



The Good News

Sunday, June 18, 2023

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

We spread God's word, love like Jesus, enjoy worshipping together, and help our neighbors.

Celebrate Grads and Dads, June 18

We will honor our graduates and Father's Day June 18th after the 10 am church service in the Parish Hall with a grill and chill event. The grilling will be provided by Fellowship but we are asking for help with any sides and desserts. Susan Mackall will have a signup sheet at a table close to Room 18 for anyone who would like to volunteer to bring one of these items.

Father's Day Dedications

In Celebration:

Larry Godwin
Ed Muehlbacher
David Vinnedge & Don Vinnedge
Clarence Yamamoto

Submitted by:

Marcia Godwin
Sharon Muehlbacher
Guen Vinnedge
Keith Yamamoto

In Memory:

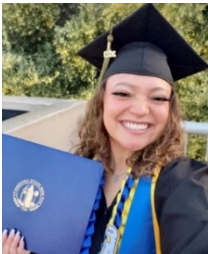
Joseph Mattus & Carl Peterson
Helmut Muehlbacher & Paul Huse
Thaddeus Lewanski
Roy Hunt & Bill Porter
Dr. Phil Tackoor

Submitted by:

Bob Mattus & Kay Alexander
Sharon Muehlbacher
Guen Vinnedge
Ann, Jim and Scott Porter
His family



Congratulations Grads!



Natalie Marie Brown – graduated from San Jose State University.
Submitted by Karin Brown



Charlotte Stevens – graduated from pre-school. Submitted by Myrna Dole.

Kate Beardsley - will promote from 6th grade at Stork Elementary to Alta Loma Jr High. Kate is involved in Cheer and Scouts. She is on the honor roll and she plays flute in the school band. Submitted by Sally Beardsley.

Danny Stover – graduated from Virginia Tech and received an engineering degree. He received an internship at SpaceX in El Segundo and has already started.

Isabelle Watson - granddaughter of Chris and Joan Watson will graduate from Gaithersburg High School on June 12, she will attend Montgomery College before pursuing a career in nursing. Submitted by Joan Watson.



Aiyana Harris – graduating from Redlands High School, will be attending San Bernardino Valley College in Fall 2023. Aiyana's intended major is Media Studies/Mathematics. Her job/career plans are story board/ animator. She is the daughter of Eric Newlin and Emily Harris. Her great grandmother is Mary LaTonica and grandmother is Barbara Harris. Submitted by Barbara Harris.

Week at a Glance at St. Mark's



Please take note our new office hours.

Office Hours: Monday–Thursday 9 AM to 3 PM (closed for lunch 12:30-1 PM); Friday CLOSED

Sunday worship: 8 AM and 10 AM Holy Eucharist in-person and streaming online on YouTube and Facebook. Bulletins are available by e-mail, and on the website. Hymnals are available for home use.

Monday–Friday 9 AM Zoom Morning Prayer and Bible Study.

Go to <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/93780545256>.

Wednesday 9 AM St. Peter's Guild. Card games and other activities in person. For info, email stpeters@stmarks-upland.org.

Wednesday 10:30 AM Men's Coffee Fellowship. Meet at Bad Ass Coffee of Hawaii in Rancho Cucamonga. For info, contact John Flasher.

Church Calendar: All meetings/events must be scheduled through the church office. If you don't see your event, email parishadmin@stmarks-upland.org. Or call the church office at 909-920-5565 to schedule a date and time to reserve the rooms that are available.

WORSHIP

Postulant Julia Warren will be the preacher for The Transfiguration, Sunday, August 6, 2023

Our Preachers for June 18

Marcia Godwin, PhD, is a professor of Public Administration at the University of La Verne, teaching in the master and doctoral programs. She has also served as Master of Public Administration Director, Institutional Review Board Director, and in leadership positions in faculty governance. Her research and teaching interests include public engagement, local government, participatory budgeting, and public policy. She also provides commentary on California politics and local government issues to regional and national media. She previously worked in local government administration, including with the Cities of Chino and Rancho Cucamonga. She is a vestry member, serves as Finance Committee Chair, and has assisted with the music program.

Karin Brown, PhD, is the Dean of Graduate Studies and Associate Vice President of Cal State LA. Prior to this appointment, she served as the Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and Research for three years, Director of the School of Social Work at Cal State LA for five years, Director of the BA in Social Work program for six years, and as a faculty member in the School of Social Work for 15 years. She has over 25 years of experience within the field of social work as an educator and practitioner. Her

practice experience has been in public child welfare and medical social work. She is a member of the Vestry and works with Vestry recruiting, training, and development.

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>



Loving Our Neighbor: Masks Encouraged

Masking is strongly encouraged. Masks are worn by those serving people face-to-face in close proximity—for example, hospitality hosts, ushers, greeters, Sunday School teachers, and Eucharistic ministers. Masks may be removed at the lectern, altar, or presiders' chairs.

Enriching Our Worship

"[The *Enriching Our Worship* series offered by the Standing Liturgical Commission to the Church through the General Convention] is part of an ongoing process of listening to what the Spirit is saying to the Church through the diverse experience of those who gather to worship and to celebrate the sacramental rites which fashion and identify us as the People of God... One of the considerations in choosing or developing the texts...has been the prayer experience of women, and the desire to honor that experience while remaining faithful to the constituent elements and norms of liturgical prayer as this Church has received and understood them." Bishop Frank T. Griswold, former Presiding Bishop, from the "Preface" of *Enriching Our Worship* 1, 1998.

From this listening process, a person will notice the following in our worship: "the one" in the *Sanctus*; "human" in the Nicene Creed; and removal of the *filioque* clause "and the Son" from the Nicene Creed (and all new liturgies).

What Questions Do You Have about Sunday Worship? An Instructed Eucharist

The Eucharist, also known as Holy Communion, is central to our worship and faith. However, many of us may have questions about the significance and meaning behind the different elements and actions. To foster a deeper understanding and appreciation for the Eucharist, we invite you to submit any questions you have about our Sunday Worship for an Instructed Eucharist on August 27 and September 3. No question is too simple.

Praying for the Bishops Assisting in the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles

Our Bishop Diocesan, the Rt. Rev. John Harvey Taylor, has called three Bishops Assisting to help with visitations: Bishop Frank Brookhart, Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori, and Bishop Ed Little. A bishop assisting is a former diocesan bishop and serves under the direction of the diocesan bishop. Bishop Brookhart will preach, celebrate, and confirm at St. Mark's on Sunday, December 10, 2023. We are including them in our Sunday prayers by first name.

Photo and Video Release: by attending an event or worship service held by St. Mark's you enter an area where photography, audio, and video recording may occur. By taking part, you consent to such recording media and its release, publication, exhibition, or reproduction to be used for news, webcasts, social media, or other promotional outlets of St. Mark's.

COMMUNITY & FELLOWSHIP NEWS



The Annual Book Exchange is Back!

Named in honor of the late rector of St. Mark's from the 1990s who was a voracious reader, the Jonathan T. Glass Summer Book Exchange is again open for business in Room 14, in the Parish Hall next to the restrooms. The rules are simple: The first rule is, bring any books you don't want and leave

them neatly on the tables or the bookcase. Please don't bring books that are excessively tattered, scribbled in, or missing covers and pages. The second rule is, take away any books you want. Some boxes and bags are available. At the end of the book exchange, all leftover books will go to the Prison Library Project in Claremont. All sorts of books are welcome, from children's books to cookbooks, from science fiction to self-help, from pet care to poetry, from do-it-yourself to drollery, from travel to theology. Happy summer reading!

Kathy Walker and Serena Beeks, Organizers

A Picture is Worth 1,000 Words: Sharing Our Events, Moments, and Ministries

In order to improve communication about our events, activities, and ministries, please consider taking the following photos: 1) a group photo of your church ministry members; 2) a photo of a regular meeting; and/or 3) a photo of an annual event. These images will help tell the story of who you are, what you do, and who to talk to for more information. Short videos are welcome too. Our hope is to use them for social media, the website, and the photo board. Please send your images to Guen Vinnedge at dodgers@stmarks-upland.org. For larger files try using the free mobile app WeTransfer - no paid subscription necessary.

Sunday School Off July, Resumes August 6

Our volunteer teachers for Sunday School are taking the month of July off. Sunday school will resume in August.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH



Prayer Requests

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

OUTREACH



Successful donation drive for Foothill Family Shelter

The Sancta Sophia chapter of the Daughters of the King have facilitated 3 FFS donation drives this year and have a school supplies drive for August and a Thanksgiving basket drive for October planned.

We would like to thank everyone who donated items to the Foothill Family Shelter in the drive which ended this past Sunday, June 11. A total of 62 personal hygiene items, 12 women's personal hygiene items, 11 boxes/bags of baby diapers and wipes, 15 food items, and 2 miscellaneous items were collected. Our next drive will be for school supplies for the

children at the Foothill Family Shelter and beyond, and it will end on Sunday, August 13. Keep an eye out for those back-to-school sales! The people in the picture are Lisa Drew, Sancta Sophia president, and Kelly, FFS staff member.

