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 this Wednesday!

Lenten Healing Prayer Service with Rev. Sarah Kye Price, 8-8:30am Fridays March 14-April 11.

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

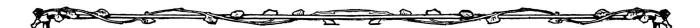
St. Mark's Reads for Lent: The Murder of Emmett Till. We are using two main books, *The Blood of Emmett Till* by Timothy Tyson and *The Barn* by Wright Thompson. Other resources on our website. We'll gather after Easter to discuss.

Bishop's Visit! TODAY!! April 6 - adult and youth confirmation and reception! Join us in welcoming Bishop Mark Stevenson! Informal Q&A after the service.

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, <u>nbfginc@aol.com</u>.



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 12 breakfast team is Street, Lett, and Kysers

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

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 6 — April 12		
SUNDAY(6)		Bishop's Visit Holy Eucharist Rite II
MON(7)	6:00 PM	Sacred Ground
TUES(8)	5:00 PM	Executive Team
<u>WED(9)</u>	10:00AM 8:00 PM	Bible Study 12-Step
<u>FRI(11)</u>	8:00 AM	Lenten Healing Prayer
<u>SAT(12)</u>	9:00 AM	Food Pantry

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

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SUNDAY(13)

April 13 — April 19

NEXT WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:

10:30AM Palm Sunday
Holy Eucharist Rite II

<u>TUES(15)</u> 6:00 PM Vestry

WED(16) 12:00 PM Curmudgeon Luncheon

8:00 PM 12-Step

THUR(17) 6:30 PM Maundy Thursday Service

FRI(18) 12:00 PM Good Friday Service

6:30 PM Good Friday Service

SAT(19) 7:30 PM Great Vigil Service

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

Serving This Sunday, April 6

Celebrant: The Rt. Rev. E. Mark Stevenson

Bishop's Chaplain: The Rev. Canon d'Rue Hazel

Deacon: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Preacher: The Rt. Rev. E. Mark Stevenson

Verger: Paul Shane

First Reading: Beth Wentworth

Second Reading: Isabel Tucker

Intercessor: Cameron Cutro **Chalicer:** Frosty Owen

Acolytes: Ryn Kennedy, Elizabeth Kyser

Ushers: Howard Pugh, Jim Contner, Errol Somay, Steve Clark

Greeters: All Greeters

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Ivy Burnes, Mickie Jones, Emma Churchman, Mary Mock

Lenten Arrangements: Floral Guild

Coffee Hour: Parish Life

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson, Malinda Collier

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Serving Next Sunday, April 13

Celebrant: The Rev. Charles "Buck" Aiken

Deacon: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Preacher: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Verger: Douglas D'Urso

First Reading: Kate Williams

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, Kennedy

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson, Malinda Collier