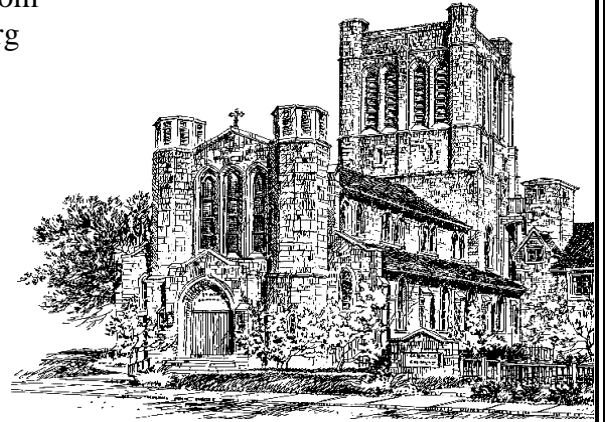




# SAINT MARK'S EPISCOPAL PRO-CATHEDRAL

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## HAPPENINGS October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018

### From the Desk of Dean Katie...

Several weeks ago the Nebraska Tourism Commission announced their new advertising campaign for the state of Nebraska: Nebraska, honestly it's not for everyone. It seems that people either love it or hate it. The new campaign slogan has sparked discussion not only in the state of Nebraska, but on a national level as well. It seems that everywhere I've turned over the last couple of weeks, people have been talking about the state of Nebraska.



After traveling out to Scottsbluff last weekend with a delegation from St. Mark's and St. John's, I can say that the campaign is spot on. While it is self-degrading, we have some wonderful scenery, places, and people in Nebraska. This state is anything but flat and dusty and there is plenty to do here.

October 15th marked my 1 year anniversary of having the privilege of walking alongside all of you as the dean of St. Mark's. I've spent a lot of time over the last couple of weeks reflecting on my first year here and how the Nebraska tourism campaign relates to St. Mark's. We have a lot of wonderful things happening at St. Mark's. We are actively involved in the community around our church. We are continually looking for ways to

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learn from others outside of our own building and help where we are able to help. There are kids running around on Sunday mornings and an abundance of opportunities for fellowship throughout the year. We have so many dedicated volunteers for every aspect of our community life that if I even began to name and thank everyone, I would miss someone. While St. Mark's may not look like it did 30 years ago or even 15 years ago, we have life and a whole lot of love for Jesus that we are spreading to our community.

I am still as excited as I was 365 days ago to be here in Hastings at St. Mark's walking alongside all of you on this journey. I look forward to the years to come and can't wait to see the amazing things we will do at St. Mark's.

Peace,  
Katie+

### **Election Day Prayer Vigil**

St. Mark's will offer an opportunity for prayer and silent mediation on Election Day, Tuesday, November 6 from noon until 7:00 p.m.

The time we will spend together will be completely non-partisan. There will be no discussion of candidates, campaigns, or issues. We will simply offer our prayers and engage in meditation.

The vigil was developed as a way of offering a sanctuary of peace in the midst of a tense time, and helping us all to offer our lives, our leaders, and our nation into God's care.

The specific schedule for November 6th is as follows:

12:00 Noon Holy Eucharist

7:00 PM Evening Prayer

At least one person will be at prayer throughout the time the polls are open in Nebraska (Central Time Zone).

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## **HAPPENING THIS WEEK!**

- No Youth Group this Wednesday. (It's Halloween.)
- Buildings & Grounds Meeting this Thursday at 5:15 pm.
- Marsha Sukup will be in the office on Friday from 1-3 pm. Amy will be out for a funeral and Husker Volleyball.
- Potluck this Sunday! Please bring a dish to share!

## **NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR**

**November 5<sup>th</sup> - November 11<sup>th</sup>**

### **Monday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>**

By appointment only with Dean Katie

### **Tuesday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> - Election Day**

12:00 pm Noon – Holy Eucharist & Prayer Vigil

7:00 pm – Evening Prayer

7:00 pm – Book Club

### **Wednesday, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 am – Healing Rite with Eucharist

6:00 pm – Youth Group

### **Thursday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>**

4:45 pm – Spiritual Growth & Education Mtg

### **Saturday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 am – Bible Study at Blue Moon Coffee

### **Sunday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> - Outreach Sunday**

8:00 am – Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:15 am – Sunday School & Nursery

10:00 am – Holy Eucharist Rite II

11:00 am – Open Table

### **St. Mark's Office Hours**

Tuesday through Friday

9 am – 11 am

and

Noon – 3 pm

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Nov. 13 <sup>th</sup>	Outreach Meeting
Nov. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Vestry Meeting
Nov. 18 <sup>th</sup>	Pledge Sunday & St. John's Srvc.
Nov. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Thanksgiving

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# Announcements and Upcoming Events

### **New Coffee Host Schedule**

Please sign up to be a Coffee Host for November or December! The sign-up sheet is in the Common Room. All are encouraged to take part in this simple way to serve St. Mark's.

### **Christmas Tree Project**

Once again, St. Mark's will be providing Christmas Trees to those who otherwise might not have one. The St. Mark's Christmas Tree Program is in need of tree stands and ornaments. Lights are not needed this year. If you can help, please bring your donation to the Parish Office or leave them in the Common Room. St. Mark's parishioners will deliver the Christmas Trees on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **Surviving the Holidays**

No matter how long it's been since your loved one died, grief can make the holidays a painful time. But there's hope. Join us for an encouraging seminar that will help you survive the holidays and discover new reasons to enjoy them again. Thursday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm - 9 pm (Lasagna Supper) OR Saturday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> at 9 am - 11:30 am (rolls & coffee). At Youth & Family Ministry Center, 4<sup>th</sup> & Lexington (west door). No charge for the event. Register by calling 402-463-1329. Sponsored by First St. Paul's Lutheran Church and Livingston-Butler-Volland Funeral Home & Cremation Center.

## JUST FOR LAUGHS