Our Biggest Outreach

When a person gives to St. Mark's Upland, they also contribute to diocesan and global ministries. Learn more about how your gift makes the world a better place: [subscribe](#) to The Episcopal News.

Recovery Ministries at St. Mark's

Compulsive Eaters Anonymous meets in Room 30 on Saturdays, 9-10:30 AM.

Al-Anon meets in Room 30 on Tuesdays, 6:30-8 PM.



Blood Drive, June 27, Tuesday, 1-7PM

Our next blood drive will be held on Tuesday, June 27 from 1-7pm. Please pick up a flyer or a few to pass out, located in the Narthex. Other 2023 Dates, 8/30 and 10/26. Register through the Red Cross.

Episcopal Relief & Development Supports ACT Alliance Response to Crisis in Ukraine

Donations to Episcopal Relief & Development's Ukraine Crisis Response Fund will help the organization and its partners continue to aid people displaced by the crisis in Ukraine. Donate to the ERD [Ukraine response](#).

FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP

Your Summer Contribution is Appreciated

Summer is often a time for rest, recreation, and renewal. As a gentle reminder, please remember to keep your pledge up to date. Our wages, utilities, and property expenses do not take a summer break! We also invite you to stay engaged with our ongoing programs and ministries and plans for the future. Thank you!



Take One for the Offertory Plate

You are invited to use the whimsical tokens to place in the offertory plate. When given the plate please help by passing it to the next person. We give from abundance and blessing, not duty, guilt, or obligation. No matter what, when, how, or how much your contribution is appreciated and makes a difference. Thank you for your generosity.

Breeze for Contributions

With our new church software come some changes in our contribution recording. If you are splitting your donation between funds, please state that in the memo line of your check or note it in the memo in PayPal. All unmarked funds will be placed in the Operating Fund Account.



Your Generous Contributions are Appreciated

Thank you for keeping current with your pledge or donating to St. Mark's. Please send in your contribution to St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 330 E. 16th Street, Upland, CA 91784. Alternatively, you may wish to set up automatic "bill pay" or "online banking" through your financial institution. You may also 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.

CREATION CARE

Teach your children
what we have taught our children –
that the Earth is our mother.
Whatever befalls the Earth
befalls the sons and daughters of the Earth.
If men spit upon the ground,
they spit upon themselves.

This we know.
The Earth does not belong to us;
we belong to the Earth.
This we know.
All things are connected
like the blood which unites one family.
All things are connected.

Whatever befalls the Earth
Befalls the sons and daughters of the Earth.

We did not weave the web of life;
We are merely a strand in it.
Whatever we do to the web,
we do to ourselves...

Chief Seattle

For more information on Creation Care contact Nancy Kinney or go to
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/creation-care/>

Faith & Creation Care Small Group Series in July

"Love God, Love God's World" is a nine-session, film-based curriculum, ideal for Episcopalians anywhere on the journey with creation care and environmental ministry—from newcomers looking to take their first step to seasoned leaders seeking a transformative small-group experience. Sessions include compelling films and readings, faith-based reflections, and discussion questions. Participants will also discover ways to learn, pray, advocate, and conserve. Topics include: Eco-theology and biblical foundations for creation care; Climate change and climate grief; Indigenous approaches to creation; Environmental racism; Renewable energy; and Resilience and solutions. [Sign up](#) to register. For more information, please contact Nancy Kinney.

DEANERY, DIOCESE, AND BEYOND

From Rev. Rob Bethancourt

What a nice surprise to see the Good Shepherd gratitude that you and your people did for me! I saw it this morning when I arrived at St. Paul's. Many thanks to you and the people of St. Mark's. I loved seeing the signatures on the back, which brought back so many warm memories of time with your folks. Please pass on my thanks and gratitude. I will treasure it!
May the Holy One continue to bless you all and provide all that is needed for your life and ministry.
With gratitude,
Rob+

From Bishop Charles Bennison

Today I received in the mail a lovely certificate from you at St. Mark's.
That is very kind of all of you.
Best wishes and every blessing to you, your ministry, your people.
Sincerely,
Charles

PLEASE NOTE:

The deadline for article submissions is every Tuesday and must be emailed to
parishadmin@stmarks-upland.org.

Please do not send them via Constant Contact. Please make sure to include "Good News" in the subject line.
Good News articles will be published every Thursday afternoon.