



SAINT MARK'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**SEPTEMBER 27, 2026 • THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II • 10:30 A.M. • PROPER 21**



WELCOME!

**We celebrate God's love by welcoming all people
into a life with Jesus Christ and each other.**

Your presence blesses us, and we pray this service of worship will be a blessing to you. Whether you are a first-time guest, a longtime member, or somewhere in between, welcome to this place! Together we sing, read, pray, listen, and break bread in thanksgiving and praise of the living God whose love brings new life for us and the world.

Our liturgy comes from The Book of Common Prayer. You will find the accompanying page numbers in this bulletin. It includes the liturgy of the Word and the liturgy of the Table. Please add your voice to our worship as we pray together the prayers printed in bold and sing the hymns found in this bulletin or in the blue Hymnal 1982 in your pew.

All baptized Christians – no matter your age or denomination – are welcome to receive communion. If you are more comfortable coming forward for a blessing, please cross your arms, and a blessing will be offered over you. Children are a welcome blessing here at St. Mark's. Many depart after the beginning of the service for Children's Chapel.



1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly

heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a

ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to

flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and

on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

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Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt. | Music: *Nettleton*, melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813; harm. Gerre Hancock (b. 1934)

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Book of Common Prayer p. 413

CELEBRANT

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

PEOPLE

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

CELEBRANT

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.*

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high - est. Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, Heav'n - ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord, Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther. Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive-our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God in the high - est

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE **And also with you.**

CELEBRANT Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated. The Children are invited to depart for Chapel.

PSALM 25:1-8 *Ad te, Domine, levavi* (*Sung by the Choir.*)

Anglican Chant: Ken Miller (b. 1989)

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.

- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

THE EPISTLE: PHILIPPIANS 2:1-13

READER A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

READER The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

Unison



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and
won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this that
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free I'll
caused the Lord of bliss to lay a-side his crown for my
sing and joy-ful be, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing
soul, for my soul, to lay a-side his crown for my soul.
on, I'll sing on, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.

Words: American folk hymn, ca. 1835 | Music: *Wondrous Love*, from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835; alt.

THE GOSPEL: MATTHEW 21:23-32 *(Please remain standing.)*

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

PEOPLE **Glorify to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And they argued with one another, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.” So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

“What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

GOSPELER The Gospel of the Lord.

PEOPLE **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Keith Giblin, *Priest Associate*

THE NICENE CREED *(The People stand and join in reciting the Creed together.)*

The Book of Common Prayer p. 358

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 from 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 and the Son.
 With the Father and the Son he 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Form V) *(The People may stand or kneel.)*
The Leader and People pray responsively

The Book of Common Prayer p. 389

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, for Andy, Jeff, Kai, Hector, and Brian our own Bishops, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in positions of public trust, especially Donald our President, Greg our Governor, and all our elected officials in Southeast Texas, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of Saint Mark and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. **To you, O Lord our God.**

Silence may be kept. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and 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 your Son 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.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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

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

The Book of Common Prayer p. 360

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING CHAPLAIN INSTALLATION & SERVICE OF ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love"

Jesus! Name of wondrous love!
 Name all other names above,
 Unto which must ev'ry knee
 Bow in deep humility.

Jesus! Name decreed of old,
 To the maiden mother told,
 Kneeling in her lowly cell,
 By the angel Gabriel.

Everett Titcomb (1884-1968)
 Jesus! Name of priceless worth
 To the fallen sons of earth,
 For the promise that it gave,
 "Jesus shall His people save."

Soloists: Ali Corcoran and Brandon Rhodes | Text: W. Walsham How

FESTIVAL DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow" *(The People stand and join in singing.)*

Music: Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God from whom all bles-sings flow, praise him all crea-tures here be - low. Al - le -
 lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a - bove ye heav'n-ly hosts, praise
 Fath-er, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A *(The People remain standing.)*

The Book of Common Prayer p. 361

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE And also with you.

CELEBRANT Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE We lift them to the Lord.

CELEBRANT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE It is right to give him thanks and praise.

CELEBRANT It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in 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: SANCTUS (*Sung by all.*)

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of po-wer and might,
hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na,
Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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The People stand or kneel.

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.

