



May 15, 2022 – 09:30 am

Fifth Sunday of Easter

***Welcome Home***

*Whether this is your first time stepping into this sanctuary or the thousandth,  
we celebrate this opportunity to be together with you today.*

*Though are no longer mandated in worship, masking is recommended, and we ask generous  
grace be extended to those who continue to seek physical distance and mask on campus to  
protect against illness for themselves or others.*

*During this transitional season, we invite families with young children to sit together in  
worship. More space to wiggle is available during the service in the Narthex (foyer).*

**Words of Meditation:** “No one has seen God, but as we love one another, God lives in us.” Shane Claiborne

**Prelude**

*Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*

Diane Bish

**Welcome and Greetings**

Rev. Darin Arntson

**\*Call to Worship**

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

**All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**\*Introit**

*This is the Day That the Lord has Made*

Mark Hayes

**\*Opening Hymn**

*O Church of God, United*

UMH 547, vv. 1-3

O church of God, united to serve one common Lord,  
proclaim to all one message, with hearts in glad accord.  
Christ ever goes before us; we follow day by day  
with strong and eager footsteps along the upward way.

From every land and nation the ordered ranks appear;  
to serve one valiant leader they come from far and near.  
They chant their one confession, they praise one living Lord,  
and place their sure dependence upon his saving word.

Though creeds and tongues may differ, they speak, O Christ, of thee;  
and in thy loving spirit we shall one people be.  
Lord, may our faithful service and singleness of aim  
proclaim to all the power of thy redeeming name.

**\*Opening Prayer**

Karen Scanlon

**O Lord God,  
you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing.  
Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love,  
that, made alive by your Spirit,  
we may know goodness and peace,  
through your Son, Jesus Christ,  
our Savior and Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,**

**\*Gloria Patri**

**Glory be to the Father  
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

**Children's Time**

Rev. Darin Arntson

**First Reading**

*Acts 11:1-18*

Dick Prince

**Anthem**

*Since By Man Came Death*

George Frederic Handel

Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.  
For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

**Gospel Reading**

*John 13:31-35*

Rev. Darin Arntson

**Sermon**

*Who Do We Think We Are?*

Rev. Darin Arntson

**Call to Prayer**

*Live in Charity (Ubi Caritas)*

FWS 2179

Live in charity and steadfast love,  
live in charity; God will dwell with you.  
*Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas Deus ibi est.*

**Pastoral Prayer**

Karen Scanlon

Time of Silence

The Lord's Prayer

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 forever. Amen.

Invitation to Christian Stewardship

Rev. Darin Arntson

Offertory

*Jesus Loves Me*

arr. Craig Curry

\*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\*Prayer of Dedication

Karen Scanlon

Loving God,  
we give you thanks for the ministry of reconciliation  
to which you call us  
in the name of Jesus Christ and his resurrection.  
Accept these gifts for your mission to heal all creation.  
May they be a testament to your love for us  
as we share them in love for you;  
through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

**\*Closing Hymn**

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

UMH 577, vv. 1, 3, 4

God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;  
let the search for thy salvation be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.

**\*Benediction**

Rev. Darin Arntson

**\*Benediction Response**

*Of the Father's Love Begotten*

UMH 184, v. 1

Of the Father's love begotten, ere the worlds began to be,  
he is Alpha and Omega, he the source, the ending he  
of the things that are, that have been and that future years shall see,  
evermore and evermore.

**Postlude**

*Salvation is Now Come to Earth*

J.S. Bach

*Those seated in the socially distanced section who wish to may exit the sanctuary  
through the rear doors during the postlude.  
Those who are seated in the non-distanced section are invited to remain seated until the  
conclusion of the service.*

**St. Mark's Calendar At-a-Glance-May 15 – May 29, 2022**

**Sunday, May 15 (*Peace with Justice Sunday*)**

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service – Sanctuary & Online
- 10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour – Courtyard
- 12:00 p.m. Tongan Fellowship
- 4:30 p.m. Spring Ring Concert – Sanctuary & Online – **CANCELLED**

**Wednesday, May 18**

- 1:00 p.m. Bible Study with Pastor Jeri – Zoom
- 3:00 p.m. Laity Bible Study – New Room
- 6:00 p.m. Handbells Rehearsal – Social Hall

**Thursday, May 19**

- 3:30 p.m. Cherub Choir – Choir Room
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir – Choir Room

**Saturday, May 21**

- 8:00 a.m. "Leashed Walks With Your Dog" Meet Up (*Meet in the St. Mark's Parking Lot*)
- 8:00 a.m. "My First Home" Drive-Thru Event (*North Parking Lot, ends at 11:00 a.m.*)

