

News and Service Opportunities - Please Take Note:

Please join us in the responsibility to safeguard God's children by making sure no child is unaccompanied while in the building. **Our Nursery** is staffed from 10:15am—noon. **Children's Worship** is offered during our service. Best for children ages 4-11ish. We leave after the Gospel and return at the Peace. **"Soft-spots" for families with young children** offer toddler friendly seating in the church. We love having children in church.

COVID SAFETY: Masks are optional. We ask that you remain mindful of other's health.

Justice & Advocacy Team meets at noon.

Young Adults meet 12:30pm at Starr Hill in Scott's Addition.

Children's Worship is on summer vacation—we'll be back September 10!

Please excuse our peeling paint! We continue evaluating the surfaces under the new roof for dryness and determining repair and renovation priorities. Preliminary plans are shaping up for some work to begin in 2024. The renovation project will be a financially significant investment on the part of the church. We appreciate your patience.

Rector Installation Service. It's not too soon to start getting excited! Fr. Benjamin's installation service as our 19th rector is Tuesday September 12 at 6:30pm. Please plan to join together in this celebration of our shared ministry.

Part-time Sexton search re-opened. St Mark's would like to hire a church sexton for 10 hours a week at \$20/hour (Saturday & Sunday mornings). This position requires skills in event set-up, light cleaning duties, moderate lifting (25 lbs. -/+), English language ability, and being a self-motivated worker. This position is subject to a satisfactory background check. If you know of someone who may be interested in this position; please have them submit a resume to Fr Benjamin at rector@stmarksrva.org.

Welcome Back Sunday is September 10! Getting ready for a new program year with lots to offer!

Save the Date: Church Picnic is Sunday September 23 *after church!* Bryan Park.



Outreach:

Food Pantry service on 2nd and 4th Saturdays! We distribute bags, offer a meal and time to relax and use the bathroom. If you have donations or questions about the pantry, contact our Food Pantry Coordinator, Karen Franklin, forpop247@gmail.com. **Contact Karen Franklin to help. Please shop for the Food Pantry—lists are on-line and in the church entry.**

We now have meal teams to provide the breakfast on both 2nd and 4th Saturdays. We can still use help serving and cleaning up on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays. If you would like to join a team let Karen know.

12-Step Ministry Contact Suzanne Long to learn more about supporting this important ministry. Wednesday evenings, 7:30—9:30pm. Many thanks to all of those who have stepped up to host. **August 30 host is Suzanne Long.**

Habitat for Humanity Build—more info coming, October work dates! Talk to Ed Street.

Summer CARITAS Meal Ministry. We delivered a WORKS lunch on August 11, and we will be providing dinner on October 25.

