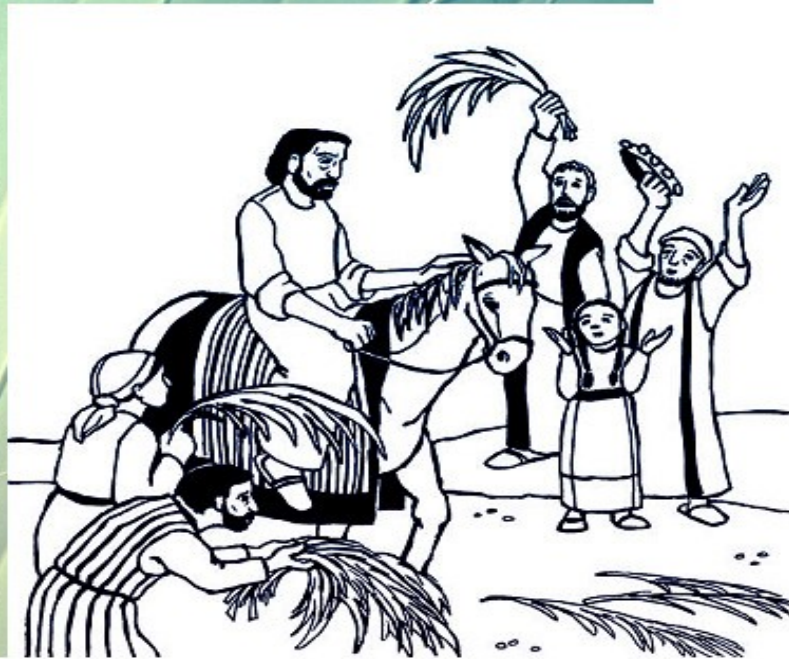


The Mission of St. Mark

*Gathered around Word and water, bread and wine,
we spread God's Word by living our faith daily and
welcoming all with open hearts and minds.*



**The Sunday of the Passion
2018**

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT ST. MARK. We are happy to have you here with us! Please sign our attendance pad located in each row and introduce yourself to the pastor. You are invited to join us in the breezeway for refreshments following the worship service.

WELCA CHRISTIAN SERVICE meets this coming Tuesday at 10:00 am. The meeting is open to everyone. Please feel invited and you are welcome to attend.

MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP will take place at 7:00 p this coming Thursday. This is a solemn service in which the altar is stripped.

GOOD FRIDAY we will have two worship services—at 11:00 am and 7:00 pm.

CHURCH OFFICE is closed for Good Friday, March 30th.

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES are at 8:30 am and 11:00 am with brunch between services.

EASTER SUNDAY BRUNCH TIME AGAIN! – Your Fellowship Team is again planning a sumptuous brunch between our two Easter Sunday Services. Please join your fellow members following the 8:30 am service. We will be providing those delicious cinnamon rolls again this year along with assorted bagels/cream cheese, fresh fruit, decorated hard boiled eggs, juice, and the coffee bar. Your Fellowship Team would love a few extra hands to help with either set up or clean up. Look for the sign up sheets in the Narthex but feel free to ask how you might help. Whatever assistance you can offer, it is always appreciated. For more info, talk with Kathie Chernes or email her at kathiec123@gmail.com.

EASTER EGG HUNT AND RESURRECTION SCAVENGER HUNT - Easter Sunday at 10:00 a.m. children are invited to gather in the Youth Room to hear the Easter story and hunt for Easter Eggs. The younger children will hunt for eggs in the grassy courtyard and rock waterfall area while the older children will have a hunt all their own! Bring your own basket or use one of ours. Join us Easter morning to celebrate Jesus' resurrection!

ST. MARK SPRING WORK DAY is Saturday, April 7 from 9:00 am until about 1:00 pm. Refreshments of fresh brewed coffee and donuts will be provided. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex for a list of projects.

ST. MARK 2018 ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC - Please join members and friends of St. Mark on April 15, 2018 for our Church Picnic. Games and festivities start promptly at 11:00 am so right after our 9:30 am service, head straight to Anderson Park located at 39699 US Hwy 19 N, Tarpon Springs, FL 34689. We will be at shelter 9 which sits right on Lake Tarpon. We are in for a special treat this year. Pulled Pork and chicken are being prepared for us by Spencer Taylor, a member with a talent for smoking meats. Of course, we will also have hot dogs along with condiments, chips, beverages and watermelon, all provided by the Fellowship Committee. We ask members to bring a dish to share, following these suggestions: If your last name begins with A-F bring dessert; G-M bring fruit/veggie salad; and N-Z bring starchy salad. Of course, if you have a favorite dish you would like to bring, please bring it or if you don't have anything to bring, join us anyway — there's always plenty to share. There will be games for children and adults; bathrooms and parking are nearby; and nobody goes home hungry! You are invited to bring your friends!

Serving The Community of Faith

Assisting Minister: Pastor Connie Bonner
Ushers: Rick and Meta Palmer
Offering Bearer: Emily Seiter
Acolyte: Madison Seiter
Lectors: Jerry Rude
Communion Assistants: Steve Miller and Wayne Morris

Altar Guild: Janice Froelich, Diane Salmon and Connie Feig

Given to the Glory of God:

Presence candle is in honor of Sean Elliott's Baptismal Anniversary by Carolyn Elliott.
Thanks to Ken and Kathie Chernes for helping to provide refreshments today.

