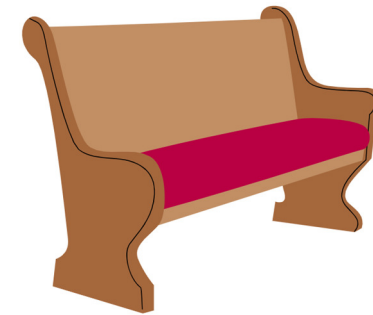


## *The Liturgy during Pentecost*

You may notice that Sundays are now identified, as an example, as the Third Sunday after Pentecost. Episcopalians refer to this time between The Day of Pentecost and the first Sunday of Advent, as the Season of Pentecost. As such, it is the longest season of the church year. Informally, it may be called the “green season” as green is its primary liturgical color. The liturgy during the Season of Pentecost will feel very familiar as the Gloria returns as the song of praise, and the confession and absolution are restored to their normal places following the Prayers of the People. The paschal candle stands, unlit, at the baptismal font.

## *Combined Sunday Services*

As the single, 9:30 a.m. service becomes normative, we will continue to make use of a variety of Rites and liturgies. Some Sundays will use Rite I that was *the* liturgy of the Church until the current BCP (Book of Common Prayer) was authorized for use in 1979. Other Sundays will make use of Rite II, a more joyous and high-spirited liturgy. We will occasionally use more contemporary sources such as Enriching Our Worship, the Wyoming Eucharistic Prayer, or delve into the variety of Celtic and other liturgies available to us. You can be assured, that no matter the Rite or liturgy being used, worship at St. Mark’s will always be authentically Episcopal and adhere to the rubrics and other directions contained in the BCP.



## *A Quick Word about Posture*

During prayers and at other times, BCP (and service bulletins) will occasionally offer posture rubrics such as kneel or stand. In a Rite I service, it will most often read “kneel or stand,” while a Rite II liturgy typically reverses this and advises “stand or kneel.” The action cited first is the preferred one. *However, please do whatever you are most comfortable with and accustomed to doing.*



## **Needs is in Need!**

Needs Inc. Food Pantry is always in need, and St. Mark’s church’s go-to donations are peanut butter and jelly. Please bring your donations to the church and place them in the red wagon at the back of the nave. **Thank you!**

