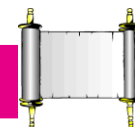




# St. Mark Bell



## Pastor's Ponderings

Dear St. Mark:

"O God, from my youth you have taught me and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds. So even to old age and grey hairs...I proclaim your might." Psalm 71:17-18

The bell started to ring. At first it was a single little peal of a sound, but the tones began to build as the rocking of the cradle pulled the bell back up and down. The clapper struck repeatedly, ringing out loudly and clearly, before fading away into the neighborhood. I had heard the call to worship on Sunday morning. The problem was, I was in my hospital room across the street. It tore at me a bit that the invite to worship had been made but I could not be present. I could not come and join together with St. Mark in prayer, to praise the Lord, hearing scripture and receiving the sacrament of Holy Communion. The bell had done its job, it announced the invitation to worship.

What a gift we have to share with the world. To ring out that invite of peace and grace that overcomes all despair, sickness, worry, or fear. That bell had done its job: I had been reminded by its call, even while laid up in a hospital bed, that there is one all-loving Father who cares for me and gives me hope.

When was the last time you heard that call, that invite to open your heart to God, to come into worship? When was the last time you shared that invite with someone else telling them of your excitement in knowing the grace and love of God? When was the last time you acknowledged the glory of God in your day or in someone else?

All those times are like that ringing bell, calling out to people to see the greatness of our Lord. When we hear the invite from others, when they share their faith, when they tell a story about what God has done for them, we are built up in our faith. The same thing happens when we share our own story with others: how God has changed us, describing what God is doing in our lives. Others are inspired, hearing of our excitement in the Lord. Recognizing God at work in others, expressing your gratitude for their faith, will inspire them to even greater devotion while deepening your connection in faith.

The church bell rings out, and so can we. Each of us can be the voice of God for others. Perhaps we won't do it in great speech or tremendous deeds of actions, but it may come in one single tone that rings out, breaking through the world to glorify God. May we all be that one single ring of the bell that shares the greatness of the glory of God and the hope that is everlasting.

In the peace and grace of God, **Pastor Kirk Griffin**

### St. Mark Lutheran

129 Charles Street  
Hanover PA 17331  
717-637-8904 [stmarkhanover.org](http://stmarkhanover.org)

#### Worship

Saturday 5:30pm  
Sunday 9:00am  
Sunday School Following Worship

#### Church Office Hours

Mon-Fri 9:00am-12noon

#### Bible Study

Fridays 11:00am-12noon

#### Bells Rehearsal

Most Sundays Following Worship

#### Quilting Group

Thursdays 9:00am-12noon

#### Preschool

M/W/F (4's) 9:00-11:45am &  
12:30-3:15pm  
M/W & T/Th (3's) 9:00-11:15am

#### Meetings & Activities

- May 1** - *May Day*  
- 3pm Evangelism Mtg  
**CANCELLED**
- May 3** - 8am-1pm Garden Club  
Plant Sale
- May 4** - Fellowship Time  
Following Worship  
- Council Mtg
- May 5** - *Cinco de Mayo*
- May 6** - 1:30pm St. Mark Eats  
@ Railside
- May 11** - *Mother's Day*  
- Music Sunday  
- Confirmation Class
- May 13** - 9:30am Property Mtg  
- 10:30am Coloring Group  
for Adults
- May 14** - Preschool M/W  
3-Year-Olds Last Day
- May 15** - Preschool T/Th  
3-Year-Olds Last Day
- May 16** - 10:30am/2pm Preschool  
Graduation
- May 18** - Land & Seasons Worship  
- **GERANIUM DEADLINE**  
- 10:15am Sunday School  
Celebration  
- 5pm Heroes Event
- May 20** - *Armed Forces Day*  
- Election Day
- May 25** - Council Mtg  
- PAL Team A
- May 26** - *Memorial Day*  
- **OFFICE CLOSED**
- May 29** - *Ascension of Our Lord*



# HAPPENINGS AND NEWS IN OUR CONGREGATION

## Congregational Council Happenings

The Council meeting previously scheduled for Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, will now take place on Sunday, **May 4<sup>th</sup>**.

### March's Treasurer's Report



- Dora
- Grayson
- Daniel Ard
- Katherine Borsella
- Patrick Brady
- Susan Bucher-Laughman
- Kath Campbell
- Lucas Cherry
- Frances Claybaugh
- Tom Cowan
- Oscar Crow
- Pastor David DeLong
- Lisa Dickensheets
- Diane Duffy
- Robin Eline
- Tarek Elnaggar
- Jean Eshbach
- Landon Evans
- Dennis Fahey
- Nancy Fridinger
- Nancy Gill
- Vickie Gouker
- Dane Graham
- Tom Greenholt
- Bob Groft
- John Hagerman
- Chase Henry & Family
- Carrie Hernden
- Peg Hippensteel
- Michael Humes
- Martha Howells

### Prayer List for May

- Donna Jones
- Leah Moul
- Sarah Smith
- Debbie Kellenbenz
- Merle Mummert
- Jody Spellman
- Craig King
- Pam Mummert
- Amanda Stuckey
- Shawn Klunk
- Wayne Noel
- Phyllis Tasto
- Kelly Koontz
- Carolyn Neumyer
- Jennie Tome
- Norma Kreidler
- Marian Noble
- George Tracy
- Allen Kuhns
- Susan O'Brien
- Allison Trump
- Jo Kuhns
- Kelly Perdue
- Erin Viozzi
- David Kunkel
- Mary Riley
- Ed Wagaman
- Russell Laughman
- Family & Friends of Dennis Robert Rose
- Gloria Wagaman
- Jean Lawrence
- Tom Lawrence
- Jody Walter
- Family & Friends of Bill Leppo
- Carl Sandruck
- Barb Watson
- Ronnie Lippy
- David Sandruck
- Ron Wentz
- Naura Luqman
- Lucus Schneider
- Bill Whelan
- Carol McDermitt-Humes
- Bob and Cecelia Sell
- Kathy Wildasin
- Bob Shue
- Luanne Slusser
- Rebecca Wisotzkey
- Carol Miller
- Denise Smith
- Merita Moore
- Pr. Jerry Smith
- Ed Moran
- JoAnn Smith
- Emily Moul

*We ask that you keep all our shut-ins and those needing special help in your daily prayers. If you know of someone in need of prayer, please contact the church office or add them to the prayer list located on the brass stand in the narthex*

### IN MEMORIAL

It is with deep regret we must announce the passing of one of our members, **Bill Leppo**, who entered the everlasting promise found in the living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Please keep his loved ones in your prayers. In his memory, a white rose was placed in our chancel for the weekend of April 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>.



# St. Mark's Designated Fund

St. Mark's **Monthly Offering for Designated Needs** gives us an opportunity as a congregation to support specific domestic and international needs.

During May we are given the opportunity to contribute to **HACC PAL (Provide-a-Lunch) Program** which serves a free hot, nutritious home-cooked lunch seven days a week, prepared by churches in the Hanover area.

**Note:** Donations to this fund are sent to HACC, not used by St. Mark's PAL teams to purchase supplies. Please see our PAL notes in the community section if you'd like to help with ingredients for St. Mark's monthly lunches at HACC.



To contribute to this month's designated need, please mail in your donations or place them in our collection plates, specifying "PAL" or "May Designated Giving" on your check or the *Other* line of your offering envelope. Donations made on the *Other* line that have no written designation will automatically be given to that month's ministry fund. Thanks for your support.

## Happy Birthday To Our **MAY** Birthdays!

- May 5** Tiffany Zeyn
- May 6** Laurie Leppo
- May 7** Lauren Seidenstricker  
Steph Stonesifer
- May 8** Alexis Hoke
- May 9** Robert Sell
- May 10** Helen Hagarman  
Evelyn Reese
- May 11** Mike Noble
- May 14** Emma Kindschuh



- May 15** Ryan Hardin  
Dustin Mummert
- May 18** Levi Brown
- May 20** Zachary Clabaugh
- May 22** Amy Shermeyer
- May 24** Linda Sanders
- May 25** Mary Riley
- May 26** Jonah Warehime
- May 30** Sue Buck  
Sue Sell
- May 31** Patricia Ormond

*If we've missed anyone, please let us know at 717-637-8904.*

### "May" You Be Inspired

May inspiration packets are now available. Be sure to pick up a packet of cards, not just for yourself, but also one or more to share! To order back issues, submit a form found in the Inspirations box.

*kindness*

### Acts of Glory Update

In March we've noted 4 Acts of Glory. We encourage everyone at St. Mark to capture any and all moments of God's grace and glory on an pew index card and share it in the offering plate.

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**Did you know...**

...that St. Mark collects rummage sale items for our November Fall Bazaar? **From mid-May until the day of the bazaar**, we welcome small, saleable items. Leftover sale items are taken by volunteers to Community Aid, so **we appreciate items that are easily transportable. Please refrain from dropping off items prior to St. Mark Preschool's graduation**, as we store sale goods on the fellowship hall stage. The stage needs to remain clear during most of the school year to allow students to perform for parents.

**Thank you to all!**

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### Diaper Drive Thank You

Thank you to all who donated baby care items to benefit Tender Care Pregnancy Center. Your generosity allowed us to take **747** diapers and **1768** wipes to help expectant mothers in the care of the center. Thank you!

### Easter Flowers and Doves

Thank you to everyone who dedicated Easter flowers and to those who arranged them, allowing us to create a beautiful altar on Easter Sunday. Thank you also to those who dedicated doves to help fight world hunger!

### To Our Sunday School Substitutes & Congregation

I wanted to thank [the Sunday School volunteers'] flexibility and willingness to step in to coordinate and/or teach Sunday School – especially since everything was very last-minute! I miss seeing you on Sundays and especially that happy little Sunday School class!

Thank you for the texts, cards, and phone calls – each has meant so much to me, even if I wasn't able to answer. And thank you most of all for your prayers – I'm certain that's what's gotten me to this point!

Thank you again!

– Amanda Stuckey

### Saving Lives

Thanks to our community, the Central Blood Bank reports that the latest UPMC Blood Drive was a success! Enough units were donated to impact **141 lives**. Thanks to everyone who helped out and to our building support staff (aka Wally and Danielle) for their assistance in setting up and cleaning up. Also, thank you to Shellene Griffin for locking up once the drive ended.

### Easter Egg Hunt Success!

We were again blessed with a beautiful sunny morning for our Easter Egg hunt. Thank you to everyone who donated candy and snacks, and the volunteers who filled and scattered eggs for the 45-50 children who attended. It was a wonderful morning!

– Karen Feeser



### To Our Last-Minute Leaders

We appreciate those who stepped up to fill in during Pastor Kirk's unscheduled absence on Easter weekend and Preschool Sunday weekend. Thank you to Shellene Griffin, Pastor David DeLong, Stacey DeLong, Kate Klunk, Michael Noble, Kathy Gates, David Gates, Karen Feeser, and Hollis Long for leading our worship services and performing Communion duties.

### Mini-Thon Support

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all of you for your generous donations towards Mini-Thon. With your support, I was able to raise **\$419**, contributing to South Western's Mini-Thon total of \$35,484.78. These proceeds will go to Four Diamonds, an organization dedicated to assisting families affected by childhood cancer by covering medical costs and contributing to research for cures. Your contributions are truly life-changing for those impacted, and they are deeply grateful for your help. Once again, thank you all for your generous support.

– Marcus Lobaugh



## Mother's Day & Music Sunday

Sunday, **May 11<sup>th</sup>**, is Mother's Day and Music Sunday. We'll be celebrating our mothers, as well as those who mother us now and have mothered us in the past. We'll also recognize St. Mark's musicians and enjoy music by the St. Mark TrebleBells. Please join us!

## Pentecost Geraniums



The deadline to dedicate Pentecost geraniums is coming up very soon. Please contact Joni (637-8904, [offcoor129@gmail.com](mailto:offcoor129@gmail.com)) or send in an order form by **May 18<sup>th</sup>**. Geraniums are \$6.50 and will be planted in the church garden the week after June 8<sup>th</sup>. We appreciate anyone who can help us plant them!

**TUESDAY, May 6<sup>th</sup>**

Lunch at **Railside** at **1:30pm**

**THURSDAY, June 5<sup>th</sup>** (corrected date)

Dinner at **Dutch Country** at **6:00pm**

**TUESDAY, July 1<sup>st</sup>**

Dinner at **Starlight** at **6:00pm**

**St. Mark Eats**



## Evangelizing on the Street!



St. Mark will once again participate in Hanover's Snack Town Street Fair to spread the Word and invite fairgoers to St. Mark. This year's fair is on Saturday, **July 12<sup>th</sup>**. Watch for a signup sheet soon – we appreciate anyone who can help out so we can continue this evangelizing effort!

## Sunday School Celebration

As we conclude another Sunday School year, we give thanks for our regular teachers, Judy Laughman and Amanda Stuckey, as well as our substitute teachers, Hollis Long, Grace Graft, and Jared Laird, and our chairperson, Karen Feeser. Our kids had fun learning important stories from the Bible! Classes will conclude on Mother's Day, **May 11<sup>th</sup>**, and we'll celebrate the end of the year on **May 18<sup>th</sup>** following morning worship.



**THANK YOU TO OUR  
SUNDAY SCHOOL  
TEACHERS**

## Honoring Our Heroes

We give thanks for all of those who keep us and our community safe and cared for. Please join us at our annual "Honoring Our Heroes" event – this year in May to beat the heat!



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Heroes Celebration

**May 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Activities Begin: 5:00pm**

**Concert: 7:00pm**

*Followed by Root Beer Floats!*

For more info, contact Gary Laabs at [laabs5479@gmail.com](mailto:laabs5479@gmail.com) or 717-632-5479

## Plant Sale

Just a reminder – the Hanover Garden Club is holding their annual sale in our Fellowship Hall and parking lot on Saturday, **May 3<sup>rd</sup>**, from 8:00am to 1:00pm. Stop by for your spring plantings and expert advice!



## Jewelry Sale Success

The Hanover Hospital Auxiliary tells us their \$5 Jewelry Sale was a great success.



**They're hoping to have another one here in the future.** Thanks to all for coming out to support the Hospital Auxiliary's work. Watch our announcements for future sale dates!



## Share Their Success!

Calling all proud parents, grandparents, aunts, and uncles: this is your time to share the wonderful news of upcoming graduates in your family!

Once again, we'll take a Sunday in June to congratulate our graduates from high school, college, graduate school, and trade school. We want to make sure we don't miss anyone, so please contact the church office with **names of any and all students we have graduating this year.**



## Save the Date

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for **July 28<sup>th</sup> through August 1<sup>st</sup>** This year's theme will be "Growing Faith in God's Garden."

**We are looking for volunteers** to serve as leaders and helpers, as well as guides to escort the children. We must ask volunteers to have child protection clearances – if you need to obtain a clearance, forms are available in the church office or online. **Without volunteers, we won't be able to hold VBS**, so please, if you can help in any way, talk with Karen Feeser. We hope to have more details coming soon in our weekly announcements.



## Mission Trip Updates



### Medication

As noted in April, **we are collecting medications** for Gary Laabs and his granddaughter to take to the Dominican Republic in late June.

In order to clear customs:

**All medications should be brought in by May 25<sup>th</sup>**

Because of luggage costs, we ask that medications fit MMI's guidelines:

- OTC medications should be **unopened**.
- Most needed are vitamins (**not gummy or prenatal**) and basic pain relievers.
- Prescription medications should be in their **original prescription container** with the label blacked out. These can be previously opened and partially used.
- All medications should have an **expiration date of December 2025 or later**.

### Monetary Contributions

Monetary donations toward Gary's traveling costs should be marked as such on the *Other* line of your offering envelope.

### Medical Info Cards

Gary will also once again take medication information cards. We now have enough greeting cards but can use help glueing the info cards together.

**Thank you for supporting Gary's mission!**



## FRESH FLOWERS ON OUR ALTAR

Now that the Season of Lent has passed, we are **once again asking for altar flower sponsors**. As you can see, most of May is still open, as well as several vases in June.

If you'd like to honor someone or their memory this spring and/or summer, please fill out the altar flower book or contact Joni in the church office. Thank you for helping us keep fresh flowers on the altar!

### MAY ALTAR VASES

**Both Vases Given in Honor of Our Wedding Anniversary**

**By Kathy and David Gates**

**Both Vases Available for Dedication**

*Vases can be sponsored for \$17.00 – please contact the church office*

**Vase Given in Honor of Our Wedding Anniversary**

**By Kate Klunk and Jared Laird**

**Vase Available for Dedication**

*Vases can be sponsored for \$17.00 – please contact the church office*

**Vase Given in Memory of My Loving Husband, Tony Brady**

**By Melanie Brady**

**Vase Available for Dedication**

*Vases can be sponsored for \$17.00 – please contact the church office*



## MAY

### Worship Helpers

**May 4<sup>th</sup>**

**CPIC:** Gail Merlo

**Lector:** Grace Groft

**Comm. Assts:** Gail Merlo | Mike Merlo

**Greeter:** *Need Volunteer*

**May 18<sup>th</sup>**

**CPIC:** Hollis Long

**Lector:** *Need Volunteer*

**Comm. Assts:** Hollis Long | *Need Volunteer*

**Greeter:** *Need Volunteer*

**May 11<sup>th</sup>**

**CPIC:** Kate Klunk

**Lector:** Kate Klunk

**Comm. Assts:** Kate Klunk | *Need Volunteer*

**Greeter:** *Need Volunteer*

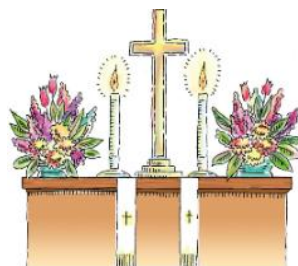
**May 25<sup>th</sup>**

**CPIC:** To Be Determined

**Lector:** Kathy Gates

**Comm. Assts:** TBD | *Need Volunteer*

**Greeter:** *Need Volunteer*



## NEWS AND HAPPENINGS IN OUR COMMUNITY

### Provide-A-Lunch at Hanover Area Council of Churches

**Provide-A-Lunch Team A will be serving at HACC on May 25<sup>th</sup>.** Our primary team members in May include: **Linda Bolin, Melanie Brady, Shellene Griffin, Braelyn Jones, and Nancy Sandruck.**

PAL is an important program hosted by HACC to make sure local people in need get at least one hot meal per day, 365 days a year.

St. Mark's two teams serve lunch each month and provide the ingredients for each meal. To help us continue this mission, please consider donating to our PAL Supply fund. **To contribute directly to St. Mark's PAL efforts, please note "PAL SUPPLIES"** (be sure to specify "supplies" so that your donation is directed to the right place) on the *Other* line of your offering envelope. Thank you!



### HACC News and Special Needs

**PAL (Provide-a-Lunch) Program:** Canned Vegetables, Sugar, Ziploc Bags (Sandwich- and Gallon-Sizes), Grocery Bags, Shopping Bags

**Ruth's Harvest:** Single-Serve Fruit Cups, Single-Serve Cereals, Macaroni & Cheese Cups, Canned Vegetables, Juice Boxes / Packs

**Meals On Wheels:** Thermal Socks, No-Slip Slippers, Sugar-Free Candy / Snacks, Throw Blankets, Pet Food (Cats & Dogs)

**Clothing Bank:** Men's Jeans Waist Sizes 30-34, Grocery Bags, Shopping Bags, Reuseable Bags, Dryer Sheets

**Shelter:** Shampoo, Conditioner, Bar Soap or Body Wash, Hairbrushes, Scent-Free / Bleach-Free Laundry Pods, Hot Hands / Hand Warmers, Washcloths

*Please place donations in the bins by the office on the corner table at end of hall*

### Namaste

#### Mindfulness Sessions

Emmanuel United Church of Christ at 124 Broadway offers free mindfulness and stress reduction sessions the **1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays** of each month, 6:00pm to 6:45pm, in person (courtyard entrance) and on Zoom.

Contact Karen Jones at [kjones@mindfulnessandmotion.com](mailto:kjones@mindfulnessandmotion.com) for more information



### Hanover Area Night Out

#### National Night Out 2025

Tuesday, **August 5<sup>th</sup>**

5:30pm to 8:00pm

Emory H. Markle Middle School  
225 Bowman Road

Displays | Free Hot Dogs & Water  
Giveaways and Children's Bike Raffle

For more information, contact Office Bryan Wheeler of Penn Township Police at [bwheeler@pennpolice.com](mailto:bwheeler@pennpolice.com) or check out the "Penn Township Police, Hanover PA" Facebook page





## Free Weekly Outdoor Story Time

Color Our World Reading Program



**Every Tuesday**

10:00am to 10:45am

**June 10<sup>th</sup> through August 12<sup>th</sup>**

with **Miss Kelly from Hanover Library**

Penn Township Community Park  
(Kids' Kingdom)

4601 Grandview Rd, Hanover

Stories | Crafts, Activities, and Games

Call Guthrie Memorial Library at

717-632-5183 for more information

## PeopleFest

**A Celebration of Cultures**

**May 17<sup>th</sup>**

10:00am to 5:00pm

Codorus State Park Pool Recreation Area

Music | Dance | Food

Native Powwow | Cultural Displays

Children's Activities | Arts & Crafts

Highland Games (Caber Ross, Hammer  
Throw, Stone Throw)



For More Info:

Aaron Zipp

717-521-3764

[info@hanoverdiversity.org](mailto:info@hanoverdiversity.org)



## Memorial Day Parade



**Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**  
8:30am

*Memorial*  
DAY

Downtown Hanover  
on Baltimore Street



## Free Retro Concert



**~ MOTOWN GET-DOWN ~**

with Musical Artists

**NA'Chord**

Friday, **May 16<sup>th</sup>**

7:00pm to 9:00pm

Codorus State Park Pool Recreation Area

*featuring the music of*

The Temptations | Marvin Gaye

Kool & the Gang | Barry White

Smokey Robinson & the Miracles,

*and more*

**RAIN OR SHINE**

**FOOD TRUCKS AVAILABLE**

**AT 5:30PM**

# PRESCHOOL

## Spring Happenings

In April we have been having a lot of fun and even got to enjoy some outside play with warmer weather coming our way. All classes got to enjoy learning about Easter, spring, the rain, how plants grow, and what is happening with some animals and insects this time of year.



## End of the School Year

Now May is here, and we can't believe the preschool year is coming to an end. This year has flown by so quickly! The 3-year-old classes' last days will be on **May 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>**, and the 4-year-old classes have graduation coming on **May 16<sup>th</sup>**.



## Openings

We do have 2 openings available in our 3-year-old Tuesday/Thursday class.

**All other classes are full at this time.**

If you know anyone interested in our program, please refer them to Idonia Klunk at 717-451-4803 or visit:

[stmarkpreschoolhanover.weebly.com](http://stmarkpreschoolhanover.weebly.com) (St. Mark Preschool's website)

[stmarkhanover.org](http://stmarkhanover.org) (St. Mark Church's website)

Thank you to everyone who spreads the word about St Mark Preschool.



Preschool Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>

**It has been a pleasure helping and watching each and every preschooler grow this year, and we're excited to see what the next school year holds for them.**





*Idonia Klunk and Allison Wentz,  
Preschool Co-Directors*

# preschool - spring 2025





st mark's easter egg hunt

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>9:00am-12noon Quilting Group</p> <p><b>3pm Evangelism Mtg</b> <b>CANCELLED</b> MAY DAY</p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>11:00am Bible Study</p> <p><b>12:30pm VBS</b> <b>Planning Meeting</b></p>	<p>5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word</p> <p><b>8am to 1pm</b> <b>Garden Club</b> <b>Plant Sale</b></p> 
<p><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b></p> <p>9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School</p> <p><b>Fellowship Time</b> <b>Following Worship</b></p> <p><b>Council Mtg</b> Bells Rehearsal</p> 	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>  <p>CINCO DE MAYO</p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p><b>1:30pm St. Mark Eats</b> <b>@ Railside</b></p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>9:00am-12noon Quilting Group</p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>11:00am Bible Study</p> <p><b>12:30pm VBS</b> <b>Planning Meeting</b></p>	<p>5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word</p>
<p><b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b></p> <p>9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School</p> <p><b>Music Sunday</b> Mother's Day</p> <p><b>Confirmation Class</b></p> <p>Bells Rehearsal</p> 	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p><b>9:30am Property Mtg</b> <b>10:30am St. Mark</b> <b>Coloring Group</b> <b>for Adults</b></p> 	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p><b>Preschool M/W</b> <b>3-Year-Olds Last Day</b></p> 	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>9:00am-12noon Quilting Group</p> <p><b>Preschool T/Th</b> <b>3-Year-Olds</b> <b>Last Day</b></p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>11:00am Bible Study</p> <p><b>10:30am/2pm</b> <b>Preschool Graduation</b></p> 	<p>5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word</p>
<p><b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b></p> <p>9:00am Land &amp; Seasons Worship 10:15am Sunday School Celebration</p> <p><b>5pm Honoring</b> <b>Our Heroes Event</b></p> <p><b>GERANIUM DEADLINE</b></p> <p>Bells Rehearsal</p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>  <p>ARMED FORCES DAY</p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>9:00am-12noon Quilting Group</p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>11:00am Bible Study</p>	<p>5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word</p>
<p><b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b></p> <p>9:00am Worship</p> <p><b>Council Mtg</b></p> <p><b>PAL Team A</b></p>	<p><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b></p>  <p><b>MEMORIAL DAY</b></p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>9:00am-12noon Quilting Group</p> <p>† ASCENSION OF OUR LORD</p>	<p>9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>11:00am Bible Study</p>	<p>5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word</p> 

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