

The Good News

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

A Community of Grace

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



Sunday, June 25, 2023

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
8 and 10 AM

10 AM services can be viewed live or on demand via the church's website,
Facebook page and YouTube channel.

[Guidelines here](#)

Worship

Questions about Sunday Worship: 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 Our Bishops Assisting

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.

Postulant July Warren, Preacher

Postulant Julia Warren will be the preacher for The Transfiguration on Sunday, August 6, 2023. We will bless her seminary journey.



Prayer Requests

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

Community and Fellowship

From Rev. Konrad White, Rector Emeritus

A Shepherd Sunday recognition - how thoughtful and with all the signatures! You certainly made my day when this notice arrived. Thank ya'll so very much for remembering me.



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



Thank You from the Fellowship Ministry

The Fellowship Ministry would like to extend our gratitude to all who graciously supported the Grads and Dads Barbecue. Thank you to all who donated an item to share at the buffet table, shared your decorations, set up and cleaned

up, and washed our dishes. Without your invaluable support, Fellowship events would not be possible.

Thank you again, for all your help and support to bring joy to our community.
Betty Farrell and Susan Mackall

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 August 6.

Outreach

Foothill Family Shelter Donation Drive

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 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!

Pictured: Lisa Drew, Sancta Sophia president, and Kelly, FFS staff member.





Blood Drive, 1-7 PM, June 27

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: August 30 and October 26.

Register through the Red Cross

Creation Care

"Love God, Love God's World"

"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.

For more information, please contact Nancy Kinney.

Register through the Episcopal Church | Creation Care

How Can You Help St. Mark's Become More Sustainable?

- Bring your own cup, plate, flatware for coffee hour and potlucks.
- Bring your own chalice for communion. I use an egg cup and bring a tissue to put inside when I'm done to keep it clean in my purse. A shot glass would also work or if using the plastic throw away cup, save it for next week and you will still cut the waste in half.
- Download the Sunday bulletin on your smartphone so we don't have to print as many copies.

For more information contact Nancy Kinney or go to **Episcopal Church | Creation Care**

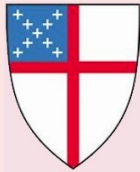
Stewardship & Finance

Your Summer Contribution is Appreciated

Summer is often a time for rest, recreation, and renewal. 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 for your gift.

Ways to Give to St. Mark's

Thank you for your generous gift. No matter how, how much, how often you give, you make a difference. Your contribution is appreciated.



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