

ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE PIONEER CHURCH OF WYOMING



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

**HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
APRIL 12, 2026 | 9:30 AM**



WELCOME

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Welcome to St. Mark's! Today is the Second Sunday of Easter, often called "Thomas Sunday." The Easter season continues today with joy as we celebrate the Risen Christ who appears among his disciples, offering peace. Today we are reminded that resurrection is not a single moment, but something that continues to appear and evolve in our lives.

We are grateful to have The Rev. Jordan Bishop with us this morning as Celebrant and Preacher. I know he will be glad to see all of you!

As we continue this joyous season, I hope that you will make room not only for worship, but also for the life we share together as a parish. There are many ways to be involved in ministries, so make sure to take a look through the back of the bulletin for information on services, events, and fellowship offerings. Mark your calendars now for the Day of Pentecost on May 24, when we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the life of the Church.

May you continue to be met with Easter joy.

Blessings,

The Rev. Christian Paul Basel
Rector, St. Mark's Episcopal Church

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The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.

Prelude

Dana Anderson, organ

“Christ Hath Triumphed, Alleluia!” *Hughes*
“Fanfare for Easter,” *Balcombe*

Entering Procession (standing, sung by all)

Hymn 182

“Christ is alive!” *Truro*

THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity (standing)

BCP 355

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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.**

All children through age ten are invited to follow the Children’s Processional Cross to Children’s Chapel.

Gloria (standing, sung by all) *Gloria in excelsis*

S 278

“Glory to God,” *William Mathias*



might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
 praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
 on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 7. 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. A - men.

The Collect of the Day (standing)

BCP 224

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson (seated)

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Lector: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, ‘I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ “Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, ‘He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.’ This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm (seated, chanted by the choir)

Psalm 16, *Conserva me, Domine*

*Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,
my good above all other."*

*All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.*

*But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.*

*Their libations of blood I will not offer,
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.*

*O Lord, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who uphold my lot.*

*My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.*

*I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me, night after night.*

*I have set the Lord always before me;
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.*

*My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.*

*For you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor let your holy one see the Pit.*

*You will show me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.*

The Second Lesson (seated)

1 Peter 1:3-9

Lector: A reading from the First Letter of Peter.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that

the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn (standing, sung by all)

Hymn 209

"We walk by faith," *St. Botolph*

The Gospel (standing)

John 20:19-31

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon (seated)

The Rev. Jordan Bishop

The Nicene Creed (standing, said by all)

BCP 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 (standing) *Form VI*

BCP 392

Celebrant: Now let us pray for the whole state of Christ's church, and the world.

Lector: For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Todd our Bishop; and all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation; for those on the St. Mark's prayer list; for Christ Episcopal Church in Douglas; for the Diocese of Wandi in South Sudan; and for the flowers on the altar, given to the glory of God.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

For an end to the conflict in Iran; for the safety of civilians and servicemembers; for the wounded, the fearful, and those who are displaced; for the lives and safety of children; and for the wisdom and resolve of leaders and nations to seek peace and pursue it without delay. Lord, in your mercy,
Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them,
Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

During the season of Easter, we omit the Confession as a way of celebrating Christ's triumph over sin and the assurance of salvation and new life for all who are joined with him in his death and resurrection.

The Peace (standing)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand, comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

An offering is received to support the ministry of St. Mark's Episcopal Church and the sharing of God's love in Cheyenne and beyond. All are invited to make a gift as the plate is passed, by scanning the QR Code, or with our tap-to-give device.



Offertory Hymn (seated)
"Song of Triumph," *Denton*

Dana Anderson, organ

Presentation Hymn (standing, sung by all)
"All creatures of our God and King," *Lasst uns erfreuen*

Hymn 400; v. 1 & 7

1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -

1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
7 ness, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the

1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

Refrain
O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

All baptized persons of any age regardless of their denomination and tradition are welcome to share in the banquet of the Lord's Supper.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B (standing)

BCP 367

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him 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.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:

Sanctus (standing, sung by all)

S 128

“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,” *William Mathias*



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

Please remain standing.

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 the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, 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 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, according to his command, O Father,

**All: We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord 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 to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mark, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem (sung by all)

S 154

“Christ our Passover,” *David Hurd*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
 there - fore let us keep the feast.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All are invited to come forward for Communion. Stand or kneel at the altar rail as you are able, and receive the wafer in the palm of your outstretched hand. If you desire a gluten-free wafer, please let the priest know. Receive the wine by drinking from the chalice as it is offered to you, or by retaining the wafer, to dip lightly into the chalice for yourself. If you are not receiving, you may cross your arms over your chest and receive a blessing. If you are unable to physically come to the rail, please indicate to an usher that you would like to receive Communion at your seat.

Communion Hymn (sung by all)

LEVAS 184

“Blessed Assurance,” Fanny J. Crosby and Phoebe P. Knapp

1. Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! — O what a
 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, — Vi - sions of
 3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, — I in my

1. fore - taste of glo - ry di - vine! — Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of
 2. rap - ture now burst on my sight; — An - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a -
 3. sav - ior am hap - py and blest; — Watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a -

1. God, — Born of His spir - it, washed in His blood. —
 2. bove — Ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love. —
 3. bove, — Filled with His good - ness, lost in His love. —

This is my sto - ry, this is my song, — Prais - ing my
sav - ior all the day long; — This is my sto - ry, this is my
song, — Prais - ing my sav - ior all the day long. —

Eight-fold Alleluia

1. Alleluia 2. Jesus is Lord 3. He is Risen 4. Alleluia

Post-Communion Prayer (standing, said by all)

BCP 365

**All: 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 (standing)

BOS 15

May the risen Christ who has passed into the heavens clothe you with power from on high; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal (standing)

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

Departing Procession (standing, sung by all)

Hymn 438

“Tell out, my soul,” *Woodlands*

Postlude

Dana Anderson, *organ*

“Welcome, Happy Morning!” *Scriveyner*

Please join us in the Parish Hall for coffee and refreshments following the service.

All are welcome!

UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

YOGA EUCHARIST

Join us for a heart-centered yoga practice combined with Holy Communion. No experience needed – just bring a yoga mat and firm blanket (or borrow one of ours). Yoga Eucharist meets every second Thursday at 5:30 PM in the Parish Hall. Enter through Kingham Walkway. **Next session: April 23**

TAIZÉ

Experience a peaceful, contemplative service of chant, scripture, and candlelight, led by the Sancte Spiritus Singers and instrumentalists. Held every 3rd Friday, our next service is **April 17** at 7:00 PM with a reception to follow.

FEAST DAYS

Join us in celebrating the Church's Feast Days with simple evening services at 5:30 PM, all using the traditional language of Rite I. These holy days remind us that the story of Christ and his saints continues to shape and inspire our lives.

Ascension Day:

Thursday, May 14, 5:30 PM

St. Barnabas:

Thursday, June 11, 5:30 PM

St. John the Baptist:

Wednesday, June 24, 5:30 PM

St. Peter & St. Paul:

Monday, June 29, 5:30 PM

HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING RITE

Beginning in September, join us once a month on the Third Wednesday at 5:30 PM for a Eucharist that includes prayers for healing and anointing with holy oil. This Healing Rite is a time to seek God's grace for yourself or for others, whether for physical illness, emotional struggles, or spiritual renewal. **Upcoming: April 15**

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Join us for Family Game Nights every third Sunday of the month. Come as you are, bring a friend, bring the kids, or come solo, there's always room at the table! We gather in the Parish Hall from 5:00–7:00 PM. All are always welcome. **Next: April 19**

COMEA SHELTER

Help us in providing a warm meal for those in need by serving at the COMEA Shelter. St. Mark's serves meals every 3rd Thursday at 5:30 PM. Your help makes a difference! To volunteer, please contact Eric Nelson at nelsonhams19@gmail.com. **Next: April 16**

BIBLE STUDY AT PARRISH HOME

Please join us Thursdays at 10:00 AM for a bible study led by Jim Janks. Please email the office for address if you are interested in attending.

COFFEE HOUR

Please join us after the service every Sunday for Coffee Hour! It's a wonderful time of fellowship, and we feature delicious locally roasted coffee. If you would like to sign up to provide refreshments, please use the sign-up sheet in the Narthex of the Church.

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Altar Flower Dedications
Sign up for a Sunday in the altar flower dedication book located in the narthex of the church. More than one donor per Sunday is gratefully welcomed.
Cost is \$100.

Parking at St. Mark's
We are grateful to the Galeotos Family for graciously allowing us to use their parking lot, located next to the Kingham Walkway free of charge on Sunday mornings. Please enjoy this convenient parking option as we come together for worship each week.

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