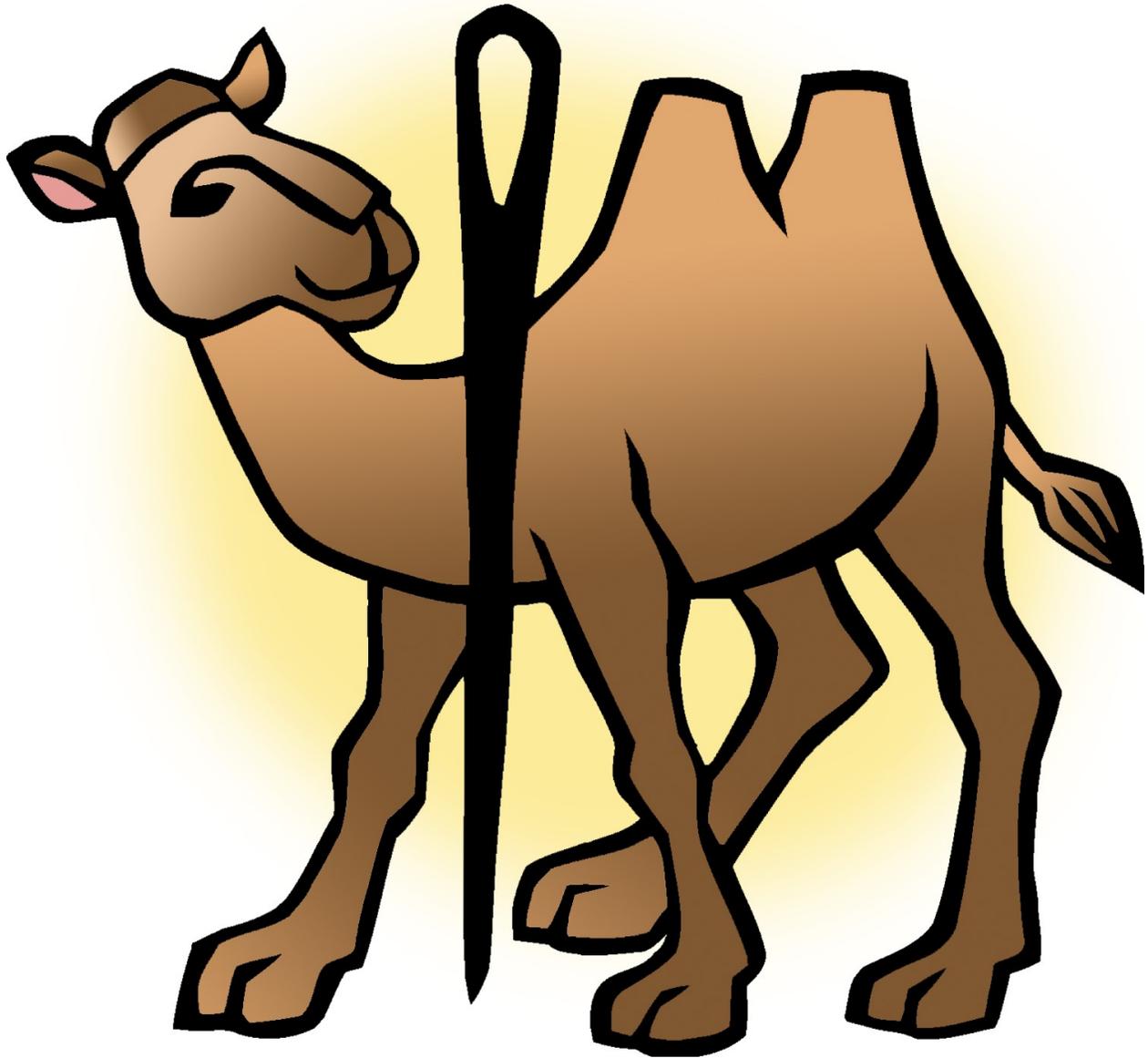


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**ANTECOMMUNION: RITE II at 10:00 A.M.**  
**St. Mark's Sunday worship starts at 10 a.m. on Zoom**

**ZOOM & IN-PERSON SERVICE INFORMATION**

Welcome! Our service will *always* be available on Zoom with Meeting ID 500-865-037. You can enter via the parish Web link at <http://www.stmarksnewbritain.org>. Please either print or have this bulletin open on a separate browser tab to participate fully in the service. (For more information on the Zoom service, please go to the back page of the bulletin.)

If New Britain is red on the weekly Thursday (about 3 p.m.) update on the Connecticut COVID-19 Data Tracker map, the Sunday service will be on Zoom only.

For the map, please go to: <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/COVID-19-Data-Tracker>.

An e-mail will be sent out to the parish every Friday to let you know if the service will be in-person or on *Zoom only*.

For in-person services at 90 Main St., everyone is required to wear a mask and maintain a safe distance inside the buildings of South Church. We will have masks available if you need one. Thank you.

**Stephen Hard is our e-verger this week.**



**Prelude “Organ and Trumpet Marches”**

**Jeremiah Clarke**



**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Opening Acclamation:**

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen**

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.*

**The Gloria**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
Almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray together.

**Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

### The First Lesson

**Amos 5:6-7, 10-15**

Lector: Volunteer

A Reading from the book of the prophet Amos.

Seek the LORD and live,  
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,  
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,  
and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate,  
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore because you trample on the poor  
and take from them levies of grain,  
you have built houses of hewn stone,  
but you shall not live in them;

you have planted pleasant vineyards,  
but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions,  
and how great are your sins—

you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,  
and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;  
for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil,  
that you may live;

and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,  
just as you have said.

Hate evil and love good,  
and establish justice in the gate;

it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,  
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

The Word of the Lord.  
(*silence*)

**R. Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 90:12-17

Leader: Volunteer

Leader: So teach us to number our days, \*

**People: that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.**

Leader: Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? \*

**People: be gracious to your servants.**

Leader: Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; \*

**People: so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

Leader: Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us \*

**People: and the years in which we suffered adversity.**

Leader: Show your servants your works \*  
**People: and your splendor to their children.**  
Leader: May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; \*  
**People: prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.**

## The Second Lesson

Hebrews 4:12-16

Lector: Volunteer

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews.

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Word of the Lord.  
*(silence)*

**R. Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn 488 “Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart”**

**Slane**

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
all else be nought to me, save that thou art  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

3. High King of heaven, when victory is won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my great Father; thine own may I be;  
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

**The Holy Gospel**  
**Clergy:**

**Mark 10:17-31**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell

you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age - houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions - and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

Clergy: The Gospel of the Lord.  
*(silence)*

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

**The Sermon**

**Stephen Hard, M. Div.  
Junior Warden**

**The Nicene Creed**

*Celebrant sets the pace.*

**People and Celebrant, remembering to pause at the punctuation:**

**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 VI**

Leader: Volunteer

**Leader:** In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.  
For all people in their daily life and work;

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

**Leader:** For this community, the nation, and the world;

**People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

**Leader:** For the just and proper use of your creation;

**People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

**Leader:** For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

**Leader:** For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

**Leader:** For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Ian and Laura our Bishops; and for Shaw our Priest, and for all bishops and other ministers;

**People: For all who serve God in his Church.**

**Leader:** For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*The People may add their own petitions*

**Leader:** Hear us, Lord;

**People: For your mercy is great.**

**Leader:** We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

**Leader:** We will exalt you, O God our King;

**People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

**Leader:** We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*The People may add their own petitions*

**Leader:** Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**People: Who put their trust in you.**

### **The Prayer of Spiritual Communion**

*Celebrant sets the pace.*

**In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is celebrated, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we ask you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves to you, and embrace you with all the affections of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live and die in your love. Amen.**

**Celebrant:** Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Celebrant:** Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, and offering and sacrifice to God.

**Celebrant:** As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**People and Celebrant:**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

Celebrant: The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

**Dismissal**

Clergy: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Dismissal Hymn 680 “O God, our help in ages past” vs 1-3, 6**

**St. Anne**

1. O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast,  
and our eternal home:

2. under the shadow of thy throne  
thy saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is thine arm alone,  
and our defense is sure.

3. Before the hills in order stood,  
or earth received her frame,  
from everlasting thou art God,  
to endless years the same.

6. O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
be thou our guide while life shall last,  
and our eternal home.



**Thank you to everyone who participated in putting the service together today.**

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Fall dates have been posted. Please go to the website to register.

**SAVE THE DATE**

Tuesday, October 12 - 6:45 p.m. Vestry Zoom Meeting  
Sunday, October 31 - Nominating Committee - Zoom meeting following  
Sunday service



## **Zoom Service Information**

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### **Broadcast Instructions**

**You can enter the Zoom service via the parish Web link at**

**<http://www.stmarksnewbritain.org>.**

**There is also a telephone number that can be used to join the Zoom service: 1-646-558-8656 (phone charges may apply for the telephone call if you do not have unlimited calling).**

**If you are using a telephone to dial into the service: dial the zoom phone number, and then wait to be prompted by the voice to enter the meeting number.**

**Then, enter the meeting number, and as part of the meeting number, please add the "pound" sign (#) at the end of the meeting number (as the verbal instructions direct).**

**The Zoom broadcast opens at 9:45 am when remote participants can be admitted and will be greeted by the e-verger.**

**Remote participants are encouraged to stay connected after the service and greet and be greeted during the coffee hour.**



**Issues that have come to our attention:**

**Issue: "my screen goes back and forth between speakers."**

**Response: you may be in "speaker" view. If so, change to "gallery view".**

Please contact Cheryl in the Parish Office if you have any questions.