

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.

April 20th – Easter Sunday

GOOD FRIDAY AND BOTH SUNDAY EASTER SERVICES WILL BE STREAMED ON YOUTUBE. <u>https://www.youtube.com/@stmarkpresbyterianchurchbo7319/streams</u>

PLEASE NOTE: The church office will be closed on April 21st. For pastoral emergency please call 281-468-9831. Our Sunday School classes will NOT meet on Easter, 4/20.

vou're invited to add your to the cross

This Lent March 5- April 19, 2025 take a streamer, write your prayer and hang it on the cross

> Streamers available in the Hospitality Center and near the cross. If you need assistance, we will hang it for you.

HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday

April 17 at 6:00 p.m. Dinner, Worship Service and Communion Family Life Center (Bring one pair of new fuzzy socks for chemo patients)

Good Friday

April 18 at 6:30 p.m. Sanctuary

Easter Sunday

April 20 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship 10:00 a.m. Continental Brunch, Egg Hunt and Butterfly Release 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

Reminder: Beware of Scams

Please be aware that church staff will **never** contact you by text, email, or phone to ask for personal favors, financial assistance, or gift cards. If you receive such a message, do **not respond**—it is a scam. If you're unsure about any communication, please contact the church office directly. Stay safe and thank you for your vigilance!

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE



In commemoration of the Last Supper, when Jesus celebrated His final Passover with His disciples, a Maundy Thursday worship service is planned for St. Mark. We will share a soup supper together on Thursday, April 17th, starting at 6:00 pm in the Family Life Center (FLC), followed by a worship service and communion. All activities will be held at the tables in the FLC. We hope as many of you as possible are able to attend this service.

This year, at the Maundy Thursday service, we will be focusing on the Spiritual Practice of "serving others." As part of the worship service, a special project, that centers on writing a prayer or note of encouragement to go with much needed socks and baby booties, is planned to benefit the cancer center at San Antonio Medical Center (SAMC) and the pregnancy center here in Boerne. If possible, please bring a new pair of adult-size socks to the Maundy Thursday service.

These socks are a symbol representing when Jesus washed His disciples' feet before celebrating the Last Supper. He then encouraged the disciples to wash each other's feet, saying, "Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done to you. Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them." (John 13:14-17)

Thank you and hope to see you there.



GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE



A Solemn Reflection for Holy Week

We are pleased to invite you to join us for our **Tenebrae Service**, a sacred and reflective observance that takes place during Holy Week. Tenebrae, which means "darkness" or "shadows" in Latin, is an ancient Christian tradition that commemorates the final days leading up to the crucifixion of Christ.

Date: Friday, April 18 **Time:** 6:30 PM **Location:** Sanctuary

This service, marked by its deep reverence, involves the gradual extinguishing of candles as we meditate on the suffering and passion of Christ. The Tenebrae Service serves as a profound moment of reflection, inviting us to walk with Christ through His final hours in the shadow of His sacrifice.

Throughout the service, scripture readings, hymns and anthems will guide us through the darkness, while the symbolic extinguishing of light represents the abandonment and sorrow Christ experienced.

We encourage you to come and experience this powerful tradition as we enter into the sacred mystery of Christ's Passion. This is a time for prayer, reflection, and spiritual renewal.

All are welcome. Please feel free to invite family and friends to participate in this special observance.

Note: The Tenebrae Service is a contemplative and solemn event, so we ask that all attendees arrive quietly and remain in silence throughout the service.

May this Holy Week deepen your faith and understanding of Christ's love for us. We look forward to sharing this sacred time with you.

If you need transportation to any of our evening services, please contact the church office at 830-816-3000 or email at office@stmarktx.org

SNEAK PEEK: ALL-CHURCH RETREAT Come Join Us on May 4th – 12:30 PM



Get your tickets today! Available in the Hospitality Center or in the office during office hours. Contact Gina Klein with any questions at <u>ginakklein@gmail.com</u>

ST. MARK SCHOLARSHIP

Application packets for the 2025 St Mark Presbyterian Church Scholarship(s) are now available on the church website; go to "About Us" and click on "Resources." There is a PDF version to make applying even easier. Or click on this link: <u>Scholarship Application</u>

Applications must be completed and turned into the church office or via email to Gina Klein at <u>ginakklein@gmail.com</u>. The deadline is May 1, 2025.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Registration for volunteers is open now! (childcare available for volunteers with children under age 4 as of June 1, 2025)

We still need:

- leader and helpers for preschool groups
- helpers for the special needs group
- snack helper
- greeters

If you can't help the whole week, just make a note on your registration.

Please click on the <u>link</u> to register.

CALLING ALL DINNER THEATER ENTHUSIASTS!

St. Mark is going to host a Dinner Theater on Saturday, September 20th and Sunday, September 21st to benefit a planned international mission trip in 2026.

The title of the play is "*The True Meaning of Christmas*" written and with Music/Lyrics by our very own Dion Denevan!

If you are interested in being part of this event, whether that's acting, being a host/hostess, cooking, decorating, etc., please let Calleen Friedel know by *April 15th* via text or call at 210-376-7236.

Even though we expect to sell out the shows, it's not time to make a reservation quite yet. More information on that will be coming!

Thank you,

Outreach Ministry





GROWING FULLER at Table Fellowship

Sunday April 20th

- Sunday April 27th
- Sunday May 4th
- Sunday May 11th

Sunday May 18th

Sunday May 25th

Easter Sunday The Bevy Hotel Camp Capers – Sneak Peek Sauced Wing Bar Black Board BBQ – Sisterdale Shang Hai Restaurant

JOIN US FOR OUR HABITAT PROJECT IN KERRVILLE!



For those of you that put "Habitat for Humanity" as a service opportunity on your surveys last year, Outreach Ministry listened. On **Saturday May 3rd**, we have an opportunity to work with Habitat for Humanity in Kerrville from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

The home under construction we were going to work on will be completed prior to our May 3rd service date... great news for the homeowner! So, the project Habitat would like us to help with is repainting the exterior of their model home office.

A group of 10-15 people is ideal. Habitat would like any age to come help, but they feel the safest with minors 14 years old or older; 16 and up do not have to have a parent or guardian accompanying them.

If interested in serving, please **click on the image below** to sign up: or contact Calleen Friedel at (210) 376-7236.



WEEKLY CALENDAR APRIL 20th – APRIL 25th

| Sunday, April 20th | | | |
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| Easter Contemporary Service in Person and Online | 9:00 AM | Sanctuary | |
| Continental Breakfast, Easter Egg Hunt, Butterfly Release | 10:00 AM | Hospitality, FLC, Church Grounds | |
| St. Mark Easter Traditional Worship Service in Person | 10:30 AM | Sanctuary | |
| Online: https://www.youtube.com/@stmarkpresbyterianchurchbo7319/streams | | YouTube | |
| Monday, April 21st | | | |
| Church Office will be Closed for Easter Monday | | | |
| Tuesday, April 22nd | | | |
| Jericho Safety Meeting | 9:00 AM | FLC # 109 | |
| Staff Meeting | 12:00 PM | Parlor | |
| Pickleball – Carol Trono | 6:00 PM | FLC | |
| Wednesday, April 23rd | | | |
| Morning Glorias – Carlyn Crawford | 8:00 AM | ZOOM | |
| Bible Study – Rev. Ann Marie Quigley- Swanson | 10:30 PM | FLC # 107/108 | |
| Compassion in Action (CIA) – Betty Parr | 12:00 PM | FLC # 107/108 | |
| Property Evaluation Task Force | 3:30 PM | FLC #109 | |
| Centering Prayer – Lynn Bellow | 5:00 PM | ZOOM | |
| Choir Rehearsal – Mary Beth Thomas | 6:30 PM | Choir Room | |
| A Few Good Men – Robert Klein | 6:30 PM | Parlor | |
| Thursday, April 24th | | | |
| Women of the Word (WOW) – Angela Grover | 9:00 AM | FLC # 107/108 | |
| Pickleball – Paul Cashion | 11:00 AM | FLC | |
| Friday, April 25th | | | |
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ST. MARK LEADERSHIP - 2025

| ELDERS | | |
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| Adult Christian Education | | |
| Children and Youth Christian Education | Faith Cleary | |
| Communication / Evangelism | Dave Thomas | |
| Congregational Life | Gina Klein, Sally West | |
| Finance/Stewardship | Wally Doppenberg, Kim Heinze | |
| Human Relations | Lynn Manzini | |
| Outreach | Woody Paul, Crystal McElhenney | |
| Property | Rick Eckersley | |
| Worship | E-J Warren, Kathleen Ramey | |
| Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC) | Dave Thomas, Kathleen Ramey | |
| Deacon Liaison | Kathleen Ramey | |
| ELC Liaison | Dave Thomas | |
| Clerk of Session | Julie McCarty, Dave Thomas | |
| Treasurer | Bill Manzini | |
| DEACONS | | |
| Moderator / Pastoral Support / Prayer Chain Support | Pat Anderson | |
| Receptions | Nona Annett | |
| New Member Integration | Tonya Beilstein | |
| Visitor Follow Up Ministry | Melanie Doppenberg | |
| Member Care Ministry | Lisa Paul, Kim Hodge | |
| Receptions / Diaconate Clerk / Flower Delivery | Monica Phillips | |
| Driver Assistance Ministry / Meal Coordinator | Wanda Pounders | |
| Member Follow Up Ministry | Betty Robertson | |
| Card Ministry | Paula Witt | |
| TRUSTEES | | |
| Chair | Dave Thomas | |
| Member & Registered Agent for St. Mark | Gina Klein | |
| Recorder | Lynn Manzini | |
| STAFF | | |
| Rev. Ann Marie Quigley-Swanson | Pastor, Head of Staff | |
| Claudia Beldean | Office Manager | |
| Marilyn Bonaguro | Nursery Coordinator | |
| Jennifer Dillard | Financial & HR Associate | |
| Angela Grover | Dir. of Christian Education & Youth | |
| Kristine Luisi | Dir. of Early Learning Center (ELC) | |
| Andy Phillips | Pianist | |
| Lynn Puckett | Organist | |
| Alan Reyes | Sexton | |
| Mary Beth Thomas | Chancel Choir Director | |
| Ron Thompson | Worship Team Leader | |
| Kayla Young | Ministry Associate | |