

Offering

Call for the Offering
Offertory

We Walk by Faith
Robert Powell

***Doxology**
***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn # 686**

God of Our Life

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Great is Thy Faithfulness
Arr. Melody Bober

Serving in Worship Today

Rev. Ann Marie Quigley-Swanson
Paul Mebane, Liturgist
Angela Grover, Time with Young Disciples
Lynne Puckett, Organist

All are Welcome:
Consecration Sunday
October 27, 2024
10:30 a.m. Special Worship
With Lunch to Follow

There will be a called congregational meeting on Sunday, November 3, immediately following the worship service for the purpose of receiving nominations from the Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC) for Elders, Deacons, and Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC) and nominations from the session for a Trustee and CNC member followed by voting to elect individuals to these positions.



St. Mark Presbyterian Church
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
October 20, 2024

Prelude

Lynne Puckett

Prelude and Fugue in E. Minor
J.S. Bach

Welcome

Rev. Ann Marie Quigley-Swanson

Congregational Life

Introit

Chancel Choir

Let the Song of Praise Be Heard
Mary McDonald

***Call to Worship**

Paul Mebane

One: We yearn to be in the presence of the Holy One,
All: To linger in the house of prayer,
One: To walk beside still streams,
All: To behold the radiance of creation,
One: To sing as matches our joy,
All: To offer our sacrifice of service,
One: To dwell all our days enfolded in the love of God,
All: To praise God with our deeds and melodies.

***Hymn #401**

Here in This Place

***Confession**

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

- O Lord, save us from hardness of heart,
where your word cannot take root.**
- O Lord, save us from shallowness of mind,
where your word withers away.**
- O Lord, save us from the deceitfulness of riches,
where your word is choked by everyday cares.**
- O Lord, grant that our hearts may be fertile soil,
where your word flourishes and yields a harvest,
bringing abundant life to ourselves and those
around us. Amen.**

Silent Confession

Sung Petition #469 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

Assurance of Pardon

***Response** Glory Be to the Father #581
(Gloria Patri)

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

Time with Young Disciples Angela Grover

Elementary aged children are invited to stay and worship with their families or meet our adult leaders in the back of the church to go to Transitional Worship.

Anthem *Faithfulness*
Thomas O. Chisholm | Joel Raney

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Matthew 13:1-9

Sermon

Rev. Ann Marie Quigley-Swanson
What's Next?

***Hymn of Response # 684** *Faith Begins by Letting God*

***Affirmation of Faith** *Taken from a Brief Statement of Faith (PCUSA)*

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and
apostles,
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life
and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men
to all ministries of the church.**

**In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples
to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others
for justice, freedom, and peace.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven
and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Consecration Sunday Reflection Steve Crowell