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 in the church. We love having children in church.

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

Please remember to Pledge your support for St. Mark's ministry. Cards are on-line and in the church. We currently have 104 pledges surpassing our 100 pledge goal with \$367,292 exceeding our \$355,000 dollar goal. Your pledge in whatever amount closes our budgeted deficit of \$116,000.

Today Worship Team meets at noon, Sacred Ground at 1pm. Vestry meets Tuesday at 6pm

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday—WEAR RED!

Easter Flowers! Please support our Easter decorators by donating in honor of or memory of a loved. Forms in the church and on-line. Links in the e-bulletin. **Please donate by Thursday, March 21.**

Many thanks to all who helped make our Lenten Series happen. Great food, great discussion and more to come as we discern our next steps in housing equity advocacy. If you would like to attend the RISC meeting, 6:30pm Tuesday, March 19 at St. Paul's Baptist let Penny Adams know.

Richmond Choral Society Spring Concert is today March 17, 4pm at Grace Baptist Church, 4200 Dover Road. Tickets may be purchased on their website or at the door.

Please excuse our peeling paint! We are actively planning for interior repairs and renovations and hope to begin in the coming year. The renovation project will be a financially significant investment on the part of the church. More information to come!



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. March 23 Breakfast team is Team Pennington. WE NEED PAPER GROCERY BAGS!

12-Step Ministry Contact Suzanne Long to learn more about supporting this important ministry. Wednesday evenings, 7:30—9:30pm. **March 20 host is Don Kyser.**

CARITAS Meal ministry continues Friday, June 21, 2024 with a CARITAS WORKS lunch. Contact Suzanne Long to help with the meal (we prep it here and deliver it to CARITAS).

Lenten Collection for ACTS and our Food Pantry: ACTS needs Laundry detergent, toilet paper and size 4, 5, 6 diapers. Our Food Pantry can use hearty soups & stews, canned meats including Vienna sausages, tuna, chicken (packets) & Chef Boyardee products. Bring to the church by Easter Sunday, March 31.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:

March 17 — March 23

SUNDAY(17) 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II

12:00 PM Worship Team 1:00 PM Sacred Ground

TUES(19) 6:00 PM Vestry

<u>WED (20)</u> 10:00 AM Bible Study

12:00 PM Curmudgeon's Luncheon

8:00 PM 12-Step

SAT(23) 9:00 AM Food Pantry

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom

Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

NEXT WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:

March 24 — March 30

SUNDAY(24) 1 0:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II

1:00 PM Prophetic Faith

<u>WED (27)</u> 8:00 PM 12-Step

THURS(28) 6:30 PM Maundy Thursday Service

FRI(29) 12:00 PM Good Friday Service

6:30 PM Good Friday Service

SAT(30) 7:30 PM Great Vigil Service

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom

Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

Serving This Sunday, March 17

Celebrant: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Deacon: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Preacher: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Verger: Douglas D'Urso

First Reading: Tamara Orr

Second Reading: Kent Slonaker

Intercessor: Becky Adams Chalicer: Amy Strite

Acolytes: Reeves & Hunter Marie Boschen

Ushers: Dan Hartman, Fred Crowley, Trey Damron, Virginia Damron

Greeters: Malinda Collier and Howard Pugh

Children's Worship: Malinda Collier & Kent Slonaker

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Liz Smith, Gayle Johnston,

Amy Strite, Carter Strite

Altar Flowers: Lenten Arrangements

Coffee Hour: Hartman, Clark, Stanley, McDuff

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson

Serving Next Sunday, March 24

Celebrant: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Deacon: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Sarah Kye Price

Verger: Paul Shane

First Reading: Annette Spanel

Second Reading: Harold Wright

Intercessor: Isabel Tucker Chalicer: Mike Maruca

Acolytes: Tess Downey and Eleanor Herman

Ushers: Steve Clark, Mary Clark, Kristin Herman, David Herman

Greeters: All Greeters

Children's Worship: Malinda Collier & Kent Slonaker

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Mary Clark, Peter Walker,

Andrea Lofton, Jean Winne

Altar Flowers: Floral Guild

Coffee Hour: Parish Life

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson