

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

April 30, 2026

Upcoming Events

Conversations with God Bible Study

5/4, Monday

Book Discussion

5/9, Saturday

Mother's Day/Youth Sunday

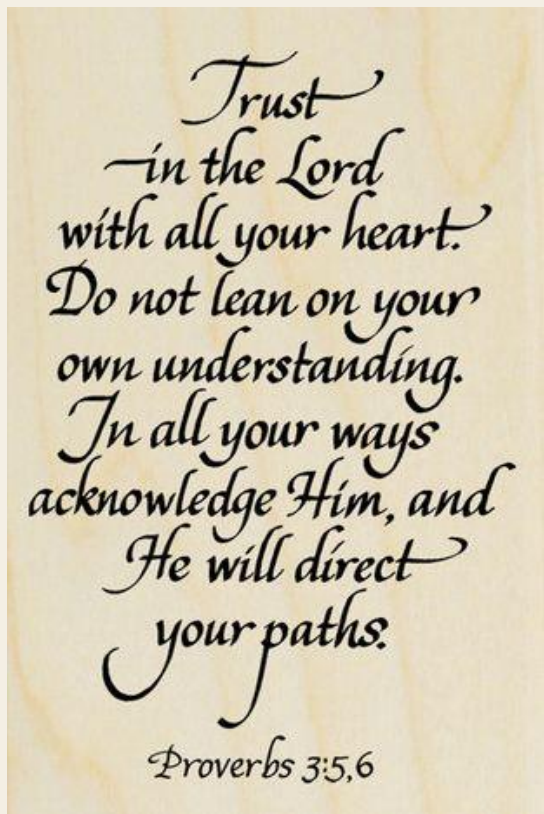
5/10, Sunday

Pentecost Sunday

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Youth Endowment Scholarship Applications Due

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Proverbs 3:5-6 Prayer

Lord, we place our trust in You with all our hearts. We acknowledge that our understanding is limited, and we lean on You for guidance and wisdom in all that we do. We surrender our plans, desires, and ambitions to You, knowing that Your ways are higher and wiser than ours. We ask for

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Sunday Worship Service

Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

[Visit our website](#)

the humility and strength to align our actions and decisions with Your divine purpose.

Lord, remove any obstacles that may lead us astray from Your righteous and loving path. Grant us the clarity to discern Your will and the courage to follow it, even when it may seem unclear or difficult.

Whether in times of joy or trial, help us to remember Proverbs 3:5–6, and may these verses be a constant reminder of Your steadfast love and faithfulness.

Thank You, Heavenly Father, for the assurance that as we trust in You, submit to Your ways, and seek Your guidance, You will lead us on a straight and purposeful path. With gratitude and love, we commit to You, trusting that You are always by our side. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Meals for the Farris Family

Meal Train Created for Sahara & Noah Farris

Sahara, Noah, and Everette recently welcomed little Ember into their family. A [meal train](#) was organized to furnish meals for them these first several weeks now that they are home. The link to sign up is above in blue text. You may sign up to cook them a meal, donate funds, or send them a gift card via DoorDash.

Thank you for helping this precious family!



Cimarron Senior Apartments Ministry



**Ministry to the Residents at
Cimarron Senior
Apartments
2802 Cimarron Blvd.**

**Conversations with God
Bible Study**

Monday, 5/4, 11:00 a.m.

Conversations with God Bible Study on the First Monday of Every Month at 11:00 a.m.

Once a month, John deMontel, Fr. Doug Wasinger, and others provide snacks and a Bible study they call "Conversations with God" for the residents. It generally lasts an hour. If you'd like to help with this ministry, please contact John at (361) 815-9498.

Food Delivery to Residents on the Third Monday of Every Month at 11:30 a.m.

The Coastal Bend Food Bank delivers food to the Cimarron Senior Apartments once a month. A team of dedicated St. Mark's volunteers helps distribute the food to residents after it arrives. If you have an hour or so to give, please consider helping with the monthly food distribution.

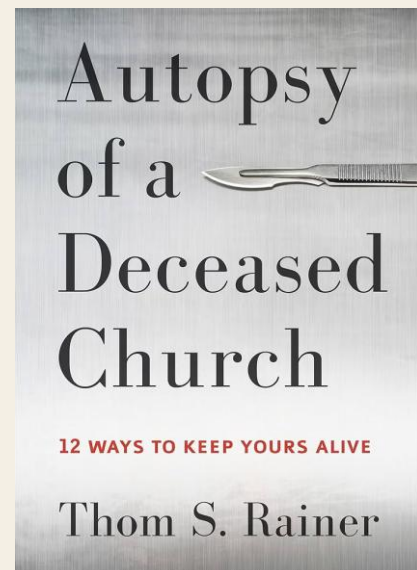
Book Discussion

***Autopsy of a Deceased Church:
12 Ways to Keep Yours Alive*
Discussion
Saturday, May 9th, 10:00 a.m.**

John deMontel will facilitate a discussion of the book *Autopsy of a Deceased Church* by Thom S. Rainer on Saturday, 5/9. The book exposes twelve pitfalls that churches which are no longer open fell into, leading to their demise.

If you'd like to be a part of the discussion, please sign up on the back of the Connection Card found in your bulletin this Sunday. You may also contact the church office by calling (361) 994-0285 or emailing Judy at judy@stmarkscc.org.