This Week at St. Mark

Sunday March 25	Palm Sunday Bags of Blessings distributed 9:30 am Worship 10:45 am Refreshments 10:45 am Handbell Choir
Monday 26	7:00 pm Al-Anon 8:00 pm AlaTeen
Tuesday 27	10:00 am Christian Service
Maundy Thursday 29	6:00 pm AA 7:00 pm Worship Service 7:00 pm Al Anon
Good Friday Friday 30	Church Office Closed for Good Friday 11:00 am Good Friday Worship 7:00 pm Good Friday Worship
Easter Sunday April 1	Resurrection of Our Lord Bags of Blessings returned 8:30 am Worship 10:00 am Easter Egg Hunt 10:00 am Easter Brunch

Readings for next Sunday: **Resurrection of Our Lord**
Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Mark 16:1-8

IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember in your daily prayers members and friends of our congregation who are on our prayer list. If you would like to add someone to our congregation's prayers, please call or email the church office or sign the prayer notebook in the narthex. Names remain on the Prayer List for 3 weeks.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR IN NEED OF SUPPORT:

Carol Cicero
Betty Fresh
Steve Miller
Cheryl Burton
Michael Bryant
Clayton Stoots
Vibeke Bredal (friend of Suzanne Nelson)
Richard King (friend of Barb Woodworth)
Jeff Dano (son of Arnie Dano)
Jim Dano (son of Arnie Dano)
Ingeborg Kayser (sister-in-law of Horst Kayser)
Richard Slater (friend of Carol Bernstein)
Joe and Lee Bogacz (friends of Arnie Dano)
Ernie Smith, Sr. (husband of Phyllis Smith)
Jennifer (Nizer) Rakas (daughter of Ray and Charlotte Nizer)
Ethan Gottlieb (grandson of Tim and Angela Langenback)
Dean Romani (friend of Arnie Dano)
Lou Straccioni (friend of Barbara Woodworth)
Rosemary Tindall (friend of Angela Langenback)
Clayton Stoots (grandson of Barbara Stoots)
Ernie Smith, Jr. (son of Phyllis Smith)
Tim Fisher (former ReconcilingWorks Staff)
Charly Hornbrook (friend of Jared Hall)
Donita Holjes (friend of the Plasketts)
Heather Booth (daughter of the Plasketts)
Gretchen Woodard (daughter of Debbie Woodard)
Bret R. (friend of Linda Peterman)
Jerriann VanEpern (friend of Linda Peterman)
Judy Wallschlaeger (friend of Sue and Darrell Zenk)
Chelle S. (friend of Jennifer Grumbling)
Jax Cunningham (great nephew of Barbara Woodworth)

Chris Harris (son of Dave Harry)
Eddie Frederick (friend of the Grumbling/Delerme family)
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Elizabeth K. (friend of Sue Nelson)
Karen Aungst (friend of Debbie Woodard)
Dinah Reid (niece of Constance and Henry Chapman)
Tom Conway (brother of Mary VanHaute)
Elaine Forestier (Emery Horvath's teacher)
Dorothy and Otto Pollei, Jr. (parents of Doug Pollei)
Heather Mackin (relative of the Plasketts)
Irene Klein (mother of Charles Klein)
Kaycee Fowler (friend of Trish Kitchel)
Helen Whitson (mother of Robin Klein)
Missy Martin (sister-in-law of Suzanne Bryant)
Carrie Leone (niece of the Walthours)
Anita Hans (friend of Sue Nelson)

FOR THOSE WHO GRIEVE (friends and family of:))

Vivian Hogan (friend of Nancy Evers)

FOR THOSE WHO SERVE:

Sam Palmer (family of the Horvaths)
Mitch Shellenberger
Tierney Froelich
Zoe Lekakis (granddaughter of the Nizers - Marines)
Joel Elliott (stepson of Carolyn Elliott - in Germany)
Michael Christenson (friend of Arnie Dano - U.S. Navy)
Greg Burnham (son-in-law of the Nizers—US Navy)
Alexis Grzegorzcyk (friend of Carol Czajkowski - USAF)
Rodney Mobley (son of the Nizers - Police Officer)
Andy Bloch (son-in-law of Shirley Polak - Homeland Security)
Steven Plaskett (grandson of the Plasketts - US Air Force Academy)
Luke Ballesteros (friend of Robin Jo Bower Miller and David Miller - in Germany)
Kori Smeiska (friend of Carol Czajkowski - K. C. Police Officer)
Calvin Jensen (friend of Carol Czajkowski - US Navy)
Andrew Amstutz (friend of the Langenbacks - US Navy)

Our Statement of Welcome

St. Mark is a spiritual community that celebrates the gifts of God that empower us to engage in the struggles of life, to care for each other, and to serve Christ where we work and live.

We welcome the participation of people of all ages, faiths, ethnic backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identities, educational backgrounds, and economic conditions – all who want to join in community to honor God and be of service to people. We recognize that each person is a unique creation of God and by the grace of God is called a “child of God.”

St. Mark is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.



*The Rev. Katy A. H. Fast, Pastor
Cheryl Burton, Music Director and Cantor
Willie Hobbs, Office Administrator
Jim Boyter & Beverly Entwisle, Property Stewards
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