

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.

Ministry Council meets TODAY, October 29 at noon. **Young Adults Gathering, 6pm** The Beet Café at Ellwood Thompson.

All Saints All Sing! is Nov. 5 at 6pm. **Don't forget to add names you want remembered on All Saints Sunday to the list in the church, or email the office.**

St. Mark's Reads Book Group is 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.

A Service of Community Lament over Gun Violence : At 5:30 P.M. on November 5, join people of faith from around Richmond for a **Service of Community Lament over Gun Violence**, to be held at [St. Thomas Episcopal Church](#), on Northside. At this service, we'll lift our grief, fear, and anger over gun violence up to God, using prayers composed with the help of multiple local faith communities. We'll remember God's promise to bring about a new creation, one where gun violence is no more, and declare our trust in the change to come. Fellowship and refreshments will follow the service. Presented by Rev. Deacon Dale Smith.

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. 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-starter. Subject to a satisfactory background check. If you know of someone interested; please have them submit a resume to Fr Benjamin at rector@stmarksrva.org.



Outreach:

BOO! Is Halloween, Tuesday, October 31 on the Porch, 5:30-6:30/7ish. Come on by and help hand out candy

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. **November 1 host is Douglas D'Urso.**

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:

October 29 — November 4

SUNDAY(29) 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II
Noon Ministry Council
6:00 PM Young Adults

TUES(31) 5:30 PM Halloween BOO!

WED(1) 10:00 AM Bible Study
7:00 PM Buck's Bible Study
8:00 PM 12-Step

THURS(2) 3:00 PM WRN

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom

Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

NEXT WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:

November 5 — November 11

SUNDAY(5) 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II
Noon Pastoral Care
1:00 PM Sacred Ground
5:30 PM Service of Lament for
Gun Violence @ St. Thomas
6:00 PM All Saints All Sing

TUES(7) 6:00 PM Community Dinner

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

SAT (11) 9:00 AM Food Pantry
10:00 AM Marathon Cheers!

Morning Prayer Monday—Friday at 8am via Zoom

Compline Sunday—Thursday 8pm via Zoom

Serving this Sunday, October 29

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Sarah Kye Price

Deacon: The Rev. Charles "Buck" Aiken

Preacher: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Vergers: Mike Evranian

First Reading: Phoebe Davis

Second Reading: Karen Hardison

Intercessor: Elam Jarrells **Chalicer:** Amy Strite

Acolytes: Feild Pennington & Jackson Neal

Ushers: Steve Clark, Howard Pugh

Greeters: Blair McDuff & Nick Roberts

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Sanford Eberly, Ivy Burnes,
Liz Smith, Mary Clark

Altar Flowers: Sandy Steele

Coffee Hour: Children's Worship

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson

Serving Next Sunday, November 5

Celebrant: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Deacon: The Rev. Charles "Buck" Aiken

Preacher: The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett

Vergers: Penny Adams

First Reading: Jim Contner

Second Reading: Jennifer Kaufman

Intercessor: Tamara Orr **Chalicer:** Mike Maruca

Acolytes: Reeves & Hunter Marie Boschen

Ushers: Tommy Clifton, Howard Pugh,
Jim Contner, Anson Matthews

Greeters: Beth Wentworth, Fred Crowley

Nursery: Cassandra Price

Altar Guild: Ivy Burnes, Mickie Jones

Altar Flowers: Pam Piercy

Coffee Hour: Stewardship Team

Alter Guild Zoom Host: Nora Thompson