



**ST MARK**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



# The Happenings

*Our mission is to glorify God and by the power of the Holy Spirit, provide opportunities for all people to know, love and follow Jesus Christ.*

December 22 — 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent  
John 3:16-17  
Let LOVE Break Through



## **CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP**

December 24, 5:00pm. Family Worship O'Tannenbaum

December 24, 7:00pm. Christmas Eve Candlelight  
Service with Communion.



## **ST. MARK CHURCH CALENDAR**

Church office will be closed on December 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> in observance of Christmas and January 1<sup>st</sup> for New Year's Day.



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 22:	4th Sunday in Advent Worship Service: Let Love Break Through	10:30 am
December 23:	Youth Super – Secret Christmas Mission	4:00 pm
December 24:	Christmas Eve Family Service Candlelight and Communion Service (childcare available)	5:00 pm 7:00 pm
December 29:	1st Sunday of Christmas Worship Service	10:30 am
January 5:	Epiphany Worship Service Epiphany Party	10:30 am 11:30 am

You're invited!

# EPIPHANY PARTY

Sunday, January 5, 2025  
 11:30 a.m. (following worship)  
 Family Life Center



a fun event for everyone  
 with lunch and activities to help us  
 discover our newborn savior

RSVP  
 CHRISTIANED@STMARKTX.ORG



**WOMEN'S GATHERING 2025**



# WOMEN'S *Gathering* 2025

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1  
 8:30 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M.  
 FAMILY LIFE CENTER

Join us for a morning of fellowship and renewal in God's Word!

Cost: \$25 includes breakfast and lunch  
 Childcare available  
 Register by 1/20/2025



*...think on such things.*  
 PHILIPPIANS 4:8





# CHRISTMAS JOY SPECIAL OFFERINGS

CHURCH LEADERS—PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

The Christmas Joy Offering has been a cherished Presbyterian tradition since the 1930s. The Offering distributes gifts equally to the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions and to Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color. The Assistance Program provides critical financial support to church workers and their families. Presbyterian-related schools and colleges provide education and leadership development while nurturing racial and ethnic heritage. This has been a Presbyterian commitment for nearly 140 years.

## Prepare the Way

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Providing assistance to current and retired church workers and their families in their time of need, and developing our future leaders at Presbyterian related schools and colleges

Envelopes will be available in the pews Sundays December 15 & 22 or donations can be sent to the office

**FAITHFUL FRIENDS AND FAMILY NIGHTS AT ST. MARK**  
Each Wednesday from 4:00-5:30pm.

**JOIN US FOR**  
**FAITHFUL**  
**FRIENDS AND**  
**FAMILY NIGHTS @ ST MARK**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Each Wednesday from 4:00 to 5:30 students cared for by St Mark volunteers while they enjoy soccer shots, Art/Drama/Story & Stretch, Snack.

**REGISTER NOW** >

150\$ for first child and 50\$ for each additional sibling

5:30 to 6:30, Families arrive and join children and church members for dinner!

**Wednesdays from January 22nd to February 26th**

VISIT [Stmarktx.org](http://Stmarktx.org)

**Soccer Shots®**

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScN1YS5YxyXt2h\\_JA-wnNxslJz-qRYdT7nWmyAaa5bjGKBIXA/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScN1YS5YxyXt2h_JA-wnNxslJz-qRYdT7nWmyAaa5bjGKBIXA/viewform)

## ST. MARK LEADERSHIP 2024

<b>ELDERS</b>	
Adult Christian Education	Dan Garber
Children and Youth Christian Education	Kathleen Ramey
Communication	Karen Ragsdale
Congregational Life	Christine Snyder, Gina Klein
Finance/Stewardship	Wally Doppenberg
Outreach	Lynn Bellow, Woody Paul
Personnel	Neal Patton
Property	Rick Eckersley
Strategic Planning	Dave Thomas
Worship	Andy Phillips, Rylynn Fenton
Clerk of Session	Julie McCarty
Treasurer	Bill Manzini
Deacon Liaison	Lynn Bellow
ELC Liaison	Dave Thomas
<b>DEACONS</b>	
Card and Flowers	Monica Phillips - Clerk
Driver Assistance	Wanda Pounders - Moderator
Member Care	Crystal McElhenney
Member Care and In-Home Communion	Ruben Trono
Pastoral Support	Pat Anderson
Receptions	Nona Annett, Paula Witt
Visitors Follow Up	Melanie Doppenberg
<b>TRUSTEES</b>	
Member	Gina Klein
Chair	Andy Phillips
Secretary	Dave Thomas



**Weekly Calendar December 22<sup>nd</sup> – December 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Explorers Class – Rick Eckersley	9:00 AM	FLC # 107/108
Disciple Class – Dan Garber	9:15 AM	FLC # 109
Nursery Care (Birth to pre-kinder)	9:15 AM	FLC # 106
Elementary Sunday School – Angela Grover	9:15 AM	FLC # 104
Youth Sunday School – Theresa Gateley	9:15 AM	FLC # 103
Engaging God's Word – Rob West	9:15 AM	FLC # 101
St. Mark Worship Service in Person	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
<a href="https://www.youtube.com/@stmarkpresbyterianchurchbo7319/streams">https://www.youtube.com/@stmarkpresbyterianchurchbo7319/streams</a>		Online
Table Fellowship – Karen Ragsdale	11:30 AM	Shang Hai

**Monday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Super-Secret Christmas Mission	4:00 PM	FLC # 107/108
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**Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**

Christmas Eve Family Worship Service	5:00 PM	Sanctuary
Christmas Eve Candlelight	7:00 PM	Sanctuary

**Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

**Thursday, December 26<sup>th</sup>**

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