

# *Ministry Directory*

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SAINT MARK'S  
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



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## A MESSAGE FROM DEAN THOMASON

Friends,

Wonder, awe and gratitude are said to be spiritual attributes that help us orient to the Creator, and I believe that. The Church exists to provide touchstones and guideposts that enable us to hone our practices of wonder, awe, and gratitude, not only as we praise our Maker, but as we move about life on this earth, finding ways that allow us to celebrate and see the goodness that is all around us. This cathedral community embodies such a vocation with grace and good will. The ministries described herein bear witness to that truth. I marvel at the ways so many ministries find expression in this place, and my heart is overflowing with gratitude for all who choose to engage in ministry here. As St. Paul says, we are one Body, many parts, each with an important role in our life together.



When I arrived in 2012, I introduced what has become something of a Saint Mark's motto: *"Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here."* I am glad it has become integral to the identity and ethos of this congregation, and I delight in the ways we strive to embody that statement as a commitment to one another and all whom we welcome in God's name here.

The purpose of this Ministry Directory is both to inform you about all that is happening in the cathedral community at this moment in time, as well as to spark new ideas for fresh and vital ways that we shape our common life, seeking and serving Christ in one another, striving for justice and peace, and respecting the dignity of every human being. I hope you will engage in ministries for which you have passion or interest. We are glad you are here.

The Very Rev. Steven L. Thomason, DEAN & RECTOR

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2023 Annual Parish Meeting &amp; Elections

### VESTRY

The Vestry oversees and stewards the cathedral's finances, facilities and grounds. Membership is comprised of the Dean, the Bishop of the Diocese of Olympia, elected lay parishioners, and Diocesan members who serve from other parishes. Together, they strive to model faithful leadership to prayerfully respond and connect to the ministries of the cathedral community. Elected lay members serve three-year terms. Wardens work alongside the Dean to provide leadership to the Vestry and parish.

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### FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee meets monthly to review the financial statements, monitor the budget, review investments and receive the findings of the annual audit.

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### FACILITIES COMMITTEE

The Committee works with Cathedral staff on matters of repair, restoration and preservation of the Cathedral, Cathedral House, Lefler House, the Carriage House, the Deanery and the Cathedral grounds. When necessary, it makes recommendations to the Vestry on project funding.

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### STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY

The Stewardship Ministry at Saint Mark's is a faith-based ministry with the core belief that God has gifted us abundantly in every aspect of life. Our mission is to provide opportunities for our community to share experiences and communicate stories in ways that invite each parishioner to cultivate a sacramental relationship between following Jesus Christ and sharing generously of their time, talent, and treasure. We do so with our annual stewardship campaign in the fall and with increased attention throughout the year to reflect upon our gratitude and to celebrate the numerous and imaginative ways we give of our time and spirit.

**Chris Rigos, Junior Warden for Stewardship**  
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### RESTORATIVE JUSTICE & SYSTEMIC CHANGE COUNCIL

The work of the Restorative Justice & Systemic Change Council is formed out of a prayerful reflection of Saint Mark's *Statement of Lament and Commitment to Action*. The Council supports specific justice ministry programs but also seeks to nurture a culture in the Parish where all are encouraged and equipped to live out the call to do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with God in their specific lives. Guided by a commitment to be in relationship with rather than simply supply needs for we seek to heal what is broken, restore what is lost, and foster the possibility of transformation for those we serve and ourselves as well.

Scott Hulet  
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### INTERGENERATIONAL COUNCIL

The Intergenerational Council consists of Saint Mark's community members ranging from youth to elders who gather to examine the cathedral's activities and policies from a range of generational perspectives, and to envision ways of being Church in today's world. Through intentionally intergenerational programming, small group gatherings, and innovative ways to incorporate those new to Saint Mark's, the council aims to foster spiritual growth and nourishing relationships among members of the cathedral, as we seek to become Beloved Community.

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### CREATION CARE MINISTRY

The Creation Care Ministry at Saint Mark's Cathedral strives to faithfully address the crisis of climate change. As stewards of the life-giving goodness of God's creation, we work with the Saint Mark's and broader world communities to educate ourselves and take action together to preserve our shared planet and sustain life for the generations to come. We recognize our commitment as a unique opportunity and responsibility in our time to address the many social justice issues tied to the climate crisis. And through engaging in collective action that makes an effective impact, we will grow into the joy of transcending our fears and sense of powerlessness around the issue of climate change. Saint Mark's is a member of Earth Ministry/Washington Interfaith Power & Light ([earthministry.org](http://earthministry.org); see entry p. 22). If you are interested in being a part of this work at Saint Mark's, please contact:

Kathy Minsch & Marjorie Ringness  
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### MEAL SHARING MINISTRY

The congregation of Saint Mark's has a long history of engaging with our unsheltered neighbors and addressing the issue of homelessness through education, advocacy, and service. We seek to support programs, such as the Threshold Fund move-in assistance program, that have a direct impact on the lives of homeless adults, children and families. We host Tent City 3 on the cathedral property when possible. While Tent City 3 is in residence, cathedral volunteers prepare, serve, and share a meal with the residents once a week.

Saint Brigid's Banquet is committed to providing hot, nutritious meals and hospitality to those in Seattle who are homeless/hungry. Our volunteers cook and serve meals monthly for men aged 50+ who are currently living at St. Martin de Porres shelter, and bi-monthly for teens and young adults served by Teen Feed in the U District. Please consider joining this heart-warming and fun ministry! We welcome all adult volunteers. For times and locations, please contact:

Chris Rigos  
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2017 Prayer &amp; Procession for Families at the Border

### MIDEAST FOCUS MINISTRY

The Mideast Focus Ministry of Saint Mark's Cathedral works through mission, prayer, education, and action to bring understanding and to promote advocacy for justice and peace in the Middle East region, both within the Saint Mark's congregation and to the greater Seattle community. The ministry group frequently collaborates with other groups, such as the Episcopal Diocese of Olympia's Bishop's Committee for Justice and Peace in the Holy Land, Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility, Jewish Voice for Peace, Kairos Puget Sound Coalition, Rachel Corrie Foundation for Peace and Justice, and others. Each spring since 2013 the ministry has presented a Mideast Focus Film Series. To learn more, contact:

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**Steve Moen**  
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### HUNGER OFFERING

On the second Sunday of every month, the cathedral collects a special offering to support several food programs in the Seattle area. This ministry is currently supporting the following hunger programs: Ballard Food Bank, Lifelong AIDS Alliance, Pike Market Food Bank, Immanuel Community Services, Food Bank @ St. Mary's, and St. Brigid's Banquet.

**Vicky Greenbaum**  
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### LOWELL SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

Saint Mark's has a longstanding partnership with Lowell Elementary School, the nearest public school to the cathedral. Lowell serves Seattle families who are unhoused and has a significant number of medically fragile students. Volunteers serve in a variety of ways depending on the season and stated needs of the school, including tutoring, gardening projects, and after school cooking classes, and the congregation as a whole has generously responded to requests for donations of needed supplies.

**Cherie Bradshaw**  
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## FAITH FORMATION AT SAINT MARK'S

The Episcopal Church's Charter for Lifelong Christian Formation says that *"Christian formation is the lifelong process of growing in relationship with God, self, others and all creation. In this process, we are transformed into the people God wants us to be."*

At Saint Mark's, we recognize and celebrate that we are formed as Christians in a variety of ways both formal and informal, active and reflective, educational and experiential.

—Canon Wendy Claire Barrie  
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## SUNDAY FORUM

Sunday Forums foster relationships within the Saint Mark's community, provide an opportunity to meet distinguished guests, or draw us into a deeper consideration of an element of the Christian faith and life.

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## CATHEDRAL COMMONS

Saint Mark's offers a variety of formation opportunities on Wednesday evenings. These offerings are known as *Cathedral Commons*, since they provide a space in which the cathedral community can come together to share, learn, and grow. The evening begins with a Community Dinner served in Bloedel Hall from 6 to 6:30 p.m. (Due to food safety requirements, food service must end at 6:30 p.m. sharp.) Cost: \$6/child; \$8/adult; \$25/max. family. A presentation or forum then frequently follows the Wednesday dinner, 6:45 to 8:15 p.m. Many of these offerings are hybrid events, with a full experience available both to those gathered in person in Bloedel Hall, and to those joining from home online. Others are offered online via Zoom only, and some are offered only in person.

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## SECOND SUNDAY BOOK GROUP

Saint Mark's book group meets the second Sunday of odd-numbered months to share our enthusiasm for books we love and to get introduced to books we might not have chosen on our own. Titles discussed are selected by the participants themselves. Sometimes an expert in the subject joins the discussion. All are welcome to participate.

Pearl McElheran  
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### TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday Bible Study provides a weekly conversation around the scripture readings for the following Sunday. The group meets online via Zoom only, 12–1:15 p.m. for study and prayer over the lectionary. Join early at 11:30 a.m. for social time and chat. To get the Zoom link for this lively discussion, contact:

**Lynne Cobb**

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### THE INQUIRERS' CLASS

This series, facilitated by clergy and staff, explores the basics of the Christian faith through the lens of the Episcopal Church. Whether you are new to Saint Mark's, or just interested in sharing and learning, you are welcome. After completing the series, many people decide to receive the sacrament of baptism or are confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church. Attendees are strongly encouraged to attend all six sessions.

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### CONTOURS OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

*Contours of the Christian Life* builds on the foundation of the Inquirers' Class, providing an opportunity to continue the journey by going deeper into questions of faith. The approach of *Contours of the Christian Life* is inspired by ancient patterns of Christian formation going back to the early church, with a focus on what it means to deepen our faith, our practices, and our relationships as Episcopalians. This series provides further preparation for baptism, confirmation and reception into The Episcopal Church.

