

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

April 15, 2022

Upcoming Events.

Good Friday

4/15 Fri, 6:15 p.m. Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service

Easter Service Rehearsal

4/16 Sat, 10:00 a.m.

Easter Resurrection Sunday

4/17 Sun, 10:00 a.m.

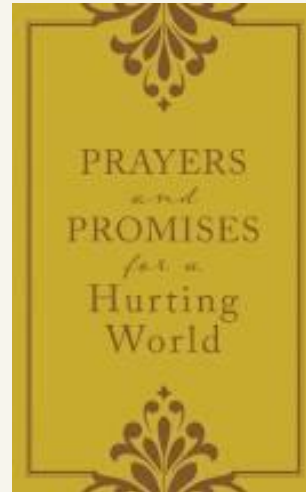
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Sunday Worship Service:

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

God's Promises



An excerpt taken from
*Prayers and Promises for
a Hurting World.*

Today's selection is written by
Laura Freudig.

*"Rejoice, you people of Jerusalem!
Rejoice in the Lord your God!
For the rain he sends demonstrates his
faithfulness. Once more the autumn
rains will come, as well as the rains of
spring."
Joel 2:23*

Dear God, Your love is a great mystery; I don't understand why the undergirding nature of the God of the universe is *love*. Why do You love? I don't want to imagine what a universe, built on something other than love, would have looked like. But I'm so thankful that You

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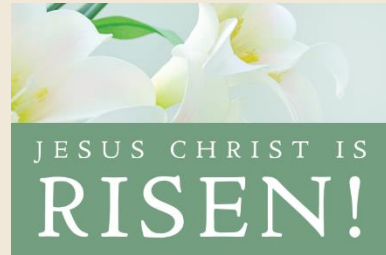
are love and that Your love extends to and encompasses me.

Teach me to rest in that love. I pray that Your love will so fill me and be so real in my life that it will spill out of my eyes, hands, heart, and mouth to everyone around me. Let me bleed love to this hurting world, just like Jesus did. Let me not be afraid of what that might mean: being spilled out for others, and at the same time, having my cup of blessing run over. That seems as though it will feel very different, but maybe it won't! Maybe Jesus' blood spilled out at the cross was also His cup of blessing running over, pouring out on us. This is amazing love; I can hardly comprehend and its mystery and majesty. And this is the Spirit's work in me, that I will produce the same fruit. Come, Holy Spirit. Amen.

Our greatest strength may be our ability to stand still and trust God.

**Seek God! Pray!
Give it ALL to Him!**

Easter Resurrection Service



Easter Sunday

This Sunday is the Easter Resurrection Sunday!

Please bring noise makers, which will be used every time "Alleluia" is said during the service. Kids, young and old, will have fun making "noise" during church!

Also, please bring fresh cut flowers to be used to flower the cross.

Access Plus Ramp Build

Saturday, April 16
8:00 a.m.
422 Adams Dr.

This month's ramp build is for a lady named Frances. She will be blessed by this gift of service, which will enable her to have better access to her home and her community.

Join the group at 8:00 a.m. to begin working on Frances's new ramp. Contact Doug Wayland for more information at (361) 813-1718. He would be happy to visit with you about this very important ministry and how you can plug into it.



Five Confirmed on Palm Sunday

**Last
Sunday
was
Palm
Sunday
and**



Confirmation Sunday

Bishop Reed joined us for Palm Sunday and Confirmation Sunday. Five of our youth were confirmed and are now beginning a new part of their faith journey.

Pictured are Colin Porterfield, Libby Campbell, Alise Evans, Kadynze Hollen and Melody Hollen. Be sure to congratulate them and encourage them!

Easter Lilies

Easter Lilies Help to Beautify Our Altar

The Sanctuary will be beautiful this Sunday as we celebrate the resurrection of Christ. Come be a part of this blessed Sunday!

You may take the lilies you sponsored home with you on Sunday after the service. Thank you for your help making the sanctuary especially wonderful!



Search Process

Links for Search Process Resources

Good Day St. Mark's!

Please keep the process in your prayers!



A reading for the week:

Romans 1:1-6

Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God—the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures regarding his Son, who as to his earthly life^[a] was a descendant of David, and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the Son of God in power^[b] by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from^[c] faith for his name's sake. And you also are among those Gentiles who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.

God's Peace and Blessings,
John D.

Here is a list of useful links to use during the search process for our new rector:
Parish Profile on St. Mark's [website](#)
Diocese of West Texas website [churches in transition](#)
Prayers during the search process: [prayers](#)

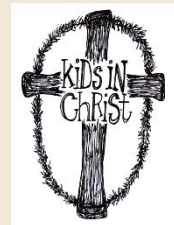
Youth and Children's Ministry

SEEK Youth Group and Kids in Christ

Kids in Christ

Everyone has a lot to remember to bring to church this Sunday!

- *Bring some flowers from your yard or HEB to flower our cross.
- *Bring noisemakers to make a joyful noise when we say "Alleluia" in worship.
- *Bring your basket to hunt eggs after church.
- But most importantly, *bring a joyful and grateful heart for all Jesus has done for you!



SEEK Youth Group

We will gather outside after we receive communion to hide the things! Your help is important to make this fun for the younger children. And you can all reminisce together about when you were the little egg hunters! Aw, cute!



4:00 Sunday SEEK Youth Group will resume next week, Sunday, April 24. Hope to see you there.

Youth Sunday will be on May 1st. Mark your calendars!

Feel free to text prayers requests in our group chat or to Mrs. Molly anytime.

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 four 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.
- **NEW APP**----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.

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

April 15 - Friday

6:15 p.m. - Good Friday Rehearsal--Sanctuary

7:00 p.m.- Good Friday Service--Sanctuary

April 16 - Saturday

8:00 a.m. - Access Plus Ramp Build--433 Adams Dr.

10:00 a.m. - Easter Service Rehearsal--Sanctuary

April 17 - Sunday

10:00 a.m. - Easter Resurrection Service--Sanctuary

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

Easter Egg Hunt--Courtyard

April 18 - Monday

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

April 19 - Tuesday

10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting--Fellowship Hall

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

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

7:00 p.m. - Bible Study & Prayer Group--Online--Zoom

April 20 - Wednesday

11:30 a.m. - Lunch with the Old Guys--Location to be determined.

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

5:30 p.m. - Search Committee Meeting--Fellowship Hall

Helpful Links

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

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[Diocesan Newsletter and Reflection Magazine](#)

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