

# St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

December 27, 2024

## Upcoming Events

### Lessons & Carols

12/29, Sunday 10:00 a.m.

### Office Closed

12/30 through 1/6

### Youth Group & Adult Bible Study

Sundays following the service--will resume after the holidays

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### Sunday Worship Service

Morning Prayer at 10:00 a.m.

[Visit our website](#)

## Happy New Year Everyone!



## A New Year's Prayer

"Lord, You make all things new. You bring hope alive in our hearts; and cause our Spirits to be born again. Thank you for this new year and for all the potential it holds. Amen!"

## Lessons & Carols Service



**A Service of  
Lessons & Carols**

**10:00 a.m. Sunday,  
December 29th**

## Holiday Office Closure

**Office Closure  
12/30 through 1/6**

The church office closed Tuesday, 12/24/24 at noon, and will reopen Monday, 1/6/25 at 9:00 a.m. While we're out of the office, we'll monitor email and phone messages.



## Poinsettia Plants



### **Pick Up Poinsettia Plants**

If you sponsored a poinsettia plant, thank you for helping to make our altar beautiful for the Christmas Eve services. If you opted to take the plants you sponsored, you may pick them up after the service **THIS Sunday, 12/29**.

## Adult Bible Study

### Adult Bible Study Sundays after the Service Will Resume after the Holidays



Participants in the Adult Bible Study Group normally meet in the Fellowship Hall for Bible study but will not this Sunday due to the caroling scheduled after the service. The group will continue the study of the Gospel of Mark in January. Bring your Bibles if you'd like; however, there will be some available if you need one. Grab some refreshments and join in the conversation.

Below are the links to the previous study guides for chapters one through twelve if you'd like to review them or catch up. The group is currently taking a break for the holidays.

#### **Previous Chapters 1-10:**

[Chapter 1 Mark](#)

[Chapter 2 Mark](#)

[Chapter 3 Mark](#)

[Chapter 4 Mark](#)

[Chapter 5 Mark](#)

[Chapter 6 Mark](#)

[Chapter 7 Mark](#)

[Chapter 8 Mark](#)

[Chapter 9 Mark](#)

[Chapter 10 Mark](#)

[Chapter 11 Mark](#)

[Chapter 12 Mark](#)

#### **New Chapters 13-16:**

[Chapter 13 Mark](#)

[Chapter 14 Mark](#)

[Chapter 15 Mark](#)

[Chapter 16 Mark](#)

## Timon's Ministry



### Ministry in Partnership with Timon's Ministry

Over the course of many years, St. Mark's has partnered with Timon's Ministry in various ways. Timon's goal "is to provide a hand up, empowering individuals to regain their strength, dignity, and ultimately, their place in the workforce." Our women's reunion group has discovered several ways to serve this community.

Members of the group have been volunteering their time at Timon's Ministry working in the Clothing Closet organizing items and visiting with people. The group has asked for help with their efforts through any of the following ways:

- Donating band aids, bandages, and gauze
- Donating clothing, especially men's shirts, jeans, or athletic shoes
- Donating travel size deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, bars of bath soap, body wash
- Donating toothbrushes
- Donating items for to-go food bags: tuna and cracker packs, granola bars, chips, bottled water, etc.
- Sorting clothing on Mondays from 8:45 - noon.

You may leave your donations in designated boxes located in the entryway to the sanctuary and in the fellowship hall. Contact Pam Cater at (361) 446-4498 for more information.

**Thank you for your help with this important ministry opportunity.**

## Diocesan Events

### Diocesan & National Church News



**Diocesan ENews**--To stay informed on what is happening in our Diocese, you may sign up for the [Diocese of West Texas ENews](#) by clicking the link. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click on a white button that has "Let's Connect" written in it.

## Ways to Support God's Kingdom through St. Mark's

### THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORT ST. MARK'S CHURCH!



#### Thank you for Your Generosity

Is the Lord blessing you? Are you grateful for what He has done in your life? Remember His Church. We have ministries to support and salaries and bills to pay. Give out of faith, thanksgiving, and generosity, and never out of guilt. If you are blessed to be able to give, here are several ways to do that:

- Online through our website. There is a blue "Giving" button at the bottom of each page. Just click on that and it will take you to our online EGiving page. You will need

- to set up a user profile, and then you can set up a one-time gift or recurring gifts. You can also give through the ["Donate to St. Mark's"](#) link.
- Through your cell phone using the app, **Vanco Mobile**. To get the app, go to the app store and search for "Vanco Mobile". The icon background is dark purple with a white circle and a purple letter "V" in the center. Download the app and follow the prompts. You can use it to set up a one-time gift or recurring gifts.
  - You may also use the QR code below.
  - Mail in your check to: St. Mark's Church, 2727 Airline Rd, CC, TX 78414. We have a drop-in mailbox that is locked at all times. We check the mail every day, so your check will be secure.
  - Drop your check off at the church. Just put it in the locked mailbox to the left of the red doors at the fellowship hall.
  - Bequest giving is another way to give to St. Mark's with a gift through your estate. Simply list St. Mark's in your will.

**THANK YOU for helping spread the Kingdom  
through your continuing support  
of St. Mark's Church.**



## Weekly Calendar

### Calendar & Ministry Schedule

Here is the link to the [December schedule](#) for our ministries. The schedule is an ongoing work in progress, so please check each week to see if there are any changes. Here's a link to the [December calendar](#).

#### **December 29 - Sunday**

10:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer--Lessons & Carols--Sanctuary  
11:30 a.m. - Coffee & Conversation--Fellowship Hall

**December 30-January 6 - OFFICE CLOSED**

**Below you will find several links to websites or  
Facebook Pages that you might find helpful.**

[St. Mark's Episcopal Church](#)

[Donate to St. Mark's Church](#)

[St. Mark's Church Facebook Page](#)

[Diocese of West Texas](#)

[Diocesan Newsletter and Reflection Magazine](#)

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