Rev. Rick Tiff
The Nicene Creed	BCP p. 327
The Prayers of the People	BCP p. 328
Confession of Sin	BCP p. 331
The Peace	BCP p. 332

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Eucharistic Prayer I

Sanctus

The Lord’s Prayer

Fraction

The Prayer of Humble Access

The Communion

Post-Communion Prayer

The Blessing

The Dismissal

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Welcome to St. Mark’s Church

*We are glad you have come to worship here this morning.
Please join us in prayerful meditation before the service.
We ask that you turn off cell phones, pagers and other electronic devices.
Hymns and Service Music (e.g. S280) may be found in The Hymnal 1982
WLP Hymns may be found in the green hymnal.*

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 20, 2026
Holy Eucharist: Rite II 10:30 AM

Prelude Voluntary VI in D major, Allegro Moderato	John Stanley
Processional Hymn 410 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven	Lauda anima
Acclamation	
Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.	
People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen	

The Collect for Purity	BCP p. 355
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The Gloria S278	William Mathias
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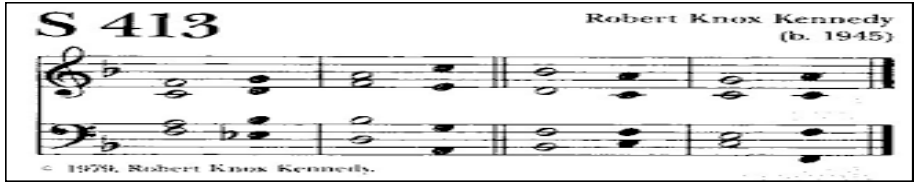
The Collect of the Day

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading Exodus 16:2-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.” Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.” So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israel-ites, “In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?” And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD.” Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.’” And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you

shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.” In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”



**The Psalm: Psalm 145:1-8
(All Stand and Sing)**

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my / King, *
and bless your Name for ever and / ever.
- 2 Every day will I / bless you *
and praise your Name for ever and / ever.
- 3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be / praised; *
there is no end to his / greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to a / nother *
and shall declare your / power.
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your / majesty *
and all your marvelous / works.
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous / acts, *
and I will tell of your / greatness.
- 7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great / goodness; *
they shall sing of your righteous / deeds.
- 8 The LORD is gracious and full of com / passion, *
slow to anger and of great / kindness.

Epistle: Philippians 1:21-30

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well-- since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Sequence Hymn 551 Rise up, ye saints of God! *Festal Song*

The Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said, “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Sermon **The Rev. Rick Tiff**
(Children will now be dismissed for Children’s Church)

The Nicene Creed **BCP p. 358**

Prayers of the People Form IV **BCP p. 388**

The Confession **BCP p. 360**

The Peace

Parish Notices

The Holy Communion

Offertory Now let us all praise God and sing
setting by Gordon Young

Presentation Hymn *Lasst uns erfreuen*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise God all creatures here below.
Oh, praise him, alleluia! Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Oh, praise him, Oh, praise him. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Eucharistic Prayer A **BCP p. 361**

Sanctus S128 Holy, holy, holy Lord *William Mathias*

The Lord’s Prayer **BCP p. 364**

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem *Take, O take me as I am* *John L. Bell*
(sing three times)
Take, O take me as I am, summon out what I shall be.
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

The Communion

All are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of our Lord. If you would like to participate in the traditional Common Cup, or through intinction, please join the line at the communion rail. To receive a blessing only, cross your arms over your chest. If you desire communion brought to you in the pew, please let an usher know.

Communion Hymn 312 Strengthen for service, Lord *Malabar*

Post Communion Prayer **BCP p. 365**

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 527 Singing songs of expectation *Ton-y-Botel*

The Dismissal

Postlude Chaconne in G minor *Louis Couperin*

*The flowers today are donated by Camilla Springfield
and John Kenemer.*

Intercessions Prayer List

***Parishioners**

- *Tommy Brooks
- *Arden Brown
- *Jon Burchfield
- *Ken Culverson
- * Rob Gouffon
- *Judy Hall
- *Donna Huoppi
- *John Hutcheson
- *Sarah Jenkins
- *John Kenemer
- *Cindy Latour
- *Jim Sneary
- *Bo Thompson
- *Judy Schwenn

Extended Community

David Blackburn family
Ty Coppinger
Rita Hammontree
Rusty Harrison
Clyde Johnson
Mari Jones
Monique Lenoir
Francisa Loreda
Muschamp family
Ronnie Stanley
Jim Unger
John Wall
Alan Weeks
Gordan

We are called as a community to pray with and for one another, and we invite you to submit requests for our parish prayer list. In order to keep the list up-to-date and to facilitate the intentionality with which we pray, we will print names for one month, unless otherwise requested. If you would like for someone to remain on the prayer list for more (or less) than one month, please call the Church Office or email admin@stmarksdalton.org

