



This week at St. Mark's

- Monday – Friday 9AM - Morning Prayer & Bible Study Download prayer sheets from the website: <https://www.stmarks-upland.org/morning-prayer/> <https://zoom.us/j/93780545256>
- Monday 4PM – GFS girls aged 5-18 contact Rosalyn Foster, gfs@stmarks-upland.org for info.
- Tuesday 4PM – Choristers grades 3-6 email music@stmarks-upland.org for more information
- Wednesday - 7:30 PM Taizé **In-Person & online! See article below.**
- Thursday 7:30PM Adult Choir via Zoom, contact music@stmarks-upland.org for additional information.
- Friday – 11AM Women's Fellowship & Prayer Breakfast email womensbreakfast@stmarks-upland.org
- Sunday 10AM In-Spirit Worship on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/saintmarksepiscopalparishupland/posts/4099757410091579> or on our Website: [In-Spirit Worship \(stmarks-upland.org\)](https://stmarks-upland.org)
- Sunday 11AM Coffee Hour
<https://zoom.us/j/99408492838?pwd=MVNESG9zek9VOUsrSIJ0M2JKOVowZz09> Password: decaf

Did you know that Facebook will automatically add closed caption to our services? Simply click on the settings “gear”  at the lower right of the screen, and turn Captions on!

Don't see your event? Email parishadmin@stmarks-upland.org with information.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP

My Work to Do

GETTING STARTED

Tuesdays @ 5pm, May 25 / June 1 / June 8 / June 15 / June 22

Register [here](#).

Wednesdays @ 1pm, May 26 / June 2 / June 9 / June 16 / June 23

Register [here](#).

GOING DEEPER

The Going Deeper Series is for folks who have participated in My Work To Do: Getting Started.

Thursdays @ 5pm, May 27 / June 3 / June 10 / June 17 / June 24

Register [here](#).

WHERE DO I BEGIN? FOR MEN AND MALE-IDENTIFYING PARTICIPANTS

Mondays @ 5pm, June 7 / June 14 / June 21

Register [here](#).

WHERE DO I BEGIN? FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

Wednesdays @ 5pm, June 16 / June 23 / June 30

Register [here](#).

The Episcopal Church's Tell Me Something Good web series launches second season

Tell Me Something Good, a web series from The Episcopal Church that launched in the fall of 2020,

returns for a second season. This series highlights positive stories from around the church through conversations with a variety of guests. Watch [here](#) Read more: <http://iam.ec/pa2021TellMeSomethingGoodS2>

Page Turners: Reflections on the Book and Discussion Caste by Isabel Wilkerson

"Reading Caste by Isabel Wilkerson taught me that the oppression of people of color was a deliberate economic decision that was made long before we became a nation, that this oppression continued in varied and vicious forms well beyond slavery into the 20th century, and that those of us in the dominant white caste continue to benefit economically from the variety of ways in which our institutions continue to put barriers to progression by people of color."

"This book and the discussion group has shown me how much work I still need to do to become the Ally I wish to become."

"I am beginning to see each person as an individual and not as a member of some group - one of them."

"I am learning to be more careful about unintentional microaggression comments."

"I am seeing how white supremacy creates systems that explain away chattel slavery and genocide."

"One way to dismantle the caste system is through 'radical empathy' and to start listening to other people's stories."

An Invitation to Further Reflection: A Sermon Appraisal

"An effective sermon offers one clear message of good news authentic to the preacher relevant to the audience holding attention and inviting transformation." from Backstory Preaching Please consider completing a sermon appraisal here:

<https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/5820275/Mentorship2-0-2020>

"In Person" Handbell Concert on Wednesday, June 2 at 5:30pm!

Please join us in the Sanctuary for a 20-minute program featuring, St. Mark's Handbell Choir. We will be performing contemporary arrangements of familiar hymns, composed for handbells. We will have 2 hosts at the door to guide you to your seat (we'll continue to social distance). The hosts will also request that you complete a brief Covid-19 assessment form confirming that you've not recently had the virus or any symptoms prior to admission. **Please bring and wear your mask. Reservations**

Required (limit 45 persons – first come, first served): Please contact Ms. Natalie Dunlap at St. Mark's Office ndunlap@stmarks-upland.org, or by phone (909)920-5565. The Handbell Choir is looking forward to "ringing" and excited to see you.

Prayer requests

Please send your prayer requests to prayer@stmarks-upland.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Planning for Worship

Many thanks to all who are working so hard on making worship happen. St. Mark's has never stopped corporate worship. We went from in-person to in-spirit without missing a Sunday. Readers, musicians, and singers became recording artists. And Julia Warren is leading a team of engineers from the control room in the choir loft to keep everything flowing smoothly and safely.

As we plan for a slow re-entry, please keep the following in mind.

- The goal is a safe in-person in church worship service that simultaneously includes the in-spirit congregation in a meaningful way.
- Because everyone is not vaccinated, all will wear a mask covering their nose and mouth.
- Stay home if you are not feeling well.
- Maintain safe physical distance.
- We will learn as we go. We will make mistakes. We will move forward. We may also take some steps backwards.
- We will be flexible. We will need to find new ways to do old things. We will be doing new things. We may not be doing everything we used to do.

Around Deanery 6 and Beyond

Jose Luis Garcia will be ordained a deacon June 12, 2021. If you would like to send him some affirmations (aka palanca) please get them to me at the office by Tuesday, June 8.

- There will be a VBS hosted by Holy Trinity Covina in late July. Check their website for more information.
- The Rev. Liz McQuitty will be Installed as Vicar of St. John's LaVerne on October 23, 2021
- Versed is coming back. Check the diocesan website for more information.

URGENT - SEEKING PROJECT MANAGER

The Vestry and Rector see the benefits of Live Streaming our worship service as a vital part of St. Marks' resurrection. The desire is to invest in a permanent, professional live streaming set up in our Sanctuary. We are looking for someone to project manage this endeavor which would involve working with consultants to specify needed equipment, getting quotations to present to the Vestry, and overseeing the project through completion. If you are interested, please email social-media@stmarks-upland.org to learn more.

"In Person" Worship Returns to Taizé, Wednesdays at 7:30pm! Masks Required!

Please join us in the Sanctuary or live streamed on Facebook and YouTube. After a hiatus of over a year, Covid-19 restrictions have improved enough for us to resume our Taizé services in the church. We will have 2 hosts at the door to give you a program and guide you to your seat (we will continue to social distance). The hosts will also request that you complete a brief Covid-19 assessment form to confirm that you have not recently had the virus or any symptoms prior to admission. Hope to see you there or online.

Ordination to Transitional Diaconate

Great news! Our former seminarian Jose Luis Garcia will be ordained to the transitional diaconate on Saturday, June 12. We were blessed with his presence assisting during church services as well as giving sermons. We can support Jose Luis by writing notes or letters of affirmation, support and encouragement. A basket has been placed in the narthex along with blank note cards for you to use to write your personal message to him. You can access the narthex during office hours or when you are on campus for your particular ministry (ex. hand bells, altar guild). If you can't make it to church, please mail your letter/note to the church - attention: Jose Luis Garcia. All letters must be received by Monday June 7. **We are not asking for monetary contributions at this time.** Later this year, in the Fall, when Jose Luis will be ordained as a Priest, we will be collecting money to purchase a Priest's Stole for him and to offer a monetary gift as well.

Camp Stevens opens registrations for Summer 2021 sessions

Camp Stevens, the diocesan facility in Julian, has been given the go-ahead by the state of California to open registration for Summer 2021 resident camps.

Adventure Sessions (6 days, Ages 8 – 15): July 11 – 16; July 18 – 23; July 25 – 30; & August 1 – 6
Register or learn more [here](#).

Rector out of Office

Rev. Yamamoto will be out of office on the following dates: June 9 & 10 and again on June 12. Please contact the Rev. Sally Monastiere with pastoral concerns and the Senior Warden with all other concerns.

Please note, with the increased movement on campus due to relaxed restrictions, scheduling your event at St. Marks's is more important than ever. Please contact Natalie Dunlap to reserve space for your event (909) 920-5565 or ndunlap@stmarks-upland.org

OUTREACH

Foothill Family Shelter

URGENT NEED! Their pantry is getting bare. Below is a list of items most urgently needed.

- Boxed potato products (mashed, au gratin)
- Chef Boyardee
- Canned chili
- Rice-a-Roni
- Oatmeal Packets(for easy distribution)
- Canned beans (pinto, black, garbanzo, kidney, etc.)

You may take them directly to the Shelter Office at 1501 West 9th Street, #D, Upland. Info contact Rosalyn breakfasterbaggers@StMarks-upland.org

Touch Ministries

Many thanks for the donations of food, gift cards and other items last Saturday. Stay tuned for the next collection date. For more information call Dave Nalbach.

Celebrating Birthdays, Anniversaries and Other Life Hallmarks due by the 25th

Are you celebrating a birthday or anniversary next month? Please let us know and send a photo by the 25th of the month before your celebration month. The visual celebration will be on the first Sunday of the month. Send to blessings@stmarks-upland.org

STEWARSHIP

Your Contributions Make a Difference, Thank You!

Please send pledges or donations to St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 330 E. 16th Street, Upland, CA 91784. You may wish to set up automatic "bill pay" or "online banking" through your financial institution. Or you may make your donation through [PayPal](#). Donations are being accepted through our email address, contributions@stmarks-upland.org. Please consider remembering Saint Mark's in your estate planning.

1910 Legacy Society

How will your faith be remembered? Are your values being represented in your final wishes? Join the 1910 Legacy Society and make your faith speak for you when you are gone. To learn more about the 1910 Legacy Society please contact Dean Billman at 1910legacy@stmarks-upland.org

St. Mark's Episcopal Parish: A Community of Grace

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We embrace Christ at the center of our lives, sharing the Gospel with all people and loving ourselves and each other as Christ loves us

E-mail: parishadmin@stmarks-upland.org

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