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.

Children's Worship is BACK! We will leave after the Gospel and return at the Peace. Best for ages 4–11.

Choir meets at noon today. Young Adults Gathering, 6pm The Beet Café at Ellwood Thompson.

The Office is closed Tuesday, October 10.

Prophetic Faith starts Sunday, October 22 at 1pm. Interested? Chat with Penny Adams or Karen Hardison. A Justice & Advocacy study.

Prayer List Update! While we pray for the whole world, we cannot pray for everyone by name. If you have asked for someone to be on the church prayer list please contact the office no later than October 22 to let us know if you want to keep them on.

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.

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.



Outreach:

VA PRIDE RESCHEDULE! PRIDE will take place Sunday, October 22 at the Bon Secours Training Center on Leigh Street. We will be there with other Central Richmond Region churches from noon –6pm.

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. **October 4 host is Steve Clark.**

Habitat for Humanity Build—Friday October 20, Saturday October 28! More information on the website. Sign-ups on-line (you will be asked to create an account) or talk to Ed Street.

CARITAS Meal Ministry. We will be providing a WORKS dinner on October 25.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:

October 8 — October 14

SUNDAY(8) 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II

Noon Choir

6 PM Young Adults

TUES (10) OFFICE CLOSED

5:00 PM Executive Team

WED(11) 10:00 AM Bible Study

7:00 PM Buck's Bible Study

8:00 PM 12-Step

SAT(14) 9:00 AM Food Pantry

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom

Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

NEXT WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:

October 15 — October 21

SUNDAY(15) 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II

Noon Evangelism Noon Worship

1:00 PM Sacred Ground

6 PM Young Adults

TUES (17) 6:00 PM Vestry Meeting

WED(18) 10:00 AM Bible Study

Noon Curmudgeon's

7:00 PM Buck's Bible Study

8:00 PM 12-Step

FRI (20) Habitat Build Day

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom

Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

Serving this Sunday, October 8

Celebrant: The Rev. Charles "Buck" Aiken

Deacon: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Preacher: Howard Pugh

Verger: Penny Adams

First Reading: TBA

Second Reading: Becky Adams

Intercessor: Annette Spanel Chalicer: TBA

Acolytes: Tess Downey & Frosty Owen

Ushers: Annette Spanel, Nick Roberts,

Steve and Mary Clark

Greeters: Margie Costas

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Sanford Eberly, Annette Spanel

Altar Flowers: Sanford Eberly

Coffee Hour: Karen Hardison and Amy Strite, Jeanine and

Michael Maruca, Annette Spanel

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson

Serving Next Sunday, October 15

Celebrant: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Deacon: The Rev. Charles "Buck" Aiken

Preacher: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Verger: Elizabeth Kyser

First Reading: Penny Adams

Second Reading: Becky Adams

Intercessor: Isabel Tucker Chalicer: Patrick McDuff

Acolytes: Grace & Thomas McDuff

Ushers: Dan Hartman, Miles and Isabel Tucker,

Fred Crowley

Greeters: Don & Elizabeth Kyser

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Liz Smith, Gayle Johnston,

Amy Strite, Carter Strite

Altar Flowers: Elaine Wittel

Coffee Hour: Mike and Allison Evranian, Pam Dummitt

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson