

Announcements

We invite you to attend a **Town Hall meeting** at 11:30 a.m. TODAY, Jan. 29, to discuss and learn more about the potential **partnership between St. Mark's and Sanctuary UMC**. Since the initial meeting between the councils of both churches, the task force from both churches has met four times and believes the next step is to meet with the congregation to share our work to-date and hear your ideas, questions and concerns. (Sanctuary UMC will be meeting with its congregation at the same time).

February is **Lotsa Pasta Month** at the Interfaith Community Services food banks. ICS is calling on all of its faith community partners to donate as many packages of pasta noodles and cans of sauce as possible throughout the month. A box of pasta noodles and a can of pasta sauce can be purchased on sale for around \$4, and that will feed a family of four. Last year, our St. Mark's family donated more than 1,900 boxes and cans. That was about 3,900 meals! Can we do it again this year? Please help if you can. **Three ways to donate:**

1. Bring your donations to church any Sunday in February and put them in the marked bins in the courtyard.
2. Bring them between 10-11 a.m. any Tuesday or Saturday to the church's north parking lot.
3. Drop them off at the church office during its normal business hours.

The **St. Mark's Marksmen** meet at 8:30 a.m. this Wednesday, Feb. 1, at Coco's on Oracle at Ina. Coffee is served starting at 8 a.m. The meeting lasts about an hour to an hour and a half. So join us for breakfast and fellowship with a great assembly of men with very diverse and interesting backgrounds. All the current Marksmen would like you to join us. The program is "Handy Hands" by John Shattuck. Blessings.

What is this "**Just Breathe**" class at 2 p.m. Thursdays? Just Breathe embraces the essential elements of yoga: breath work, meditation and physical postures, while focusing on body awareness, mobility, and overall wellness. Just Breathe isn't your usual yoga class; we open and close with prayer, and as we work to align our bodies, we work to align our minds and spirits with God. Email tricia@umcstmarks.org with questions or sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/JustBreathe2023>.

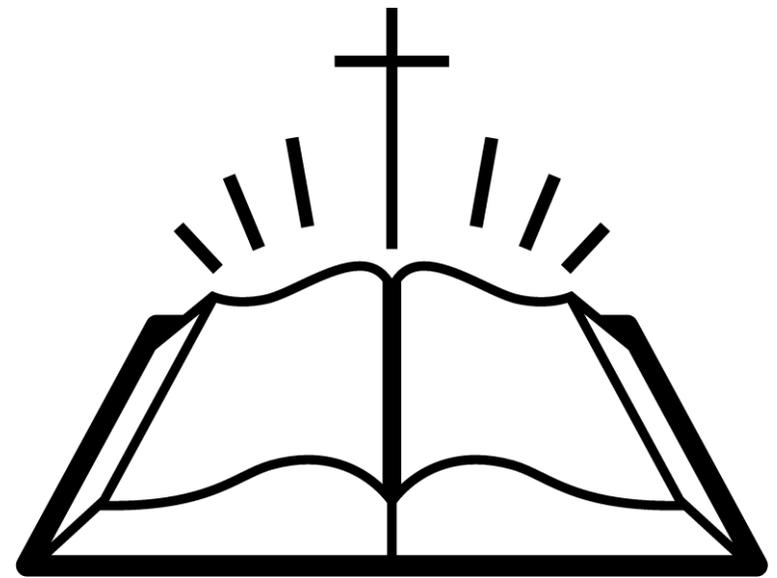
Market on the Move is for everyone and is this Saturday, Feb. 4. We offer 60 lbs. of produce for only \$10 with 10% coming back to St. Mark's. Hours are 8-10 p.m. with volunteers arriving at 7:30. Come in La Canada and exit Magee, with items put into your trunk. Text Lenna Burnham at 305-923-5362 or email lennajeffery@yahoo.com for more information. New recruits are always welcome.

Join Pastor Lynn (and her family) and our former pastor Sharon Ragland (and her husband) on a **tour of some of Methodism's historic sites in London and surrounding areas**. We will visit York, Epworth, Bristol, Stratford, Oxford, and more. We will check out where Shakespeare lived and died and visit where John Newton lived, plus visits to all the Wesley places, such as their childhood home, Aldersgate Street, and more. The tour departs on May 29 and returns June 7. If you are interested, tour brochures are available at the church.

