

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.

Children's Worship is BACK! We will leave after the Gospel and return at the Peace. Best for ages 4– 11.

Worship and Evangelism Teams meet at noon today. Young Adults Gathering, 6pm The Beet Café at Ellwood Thompson.

Prophetic Faith starts Sunday, October 22 at 1pm. Interested? Chat with Penny Adams or Karen Hardison. **St. Mark's Reads Book Group** will be reading selections by and about Pauli Murray. Check the website and the emails for more information. **A Nov. 12 Souper gathering at 6pm** will give us a chance to discuss our reading.

Prayer List Update! While we pray for the whole world, we cannot pray for everyone by name. If you have asked for someone to be on the church prayer list please contact the office no later than October 22 to let us know if you want to keep them on.

Please excuse our peeling paint! We continue to plan for interior improvements determining repair and renovation priorities. Preliminary plans are shaping up for some work to begin in 2024. The renovation project will be a financially significant investment on the part of the church. We appreciate your patience.

Part-time Sexton search re-opened. St Mark's would like to hire a church sexton for 10 hours a week at \$20/hour (Saturday & Sunday mornings). This position requires skills in event set-up, light cleaning duties, moderate lifting (25 lbs. -/+), English language ability, and being a self-motivated worker. This position is subject to a satisfactory background check. If you know of someone who may be interested in this position; please have them submit a resume to Fr Benjamin at rector@stmarksrvva.org.



Outreach:

VA PRIDE RESCHEDULE! PRIDE will take place Sunday, October 22 at the Bon Secours Training Center on Leigh Street. We will be there with other Central Richmond Region churches from noon –6pm.

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.**

12-Step Ministry Contact Suzanne Long to learn more about supporting this important ministry. Wednesday evenings, 7:30—9:30pm. **October 18 host is Don Kyser.**

Habitat for Humanity Build—Friday October 20, Saturday October 28! More information on the website. Sign-ups on-line (you will be asked to create an account) or talk to Ed Street.

CARITAS Meal Ministry. We will be providing a WORKS dinner on October 25.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:

October 15 — October 21

SUNDAY(15) 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II
 Noon Evangelism
 Noon Worship
 1:00 PM Sacred Ground
 6: 00 PM Young Adults

TUES (17) 6:00 PM Vestry Meeting

WED(18) 10:00 AM Bible Study
 Noon Curmudgeon's
 7:00 PM Buck's Bible Study
 8:00 PM 12-Step

FRI (20) Habitat Build Day

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom

Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

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October 22 — October 28

SUNDAY(22) 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II
 Noon Justice & Advocacy
 Noon Pride Fest
 1:00 PM Prophetic Faith
 6:00 PM Young Adults

WED(25) 10:00 AM Bible Study
 4:00 PM CARITAS Dinner
 7:00 PM Buck's Bible Study
 8:00 PM 12-Step

FRI (28) 9:00 AM Food Pantry
 Habitat Build Day

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom

Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

Serving this Sunday, October 15

Celebrant: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Deacon: The Rev. Charles "Buck" Aiken

Preacher: The Rev. Charles "Buck" Aiken

Verger: Elizabeth Kyser

First Reading: Penny Adams

Second Reading: Becky Adams

Intercessor: Isabel Tucker **Chalicer:** Patrick McDuff

Acolytes: Grace & Thomas McDuff

Ushers: Dan Hartman, Miles and Isabel Tucker,
Fred Crowley

Greeters: Don & Elizabeth Kyser

Nursery: Cassandra Price

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

Altar Flowers: Elaine Wittel

Coffee Hour: Mike and Allison Evranian, Pam Dummitt

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson

Serving Next Sunday, October 22

Celebrant: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Deacon: The Rev. Charles "Buck" Aiken

Preacher: Karen Hardison

Verger: Douglas D'Urso

First Reading: Beth Wentworth

Second Reading: Anson Matthews

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

Acolytes: Eleanor Herman & Tess Downey

Ushers: Phoebe Davis, Kristin Herman,
Mary & Steve Clark

Greeters: Howard Pugh & Malinda Collier

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Mary Clark, Peter Walker,
Andrea Lofton, Jean Winne

Altar Flowers: Douglas D'Urso

Coffee Hour: Mickie Jones, Mandy Cline,
Fred Crowley, Elaine Wittel

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson