

# St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

November 16, 2023

## Upcoming Events

### Access Plus Ramp Build

11/18, Saturday 8:00 a.m.

### Fishpond Thanksgiving Meal Basket Delivery

11/21, Tuesday 9:00 a.m.

### Thanksgiving

11/23, Thursday

### Baptism

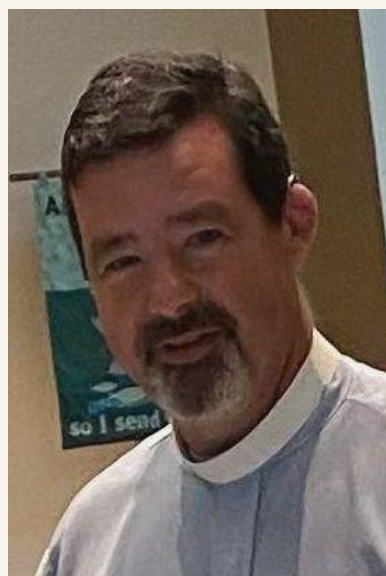
11/26, Sunday 10:00 a.m.

### Election of Delegates & Alternates to Diocesan Council

12/3, Sunday 11:30 a.m.

## From the Rector

Fr. Doug Wasinger



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The public leaders of Paul of Tarsus's time had a motto: "Peace and Security." This saying was used to explain why a strong military and a swift dispensing of justice were needed to maintain the status quo of the Roman Empire. However, what people of the Roman Empire were experiencing from time to time was not peace and security but fear and chaos. I think the word "accountability" has taken on the same nature today. It is meant to indicate strength; however, accountability is now being used to punish or threaten people and organizations. The threat of punishment does not lead to useful correction but more defiance and resistance.

To read the rest of the article, [click here](#).

## Sunday Worship Service

10:00 a.m.--Holy Eucharist-Sanctuary

[Visit our website](#)

## Access Plus Ramp Build

### Access Plus Ramp Build 2519 Morris St. Saturday, 11/18, 8:00 a.m.

The November ramp build is for a sweet lady named Maria. She and her family are grateful that she will be receiving the blessing of a ramp build to give her better access to her home.

If this ministry interests you, but you feel that you don't have the skills necessary to help, please don't let that stop you. Doug Wayland and his team would be happy to train you.



## Fishpond Thanksgiving Food Baskets



### Food Items for Fishpond Residents

### Need of Plastic Bags

We have everything we need to supply the food items for Thanksgiving Dinner to 90 residents at Fishpond Living Apartments.

*Thank you to everyone who participated in the collection.*

*We couldn't bless the residents without your help!*

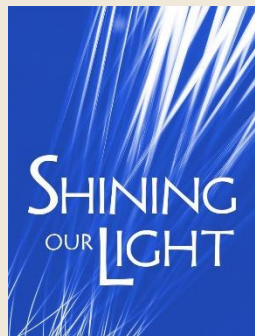
If you have extra plastic bags, like H.E.B. bags, could you bring them to the church this Sunday? We need around 200 and have about 80. **Thank you!**

## Thanksgiving

**Happy  
Thanksgiving!  
Wishing Your  
Family a Very  
Blessed Holiday!**



## Shining Our Light Campaign Results



### Ingathering of Ministry Support Cards

The initial ingathering of the 2024 Ministry Support Cards on Sunday, November 5th, was quite good. The total amount of support for 2024 came in at a little over \$222,000. It's a great start.

It's not too late to submit your Ministry of Support for 2024 cards. We will have extra cards available Sunday if you need one. You may also mail yours in. Fr. Doug will take them to the sanctuary, where he'll place them on the altar to bless them before they are accounted for.

Here's a PDF of the [Ministry Support Card](#) if you would like to print out a copy.

**THANK YOU** for your support of the ministry that will happen through St. Mark's!

## Baptism

### Ayden Guerra Baptism Sunday, November 26th

Ayden Guerra's baptism has rescheduled for Sunday, November 26th. Make plans to welcome him into the family of God through the Sacrament of Baptism.



## Adult Bible Study



### Adult Bible Study of the Gospel of Mark Sundays, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

All are welcome to join the Bible study. Come to one week, or come to them all. The class meets in the fellowship hall at noon and ends around 1:00 p.m. Grab a cup of coffee and some snacks, then head over to the designated tables to sit down.

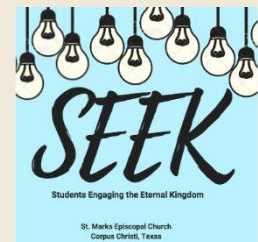
Here are links for past study dates and the upcoming Sunday:

[the introduction](#) to the class  
[map of the Sea of Galilee](#)  
[chapter one](#) study notes  
[chapter two](#) study notes  
[chapter three](#) study notes  
[chapter four](#) sturdy notes

## Youth Group & Children's Ministry

### SEEK Youth Group Meets Sundays at 11:30 a.m.

Youth group meets right after the worship service, so grab a snack and a drink, and bring them with you to the youth room. Come see everyone and catch up!



## Camp Capers Mid-Winter Camps I, II, and III: January 2024

Registration is open for Mid-Winter Camps at Camps Capers the first three weekends of January 2024. With dedicated sessions for 9th-12th graders, 6th-8th graders, and 2nd-5th grade campers, Mid-Winter Camps are opportunities to recharge midway through the school year, reuniting with camp friends and making new ones, while growing and learning in faith.

