

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.

Please remember to Pledge your support for St. Mark's ministry. Cards are on-line and in the church. **We currently have 96 pledges on our way to our 100 pledge goal with \$352,632 toward our \$355,000 dollar goal.** Your pledge in whatever amount is critical to funding the ministry of the church.

Annual Meeting is today, January 28 at noon. Please plan to attend and hear from our Rector, Treasurer, and elect new Vestry Members.

Prophetic Faith will meet at 1pm today. Pastoral care Team next Sunday at noon.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper is Tuesday, February 13 at 6pm. If you would like to help with the Pancake Supper let Karen Hardison know. **Ash Wednesday** is Wednesday, February 14. Services at Noon and 6:30pm with Ashes to go on the Porch from 11:15-11:45am, and 5:30-6pm.

Buck's Bible Study resumes February 21 at 7pm.

Parish Retreat Planning Team: We will be having a parish retreat October 18-20, in collaboration with Church of the Holy Comforter. Benjamin is looking for a few volunteers to join him on a planning team. If you would like to help plan the spiritual and recreational aspects of this retreat, in cooperation with a team from Holy Comforter, please email Benjamin at rector@stmarksrva.org.

Please excuse our peeling paint! We continue to plan for interior repairs and renovations. Plans are shaping up for some work to begin in stages over the next few years. The renovation project will be a financially significant investment on the part of the church.

Part-time Sexton search. 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-starter. Subject to a satisfactory background check. If you know of someone interested; please have them submit a resume to Fr Benjamin at rector@stmarksrva.org.



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. **Please shop for the Food Pantry—lists are on-line and in the church entry.**

12-Step Ministry Contact Suzanne Long to learn more about supporting this important ministry. Wednesday evenings, 7:30—9:30pm. **January 31 host is Needed.**

CARITAS Meal ministry returns in January 31, 2024 with a CARITAS WORKS dinner. Contact Suzanne Long to help with the meal (we prep it here and deliver it to CARITAS).

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:

January 28 — February 3

SUNDAY(28) 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II
 12:00 PM Annual Meeting
 1:00 PM Prophetic Faith

WED (31) 10:00 AM Bible Study
 4:00 PM CARITAS works dinner
 8:00 PM 12-Step

FRI(2) 6:00 PM Vestry Retreat-ZOOM

SAT(3) 9:00 AM Vestry Retreat-Roslyn

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom

Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

NEXT WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:

February 4 — February 10

SUNDAY(4) 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II
 12:00 PM Pastoral Care Team
 1:00 PM Sacred Ground

TUES(6) 6:00 PM Community Dinner

WED (7) 10:00 AM Bible Study
 8:00 PM 12-Step

SAT(10) 9:00 AM Food Pantry
 12:00 PM A Conversation on Racial Healing
 River Road Baptist Church

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom

Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

Serving This Sunday, January 28

Celebrant: The Rev. Charles “Buck” Aiken

Deacon: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Preacher: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Verger: Penny Adams

First Reading: Douglas D’Urso

Second Reading: Kate Williams

Intercessor: Cameron Cutro **Chalicer:** Ryn Kennedy

Acolytes: Eleanor Herman and Fielding Boschen

Ushers: Steve and Mary Clark, Kristin Herman, Annette Spanel

Greeters: Penny Adams and Jim Contner

Children’s Worship: Malinda Collier & Bill Crowder

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild:

Mary Clark, Peter Walker, Andrea Lofton, Jean Winne

Altar Flowers: Douglas D’Urso

Coffee Hour:

The Vestry of St. Mark’s

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson

Serving Next Sunday, February 4

Celebrant: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Deacon: The Rev. Charles “Buck” Aiken

Preacher: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Verger: Elizabeth Kyser

First Reading: Jennifer Kaufman

Second Reading: Trey Damron

Intercessor: Virginia Damron **Chalicer:** Mike Maruca

Acolytes: Reeves and Fielding Boschen

Ushers: Tommy Clifton, Howard Pugh,
Jim Contner, Anson Matthews

Greeters: Dan Hartman and Phoebe Davis

Children’s Worship: Malinda Collier & Bill Crowder

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild:

Ivy Burnes, Mickie Jones

Altar Flowers: Pam Piercy

Coffee Hour: Malinda Collier, Don and Elizabeth Kyser,
Beth Wentworth, Ivy Burnes & Sandy Steele

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson