

# St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

August 19, 2022

## Upcoming Events

### [Un] Apologetic Evangelism Conference

9/17 Saturday, 9:00 - 5:30 p.m.

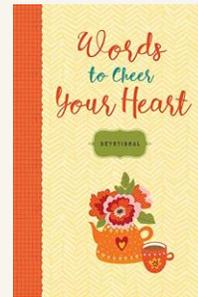
### Spiritual Retreat in Recovery

9/30-10/2 Thursday-Sunday

### Cursillo #286 Mustang Island Conference Center

10/6-9 Thursday-Sunday

## God's Promises



### Excerpt from *Words to Cheer Your Heart* by Ellie Claire

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### Sunday Worship Service:

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

*"Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us."*

1 John 4:11-12

Is it just me, or do people in general seem more judgmental and critical these days?

Perhaps it's because folks can now "hide" behind their words posted all over the internet. They think anonymity offers license to be cruel, to mock or malign another person.

I understand the frustration of those who see a culture disintegrating and desperately need someone to blame. Helplessness makes cowards of us all, prompting the whole attack mode.

Have you been hurt recently by someone's words? There is plenty of hate to go around these days But where is the plenty of *love*? You know, that which Christ-followers are called to share generously with everyone!

Visit our website

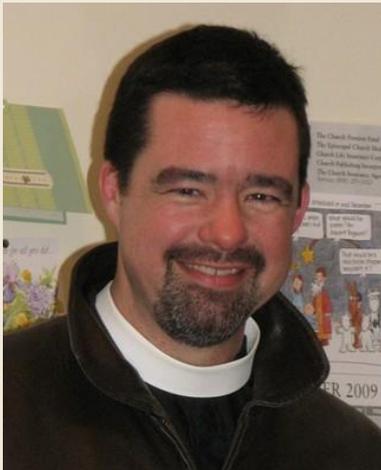
To love others is our duty in this fractured world. No matter what they say and do. We are to be Christ's hands, feet, and voice to love for the twenty-first century. If we don't, who will? Who is brave enough to go against the culture and extend compassion, welcome, and grace?

Frankly, I'm tired of trying to figure out who is on the right side and who is on the wrong side. How much better to trust God to sort out the judgment and consequences part. Wouldn't you rather err on the side of mercy?

Love others in the best way you can and leave the rest with Him. God is more than enough for our world today.

*It's the Holy Spirit's job  
to convict, God's job to judge,  
and my job to love.*  
**Billy Graham**

## Exciting News



### **St. Mark's Welcomes Fr. Doug Wasinger Sunday, October 9th**

Put a big red star on your calendar on Sunday, October 9th. That will mark the beginning of the next chapter in the life of our St. Mark's Church family because Fr. Doug Wasinger will begin his ministry with us that day.

We will welcome him with a good old fashioned St. Mark's potluck. Watch for more details in the coming weeks!

## Kids in Christ Ministry

### Changes for Kids in Christ

What does the future of our children's ministry look like? That's a good question. Molly Wandel is stepping down from working with the Sunday school program Kids in Christ to allow another person who shares his or her love of children to work with them. We just don't know who that person is yet. Could it be you? Please pray about it. Molly would be happy to help and provide support to anyone willing to work with our kids.



Molly will be leading our youth ministry, which will begin to meet after church on Sundays beginning the Sunday after Labor Day, September 11th.

Please contact Molly at (214)762-8792 to visit with her about our children's ministry.

## Name Tags



### Where's Your Name Tag?

We need your assistance to help Fr. Doug learn our names. We want to encourage everyone to get into the habit of wearing name tags every Sunday.

If you don't have a name tag, let Judy know. She'll make you one and put it on a name tag tree in the entryway to the sanctuary. You can reach her at the office at (361) 994-0285 or email her at [judy@stmarksgc.org](mailto:judy@stmarksgc.org).

# Local Evangelism Conference

## [Un] Apologetic Evangelism Conference September 17 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Last year the course "Making Your Case for Christ", by Lee Strobel and Mark Mittelberg, was presented via Zoom for our congregation. Both authors, along with Eric Hernandez, will be keynote speakers for the [Un] Apologetic Evangelism Conference to be held 9/17 at the Second Baptist Church, 6701 S. Staples Street.

The cost before 9/2 is \$35 for adults and \$25 for students. After the

2nd, the cost will be \$45 for adults and \$35 for students.

For more information about the breakout sessions and to register go to [www.texasapologetics.org](http://www.texasapologetics.org).

**[UN] APOLOGETIC**  
EVANGELISM CONFERENCE

PERSUADING OUR GENERATION WITH TRUTH

But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect. 1 Peter 3:15

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**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

LEE STROBEL    MARK MITTELBERG    ERIC HERNANDEZ

**BREAKOUT SPEAKERS**    **SPANISH TRACK**

AMY DAVISON    KURT JAROS    MIKE MILLER    JORGE GIL    ROLANDO RODRIGUEZ

**CONFERENCE RATES**

<b>ADULT RATES</b>	early bird through September 2	\$35	beginning September 3	\$45
<b>STUDENT RATES</b>	early bird through September 2	\$25	beginning September 3	\$35

Visit [texasapologetics.org](http://texasapologetics.org) to see a list of all the topics and to register online.

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[texasapologetics.org](http://texasapologetics.org)

## Ramp Build



### Access Plus Ministry

Our Access Plus Ramp Ministry will **NOT** be building a ramp this month due to the intense August heat.

If this ministry interests you, be sure to mark your calendar for 8 a.m. on the third Saturday of each month, watch for location details, and join the team to begin the process of blessing someone.

## Diocesan Events

### Upcoming Diocesan Events

["We Will Continue - And How"](#) Event 9/16-17 at the Embassy Suites in San Marcos. Registration \$100. Hotel \$140. Click on the link for more information.

[Spiritual Retreat in Recovery #118](#) 9/30-10/2 at the Mustang Island Conference Center. Click on the link for more information.

[Cursillo #268](#) 10/6-9 at the Mustang Island Conference Center. Registration of \$210. Click on the link for more information.

There are scholarships available through the diocese if you'd like to go but need a little help.



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

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

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 worshiping 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 the 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.
- 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 August schedule for our ministries, which is still a work in progress. Please check each week to see if there are any changes.

#### **August 21 - Sunday**

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

11:15 a.m. - Coffee Hour--Fellowship Hall

#### **August 23- Tuesday**

10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting--Library

6:00 p.m. - Women's Reunion Group--Jason's Deli, 1416 Airline Rd.

6:30 p.m. - Men's Reunion Group--Nolan's Restaurant, 7426 S. Staples St.

#### **August 24 - Wednesday**

11:30 a.m. - Lunch with the Old Guys--Silverado Smokehouse, 4522 Weber Rd.

12:00 p.m. - Noonday Prayer Group--Fellowship Hall

## Helpful Links

**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](#)

[Denison Forum--News Discerned Differently](#)

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