ST. MARK’S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

“Opening the doors of Christ’s love: an inviting, embracing and serving community offering Good News in the midst of a confusing world.”

August 16, 2015

Welcome Newcomers and Visitors

The members, staff, and Vestry of St. Mark’s Episcopal Church welcome you to our services this Pentecost season. If you are looking for a church home, or want more information about St. Mark’s, please make use of one of our visitor’s cards and give to our clergy or place in the offertory plate.

Prayer List

Please pray for those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or any other adversity, especially in the St. Mark’s Parish: Shirley Hunter, Clara Bottner, Betty Hughes, Lindsay Drabick, Dick Stockstill, Juliana, Albie, Lou, Janet, Judy, Sarah Derringer, Curtis Randolph, Hailey Keenon, Muriel Hughes, Mary Horner, Deanna Runeman, the family of Jordan Greene, the Fullerton family, Connie Goodrich, Cornelia, Earl Winsor, Franklin Dillich, Beth Oakes, Wendy Delay and Rebecca as well as our Extended Family: Donna Mayne, Elizabeth Jenkins, Nancy DeLay, Margo Digan, Phyllis Nezart-Biggs, Daniel Gold, Sylvia Beauchamp, Janet Coco, Kamryn Jesperson, Don Lopez, Vicki Robb, Susan Oldow Patterson, David Raj, Bud Woodson, Fr. Stephen Plumlee, Josephine, Emma Jane, Vincent, Renee, Charlotte Douthit, Morris Davis, Keith Derringer, Michelle Smith, Allison St. Louis and family, her father Lawrence, Kelly Clark, Keith Scott, Linda, Ashley, Avery, Fr. R. Stephen Powers, Doug Smith, Sr. and Jr., Lynne Luxner, Julie Knight, Heather Harris, Matt and William. We pray for those of every generation who live with the wounds of war or who have given their lives for this nation. For all military and civilian personnel and those serving in harm’s way. We lift up especially Andrew Kley, Robert Payne, Karl Lautenschlager, and Tim, Emily and family.

Announcements

Sunday School 2016! Registration begins on Sunday, August 30th, with classes commencing on September 13th! We look forward to another blessed year teaching our young people about God and his love. Join us!
We wish our college students the best! Best wishes to our college students as they head off to school: Alli Foster, Patrice Parker, Chipper Brink, Nana Marfo, Kobe Marfo, Ethan Morrison, Maddie Murchie-Beyma, Zoe Slobodin, Leah Slobodin, Gaby Pineda, Frida Cruz, Amber Whishi, Kevannah Campbell, Kristina Campbell, Jean Luc Maigrot, Austin Hamrin, Grace Hardy, Ben Hardy, Sarah Heffner and Grace Heffner. Please keep them in your prayers.

Baseball anyone? We have been invited to the Washington National’s “Faith Day” celebration on Saturday, September 19. The game begins at 4:00 and player testimonials and post-game performances by local church choirs will occur afterward. If 13 or more people sign up, tickets are $27.00. Tickets will be reserved if we have 13 people committed to attending. Sign up by calling the church office at 703-765-3949. Reservations needed by September 1st.

Help needed! Volunteers are needed to help Rev. Meredith clean out the Sunday School supply cabinets in preparation for a new school year. Please join her at 1:00 on August 20th to help with this effort. There’s no telling what we will find!

Summer Crafts: We encourage you to bring your children to church during the summer and are offering crafts during the first part of our 10:00 am worship service. In order to make this work, we need volunteers each Sunday to work with the children. Crafts will be provided. See Ashley Bryda to sign up.

Birthdays
August 16 – Pamela Smith
August 22 – Mathilda Williams

Important Upcoming Dates
August 21–23 Shrine Mont Weekend

This Week at St. Mark’s

Today
8:00 a.m. HE, 9:15 a.m. Adult Forum (PH), 10 a.m. HE, 1:00-3:00 p.m. San Marcos (Sanctuary, PH, GH), 3:30-5:45 p.m. Amazing Grace Ghanaian Fellowship (PH), 4:00-8:00 p.m. Pan de Vida (Sanctuary)

Monday, 8/17
7:00-8:30 p.m. BSA Troop #4077 (PH).

Tuesday, 8/18
7:00-9:00 p.m. Pan de Vida Bible Study

Wednesday, 8/19
10:00 am HE, The Fairfax

Thursday, 8/20
9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10:00 a.m. Holy Folders

Friday, 8/21
7:00 -9:30 p.m. Pan de Vida (Sanctuary)
**Saturday, 8/22**
7:00 a.m. Farmer’s Market, 6-9:30 p.m. Pan de Vida (Sanctuary), 7-9:00 p.m. San Marcos Bible Study (lg. classroom)

**Adult Forum**
August – Mr. Michael Foughty and “The Dream of God.”

**Invitation To Join A Saint Mark’s Ministry**
Have you been looking for an opportunity to get involved in the Saint Mark’s community? During August and September we will be profiling our various ministries by providing interactive opportunities to talk directly to those parishioners already serving in each ministry. And, if the Spirit moves you, perhaps you will consider signing up to join your fellow parishioners in supporting Saint Mark’s through volunteering. Please consider signing up to join a Saint Mark’s ministry: **Flower Guild**, August 16, **Choir**, August 30, **Lectors/Intercessors**, September 6, **Lay Eucharistic Ministers/Chalice**, September 20, **Ushers**, September 27, **Daughters of the King**, October 4. If you have any questions or would like to talk to me about serving the Saint Mark’s community, please free to contact me. In Peace, Linda Berg, Vestry - Worship. Email: labrg48@cox.net and phone: 703-765-6821.

**Reminder** that **Four Paws**, a local cat rescue group, is in need of foster homes. If you can find room in your home and heart, please call Julie at 301-814-4116. Thank you!

**Collect for Jonathan Daniels**
O God of justice and compassion, you put down the proud and mighty from their place, and lift up the poor and the afflicted: We give you thanks for your faithful witness Jonathan Myrick Daniels, who, in the midst of injustice and violence, risked and gave his life for another; and we pray that we, following his example, may make no peace with oppression; through Jesus Christ the just one, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen
Bishop’s Visit

Vacation Bible School