

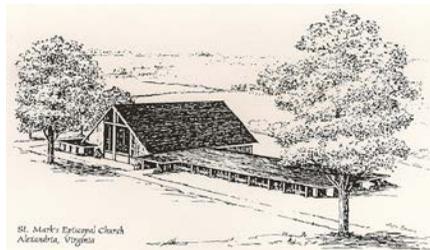
Today

This Week at St. Mark's

8:00 am – HE, The Rev. Michael Pumphrey, Preacher
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1:00- 4:00p – Iglesia San Marcos (S,PH,GH)
4:00-8:00 pm – Pan de Vida (S)

Monday, 3/5 7:00-8:30pm – BS Troop 4077 (PH)
Tuesday, 3/6 10:30am -11:30am - Tuesday Morning Bible Study
7-9:00 pm-Pan de Vida (S)
Wednesday, 3/7 10:30 am – HE – The Fairfax – The Rev. John Weatherly
6:30pm - Lenten Dinner and Discussion at Olivet
7-9:00 pm – San Marcos (PH)
Thursday, 3/8 9:30 am – Morning Prayers
10:00 am – Holy Folders
Friday, 3/9 5:00-7:00pm – San Marcos
7:00-9:00 pm – Pan de Vida (S)
Saturday, 3/10 1:30PM - Truth Deliverance Church
Sunday, 3/11 8:00am – HE, –Michaelene Miller, Preacher
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Special Offerings in March
March 11th – World Relief Day
March 29th – Maundy Thursday
March 30th – Good Friday



ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

“Opening the doors of Christ’s love:”

March 4, 2018

From the Rector’s Desk

Never Give Up!

In the middle of WWII on October 29, 1941 Winston Churchill delivered a short address at the Harrow School. He said to the students:

"You cannot tell from appearances how things will go. Sometimes imagination makes things out far worse than they are; yet without imagination not much can be done. Those people who are imaginative see many more dangers than perhaps exist; certainly many more than will happen; but then they must also pray to be given that extra courage to carry this far-reaching imagination.

But for everyone, surely, what we have gone through in this period - I am addressing myself to the School - surely from this period of ten months this is the lesson: never give in, never give in, never, never, never, never-in nothing, great or small, large or petty - never give in except to convictions of honor and good sense. Never yield to force; never yield to the apparently overwhelming might of the enemy. We stood all alone a year ago, and to many countries it seemed that our account was closed, we were finished. All this tradition of ours, our songs, our School history, this part of the history of this country, were gone and finished and liquidated. [Churchill continues:] Very different is the mood today. Britain, other nations thought, had drawn a sponge across her slate. But instead our country stood in the gap. There was no flinching and no thought of giving in; and by what seemed almost a miracle to those outside these Islands, though we ourselves never doubted it, we now find ourselves in a position where I say that we can be sure that we have only to persevere to conquer."

The church at times forgets that this is also God's message.

Intercessions, Thanksgiving, Prayer Requests

Please pray for those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or adversity, especially in the St. Mark’s Parish: Betty Hughes, Lindsay Drabick, Dick Stockstill, Juliana, Albie, Lou, Janet, Judy, Sarah Derringer, Muriel Hughes, Mary, Caroline Bradford, Jeanette Parris, Kimberly Earle, Carol Farley, John Dell, Kevannah Campbell, Velma Campbell, Emily Davis, Kent White, Rosemarie Beyma & the Lewis family, including Gloria & Karen, Rebecca Carrier, Beth Oakes, Pat Hoppe.

Extended family: Phyllis Nezart-Biggs, Rod Pearson Sr., Betty Bradley, Sandra Robinson, Elmore, Mike Greenham, Kwan Dae Suk, Jean Blair, Gordon Murchie, Bob Schaeffer & Jenny Crabb, Carol Ostergard, Kevin and Richard Campbell, Baby Iris, Grayson Howard, Isatu Samura, Wendell Patterson, Emmett Sims, Sarif Harding, the Vangroll Family, Carol Rose, Sylvia Beauchamp, Sylvia Wren, David, Ellen, and Erin Mitchell, Roger Ray, Sally Belk, John Sims.

For all military and civilian personnel and those serving in harm’s way, we lift up Colin Maloney, Robert Payne, Tim, Emily and family, Walter Smiley, Andrew Kley, Pat Foughty and Brian Talay. We pray for those of every generation who live with the wounds of war or who have given their lives for this nation.

Announcements

Important Lenten Calendar Dates

March 3rd and 4th - Vestry Retreat at Roslyn
March 4th - The Rev. Michael Pumphrey, Celebrant and Preacher
March 7th - 6:30pm, Lenten Dinner and Discussion, Olivet Episcopal Church
March 14th - 6:30pm - Lenten Dinner and Discussion, Sharon Chapel, All Saint's Church
March 17th - Ms. Michaelene Miller ordained to the Diaconate
March 25th - Passion or Palm Sunday/ Mission Team Bake Sale

The Gospel at Colonus: Did you know your Parish Administrator is also in theater and music artist? Come out and experience a great gospel musical—"The Gospel at Colonus"! It transforms Sophocles timeless tale of Oedipus into a parable for our times. It is now playing at the Gunston Arts Center-Theater Two, 2700 South Lang Street, Arlington, Va. every Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday (matinees on Saturday & Sunday) through March 25, 2018. Tickets are available online at avantbard.org/tickets or you can contact Becky Sanders.



Prayer for the Vestry on its Retreat: Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel in our Vestry for the renewal and mission of the Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Shrine Mont: The mountains are calling. Will you go?? Shrine Mont is looking for Camp Counselors. Whether you used to be a camper or not, they will teach you what you need to know to make a positive impact on kids. Transform your summer. Challenge yourself. Join the team. For more information go to shrinemontcamps.net/counselor-applicants.

Volunteers Needed!: We are looking for two or three adults who can accompany our Mission Team to Charleston, S.C., June 23rd to June 30th. You must be able to drive a 15 passenger van, sleep on the floor, eat food handled by teams of 10 people and smile when feeling grumpy. We will provide an opportunity of a life time and health insurance during the trip. If you are interested, please contact Gaby Pineda or Rev. Weatherly.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Please join us at our Tuesday Morning Bible Study from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Below is more information on the topic we will be exploring: Names are important to us. "What is your name?" is often the first question we ask a person. And as we get to know people, their names take on deeper significance, bringing to mind the personality and character of the person. Throughout the Old Testament, God revealed different aspects of His Holy character with different names. This Bible study examines six of these names in the context in which they were given, allowing us to see the infinite character of our loving God. Workbook \$8.00

Session titles below:

3. Our Banner (Exodus 17:8-16) March 6th
4. Our Peace (Judges 6:11-16,22-24) March 13th
5. Our Shepherd (Psalm 23:1-6) March 20th
6. Our Righteousness (Jeremiah 33:3-8,14-16) March 27th

Easter Egg Hunt: Our annual Easter Egg Hunt is coming soon. Donations of small individually wrapped candy and plastic eggs are needed for the hunt. For more information, please contact Pam Hamrin.

Outreach: Please check board in the Narthex to see upcoming opportunities. As St. Mark's parishioners, positively engage our community by reaching out!

VIC Meeting: The next VIC meeting will be held March 7, 2018 at Heritage Presbyterian Church at 11:30am. Supervisor Jeff McKay will be the speaker. Lunch will be provided. For more information, please contact Rosemary Kley.

E-giving -Getting started with online giving is easy. Visit stmarksalex.org and click the "Donate Now" link to create an account and make your donation.

Please wear your name tag! If you need one, please let us know.



Upcoming Birthdays

- 2/25 - Dick Stockstill- Happy 90th Birthday!!!
3/5 - Frances Robles
3/6 - Jim Bailes/Eric Bryda
3/8 - Jessica Pierce
3/10 - Cheryl Lewis/Leah Slobodin