

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.

Today is our Church Picnic at Bryan Park, Shelter #1. Please plan to join us after church for BBQ and all the fixin's! Bryan Park is off Hermitage Road.

Young Adults Gathering, 6pm The Beet Café at Ellwood Thompson.

Next Sunday, October 1 is the Blessing of the Animals! 9am on Zoom and 4pm on the Porch. Bring your fur baby for a blessing.

St. Francis Fun & Learning Day is Saturday, September 30, 2-4pm. Best for ages 4-11ish. Tell Malinda TODAY if your youngster plans to attend.

Save the Date: Neighborhood Dinner returns Tuesday, October 3 at 6pm. \$10 for dinner.

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:

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. We now have meal teams to provide the breakfast on both 2nd and 4th Saturdays.** If you would like to join a team or help out on Saturdays let Karen know.

12-Step Ministry Contact Suzanne Long to learn more about supporting this important ministry. Wednesday evenings, 7:30—9:30pm. **September 27 host is Steve Clark.**

Habitat for Humanity Build—Friday October 20, Saturday October 28 work dates! More information on the website and in the emails. 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:

September 24 — September 30

SUNDAY(24) 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II
 Noon Church Picnic
 6:00 PM Young Adults

WED(27) 10:00 AM Bible Study
 7:00 PM Buck's Bible Study
 8:00 PM 12-Step

SAT(30) 2:00 PM St. Francis Fun &
 Learning

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom

Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

NEXT WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:

October 1 — October 7

SUNDAY(1) 9:00 AM Zoom Coffee Hour
 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II
 Noon Pastoral Care/Altar Guild
 4:00 PM Blessing of the Animals
 6:00 PM Young Adults

TUES(3) 6:00 PM Community Dinner

WED(4) 10:00 AM Bible Study
 7:00 PM Buck's Bible Study
 8:00 PM 12-Step

THURS(5) 5:00 PM Women Rowing

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom

Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

Serving this Sunday, September 24

Celebrant: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Deacon: The Rev. Charles "Buck" Aiken

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Sarah Kye Price

Verger: Douglas D'Urso

First Reading: Mike Maruca

Second Reading: Micki Jones

Intercessor: Kent Slonaker **Chalicer:** Mike Maruca

Acolytes: Eleanor Herman & Tess Downey

Ushers: Phoebe Davis, Mary Clark, Steve Clark,
 Kristin Herman

Greeters: Richard Yuk & Kenn Shirley

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Mary Clark, Peter Walker,
 Andrea Lofton, Jean Winne

Altar Flowers: Douglas D'Urso

Coffee Hour: Picnic-Parish Life

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Trey Damron

Serving Next Sunday, October 1

Celebrant: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Deacon: The Rev. Charles "Buck" Aiken

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Sarah Kye Price

Verger: Paul Shane

First Reading: Jennifer McCauley

Second Reading: Rob McTier

Intercessor: Peter Walker **Chalicer:** Phoebe Davis

Acolytes: Reeves & Hunter Marie Boschen

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

Greeters: Cameron and Kevin Cutro

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Ivy Burnes, Mickie Jones

Altar Flowers: Pam Piercy

Coffee Hour: Dan Hartman, Steve & Mary Clark,
 Ralph Stanley, Patrick & Blair McDuff

Alter Guild Zoom Host: NEEDED