

## OUR MISSION

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.



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 6, 2018  
9:30 A. M.

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT ST. MARK.** Please sign our attendance book. We are happy to have you here with us! Please join us for refreshments on the breezeway after worship.

**BRING THE BUCKETS 2018** - WELCA's community service project is to make buckets filled with cleaning supplies. These will assist Lutheran Services Florida with resettlement of refugees by providing buckets of cleaning supplies to help ready their place to live. We invite you to join the fun. Feel free to fill your bucket with your own favorite supplies. There is a sample bucket in the Narthex. Thanks for your willingness to help those in need. **We'll be collecting until May 10th.**

**HELP F.E.A.S.T. SORT AND ORGANIZE -SATURDAY MAY 12th** - The National Mail Carrier's Food Drive will be held on Saturday, May 12th. (It is the day before Mother's Day.) **The F. E. A. S. T. Food Pantry is an ongoing partner of St. Mark for which we collect the "Bag of Blessings" each month.** The F. E. A. S. T. staff has requested that any volunteers go to the warehouse facility on the grounds of Curlew United Methodist Church (2210 Cathedral Dr., Palm Harbor, FL 34683). Volunteers are needed between the hours of 12:30 and 6:00 pm, but please do not feel obligated to stay the whole time. St Mark volunteers have participated in the past, and this is another great way for us to love and support the neediest in our community.

**WITH GRATITUDE FROM CLAYTON STOOTS** – In response to the endless prayers, the charitable donations as well as the all-around love I have received from all at St. Mark, I want to personally thank each and every one. I am humbled by everyone's kind words and generous donations in response to my long-term absence from work. Without these blessings from my St. Mark family, there is no doubt that I would have ended up in a shelter. I am eternally grateful to everyone, from pastors, to office administration to fellow parishioners. Your donations were a tremendous blessing in helping to keep me and my family afloat throughout the storm I was in. As some of you may have known, my employer required me to take on the costs of my insurance at \$1200 a month, and I am happy to say that your support has allowed me to chip away at the debt significantly and also contribute to all living expenses from rent to groceries I will forever be in debt to you all. Thank you for sharing God's love with me and making me feel part of the St Mark family.

**ST. MARK WELCA AND GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH IN PARTNERSHIP** - The group is helping to provide men's and women's clothing as well as toiletries for their homeless outreach project at Grace called Lydia's Closet. This is an ongoing project and you are invited to donate as you are able. Please donate any extra items, including the mini sized soaps and shampoos that you may accumulate from travelling. Small baskets for toiletries and a large bin for clothing are located in the Narthex.

**NATIONAL POLICE OFFICERS' WEEK**—Sunday, May 13 marks the beginning of National Police Week. Proclaimed in 1963 by President Kennedy, this week is set aside to honor and remember those who serve and those whose service has ended. On May 13 at the National Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial in Washington, DC, the names of 360 officers will be added to the walls of the Memorial at a candlelight vigil. This includes 128 who died in 2017 and deaths from previous years that were recently discovered through research and historical records. On May 15, Peace Officers' Memorial Day, families of the fallen will gather on the grounds of the US Capitol for a service honoring those who died in 2017. Please keep these survivors in your prayers as they walk their grief journey, and pray that all law enforcement who work to keep us safe will remain healthy and safe.

**FOOD DRIVE FOR DUNEDIN CARES FOOD PANTRY** – Now through May 15<sup>th</sup>, Dunedin Cares Food Pantry will be having a food drive to encourage local businesses, churches, civic organizations to help stock their shelves for the increased demand for breakfast and luncheon items during the summer months when school is out. Although Dunedin Cares regular seeks donations from the community throughout the year, this is a special event to prepare the food bank for the demands of the coming summer months. During school summer vacation (May 25 through August 13) a financial hardship and hunger for student's increases for families who need to provide a breakfast and lunch for their children, thus the increased demand and the Food Drive. Items needed include peanut butter, jelly, canned chicken, canned tuna, oatmeal, cereal, pancake mix, and maple syrup. **The Food Drive is also a challenge to create a friendly competition among local businesses, churches, civic organizations, and even individuals to hold their own Food Drives for the needed items.** The Prize will be the Civic Pride and bragging rights to go with it. Dunedin Cares, Inc. will garner the winner as much publicity as possible. They will post on their website, Face Book page, and ask local public and private publications, websites, FB pages to give the winner the publicity as well. The Food Pantry is located at 1630 Pinehurst Road on the Faith Lutheran Church campus.

