

From the Pastor

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One of my biggest surprises as a college student came as a result of taking a communication class on listening. It seemed almost silly to me that such a course could even be offered at the college level. I thought everyone naturally knows how to “listen.” Of course, as you are probably more than aware, I was wrong. Most of us don’t know how to listen to one another or take the time to try to really listen to one another.



One very important component in listening with understanding is silence. Joan Puls, an author and spiritual consultant once commented on an article she had read entitled, “The Greatest Scarcity of Our Times.” The resource in such short supply was silence. Unless we are silent it is really hard for us to listen to one another. It is also hard to listen to God.

Join me in this time of transition here at St. Mark’s in times of quiet reflect to listen for what God is saying to us. If we listen in silence for the voice of the Lord, when it is time to talk we will really have something to say.

Thank you for all the ways you have helped me grow closer to God as a part of the great St. Mark’s community!

Many Blessings,

Craig

Be still and know that I am God

Psalm 46:10