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**Emily Meeks**

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### THE RADIX PROJECT

Saint Mark's launched *The Radix Project: Small Groups/Deep Roots* in January 2020. It was conceived as an opportunity to gather in small groups of approximately 12 participants with a threefold focus: reflecting together on Holy Scripture and sacred art, sharing personal stories, and praying for one another with intention. Every Radix series begins with an opening plenary presentation which introduces the theme. Each group is guided by a facilitator and meets for 90 minutes, once a week for six weeks. Some groups meet in person, while others meet only online. Radix group members are both local and far-flung, and do not need to be otherwise connected to Saint Mark's to participate.

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### SACRED GROUND

*Sacred Ground* is an intense, small-group learning cohort which meets over 13 sessions, built around a powerful online curriculum of documentary films and readings that focus on Indigenous, Black, Latino, and Asian/Pacific American histories as they intersect with European American histories. It is part of *Becoming Beloved Community*, The Episcopal Church's long-term commitment to racial healing, reconciliation, and justice in our personal lives, our ministries, and our society. This series is open to all, and especially designed to help white people talk with other white people. Participants are invited to peel away the layers that have contributed to the challenges and divides of the present day.

**Heather Millar**

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### EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY (EfM)

Do you want to go deeper into your faith in an intentional, ongoing way? Do you want to form lasting connections with others who also seek that deepening of their spiritual life? Consider registering for Education for Ministry (EfM), The Episcopal Church's most in-depth adult Christian education course. Study the Bible, history, and theology, as well as connect faith and life experiences through theological reflection. EfM is a program of The University of the South's School of Theology in Sewanee. Admission requires a solid commitment to attend the weekly seminars and to spend between two and four hours in study and preparation weekly during the academic year (September–June). It is a four-year program, but students commit to one year at a time. Each class is limited to 12 people. EfM is also available online for students who are not able to attend the weekly seminars. Two different classes meet weekly September to June at Saint Mark's: Mondays, 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m., and Mondays, 6–8 p.m. Please inquire by contacting class mentors:

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*mvcoldwell@hotmail.com*

Monday evening: Tom Hayton  
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### CENTER FOR SPIRITUALITY & ACTION

Saint Mark's is developing a center for spirituality and action that would nurture new community both on Saint Mark's Seattle campus and virtually as a hybrid ministry. By repurposing key campus assets, we seek to integrate existing contemplative spirituality offerings

with retreats, workshops, and spiritual direction. Flowing out of this will be engaging the work of justice as spiritual exercise. In the monastic tradition, this “prayer and work” tandem serves as a way of life, and hospitality is a cherished virtue of that way of life. Saint Mark's is inherently oriented to this way of being in the world, with a commitment to prayer and justice, and a radical hospitality as “cathedral commons.”

The Rev. Canon Jennifer King Daugherty  
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### THE WISDOM SCHOOL AT SAINT MARK'S

The mission of the Wisdom School is to offer “a balanced path for spiritual transformation grounded in prayer and practice, drawing on the Christian contemplative tradition while respecting the diversity of experiences born from contemplative practices of other traditions.” The space for reasoned discourse, lifelong learning, and spiritual renewal is held sacred for all seekers, whether they worship at the cathedral or not.

The Very Rev. Steven L. Thomason  
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### CATHEDRAL YOGA

In the sacred space of Saint Mark's Cathedral, this spiritual practice is designed to improve health, release tension, and deepen spirituality. It is a gentle, restorative, and contemplative practice, and the instructors guide the group in ways that welcome newcomers and experienced practitioners alike. Pay what you can. Please bring your own mat, although if you do not have one, sanitized mats are available.

The Rev. Linzi Stahlecker  
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## CHILDREN & YOUTH AT SAINT MARK'S

"Children and youth are not the future of the church, they are the church right now! Saint Mark's embraces the inclusion of children and youth into various ministries of the church, and offers engaging, enriching age-group specific opportunities.

—Canon Wendy Claire Barrie  
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## CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

Children's Chapel is offered each Sunday at the 9 am service. Children in preschool through second grade are invited to join the Gospel procession around the Deacon as the Gospel is proclaimed. Then they process to Thomsen Chapel for the Gospel story in a developmentally appropriate telling, singing, and prayer. They return to their families at the Peace. Younger children may attend accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

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## GODLY PLAY

Godly Play is an imaginative, creative Montessori-based program of Christian formation used at Saint Mark's and in more than 45 countries worldwide. Developed by Episcopal priest and theologian The Rev. Dr. Jerome Berryman, Godly Play recognizes that children are already in relationship with God who knows and loves them deeply, and seeks to nurture that relationship through story, wonder, and play. The Godly Play Foundation

supports teachers, children, and families with more than forty years of research and practice in this method, which is grounded in scripture, liturgy, and the circle of the church year.