**DOCUMENT SHREDDING OPPORTUNITY** - On Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 am-12:00 pm, **Thrivent and Lutheran Church of The Palms** will have a ProShred mobile shredding truck on site for a paper shredding event. The purpose of the event is to allow clients and members in the community to bring old files, tax forms, mortgages or old paperwork in need of secure disposal and no longer needed. This aids in the prevention of identity theft and allows our community to clean out, old and unwanted stored paper documents. Shredding is done on site by an employee of **ProShred** right at the truck while the clients waits. Bring as much as your car/van can carry. The event is first come, first served as the ProShred Truck can reach capacity (rarely does this happen). While this is a free community event, donations are encouraged with all proceeds benefitting **Barlow Little Palms Pre-School at LCOP**. The address for the event on May 12<sup>th</sup> is: **Lutheran Church of The Palms, 2250 Nebraska Ave., Palm Harbor, FL 34683**

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## Serving The Community of Faith

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**Assisting Minister:** Steve Miller  
**Ushers** Beverly and Harry Entwisle  
**Offering Bearers:** Teddy and Cecilia Zybuero  
**Acolyte:** Emery Horvath  
**Lector:** Jerry Rude  
**Communion Assistants:** Pastor Connie Bonner and Mary Kale

**Altar Guild:** Janice Froelich, Grace Herrera and Eddi Ezey

### Given to the Glory of God:

**Presence candle** is in memory of Janet Armstrong on her birthday  
by Barbara Woodworth.

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## This Week at St. Mark

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**Sunday**            **Bags of Blessings returned**  
    **May 6**    **9:30 am Worship**  
                  **10:45 am Refreshments**  
                  **10:45 am Handbell Choir**

**Monday**            7:00 pm Al-Anon  
                          8:00 pm Ala-Teen Meeting

**Tuesday**            **10:00 am St. Mark Bible Study**  
                          **6:00 pm Fellowship Team Meeting**  
                          **7:00 pm Church Council Meeting**

**Thursday**            6:00 pm AA  
                          7:00 pm Al-Anon

**Saturday**            12:30 pm FEAST Sort and Organize Day

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                  **10:45 am Handbell Choir**

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Readings for next Sunday — **Easter 7**  
Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19

## 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.

### **FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR IN NEED OF SUPPORT:**

Edna May  
Carol Cicero  
Steve Miller  
Cheryl Burton  
Michael Bryant  
Millard Grumbling (father of Jennifer Grumbling)  
Robert Nandram (husband of Joyce Nandram)  
Richard Morris (brother of Ruth Titus)  
Tom Keneddy (friend of Arnie Dano)  
Paige Beckerman (daughter of Jacqueline Beckerman)  
Peggy Young (friend of Charlotte Claussen)  
Dan Edgerton (friend of Horst Kayser)  
Kerry Schoen (sister of Debbie Woodard)  
Chris Tovar (son-in-law of Wanita Beier)  
Vibeke Bredal (friend of Sue Nelson)  
Richard King (friend of Barbara Woodworth)  
Jeff Dano (son of Arnie Dano)  
Jim Dano (son of Arnie Dano)  
Ingeborg Kayser (sister-in-law of Horst Kayser)  
Joe and Lee Bogacz (friends of Arnie Dano)  
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)  
Donita Holjes (friend of the Plasketts)  
Ernie Smith, Sr. (husband of Phyllis Smith)  
Jennifer (Nizer) Rakas (daughter of Ray and Charlotte Nizer)

Ethan Gottlieb (grandson of Tim and Angela Langenback)  
Heather Booth (daughter of the Plasketts)  
Gretchen Woodard (daughter of Debbie Woodard)  
Bret R. (friend of Linda Peterman)  
Jerriann VanEpern (friend of Linda Peterman)  
Jax Cunningham (great nephew of Barbara Woodworth)  
Eddie Frederick (friend of the Grumbling/Delerme family)  
Elizabeth K. (friend of Sue Nelson)  
Karen Aungst (friend of Debbie Woodard)  
Chelle S. (friend of Jennifer Grumbling)  
Dinah Reid (niece of Constance and Henry Chapman)  
Tom Conway (brother of Mary VanHaute)  
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 SERVE (Family and friends of):**

Alexis Grzegorzcyk (friend of Carol Czajkowski - USAF)  
Mitch Shellenberger  
Tierney Froelich  
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)  
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)  
Kori Smeiska (friend of Carol Czajkowski - K. C. Police Officer)  
Calvin Jensen (friend of Carol Czajkowski - US Navy)  
Sam Palmer (family of the Horvaths)  
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 and Beverly Entwisle, Property Stewards  
Regina Hickey, Bookkeeper*

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