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.

Mid-week Eucharists continue Wednesday May 8 at noon. Prayers for healing available. This service will be held on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.

Pastoral Care End of Life Forum is today, Sunday May 5, at noon. While there are many things in our lives we cannot control there are things we can do now to help insure that when our dying days come we are cared for and treated in ways that respect our dignity and our wishes. Some are practical like wills, trusts, and funeral planning. Others are less straight forward and address what care we want and what care we will refuse. Pastoral Care would like to help you and your family begin this discussion.

Raise to Renew Campaign! The time has come! With your support we will soon undertake the repair and renewal of the church interior. The obvious need is to plaster and paint, but erecting the scaffolding to do so presents exceptional opportunities to upgrade wiring, lighting, and sound. In addition to we hope to renovate and repair the entry way.

- We *will not* begin any phase of the renovation until we have the funding for that phase in hand. We will not borrow, nor will we take money from the investment account, as the return helps fund church operations.
- We ask that you read closely the campaign booklet, pray for the church, and commit to the "Raise to Renew." The Campaign Team is thrilled to announce that the Weinstein \$125,000.00 challenge grant has been met!!!!! This means we have the matching \$125,000.00 in cash in hand!!!

Thank you to all who have pledged!

Thank you to all who plan to pledge!

And thank you to all who are praying about a pledge!

We are hoping for 100% participation and just as we do in our annual giving campaign hoping to have a total of 100 pledges (we currently have 32). Every pledge counts no matter the amount!

Pentecost Planning—Sunday May 19. We are hoping to have the Pentecost Gospel read in different languages so if anyone out there is proficient in a foreign language (or can just confidently order off a menu) please let Father Benjamin or Karen Hardison know. If you have a Bible translation you like great - if not we'll find one for you.



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. May 11 Breakfast team is the Young Adult Team.

12-Step Ministry Contact Suzanne Long to learn more about supporting this important ministry. Wednesday evenings, 7:30—9:30pm. **May 8 host is Suzanne Long.**

CARITAS Meal ministry continues Wednesday May 29, 2024 with a CARITAS After 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:

May 5 — May 11

SUNDAY(5) 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II

12:00 PM Pastoral Care Forum-End

of Life

1:00 PM Sacred Ground

WED(8) 10:00 AM Bible Study

12:00 PM Mid-Week Eucharist

8:00 PM 12-Step

SAT(11) 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:

May 12 —May 18

SUNDAY(12) 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II

12:00 PM Choir

1:00 PM Prophetic Faith

<u>TUES(14)</u> 5:30 PM Executive Team Meeting

WED(15) 10:00 AM Bible Study

12:00 PM Curmudgeon Lunch

8:00 PM 12-Step

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom

Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

Serving This Sunday, May 5

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Sarah Kye Price

Deacon: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Preacher: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Verger: Elizabeth Kyser

First Reading: Virginia Damron

Second Reading: Trey Damron

Intercessor: Don Kyser **Chalicer:** Ryn Kennedy

Acolytes: Reeves & Hunter Marie Boschen

Ushers: Howard Pugh, Trey Damron, Jim Contner, Anson Matthews

Greeters: Dan Hartman, Phoebe Davis

Children's Worship: Malinda Collier & Kent Slonaker

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Ivy Burnes, Mickie Jones

Altar Flowers: Pam Piercy

Coffee Hour: Frugard, O' Reilly, Thompson

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson

Serving Next Sunday, May 12

Celebrant: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Deacon: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Preacher: Dale Smith

Verger: Mike Evranian

First Reading: Karen Franklin

Second Reading: Harold Wright

Intercessor: Howard Pugh Chalicer: Mike Maruca

Acolytes: Fielding Boschen and Tess Downey

Ushers: Elam Jarrells, Harold Wright, Annette Spanel, Nick Roberts

Greeters: Cameron and Kevin Cutro

Children's Worship: Malinda Collier & Kent Slonaker

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Sanford Eberly, Annette Spanel

Altar Flowers: Sanford Eberly

Coffee Hour: Adams, Contner, Cutro, Kennedy

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson