



Service of Holy Eucharist
St. Mark's Episcopal Church
*Worshipping at First Church of Christ, Scientist, 500 Richmond Pl NE,
during St. Mark's building renovation project.*
Thursday, August 27, 2026, 11:00 a.m.



Augustine: Bishop of Hippo and Theologian, 430

Opening Hymn: #8 Morning Has Broken (*Hymnal* 1982, blue book)

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II (*Book of Common Prayer*, red book, p. 355)

The Collect of the Day

Lord God, the light of the minds that know you, the life of the souls that love you, and the strength of the hearts that serve you: Help us, following the example of your servant, Augustine of Hippo, so to know you that we may truly love you, and so to love you that we may fully serve you, whose service is perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Hebrews 12:22-29

Psalm 87 (*BCP*, p. 711)

The Gospel: John 14:5-15

Homily: Rev. Dr. Cynthia Geppert

Prayers of the People (*BCP*, page to be announced)

Confession of Sin (*BCP*, p. 360)

The Peace

Offertory Hymn: #439 What Wondrous Love (*Hymnal* 1982, blue book)

The Holy Communion: Eucharistic Prayer B (*BCP*, p. 367)

Post Communion Prayer (*BCP*, p. 365)

Closing Hymn: #423 Immortal, Invisible (*Hymnal* 1982, blue book)

The First Lesson: Hebrews 12:22-29

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

You have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

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See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

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

The Gospel: John 14:5-15

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

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

Thomas said to Jesus, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments.”

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

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