**Camp I--1/5-1/7--9th - 12th grade**

**Camp I--1/12-1/14--6th - 8th grade**

**Camp III--1/19-1/21--2nd - 5th grade**

[Click here](#) for more information or to register.

## Timon's Ministry Collection



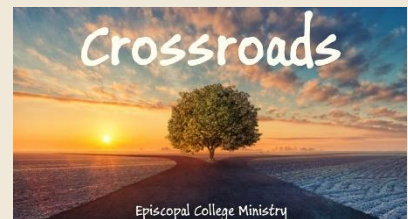
### Timon's Ministry Men's Clothing Collection

Timon's Ministry has requested donations of new or gently used men's small or medium sweatpants and jeans. They are also in need of tennis shoes of all sizes for men. If you can donate any of these items, please bring them by the church office. Thank you for your help.

## College & Young Adult Ministry

### Crossroads Table Talk Thursdays, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Del Mar College

The ministry to college students and young adults began recently and will continue weekly on Thursdays beginning at 12:00 p.m. Del Mar College is hosting the gathering in the Harvin Student Center in Conference Room #1. Fr. Doug is leading a themed discussion each week to offer a safe place for those who are curious about faith to come learn and share their lives.



## 2024 Flower Chart



### 2024 Flower Chart Available

If you'd like to sponsor the altar flowers on a Sunday to honor a special event or person in your life, please sign up on the new 2024 flower chart available in the entryway to the sanctuary. A reminder email will be sent at the beginning of the month for which you signed up to sponsor the flowers. It will include a request for how you would like the dedication to read and information about taking care of the cost, which is \$55. Please remember that we won't have altar flowers during Lent.

## Honor Choir Thank You

The Honor Choir  
Sent a Lovely Thank  
You Card.



Thanks to  
Fr. Doug  
, David  
, Judy  
and  
everyone!

Hello! from  
The Honor choir!  
Wow, 'What a  
generous donation,  
y'all! This works out  
beautifully as a "dis  
scholarship" since singers  
parents owe \$40/mo. your  
gift provides a family 10 more  
! Thank you!

## Diocesan Events



## Diocesan News

**Diocesan ENews**--Sign up for the [Diocese of West Texas ENews](#) by clicking the link. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click on a white button that has "Let's Connect" written in it.

## Ways to Support God's Kingdom through St. Mark's

# THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORT ST. MARK'S CHURCH!

### Thank you for Your Generosity

Is the Lord blessing you? Are you grateful for what He has done in your life? Remember His Church. Though we have experienced limitations for worshipping together, we still have ministries to support and salaries and bills to pay. Give out of faith, thanksgiving, and generosity, and never out of guilt. If you are blessed to be able to give, here are several ways to do that:



- Online through our website. There is a blue "Giving" button at the bottom of each page. Just click on that and it will take you to our online EGiving page. You will need to set up a user profile, and then you can set up a one-time gift or recurring gifts. You can also give through the ["Donate to St. Mark's"](#) link.
- Through your cell phone using the app, **Vanco Mobile**. To get the app, go to the app store and search for "Vanco Mobile". The icon background is dark purple with a white circle and a purple letter "V" in the center. Download the app and follow the prompts. You can use it to set up a one-time gift or recurring gifts.
- You may also use the QR code below.
- Mail in your check to: St. Mark's Church, 2727 Airline Rd, CC, TX 78414. We have a drop-in mailbox that is locked at all times. We check the mail every day, so your check will be secure.
- Drop your check off at the church. Just put it in the locked mailbox to the left of the red doors at the fellowship hall.
- Bequest giving is another way to give to St. Mark's with a gift through your estate. Simply list St. Mark's in your will.

**THANK YOU** for helping spread the Kingdom  
through your continuing support  
of St. Mark's Church.



## Weekly Calendar

### Calendar & Ministry Schedule

Here is the link to the [November schedule](#) for our ministries, which is an ongoing work in progress. Please check each week to see if there are any changes. Here's a link to the [November calendar](#).

**November 18 - Saturday**

8:00 a.m. - Access Plus Ramp Build--2519 Morris St.

**November 19- Sunday**

10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist--Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. - Coffee Hour--Fellowship Hall

11:30 a.m. - SEEK Youth Group--Fellowship Hall Youth Room

11:30 a.m. - Bible Study of the Gospel of Mark--Fellowship Hall

**November 20 - Monday**

9:30 a.m. - Staff Meeting--Fellowship Hall Library

6:30 p.m. - Vestry Meeting--Fellowship Hall Library

**November 21 - Tuesday**

9:00 a.m. - Fishpond Living Thanksgiving Meal Delivery--Fellowship Hall

**November 22 - Wednesday**

OFFICE CLOSSES AT NOON

**November 23 - Thursday**

Thanksgiving Day



**Below you will find several links to websites or  
Facebook Pages that you might find helpful.**

[St. Mark's Episcopal Church](#)

[Donate to St. Mark's Church](#)

[St. Mark's Church Facebook Page](#)

[Diocese of West Texas](#)

[Diocesan Newsletter and Reflection Magazine](#)

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