## News and Service Opportunities - Please Take Note:

Please join us in the responsibility to safeguard God's children by making sure no child is unaccompanied while in the building. Our Nursery is staffed from 10:15am—noon. Children's Worship is offered during our service. Best for children ages 4-11ish. We leave after the Gospel and return at the Peace. "Soft-spots" for families with young children offer toddler friendly seating. We love having children in worship.

**COVID SAFETY: Masks are optional.** We ask that you remain mindful of other's health.

No Mid-Week Eucharist in April!

Palm Sunday is next Sunday! Holy Week services information in the bulletin and on the website.

Lenten Devotional Booklets are available in the hallway—or ask an usher.

**St. Mark's Reads for Lent: The Murder of Emmett Till.** We are using two main books, *The Blood of Emmett Till* by Timothy Tyson and *The Barn* by Wright Thompson. Other resources on our website. We'll gather after Easter to discuss.

**Electronic Bulletins!** Save a tree by scanning the QR code in the Parish Hall or downloading it from the Friday email to view the bulletin on your phone or device. Ushers have the QR code and it is on the other side of this insert.

Coffee Hour Teams Needed! New schedule begins in June. Team provides the vittles for four or five Sundays per year. On Sunday I asked a very simple question: who here likes Oreo cookies? Just about every hand shot up. The Coffee Hour Ministry has 11 teams, and every team could use one more person to help in the kitchen, on the day. If you have been hesitant to join a team because you think it's too big a load, or you don't cook, or you can't afford hundreds of sandwiches, consider perhaps joining to be the extra set of hands that makes it easier for a team to manage set up and strike. If you feel it wouldn't be fair to join a team and not help provide the food, grab a bag of Oreos and come on over. I promise that they (and you) will be appreciated.

For questions or to join in, see Penny Adams, <a href="mailto:nbfginc@aol.com">nbfginc@aol.com</a>.



### Outreach:

Food Pantry service on 2nd and 4th Saturdays! We distribute bags, offer a meal and time to relax and use the bathroom. If you have donations or questions about the pantry, contact our Food Pantry Coordinator, Karen Franklin, forpop247@gmail.com. Please shop for the Food Pantry— Lists are on-line and in the church entry. We need canned meats, hearty soups, chili & stews and Chef BoyArDee pasta products with pop tops. April 26 breakfast team is McCauley & Herman families.

**12-Step Ministry** Contact Suzanne Long to learn more about supporting this important ministry. Wednesday evenings, 7:30—9:30pm. **April 16 host is Christian Munson.** 

**CARITAS** Meal ministry continues in 2025. Our next meal is Dinner on Wednesday, April 30. Contact Suzanne Long to help with the meal (we prep it here and deliver it to CARITAS).

Lenten Service Opportunity—Exam Goody Bags for VCU students at the PACE Center. Thie year we are collecting items to support wellbeing during exams: #2 pencils, erasers, candy, motivational saying cards, fruit or Nutri-grain bars, small water bottles, gum, tic-tacs, and instant coffee packets or tea. Bring to the church between now and Easter and we'll bag them up and deliver to PACE in time for exams.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:		
April 13 — April 19		
SUNDAY(13)	10:30AM	Palm Sunday Holy Eucharist Rite II
<u>TUES(15)</u>	6:00 PM	Vestry
WED(16)	12:00 PM 8:00 PM	Curmudgeon Luncheon 12-Step
<u>THUR(17)</u>	6:30 PM	Maundy Thursday Service
FRI(18)		Good Friday Service Good Friday Service
<u>SAT(19)</u>	7:30 PM	Great Vigil Service

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

### Serving This Sunday, April 13

Celebrant: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Deacon: The Rev. Charles "Buck" Aiken

**Preacher:** The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Verger: Douglas D'Urso

First Reading: Patrick McDuff

Second Reading: Annette Spanel

Intercessor: Harold Wright Chalicer: Paul Shane

Acolytes: Fielding Boschen, Hunter Marie Boschen

**Ushers:** Elam Jarrells, Harold Wright, Annette Spanel, Nick Roberts

**Greeters:** All Greeters

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Sanford Eberly, Annette Spanel,

Jane Settle, Jackie Bitler

**Altar Flowers:** Sanford Eberly

Coffee Hour: Adams, Ginoris, Kennedy

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson, Malinda Collier

#### **NEXT WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:**

April 20 — April 26

SUNDAY(20) 10:30AM Easter Sunday

Holy Eucharist Rite II

MON(21) 6:00 PM Sacred Ground

TUES(22) OFFICE CLOSED

6:00 PM Vestry

<u>WED(23)</u> 8:00 PM 12-Step

THUR(24) 6:00 PM J&A Team Meeting

SAT(26) 9:00 AM Food Pantry

10:00 AM Parish Retreat Planning

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

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Celebrant: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Deacon: The Rev. Charles "Buck" Aiken

**Preacher:** The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Verger: Mike Evranian

First Reading: Karen Franklin

Second Reading: Becky Adams

Intercessor: Shannon Heady Chalicer: Patrick McDuff

**Acolytes:** Grace McDuff, Thomas McDuff

Crucifer: Mike Evranian Gospel Bearer: Patrick McDuff

**Ushers:** Dave and Kristin Herman, Kenn Shirley and Richard Yuk

**Greeters:** All Greeters

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Liz Smith, Gayle Johnston, Amy Strite, Carter Strite, Fred Wayne

Altar Flowers: Floral Guild

Coffee Hour: Heady, Long, Roberts, Sheffield

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson, Malinda Collier