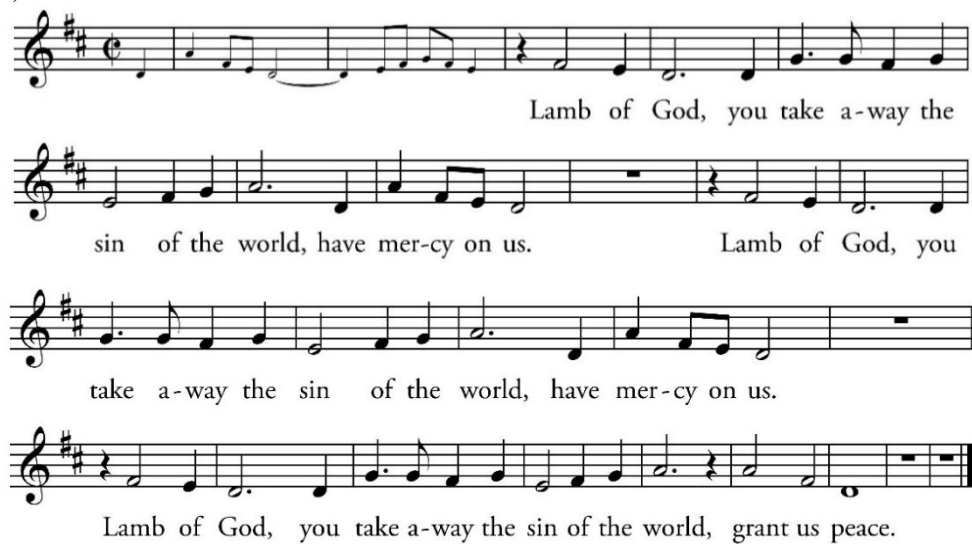
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your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

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.**

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.**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

AGNUS DEI *(Sung by all.)*



Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world, have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world, grant us peace.

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CELEBRANT The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The People sit. Please follow the directions of the ushers.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

*Please join the Choir in singing **Hymn 339** from The Hymnal 1982.*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER *(Spoken by all, standing.)*

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.

COMMENDATION OF THOSE TAKING COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND *(As needed.)*

In the name of this congregation, we send you forth, bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

THE BLESSING

The Descant will be sung after Stanza 4.

Descant

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.

Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
 Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Repeat Refrain

the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
 bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

Words: George William Kitchen (1827-1912) and Michael Robert Newbolt (1874-1956)

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desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937) © 1974 by Hope Publishing Co., Carol Stream, IL 60188.

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THE DISMISSAL

CELEBRANT Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
 PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE “Psalm 19: The Heavens Declare”

Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)

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Immediately following worship, all are invited to a reception hosted by the Daughters of the King.

ADULT FORMATION

SUNDAYS AT 9:15AM

Lectionary Study

Learn about the Sunday scriptures used in worship in a lay-led study.

Find readings @
LectionaryPage.Net



RECTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

The Book of Revelation

Wednesdays via Zoom (7-8PM)

or

Thursdays In-Person (11:30AM-12:30PM)
(You're invited to bring your own lunch.)

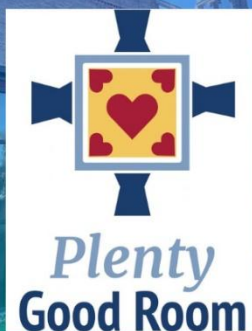
- Sept. 30 & Oct. 1
- Oct. 7 & 8

- Oct. 14 & 15
- Oct. 28 & 29
- Dec. 2 & 3
- Dec. 16 & 17



STEWARDSHIP KICKOFF LUNCH

Sunday, October 4 at 11:45AM



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Sunday, October 4
5 PM | Park Garden



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85th
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THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S

Sunday, September 27

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I (*Spoken*)
 9:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation (*The Cloister*)
 9:15 a.m. Formation (*All Ages*)
 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (*With Music*)
 11:45 a.m. Daughters of the King Reception

Monday, September 28

12:00 p.m. AA

Tuesday, September 29

6:00 a.m. Chili Cooking
 10:00 a.m. Al-Anon
 12:00 p.m. Healing Service
 12:00 p.m. AA

Wednesday, September 30

12:00 p.m. AA
 5:30 p.m. Grief Group (*Gilbert Building*)
 5:45 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal
 6:45 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal
 6:45 p.m. Rector's Bible Study (*Online*)

Thursday, October 1

10:00 a.m. Al-Anon
 11:30 a.m. Rector's Bible Study (*In person*)
 5:30 p.m. Dinner Divas (Elsa's)

Friday, October 2

8:00 a.m. Friday Morning Ministry

SAVE THE DATE

October 4 Stewardship Kickoff Lunch 11:45 a.m.
 October 4 Pet Blessing at 5 p.m.
 October 25 Organ Rededication Recital at 5 p.m.
 November 1 Choral Evensong at 5 p.m.
 November 12 Chili Supper & Bazaar

CLERGY AND PROGRAM STAFF

The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle, *Bishop of Texas*
 The Rev. Dr. James M. Pevehouse, *Rector*
 The Rev. Christopher Hilton, *Curate*
 The Rev. Keith Giblin, *Priest Associate*
 The Rev. Tracie Middleton, *Deacon*
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 Genevieve Brassard, *Assistant Director of Music*
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 Emma Davis, *Director of Family Ministry*

Vestry

Dr. Bob Birdwell, *Senior Warden*
 Charles Teel, *Junior Warden*
 Ryan Schiesler, *Treasurer*
 James Black, *Chancellor*

2027

Gail Davis
 Floyd McSpadden
 Ed Stedman
 Pat Sherwood
 Charles Teel

2028

Bob Birdwell
 Josh Crawford
 Ali Corcoran
 Maris Mehaffy
 Laurel Shrontz

2029

Michael Curtis
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