Before the "big game" kicks off on Feb. 12, look for the youth after worship services in the courtyard! They will be holding soup pots, collecting donations for the **SOUPer Bowl of Caring** through the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona. Help us meet our goal of donating \$1,000!

St. Mark's can be a recipient of the **Required Minimum Distribution** from your IRA. Just have your broker send a check directly to the church. It can be used to fulfill your pledge, directed toward your favorite ministry, or a combination of the two.

Last week we welcomed 10 new members into our congregation! Make sure to introduce yourself and help them feel at home. Our next **Membership 101 class** is planned for Saturday, April 22, with new members joining the next day. If you have any questions or would like to RSVP early, please email tricia@umcstmarks.org.



BUILDING BLOCKS OF FAITH:

The Bible

JANUARY 29, 2023

Welcome to Worship!

8:30 and 10 a.m. Services

Scriptures

We believe the Holy Bible, Old and New Testaments, reveals the Word of God so far as it is necessary for our salvation. It is to be received through the Holy Spirit as the true rule and guide for faith and practice.

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Rev. Lynn Bartlow, Lead Pastor

Rev. Stuart Salvatierra, Associate Pastor | Kim Ogle, Pastor

PRELUDE	<i>Be Not Afraid</i>	Grace Templeton by Craig Courtney, arr. Dan Forrest
WELCOME		
INTROIT	<i>For All the Saints Lord, Be Glorified</i>	(8:30) Celebration Singers (10:00) Chancel Choir
CALL TO WORSHIP		Liturgist
OPENING PRAYER		Liturgist
OPENING HYMN*	<i>How Firm a Foundation</i>	UMH #529
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH*		UMH #884
SONG OF RESPONSE*	<i>Thy Word</i>	UMH #601
CHILDREN'S TIME		
SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>Blessed Assurance Lord of the Dance</i> music by Neil Harmon, words by Sydney Carter	(8:30) Celebration Singers (10:00) Chancel Choir
FIRST READING	Luke 2:42-50	Liturgist
SECOND READING	Matthew 22:34-40	
MESSAGE	"Our Holy Scriptures"	Rev. Lynn Bartlow
PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER		
PRAYER RESPONSE	<i>Jesus Remember Me Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me</i>	(8:30) Celebration Singers (10:00) Chancel Choir
OFFERTORY	<i>But Be Not Thou Far From Me Love the Lord</i> by Peter James (used with permission from the composer) words and music by Lincoln Brewster	(8:30) Grace Templeton (10:00) Praise Trio
DOXOLOGY*		UMH #94
BLESSING*		Liturgist
CLOSING HYMN*	<i>Wonderful Words of Life</i>	UMH #600
BENEDICTION*		
SUNG BENEDICTION*	<i>Shalom to You</i>	UMH #666
POSTLUDE	<i>My Lord Delivered Daniel</i> from "24 Negro Melodies" by Samuel Coleridge-Taylor	Grace Templeton

Liturgists:
8:30 a.m. David Schmidt
10:00 a.m. Tilghman Moyer

*Altar flowers are given in loving memory of
the happiest daughter, Lynn Ellen Harold Aberger, 1960-2019,
from her mother, Ellen Beene.*

We are a welcoming faith community that embraces ALL people. We invite you to be part of an exciting and growing congregation that takes seriously its mission statement to "change the world through Christ by caring for all people." Here you will discover that you are affirmed for who you are, loved and cherished by a God who created you. Welcome home.

**Designates when to stand in body or in spirit
Hearing assistive devices are available at the sound booth
or ask an usher.*

Welcome to Sunday School!

Children and youth are welcome in worship, but we offer Sunday School classes during the 10 a.m. service as well. We offer adult classes for all ages; check the Adult Spiritual Growth board to see what short-term classes are meeting in addition to the ongoing classes in person on Sunday morning.

Child careRm 15
Preschool..... Rm 2
Kinder, 1st, 2nd.....Rm 3
3rd, 4th, 5th.....Rm 8-9
Middle & High School.....Wesley House
Sharing & Family Life.....Rm 17/18 or Zoom (@ 9:30)
Seekers.....Rm 17/18 or Zoom (@ 11:15)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Join us for worship. Masks are encouraged.
8:30 and 10 a.m. Traditional service in Sanctuary
10 a.m. Youth and children's Sunday School and child care (except fifth Sundays)
10 a.m. Livestream traditional worship premieres on YouTube and website