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Bypass Campus (BPC)

St. Mark United Methodist Church





Sunday, March 24 - Palm Sunday Worship Services at the RSC at 8:30 AM and 11:15 AM Spring Fest at RSC from 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM Wednesday, March 27th - Lenten Service at 12:30 PM at First Presbyterian Church Journey to The Cross 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at The Coronaca Campus

Thursday, March 28th - Maundy Thursday Service 6:30 PM in the Worship Center of the RSC

Friday, March 29th - Prayer Vigil from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the Sanctuary of the BPC

Sunday, March 31st - Easter Sunday Services

Laundry detergent Adult wipes Coffee (regular, decaf, and K-cups) 408 West Alexander Avenue | Greenwood, SC 29646 **Coffee Creamer** Sugar (individual packets) Spoons Snack Cakes, Crackers, Nuts, etc. (individual size) 8 oz, 12oz, and 16oz Styrofoam Cups **Peppermint candy** St. Mark **Cheap Kitty Litter Gold Bond Baby Powder – not talc (travel size) Unscented Deodorant (individual size) Body lotion (individual size)** Body wash (individual size) Essential oils for aromatherapy diffusers (peppermint, lavender, & eucalyptus) Funds for cookie dough

Rivers Street Campus (RSC)

The Coronaca Campus (TCC)

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Jason's Journal

"Resurrection means that the worst thing is never the *last thing."* Frederick Buechner

As the month of March begins, we as a church are entering into our third week of Lent. While the season of Lent is a season of self-evaluation, self-denial, and self-reflection we

the final resurrection, when God calls the church militant home. Now, however, my second thought is of hope in the now, not just waiting on the future resurrection; "Resurrection means that the worst thing is never the last thing." I do not know about you, but this quote offers hope to God's people in the present and in the here and now.

Years ago when I read these words from Buechner my entire perspective and under-standing of Jesus' Resurrection changed. The hope of Easter morning is more than hope after we die or when Jesus returns, but hope in the everydayness of life. St. hope after we die or when Jesus returns, but hope in the everydayness of life. St. Mark, this is amazing news! This is amazing news to our lives as we are all more than aware of the struggles and burdens of life. We experience pain, illness, loss, grief, and consequences of choices in life; yet, *resurrection means the worst thing is never the last thing*. As we journey through life and Lent together, let us be mindful of the hope we have as God's people. Let us remember these words from Rev. Barrett Alewine that he often shared with me in trying times, *"This is a time to remember and celebrate that we are the Easter people."* Then, more times than not, he would follow those words with his summarization of Revelation, *"Hang in there, baby. God wins!"* May the hope of Easter and the joy of Jesus' Resurrection be an anchor of hope for us all in the storms of life. for us all in the storms of life.

WESLEY COMMONS St. Mark/Wesley Commons Fellowship of Christ First Thursday of the Month 10:30 AM Wesley Commons Asbury Hall Chapel 1110 Marshall Road

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	Worship Attendance Year to Date Aver	rage				
	As of February 25, 2024					
	8:45 AM - BPC	78				
	8:45 AM - RSC	76				
	10:00 AM - TCC	39				
	11:00 AM - BPC	98				
	11:15 AM - RSC	105				
	8:45 Stream - BPC	64				
	10:00 Stream - TCC	18				
	11:15 Stream - RSC	31				
	Worship Attendance	507				
	Sunday School Attendance	107				
KREW and EPIC Attendance School Year Average						
	As of February 11, 2024					
	KREW	63				
	EPIC	79				
	HSX	20				

The Pastors and congregation extend Christian sympathy to the following members of our church family.

- Maria Quattlebaum and her family on the death of her brother. Jimmie Pitt White, on January 23.
- Mary Frances Anderson and her family on the death of her mother, Mary Gladys Turner, on February 3.
- Don Anderson and his family on the death of his grandmother, Gladys Turner, on February 3.
- Connie Cook and her family on the death of her stepfather, Jimmy Sutherland, on February 4.
- Megan Johnson and her family on the death of her brother, Geoff Coons, on February 13.
- Kolby Gantt and his family on the death of his grandmother, Bernice Gantt, on February 20.
- Kylie Gantt and her family on the death of her grandmother, Bernice Gantt, on February 20.

The next copy of The Witness, the church's monthly newsletter, will be emailed out Thursday, March 28. Deadline to submit information for the newsletter is Monday, March 18.

Copies of the March Birthdays list, March Anniversaries list, and Upper Rooms for March/April are located at the narthex/welcome area at each campus.

IN MEMORIAM

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live." John 11:25-26

- Walter Conard "Bud" Search * May 30, 1934 - January 26, 2024
- George Clarence Gravlee, Jr. * January 20, 1940 - February 5, 2024
- William Gary Roper * January 2, 1937 - February 20, 2024



WELCOME LITTLE **METHODIST**

Congratulations to Kellynn Walker and **Reynolds** Satterfield on the birth of their daughter, Ricki MaeLee Satterfield, on January 31. Proud grandparents are Keith and Amy Ashley. Proud uncle is Hampton Ashley.

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GREENWOOD DISTRICT

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE P. O. BOX 49968 1633 RIVERS STREET GREENWOOD, SOUTH CAROLINA 29649 page 14



Greetings St. Mark, As many of you know, I went before the SC Annual Conference Board of Ordained Ministry to seek commissioning as a Provisional Elder in the United Methodist Church on February 5th. St. Mark, I am pleased to report that I passed two of the four areas required for commissioning as Provisional Elder. That also means that I will have to go before the SC Annual Conference Board of Ordained Ministry in 2025 to complete the final two parts of the commissioning process for Provisional Elder. I want to thank you, St. Mark, for all of your prayers, words of encouragement, and comfort the past month. As I continue to journey through the commissioning process and as we journey toward Easter, I want us to hold on to these words found in the Book of Ecclesiastes:

"He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end." (Ecclesiastes 3:11)

St. Mark, regardless of how precarious life may seem, may we find joy in the Good News that God is with us, God is faithful, and in time, we will experience the fullness of God!

Blessings on the journey,

Joey



FOOD BANK SUNDAY PLEASE HELP US FILL THE **COLLECTION BINS AT EVERY CAMPUS.**

Meetings this Month

Trustees will meet Sunday, March 10, at 12:30 PM in room 104 at the Bypass Campus. Please enter through the double doors at the end of the education wing.

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TO: Ms. Tracev Burke Albert Dukes Matt Huntsberger

The Reverend Stephen L. Love, D.Min. FROM: **District Superintendent**

DATE: February 7, 2024

2023 Apportionment Payments SUBJECT:

On behalf of the South Carolina Conference, Bishop Holston, and the Greenwood District, please accept my thanks for your leadership in St. Mark United Methodist Church's response of paying 100% of the 2023 apportionments. St. Mark's faithfulness enables the District, Conference, and General Church to continue spreading the Gospel and ministering to many needs.

Again, thank you for your leadership in encouraging your church to pay 100% of the 2023 apportionments. Please convey to the St. Mark church family the deep appreciation of the South Carolina Conference. Bishop Holston, and the Greenwood District for their faithfulness.

Grace and peace,

Atyphe L. Louis

The Reverend Stephen L. Love, D.Min. **District Superintendent** Greenwood District

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The Reverend Jason Wilson CC:



Items needed at the Food Bank: Canned tuna, chicken, or salmon, Peanut butter and jelly, Meals in a can (chunky soups, stew, chili) Canned fruits in its own juice or water, Canned food with pop-top lids, Dried beans (pinto, blackeyed, kidney, lima, etc), Pasta (including whole grain), Rice (brown, white, yellow), Low-sugar whole grain cereals, Grits and Oatmeal (bag or box), Powder or Shelf-stable milk Bottled water and fruit drinks, Healthy snacks (granola bars, nuts, dried fruit).

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Hello St. Mark Family!

We are in one of my favorite seasons of the church, Lent. This is a time of renewal, personal reflection, reflecting on our relationship with Christ, and looking for new ways to strengthen that relationship. During this season, we are preaching a series on relationships. If I dive deeper into the idea of relationships that we see in the Bible and the relationships that we personally have with Jesus, I feel like it all boils back to one thing, love. That's who we are, isn't it? We are creatures that long to be loved and long for relationships.

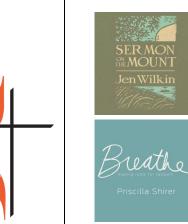
Back in the 13th century, the king of Sicily, Frederick II, conducted an evil experiment intended to discover what language children would naturally grow up to speak if never

spoken to. He thought it would be either Hebrew, Greek, Latin, or Arabic. So, King Frederick the Great took babies from their mothers at birth and placed them in the care of nurses who were forbidden to speak where the babies could hear them. Then a second rule was imposed: the nurses were not allowed to touch the infants. To his great dismay, Frederick's experiment was cut short, but not before something tragically significant regarding human nature was revealed. As you may have guessed, the babies grew up to speak no language at all because they all passed away. In the year 1248, an Italian historian named Salimbene di Adam recorded, with scientific observation, "They could not live without petting." The babies literally passed away because they desired to be touched. Modern medicine calls this phenomenon, "failure to thrive." For some reason, we flourish under the influence of love, and we gradually die without it. The implications of this fact are huge. The research of Dr. Dean Ornish touches on this idea. In his national bestseller, Love and Survival, Ornish presents study after study demonstrating that love is a chief influence for mental, emotional, and even physical health. On page 29, he summaries the unexpected data: "Anything that promotes feelings of love and intimacy is healing; anything that promotes isolation, separation, loneliness, loss, hostility, anger, cynicism, depression, alienation, and related feelings often leads to suffering, disease, and premature death from all causes."

So why is this scientific information about love and relationships so important? If materialistic evolution is the truth of human origins, then human beings are merely biological animals, and there is no such thing as love. But here we are, creatures who thrive on love and are utterly dependent on it. A tenacious desire to love and be loved lives in every human heart. We try to explain it without reasoning beyond ourselves, and we seek to satisfy this need in countless material pursuits, but it remains-larger than anything this world can offer, more persistent than our most determined resistance, and insistently fixed on something more than ourselves. We can't help but ask the obvious question at some point: Why is it that we need love and relationship to survive? In two simple declarations, the Bible offers this answer: "God made mankind in His own im-age" (Genesis 1:27) and "God is love" (1 John 4:16). We thrive on relationships and love because our Creator desires relationship and love. My prayer is that during this time of renewal and self-reflection, as we make a journey to the cross, that we all strengthen our relationships. And not just the relationships with each other, although they are extremely important, but our relationship with Christ, who loved us so much and longed to be in relationship with us so badly that He was willing to die for us.

I pray this is a season of lent that leaves you refreshed and renewed and that strengthens your relationships. I hope to see YOU at CHURCH! BRING A FRIEND!

Bible Studies



The Wednesday Night Ladies' Bible Study is starting a new study March 13 at 6:00 PM called Sermon on the Mount by Jen Wilkin. This is a 8 week study. The group will meet at the BPC in room 105/107. Books can be purchased through Amazon or Lifeway.com. Contact Candy Gillian at 864.341.6800 or cgillian@wctel.net to sign up for the class All ladies are welcome to attend.

information.



- reserve your spot.
- your reservation. Deadline is April 1.
- April 10, at 11:30 AM at Cracker Barrel.



St Mark Women

 Spring Cookie Decorating at Cups and Scoops in Greenwood March 16. Cost is 39 per person. Times available are 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. All supplies and drinks are included. RSVP to Debra at debra@stmarkgreenwood.com

• Kitchen Swap - Saturday, April 13 at the BPC. Do you have items in your kitchen that you never use, and you would like to get rid of them? This is the time! For each item you donate to the event, you will receive a ticket to "shop" at the preview. Those without tickets will "shop" after the preview time. This is event is Saturday, April 13. Preview time for ticket holders is 9:00 AM to Noon. Non-ticket holders can come from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Limit of 3 items. This is not a sale!! All items will be free!!!

4:00PM.

Robby

The Tuesday Morning Ladies' Bible Study is starting a new study March 19, at 9:00 AM called Breathe - Making Room for Sabbath by Priscila Shirer. The group will meet at the BPC in room 104. Contact Tracey Burke at tltb70@yahoo.com to sign up or for more

Fellowship FOR AGES 60 AND UP

Next fellowship gathering is March 11, at 11:30 AM in Founders Hall at the BPC. The meat will be BBQ sandwiches. Bring a side dish to share. Contact Elaine at 864.992.9668 or elainejmoore3239@gmail.com to

Debra Robinson sent out the Adventure Travels brochure to all Young at Heart. Each trip is numbered. Please let her know which ones you are interested in so she can start planning the trips. If you did not get a brochure, please contact Debra at debra@stmarkgreenwood.com.

Milltown Players in Pelzer, SC May 2. Contact Debra Robinson to secure

Book Sale - Saturday, August 17 at the BPC. Books can be dropped off starting now in Debra's office, room 136, Mondays through Wednesdays 8:00 AM to

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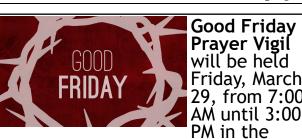
2024 Lenten Pilgrimage Schedule

March 6th First Greenwood ARP Church March 13th First Baptist Church March 20th Main Street UMC March 27th First Presbyterian Church

Lunch will be served at 12:00 PM and again at 1:00 PM. The service will start at 12:30 PM. The cost for lunch is \$2.

During the Lenten Pilgrimage the church office will close on Wednesdays from 12:00 PM to 2:15 PM. This will allow time for our staff to attend the Lenten Pilgrimage.

Maundy Thursday We will have a special Maundy Thursday Service March 28, at 6:30 PM at the Rivers Street Campus. A nursery will be provide.



Prayer Vigil will be held Friday, March 29. from 7:00 AM until 3:00 PM in the

Bypass campus sanctuary, and we hope you will want to plan to participate. We are looking forward to a wonderful day of prayer for St. Mark, its congregation, and its ministries.



Easter Lilies / Good Samaritan Fund

The Worship Committee invites you to make a special donation "in honor of" or "in memory of" a loved one or friend in lieu of purchasing Easter Lilies. These donations will go to our Good Samaritan Fund which is used to provide assistance to those in need throughout the year. A list will be included in the April Newsletter. To donate, please fill out the form below. All forms must be received in the church office by Sunday, March 24. Easter Lilies will be available to take home immediately following the last worship service at each campus Sunday, March 31. You can attached your check, Venmo, or pay online.

In Memory of _____

Given by _____

In Honor of ______

Given by _____





be in relationship with us.

Rev. Jason Wilson

March 3 - Exodus 20:1-17

- Rev. Jason Wilson at the Bypass Campus 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM
- _
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March 10 - Numbers 21:4-9

March 17 - Jeremiah 31:31-34

- Rev. Jason Wilson at the Bypass Campus 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM
- Mrs. Tracey Burke at the Coronaca Campus 10:00 AM

March 24 - Palm Sunday - Mark 11:1-11

assisting in worship

March 28 - Maundy Thursday 6:30 PM at the Rivers Street Campus -John 13:1-17, 31-35

March 31 - Easter - Mark 16:1-8

- Rev. Jason Wilson at the Bypass Campus 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM
- Rev. Joey Gambrell at the Coronaca Campus 10:00 AM



MARCH PREACHING SCHEDULE AND SCRIPTURE

St. Mark, the month of March, as we continue in our Lenten journey we will also continue exploring God's ever present pursuit of humanity and God's desire to

Rev. Joey Gambrell at the Coronaca Campus 10:00 AM Rev. Robby Lybrand at the Rivers Street Campus 8:45 AM and 11:15 AM

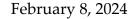
 Rev. Robby Lybrand at the Bypass Campus 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM
Rev. Jason Wilson at the Coronaca Campus 10:00 AM - Rev. Joey Gambrell at the Rivers Street Campus 8:45 AM and 11:15 AM

- Rev. Robby Lybrand at the Rivers Street Campus 8:45 AM and 11:15 AM

1 Church/3 Campus worship at the Rivers Street Campus 8:30 AM and 11:15 AM Rev. Jason Wilson preaching with Rev. Joey Gambrell and Rev. Robby Lybrand

Rev. Robby Lybrand at the Rivers Street Campus 8:45 AM and 11:15 AM





Yellow symbolizes the radiance of Christ. Red

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Prayers of the Church

RESIDENTIAL LIVING

Ansley Glen (1408 Parkway, Greenwood, SC) Faye Adams

Emerald Gardens (201 Overland Drive, Greenwood, SC) Charlotte Kooné

National Healthcare (437 E Cambridge Ave, Greenwood, SC) Betty Lightsey

Wesley Commons (1110 Marshall Road, Greenwood, SC) Marilyn Carlson Jim and Dodie Conley George and Betty Crane Jim and Lee Kruzan Julie McCaffery June Newman

Shut-In/Homebound Mary Ellen Anderson (864.223.5275) 1830 Alexander Road W Greenwood, SC 29649

Mike Bartley 118 Sherwood Lane Greenwood, SC 29649 Danny Bearden c/o Khristy Lee 2419 Lafayette Street Winterville, NC 28590 Jean Bedenbaugh

Lexington Medical Center Extended Care 815 Old Cherokee Road Lexington, SC 29072 Arjamond Bishop 2198 River Fork Road Waterloo, SC 29384

Joyce Campbell 101 Shannon Street Greenwood, SC 29646 Ruth Clark 119 Tryon Court Greenwood, SC 29649 Tom and Beth Dowtin 122 Hemlock Ct Greenwood, SC 29649 Mary Anna Evans 5800 Old Providence Road Apt 4310 Charlotte, NC 28226

Evelyn Fennell 308 Marietta Drive Greenwood, SC 29646 Charlie Helms (704.535.7848) 4600 Crofton Ct. Charlotte, NC 28205

Prayer requests will remain on this list for three weeks unless we are notified differently. MEMBERS' FRIENDS CONT'D Shut-In/Homebound Cont'd Doris Langley Valerie Hazlett The Frost family (Will, Carrie, 303 Lynn Street Greenwood, SC 29649 and Alex) MILITARY Jack Boyd - Army Dr. JC Elmore - Army Miriam Laswell 122 Leslie Drive Greenwood, SC 29649 Brycen Fleming - Army Bob and Jean Lax Randall Geddings 801 Musgrove St Joshua Goff - Marines Unit 84 Dr. Caity Jarrio-Army Clinton, SC 29325 Mackenźie Latham - Áir Force Wilma McCall Banner Peksa - Army 228 Rock Knoll Drive Parker White - Army Greenwood, SC 29646 **COLLEGE STUDENTS** Annell McManus (864.229.1596) Clemson: 110 Northgate Greenwood, SC 29649 Adam Prince, Caleb McLaughlin, Caroline Addis, Clary Pederson, Jackie Menaker Conner Pederson, Dawson 104 Hunters Village Drive Greenwood, SC 29649 Hudson, Emma Arnold, Jasmine Creswell, Josh Godwin, Julia Creswell, Laila Monda, Lexi Layland, Rebecca Bell, Savannah Mabel Nicoletti 113 Chatham Drive Greenwood, SC 29649 Farmer, Taylor Case, Trevor Brewington, Will Godwin, Wyatt Prince, and Zach Robinson Barbara Jean Smith 224 Elm Street College of Charleston: Greenwood, SC 29646 Olivia Murray Barbara Sthare Lander: 118 Rutledge Road Caroline Rhodes, Dylan DeLoach, Greenwood, SC 29649 Jeramiah Holmes, Jordan Mapes, MEMBERS AND REGULAR Rhianna Philcox, Ryan Latham, ATTENDEES and TJ Freeman. Jenelle Steifle Mars Hill University: Steve Wilson Sarah Ellen Johnson Jane Roper and family Midlands Technical College: Bonnie Maddock Parker Boggs Gene Ouzts Brady Wilson Piedmont Technical College: Sylvia Goff Andrew Tripp, Dylan Gambrell, Cvnthia Trammell Evan Boggs, and Savannah Dottie Keppler Family of George Gravlee Mallon Presbyterian College: Connie Cook and family Beatty Murray The Purcell Family Savannah College of Art and Barbara Jean Smith Design: Izaiah Holmes Jim Conley Dodie Conley Rev. and Mrs. Milton and Betty The Medical University of South Moss McGuirt Carolina: Mae Furman MEMBERS' FAMILY Tommy Fleming University of Georgia: Haley McLaughlin Linton Mann University of South Carolina: Caroline Bell, Carter Rhodes, Meg **MEMBERS' FRIENDS** Joyce Hall Moore McGovern, Olivia DeTreville, and Courtney Sadie McCrea Brent Cálvert University of South Carolina, Sam Griffith Rev. Blake Kendrick Sumter: Braeden McDonald Will Coleman Marilyn Campbell Winthrop: Ciara White Carlie Pundt



For more information about any of these events or other ministries for children at St. Mark, visit www.stmarkbridgekids.com

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St. Mark gratefully acknowledges the following gifts:

To *The Masters Plan Fund* in loving memory of **Bud Search** by Mary Search, Bob and Gail Propester, Charlie and Helen Watkins.

- To The Masters Plan Fund in loving memory of Larry Finney by Karen Finnev.
- To The Masters Plan Fund in loving memory of Gary Roper by Sam Gunnells, Helen Bryan, Elizabeth Kinback, Larry and Susie Barker.



Notes from St. Mark Choir

Good Friday this year is March 29th. Mark your calendar to attend a presentation of Illuminare by Elaine Hagenberg at 7:00 pm in the First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary. Our St. Mark Chancel Choir will join seven other area churches, complete with a Chamber Orchestra, for this Good Friday observation. The other area churches include First Presbyterian, Main Street United Methodist, First Baptist, Immanuel Lutheran, Rock Presbyterian, and Our Lady of Lourdes.

This endeavor will be funded through donations from the area churches. As you can imagine, using a full Chamber Orchestra will be quite expensive, but so very meaningful during this Lenten Season and especially for Good Friday. St. Mark Choir will fund

their part of the expenses using the Choir Fund. This fund is not part of the annual church budget. We would appreciate any support you could give for this community endeavor. If you would like to make a donation, please submit your donation to the St Mark Choir Fund,

Elaine Hegenberg's Illuminare was initially financed and publicized through a group of choirs in 2021 and made available for sale in 2022. This is an amazing 24-minute work consisting of five movements for SAT B choir. To quote the composer, "it uses lesser known sacred Latin, Greek and English text. The music takes us through a season of beauty and goodness that has been disrupted by darkness and confusion. But as light gradually returns, hope is restored, Illuminating our future and guiding us in

peace."

It is our hope that you will join us for this Good Friday experience. Lent is a powerful time of year for self-reflection, culminating in the beauty of Easter. Goodness, Darkness to Light. Illuminare!!!

Musically. Carol Jones



EPIC IS A CHRIST-CENTERED MINISTRY FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 6-12. EPIC SUNDAY NIGHTS ARE FROM 6:30-8:00. WE BEGIN WITH FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP, TRANSITION WITH EPIC GAMES, AND THEN FOCUS ON OUR MESSAGE AND SMALL GROUPS.

ALL YOUTH ARE INVITED! BRING A FRIEND! THIS MARCH AT EPIC, WE WILL CONCLUDE OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS SERIES. AND BEGIN AN EASTER SERIES CALLED LOVE.



Imagine the impact when we go beyond words, lifting each other up in earnest prayer. In those moments, we tap into a divine connection that can move mountains and bring forth miracles. It's a privilege to serve a God who not only hears but responds to the heartfelt petitions of His children. Together, let's experience the power of true and active prayer, knowing that it is not a passive act but a dynamic force that connects us to the heart of God.

MARCH 10th, 17th and 24th AT EPIC

This March, we're starting this season called LOVE. It's all about the ways Jesus' life, death, and resurrection show us the greatest love the world has ever experienced. We're going to take a look at the most important, eternity-altering, world-changing event, the event that is good news for every student - the resurrection! In this series, we'll look specifically at three key people who had firsthand experiences with Jesus during that first Easter thousands of years ago: John, the men crucified next to Jesus, and Mary Magdalene. We'll talk about the way John wrote about Jesus's love, how forgiveness was one of the greatest expressions of love to the Thief on the Cross, and how Jesus's love showed Mary that she mattered. Because of what Jesus did and said to show them love, we can know the same kind of love is offered to us. The resurrection reminds us that...WE are loved, WE are forgiven, WE are valuable, too.



HSX, our High School Extra Bible study, meets after EPIC. 9th-10th Graders are studying 1 Peter and are led by Rev. Robby Lybrand in the Attic. 11th-12th graders are studying Hebrews and are led by Julie McLaughlin in the High School Room.





MARCH 3rd AT EPIC



Check www.stmarkepic.com, social media, and your email for updates. Official registration opens March 1, but contact Julie today to pre-register with the church. Don't miss out on this opportunity to change homes and lives are you are changed, as well. You must be 14 or older by June 22 to participate.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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