Godly Play at Saint Mark's currently meets at 10:10 a.m. on the first and third Sundays of the month, October through May, in the Godly Play classroom located on the second floor of the Saint Nicholas Building.

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## YOUTH GROUP

The Youth of Saint Mark's play, worship, learn, serve, and eat together. Guest speakers, service projects, outdoor activities, retreats, classes, liturgical leadership and inter-generational participation offer the youth many ways to connect with each other and the cathedral community. Deep thoughts, loving spirits and holy silliness are all present when the youth gather. For more information, contact:

Rebekah Gilmore  
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## LITURGY AT SAINT MARK'S

*"Christian worship is never a solitary undertaking. Both on its visible and invisible sides, it has a thoroughly social and organic character. The worshiper, however lonely in appearance, comes before God as a member of a great family; part of the Communion of Saints, living and dead. His own small effort of adoration is offered 'in and for all'."*

—Evelyn Underhill

Every member of the assembly gathered for worship is a minister of the liturgy. Each Sunday some people are assigned to particular roles within the context of our worship. We welcome your exploration of any ministries listed here.

—Michael Seewer,  
CATHEDRAL SACRISTAN & HEAD VERGER  
[mseewer@saintmarks.org](mailto:mseewer@saintmarks.org)

## WORSHIP & PRAYER COMMITTEE

The Worship and Prayer Standing Committee of the Saint Mark's Vestry meets several times a year to discuss liturgy and prayer at the cathedral, as part of a strategy driven by the community's Mutual Ministry Goals. All are welcome to participate. There are frequently articles and resources distributed in advance to be discussed during the meeting. These meetings are held on Zoom. To learn when the next meeting is scheduled, contact:

Michael Seewer,  
Cathedral Sacristan & Head Verger  
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## ACOLYTES

Acolytes assist during worship by carrying the cross, torches, and banners in processions, bearing the thurible in which incense is burned, and more. Open to children and adults.

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## ALTAR GUILD

Altar guild members help prepare the community's Eucharistic meal by setting up bread, wine, vessels, linens and the altar table, assisting the presiding team during the service and caring for the vessels and linens following the service.

Walter Stuteville  
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## GREETERS

We are here to say "hello!" and "welcome!" to newcomers, long-timers and all who come through our doors on Sunday mornings, before and after services. Teams serve once a month at one Sunday morning service.

John Selberg  
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## USHERS

Ushers are indispensable at cathedral liturgies, having the some of the most direct contact with worshipers. They serve many roles during Sunday and Special services, ensuring liturgies run smoothly and that hospitality is extended to all who are present for worship.

9 a.m.: Don Sutkus  
11 a.m.: Michael Seewer  
[ushers@saintmarks.org](mailto:ushers@saintmarks.org)



### COMPLINE HOSPITALITY MINISTERS

For many, Compline is the first time they have entered the doors of Saint Mark's, and the Compline Greeters are the first representatives of the cathedral they will encounter. They play a crucial role in making the experience welcoming and comfortable for all.

**Michael Seewer**  
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### EVENSONG USHERS

The monthly service of Choral Evensong attracts many guests and first-time visitors, and ushers are needed to welcome and orient them. You do not need to be a Sunday morning usher to serve in this important role at Evensong.

**Michael Seewer**  
*mseewer@saintmarks.org*

### VERGERS

Vergers are ministers who escort the choir and liturgical participants in processions of all kinds, from guiding a lector to the ambo, to leading the entire congregation on Palm Sunday, and everything in between. They are also

ministers of hospitality, identifying people in the congregation who need special assistance.

**Michael Seewer**  
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### LECTORS

Lectors proclaim God's word at our various liturgies by reading lessons from scripture, and they lead the assembly's prayers and intercessions at Sunday morning and other services. Open to adults as well as to teenagers and younger children, all of whom receive training.

**Emily Meeks**  
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### OBLATION BEARERS

During Sunday morning Eucharists, members of the community or an entire family assist the ushers by bringing forward the gifts of bread and wine that we offer to God at the Offertory. Even very young children can help with this important liturgical role.

**Michael Perera**  
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### CHALICE BEARERS

Chalice bearers are licensed ministers who offer the hospitality of God's Table as they serve the wine during services of Holy Communion. Open to those 16 years or older.

**Peter Snyder**  
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### SUNDAY EVENING CHALICE BEARERS

Sunday evening sacristans, as trained chalice bearers, support the 7 p.m. contemplative Eucharist service by setting up, hosting, and serving during the liturgy, and cleaning up afterwards.

**Peter Snyder**  
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### ALL SAINTS GUILD

Members of the All Saints Guild help support families who are planning funerals at Saint Mark's. They provide help with the logistics of liturgies and receptions, serve as ushers for funeral liturgies, and accompany families through this difficult time.

**Kathy Sodergren**  
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### HOSPITALITY/NEWCOMERS MINISTRY

Newcomers Ministry acts as an initial point of contact both online and in person for those seeking information about Saint Mark's and the Episcopal Church or connection with a faith community. Volunteers help host a monthly newcomers' coffee, respond to online inquiries, process membership applications, and meet in person with newcomers.

**The Rev. Earl Grout**  
*newcomers@saintmarks.org*

### EUCCHARISTIC VISITORS

Consecrated bread and wine are entrusted to lay Eucharistic visitors to be shared with sick or shut-in members of the community. If you would like Holy Communion brought to you, please leave a message at 206.755.2076. If you'd like to learn more about this licensed ministry, or accompany an E.V. on a visit, please contact

**Kevin Johnson**  
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### BREAD BAKER GUILD

A community of people gathers once a month, usually early on a Sunday morning, to bake the bread for all of our Eucharistic services. Open to all ages. Contact:

**René Marceau**  
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### FLOWER MINISTRY

Members of the Flower Ministry create the nave and chapel arrangements, and in doing so, give back a gift of beauty to the One who created us. The ministry works in teams that serve monthly—all skill/experience levels are welcome.

**Beatrix Roemheld-Hamm**  
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## PRAYER CHAIN

The Saint Mark's prayer chain holds the community and its concerns in consistent prayer. When anyone requests prayer by emailing [prayers@saintmarks.org](mailto:prayers@saintmarks.org), their needs are communicated to over one hundred members who pray each in their own way for healing, comfort, or whatever is needed. The prayer chain is available to anyone who desires this support, whether they are members of Saint Mark's or not. To make a prayer request, send an email to [prayers@saintmarks.org](mailto:prayers@saintmarks.org). To join the prayer chain, contact:

The Rev. Linzi Stahlecker  
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## CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER

This time of meditative prayer, mostly silent, is open to anyone who yearns for a richer experience of the Divine, or is simply curious about Centering Prayer and other contemplative practices. All are welcome. We practice opening our mind and heart—our whole being—to God, the Ultimate Mystery, beyond thoughts, words, and emotions.

Phil Fox Rose  
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## DAILY OFFICE

Lay readers from Seattle-area congregations including the cathedral lead a spoken service of daily prayer following the form of the Book of Common Prayer 1979, online via Zoom only, every weekday evening at 6 p.m. St. Paul's Seattle offers online Morning Prayer at 8:30 a.m., Monday–Friday, and members of the cathedral community are encouraged to attend.

At 7 a.m. on Thursdays, There is an in-person service of Holy Eucharist (1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursdays) OR an online prayer service (2nd



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and 4th Thursdays). Fellowship and a community breakfast follow the in-person liturgy.

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## TAIZÉ PRAYER

Beginning in the spring of 2022, a group of Saint Mark's parishioners has offered a service of prayer in the style of Taizé several times each year (approximately every two or three months). These service are usually at 7 p.m. on a Tuesday evenings, and are always livestreamed. See [saintmarks.org/taize](https://saintmarks.org/taize) for more information and upcoming dates. All are welcome to contribute—as musicians, readers, or to help to plan the services—regardless of your prior experience with Taizé. To learn more or participate, contact:

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The Evensong Choir

## MUSIC AT SAINT MARK'S

Sharing God's gift of music is an essential part of the worship life of Saint Mark's Cathedral. Building upon a long-standing tradition of excellence, the cathedral offers opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to participate in this vital ministry.

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### THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR

This choir of 40–50 skilled volunteers sings most Sunday mornings at the 11 a.m. service, in addition to a wide range of festival services, and rehearses weekly on Thursday evenings between September and early June. Its repertoire spans over eight centuries of the finest liturgical music, from Gregorian chant to world premiere compositions. Admission to this group is by audition.

**Michael Kleinschmidt**  
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### SAINT MARK'S SINGERS

This is a group of 20–30 dedicated singers who provide music for the 9 a.m. service on Sundays, September through mid-June. The choir rehearses on two consecutive Wednesday evenings per month, and on Sunday mornings at 8 a.m. Their repertoire ranges from Mozart to more contemporary styles including gospel and folksong. All who love to sing and want to learn more about liturgical music are welcome to join the choir. While no formal audition is required, a brief meeting with the Canon for Cathedral Music is required for admission to this group.

**Michael Kleinschmidt**  
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### THE EVENSONG CHOIR

This ensemble consists of advanced Choristers and members of the Schola of the Choir School, plus 12–20 auditioned adult singers. They offer Choral Evensong in the English Cathedral tradition on the first Sunday of the month at 4:30 p.m. (October through June) and sing occasional special liturgies at Christmas and in Holy Week. In the summers of 2018 and 2022, this choir served as Choir in Residence for a week each in Saint Paul's Cathedral, London, and Chichester, Ely, and Bristol Cathedrals. Note: The adult singers of the Evensong Choir

are required to also be members of Saint Mark's Cathedral Choir or Compline Choir or be professionally engaged as singers or directors in other churches on Sunday mornings.