**Sunday, May 22**

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service – Sanctuary & Online
- 10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour – Courtyard
- 12:00 p.m. Tongan Fellowship
- 4:00 p.m. St. Mark's Family Picnic (*East Mission Bay, South Tecolote Shores, ends at 6:00 p.m.*)

**Wednesday, May 25**

- 1:00 p.m. Bible Study with Pastor Jeri – Zoom
- 3:00 p.m. Laity Bible Study – New Room
- 6:00 p.m. Handbells Rehearsal – Social Hall

**Thursday, May 26**

- 3:30 p.m. Cherub Choir – Choir Room
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir – Choir Room

**Sunday, May 29**

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service – Sanctuary & Online
- 10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour – Courtyard
- 12:00 p.m. Tongan Fellowship

**In observance of Memorial Day, the church office will be closed Monday, May 30.**

*You can find all upcoming events and new announcements in the St. Mark's Messenger Newsletter.  
Go to [www.stmarksumcsd.org](http://www.stmarksumcsd.org) to sign up to receive the Messenger and Enews.*

### Announcements, May 15, 2022 – May 29, 2022

Today's Spring Ring Concert has been cancelled. Be on the lookout for a new date and time.

**Reception of New Members and Celebration of Baptism, Sunday, June 5**— Pentecost Sunday is a day that we celebrate God's Spirit imparted to us to live and serve as members of the Church, and a day that we will welcome new members to this family of faith, too. Please let Pastor Darin know by Friday, May 20 if you would like to be received in baptism or membership on this celebratory day.

### Events scheduled for Saturday, May 21

- **Just in Time "My First Home" Drive-Thru, 8 a.m.-11 a.m.** — St. Mark's will be hosting a "My First Home" drive-thru event to collect new essential household items for Just in Time for Foster Youth. A flyer with needed items will be provided in upcoming emails and at church. If you would like to volunteer at this event, please contact Diana Starnes at (858)274-3547 or dtstarnes@hotmail.com.

- **Leashed Walks With Your Dog Meet-Up, 8:00 a.m.**, Bring Fido and join us for a leashed walk at the bay. Those that are interested, meet in the church parking lot.

**St. Mark's Family Picnic, Sunday, May 22, 2022, 4-6 p.m.**, East Mission Bay, South Tecolote Shores Families with kids and youth (and all who love them) are invited to an afternoon of fun and food to meet new friends and get reacquainted with old ones, too. Bring your favorite "yard-game" and/or a side dish to share. We'll provide the drinks/burgers/hot dogs, as well as some get-to-know-you games for little ones through grown-up people. Volunteers for grill-master welcome, also! Email Pastor Darin with questions and keep an eye on your ENews for more details.

**Celebrating Graduates on June 12** - We will be celebrating 2022 High School, College or Graduate program graduates in worship, June 12. If you would have your graduate recognized, send the name(s) to Michelle, admin@stmarksumcsd.org, no later than Tuesday, May 31.

**Memorial Garden Plaques**— Each year we offer to order bronze plaques for deceased former pastors, members, constituents, and their immediate families as additions to the Memorial Garden. Plaques may be ordered with either one name (minimum donation of \$500) or two names (minimum donation of \$750), with the costs covering purchase of the plaques, their installation and dedication, and maintenance of the Garden. If you would like to dedicate a plaque, please obtain a Memorial Garden brochure from the church office or the narthex. Orders and payments must be received by August 1st to be included in this year's *All Saints Sunday* dedication in November. If you have further questions, please contact Sheryl Harding at 619-276-6149.

**Streets of Hope**— Every Monday night The Streets of Hope serves San Diego's homeless by providing bagged meals. Streets of Hope is looking for groups to sponsor Monday evening by donating 100 sandwiches, snacks and beverages and to assist in distributing the meals. Beginning June 13, St. Mark's Missions Committee will sponsor the meals on the second Monday of each month. If interested in volunteering to help make the sandwiches in the church social hall and/or distributing the meals, please contact Diana Starnes at (858)274-3547 or dtstarnes@hotmail.com. A sign-up sheet will also be posted in the church office.

**Church Office Closure**— In observance of Memorial Day, May 30, the church office will be closed. All inquiries will be returned when the office reopens, Tuesday, May 31.

**Sunday's altar flowers are donated by:**

Susan Holko

in memory of her brother John Cain

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To make a donation to St. Mark's visit:  
<https://secure.myvanco.com/YNGP/home>



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**Today's Worship:**

Organist - Craig McIlwain

Director of Choral Ministries - Zlatoslav Sokolov

Sound and Video - Andy Guevara, Bob Hout, Robin & Elias Nuspl

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