Copies of the book are available in the church office. Just let Judy know if you'd like to have a copy. You don't need to have read the book to be a part of the discussion, but it would be helpful. The book is about 100 short pages long, so it's a fast read.



Altar Flowers



Sponsor Flowers for 5/31

If you missed out on sponsoring the altar flowers this year, you still have an opportunity. May 31st has become available. If you'd like to sponsor the flowers for that Sunday, please contact the church office by phoning (361) 994-0285, or email Judy at judy@stmarksgc.org.

Mother's Day and Youth Sunday

Mother's Day and Youth Sunday May 10th

We will celebrate our mothers and our youth on Mother's Day, as we have done the last few years.

Our youth will take over various ministries during the service, such as those of usher and greeter. It's always a treat when the kids serve.

In honor of our moms and our youth, the loose offering and any designated gifts will go to support the Youth Endowment Fund Scholarship Ministry.



Time of Prayer and Contemplation



Time of Contemplation & Healing Prayer Service Wednesday, May 13th, 5:45 p.m.

Our next Time of Contemplation and Healing Prayer is scheduled for Wednesday, May 13th, at 5:45 p.m. It's a time to sit quietly with God, listen for what He might be saying to us, and pray for various needs. Prayer teams are available after the time of contemplation ends for those with prayer needs.

Pentecost Sunday

Pentecost Sunday May 24th

It has been our tradition to celebrate Pentecost Sunday by wearing red and enjoying strawberry shortcake. The shortcake will be supplied, but we need your help with the strawberries. Please bring one pint of washed, cut strawberries on Sunday, May 24th, to use as a cake topping. Of course, we'll have whipped cream too!



Youth Endowment Scholarship Applications



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Youth Endowment Scholarship Applications Now Being Accepted Deadline 5/31

The Youth Endowment Scholarship Committee is currently accepting scholarship applications from students planning to attend college or trade school in the fall. You may access the [application form and the guidelines](#) here. Print out the form and guidelines, complete the form by providing the requested information, and turn in your paperwork to the church office by **Sunday, May 31st**. The committee will meet in June to make determinations, and the checks will be issued to the respective schools in July.

Volunteer Hours App

MyTimeTithe

Track Your Volunteer Hours. Celebrate Your Service.

A simple app for St. Mark's volunteers to log hours and stay connected with your church community.

Scan the QR Code to Sign Up!

MyTimeTithe.org/stmarksc

Created by Jeremy Wilkey

MyTimeTithe App to Track Volunteer Hours

The time we serve in ministry at St. Mark's, or in the community, or in any other capacity matters and has economic value. Wouldn't it be interesting to know how much time we serve? Jeremy Wilkey developed an app for us to use to log the hours we serve. You can [click on this link](#) or scan the QR code to get started.

Enter your name in the space provided. If it's your first time, click "Don't see your name? Add yourself" to enter your name. Then fill in the page that opens up. You will select the date, the number of hours you served, which ministry the hours were for, and you may add a note about your service if you'd like.



Adult Bible Study



Adult Bible Study Class Meets on Sundays after the Service

The Adult Bible study class will meet in the fellowship hall library. The new topic is "Post-Resurrection Narratives in the New Testament."

If you'd like to join in the study, head to the fellowship hall after the service for some refreshments and then find a seat around the table in the library. Bibles will be available if you need one.

The Bible study will take a break during the summer, beginning at the end of May.

Youth Ministry

SEEK Youth Group

Summer Camp--Registration for [Summer Camp at Camp Capers](#) is open. Click the link to the diocesan page for more information and to register.



Seek the LORD and His strength; seek His face continually. (1 Chronicles 16:11)

Timon's Ministry



Ministry in Partnership with Timon's Ministries

The volunteer work at Timon's Clothing Closet has been temporarily suspended due to changes in its hours of operation. We are hoping the volunteers can return soon to the ministry they have come to enjoy.

Diocesan Events

Diocesan News



Summer Camps at Camp Capers--

Registration for Summer Camps has opened up for campers. [Here is a link for more information.](#)

Diocesan ENews--To stay informed on what is happening in our Diocese, you may 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 on 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. We 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 our [May ministry schedule](#). Click here for the [May church calendar](#).

May 3 - Sunday

- 10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist--Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. - Coffee & Conversation--Fellowship Hall
- 11:30 a.m. - SEEK Youth Group--Fellowship Hall Youth Room
- 11:30 a.m. - Adult Bible Study--Fellowship Hall Library

May 4 - Monday

- 9:30 a.m. - Staff Meeting--Fellowship Hall Library
- 11:00 a.m. - Conversations with God Bible Study--Cimarron Senior Apartments, 2802 Cimarron Blvd.

May 5 - Tuesday

- 8:00 a.m. - Women's Reunion Group--Corner Bakery Restaurant, 4928 S. Staples St.

May 6 - Wednesday

- 12:00 p.m. - Prayer Group--Fellowship Hall Library
- 6:30 p.m. - Men's Reunion Group--Nolan's Restaurant, 7426 S. Staples St.

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

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

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

[Diocese of West Texas](#)

[Diocesan Newsletter and Reflection Magazine](#)

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