**Michael Kleinschmidt**  
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### CATHEDRAL CHOIR SCHOOL

The choristers of the Saint Mark's Choir School aspire to learn, to lead and to inspire through their work as liturgical ministers. The curriculum emphasizes well-rounded musicianship and lifelong growth in music and faith; music theory along with vocal and ear training; and ministry through liturgical leadership and community service. No audition is required to participate in the Choir School.

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### THE COMPLINE CHOIR

Founded in 1956, The Compline Choir, a shared ministry of the Diocese of Olympia, Peter R. Hallock Institute, and Saint Mark's Cathedral, is a unique community of laypersons with diverse beliefs that seeks to express musically a concern for the nurture and care of the soul—spiritual nourishment. The mission of The Compline Choir is to perform and record liturgical and religious music for men's voices for the edification and enjoyment of listeners; promote and perpetuate ancient, traditional, and contemporary musical forms of worship; and minister to the spiritual needs of the community. Membership is by audition only.

**Dr. Jason Anderson**  
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### THE WOMEN'S COMPLINE CHOIR

In 2019, Saint Mark's Associate Musician Rebekah Gilmore was asked to assemble an all-female choir to chant Compline while the men

of the Compline Choir were on pilgrimage. Since then, the Women's Compline Choir has gathered to chant the office several times each year, usually in the summer. The next planned services are August 4, 11, & 18, 2024. Membership is by audition

**Rebekah Gilmore**  
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### SAINT MARK'S MUSIC SERIES

The Saint Mark's Music Series is called to offer the musical riches of the cathedral to the wider community so that all can experience the unique acoustical environment, superb pipe organs, and talented musicians dedicated to making music in a sacred space. The 2023/2024 season will include organ recitals by James Kealey and Kimberly Marshall, the acclaimed vocal ensemble Apollo 5, Messiaen's *Quartet for the End of Time*, and more. Volunteers are needed to serve as ushers, work the box office/will-call, and provide hospitality. Visit [saintmarks.org/concerts](http://saintmarks.org/concerts) for the complete current schedule.

**Laura Loge**  
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### 20s/30s GROUP

The 20s/30s group is a vibrant community and vital to the life of Saint Mark's. Young adults gather regularly to share in food, fellowship, prayer, and conversation. Events and activities integrate community, formation, justice, and play. Look for more information about upcoming gatherings on Sundays and beyond or [saintmarks.org/20s30s](http://saintmarks.org/20s30s). For more information, contact:

Emily Meeks  
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### 40s/50s GROUP

This ministry group offers opportunities to gather in fellowship and community with adults in their 40s/50s. To learn more about future offerings, please contact:

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### QUEER IN CHRIST (QuiC)

Launched in the spring of 2023, QuiC seeks (1) to connect queer people, allies, and families at Saint Mark's with each other and with resources both inside and outside the church, (2) to increase the visibility of queer people in all areas of ministry at the cathedral, (3) to create opportunities to explore and learn together in

ways that are intergenerational, intersectional, and theologically grounded, including special liturgical offerings, and (4) to honor the unity and diversity of the Body of Christ in the hope of continuing to heal its wounds.

Rose Hazard  
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### BEEKEEPING MINISTRY

For several years, Saint Mark's has kept hives of honeybees on the rooftop of the Cathedral House and elsewhere on the cathedral grounds. Leaders have obtained apprentice certification from the Washington State Master Beekeepers Association, and we are ready to educate any interested community members who wish to participate!

Rob Reid  
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### GARDENING MINISTRY

The garden volunteers meet to work on the second Saturday of the month 9 a.m.–noon, from February through November, planting, weeding, composting and making our campus beautiful. Prior gardening experience is not required, only enthusiasm! Bring a water bottle and gloves if you have them.

Norva Osborn  
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### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY TEAM

Saint Mark's Volunteers have been working with the local Seattle/King County affiliate of Habitat for Humanity and participating in national and international building projects for over 25 years. Recently, the Saint Mark's Habitat crew has also been assisting in projects on the cathedral grounds.

Gordon & Jacquelyn Miller  
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### SAINT MARK'S QUILT MINISTRY

The Saint Mark's Quilt Ministry is part of the Pastoral Care network. We make quilts for parishioners in times of illness or transition, blessing quilts for staff or parish family departures, quilts to welcome refugee families or other guests, small blankets for parish families welcoming newborns, and other occasions as determined by clergy. We meet in the Carriage House on the third Thursday of the month from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. to sew, to be in community and to share a potluck lunch. If you don't quilt or sew, we have machines and we can teach you. We can also teach you how to tie quilt layers to finish them for giving away.

**Sandra Piscitello**  
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### MINISTRY OF WORSTED WOOL

The Ministry of Worsted Wool is a ministry of faith enrichment as your knitting and crocheting talents contribute to our parish and the wider community. Our major needlecraft emphasis is on making baby blankets for Country Doctor Community Clinic. We meet once or twice a year for a brown bag lunch while our needles and crochet hooks continue to work our yarn. All levels of skill are welcome!

**Barbara Erickson**  
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### VISUAL ARTS MINISTRY

The Visual Arts Ministry seeks to create ongoing opportunities for members of our larger community to engage with the visual arts as a medium to explore our diverse relationships to the divine and to one another. Recent exhibits have included Peter Boome's paintings and lithographs, Virginia Maksymowicz's stunning Stations of the Cross, the landmark exhibition of work by 31 female artists from the Middle East titled I AM, and several shows

in the intimate Hallway Gallery in Cathedral House. Learn more at [saintmarks.org/visual-arts](http://saintmarks.org/visual-arts), or contact:

**Deborah Brown**  
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### LABYRINTH MINISTRY

On New Year's Eve each year, and on other special occasions, we lay down a giant labyrinth in the nave to give individuals the space to experience the peace, the quiet and the balance that the labyrinth path can bring. And, of course, the cathedral's outdoor labyrinth is available at any time for a prayerful meditation walk.

**Judy Andrews**  
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## COMMUNICATIONS

The Communications Ministry Team oversees the cathedral's website, social media presence, email communications, livestreamed liturgies and events, videos, print publications (such as informational brochures and *The Rubric*), signage, and overall visual identity and branding strategy. The committee is always seeking volunteers to help expand this important work.

Gregory Bloch  
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## A/V MINISTRY

Volunteers in the A/V Ministry oversee and operate the sound system and the livestream cameras in both the cathedral nave and Bloedel Hall. Anyone with an ear for sound mixing, an eye for camera work, or an interest in in audiovisual technology is encouraged to get involved.

Chris Brown & Michael Seewer  
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## OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

Office volunteers spend a few hours each week at the reception desk of the cathedral offices. They are often the first welcome that visitors to the cathedral receive. Other responsibilities include answering the main phone line and directing calls, and other office tasks as needed.

Erik Donner  
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## COUNTERS

The Counters meet weekly to verify the gifts from the offering plate and other donations to the cathedral. The group shares fellowship while providing an important service to the cathedral's functioning.

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## MEDICAL EQUIPMENT RESOURCE CENTER

The Medical Equipment Resource Center has items such as wheelchairs, walkers (two- and four-wheeled), crutches, canes, etc., available for use at no cost. We welcome donations of clean equipment in good working order. The group also restocks first aid boxes located throughout the campus.

Nancy Cleminshaw  
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## PASTORAL CARE TEAM

Saint Mark's clergy are glad to offer individual pastoral appointments in person, by phone or over Zoom, whatever life issues or questions are on your mind. We are available to visit and pray with you in the hospital and when desired, administer sacraments including anointing and confession. Call the Pastoral Care Hotline by dialing the main cathedral number at 206.323.0300 and then requesting or dialing extension 100. Leave a message, and the on-call chaplain will respond.

The Rev. Linzi Stahlecker  
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## SENIOR LIVING CENTER EUCHARISTS

Saint Mark's priests partner with clergy from Epiphany, St. Clement's, St. Paul's, and Trinity to offer monthly Eucharists at Skyline, Horizon House, and Mirabella. These services draw both Saint Mark's members who live in these senior living communities as well as other Episcopalians and spiritual seekers. This nurtures bonds of affection and community with members who find it difficult to attend church on Sunday morning.

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### ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS & AL-ANON

Weekly 12-step meetings at the cathedral occur Monday afternoon (Al-Anon) and Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings (A.A.). Check the cathedral calendar to learn more: [saintmarks.org/events](http://saintmarks.org/events)

### CATHEDRAL FOUNDATION OF THE DIOCESE OF OLYMPIA

The Cathedral Foundation of the Diocese of Olympia was established in September 1995 as an independent, tax-exempt organization, and became affiliated with the Bishop's Office of the Diocese of Olympia in 2011. Its mission is to raise and manage capital and endowment funds to preserve and enhance the buildings and grounds of Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral. For more information about the Foundation, visit [saintmarks.org/foundation](http://saintmarks.org/foundation).

Julia Logan

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### THE CHURCH COUNCIL OF GREATER SEATTLE

Saint Mark's Cathedral is an active member of The Church Council of Greater Seattle, which convenes and catalyzes communities and people of faith to bring spiritual commitments of love and reconciliation, peace and justice into the public square. The Church Council is a registered 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. With an active and engaged board and a small professional staff, augmented by interns, they bring faith communities and individuals together for the common good of humanity in order to know and understand each other and to eradicate the barriers and boundaries that divide and marginalize. Learn more at: [thechurchcouncil.org](http://thechurchcouncil.org)





### EPISCOPAL RELIEF & DEVELOPMENT (ERD)

ERD is The Episcopal Church's organization that responds to human suffering around the world. We provide emergency assistance after disasters, rebuild communities, and help children and families move out of poverty. More information can be found at: [episcopalrelief.org](http://episcopalrelief.org)

### EARTH MINISTRY/WASHINGTON INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT

For 30 years, Earth Ministry/WAIPL has been a national leader in engaging the faith community in environmental stewardship and advocacy. The organization was founded in the 1980s at Saint Mark's Cathedral. Earth Ministry/WAIPL transforms faith into action for the well-being of communities and the environment, organizing people of faith to advocate for strong environmental policies and provide strategic guidance to religious communities working toward environmental justice: [earthministry.org](http://earthministry.org)

### FAITH ACTION NETWORK (FAN)

Saint Mark's Cathedral is a FAN advocating faith community. FAN is a statewide interfaith advocacy organization through which thousands of people and over 100 faith communities across Washington State partner for the common good, believing that justice work is part of our religious calling. FAN communicates with elected officials about critical social issues and advocates for a more just and sustainable world.

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### GREENBELT GROUP

The Greenbelt slope to the south and west of the cathedral is an asset to the entire community that has been entrusted to the cathedral. Friends of Saint Mark's Greenbelt is a unit of the Green Seattle Partnership, which helps maintain and restore the land by removing invasive plants, maintaining the trails and replanting with native vegetation. For information about work parties contact:

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### THE THRESHOLD FUND

The Saint Mark's Cathedral Threshold Fund began as an initiative of Saint Mark's Homeless Advocacy Ministry. It helps individuals and families experiencing homelessness by providing financial assistance with rental deposits and move-in costs, lowering the financial barrier to safe, permanent housing. Qualified recipients receive first and last month's rent and security deposit—half as an outright gift, half as a loan to be repaid when they are able. Saint Mark's partners with Catholic Community Services (CCS) to administer the program, which includes case management to ensure those in need obtain the support services from which they will benefit.

The Very Rev. Steven L. Thomason  
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### OXBOW FARM & CONSERVATION CENTER

Based in Carnation, Washington, Oxbow Farm is a non-profit organization that researches and practices regenerative agriculture, grows food and native plants, restores habitats for wildlife, and educates people of all ages about why this is important. Saint Mark's is partnering with Oxbow's Farm Share Program by serving as a pick-up point for weekly deliveries of fresh fruits and vegetables. In addition, choristers in the summer choir camp made a field trip to Oxbow to learn about the importance of "good soil" in growing food. Our partnership with Oxbow provides opportunities for youth and adults to explore their roles in the care of creation.

Canon Jennifer King Daugherty  
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### THE PETER R. HALLOCK INSTITUTE

The Peter R. Hallock Institute, a ministry of the Diocese of Olympia, oversees an archive of the music and papers of Peter R. Hallock and manages the assets of the Institute. The Institute creates editions of Hallock's unpublished works; advocates, publicizes, and broadens the audience for Hallock's music; makes small grants to support the performance of his music; and presents workshops and educational symposia focused on Hallock's music and liturgical innovations and the Compline Choir.

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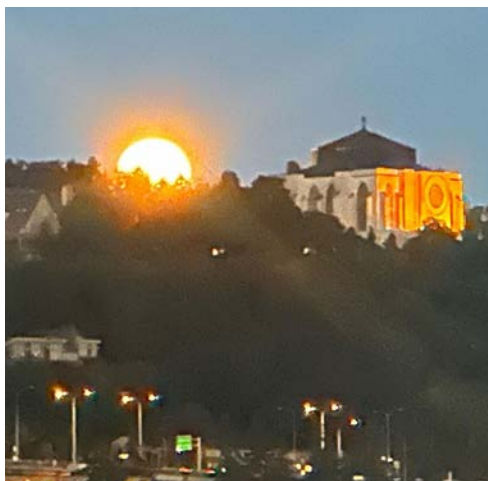


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### NORTHWEST COMMUNITY BAIL FUND

The current system of bail is among the most inequitable and unjust aspects of our justice system. Being unable to post bail prior to trial can leave people with a tough choice—either plead guilty to a crime that they may not have committed, or stay in jail for weeks or months. Either choice can impact their job, their shelter/housing and even custody of children.

The Northwest Community Bail Fund began as a ministry of Saint Mark's Cathedral, but is now an independent 501(c)3, part of the National Bail Fund Network. It provides cash bail for people who are charged with low-level crimes in King and Snohomish Counties and who are unable to pay due to poverty. This allows them to get out of jail during their trial period and defend themselves from a position of freedom. NCBF also collaborates with the Pre-Trial Justice Institute, the ACLU, and stakeholders in Washington State on bail reform to reduce/eliminate the use of bail.

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*Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome here.*

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