



# SAINT MARK'S EPISCOPAL PRO-CATHEDRAL

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## HAPPENINGS

November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018

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

Stewardship season is upon us. Last week you should have received in the mail a letter from me about our 2019 Stewardship Campaign along with a Holy Habits Pledge Card. If you did not receive one, please let us know in the office and we will get one to you as soon as possible.

For the last 10 weeks we have had inserts in the bulletin every Sunday to show how our money is budgeted in hopes that everyone would have a greater understanding of what the Holy Habits of St. Mark's are and what our budget looks like. As I mentioned in my Stewardship letter, the Vestry and Finance Committee have worked hard to cut the budget in recent years in working towards having a balanced budget. The budget we passed for St. Mark's in 2018 included a \$21,792 deficit. We will continue to work every year towards having a balanced budget.

We often talk about how Stewardship as a whole is money, time, and talent. While tithing or working towards tithing to the church is always spiritually rewarding and one goal of a Stewardship Campaign, this year I really wanted to emphasize the other ways in which we are stewards as Christians. Which is why our pledge cards are titled "Holy Habits." I want to challenge everyone to pledge time to pray individually every day. I want to challenge everyone to pledge time to worship in community every week. And I want to challenge everyone to pledge to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with those in our community outside of St. Mark's.

This Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, is Pledge Sunday. It is the Sunday where we will all turn our pledge cards in. Of course, if you aren't able to make it to church on Sunday for one reason or another, please drop it by the office, stick it in the mail, or put it in the offering plate on any other Sunday. And of course, if you have any questions about any of these things, please feel free to contact me.

In Peace,  
Katie+

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## HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

- Holy Eucharist and Healing Rite at 10 am this Wednesday.
- Youth Group at 6 pm this Wednesday.
- Vestry meeting this Wednesday at 6:30 pm.
- St. Mark's Fellowship & Going Away party for Andy Gonzalez is this Friday at 6:30 pm at Kitty's.
- Please turn in your Pledge Card this Sunday.
- St. John's service in Harvard at 2:30 pm. All are welcome!

## NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

**November 19<sup>th</sup> - November 25<sup>th</sup>**

### Monday, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>

By appointment only with Dean Katie

### Tuesday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>

7:00 pm - Book Club

### Wednesday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>

10:00 am - Healing Rite with Eucharist

6:00 pm - Youth Group

### Thursday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>

Closed for Thanksgiving

### Saturday, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am - Bible Study at Blue Moon Coffee

### Sunday, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> - Christ the King Sunday

8:00 am - Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:15 am - Sunday School & Nursery

10:00 am - Holy Eucharist Rite II

11:00 am - Fellowship

### St. Mark's Office Hours

Tuesday through Friday

9 am – 11 am

and

Noon – 3 pm

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> First Sunday Potluck
- Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cindy Murphy's Piano Studio Recital
- Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> Buildings & Grounds Meeting
- Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> Christmas Tree Delivery - help needed
- Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> Spiritual Growth & Ed Meeting
- Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> St. John's Service
- Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> Outreach Meeting
- Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> Vestry Meeting

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# Announcements and Upcoming Events

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### **Pledge Cards**

This Sunday is Pledge Card Sunday! Please turn in your Pledge Card, if you haven't already. If you did not receive a card, there are extra in the office.

### **St. Mark's Fellowship and Farewell to Andy**

Join us this Friday at 6:30 pm at Kitty's for St. Mark's Fellowship and a farewell to Andy Gonzalez.

### **St. John's Service**

The St. John's service is this Sunday in Harvard. All are welcome!

### **Christmas Tree Project**

St Mark's Outreach committee will be delivering Christmas trees on Saturday December 8th, 2018. Anyone interested in helping with the delivery should meet at St Mark's at 10:00 am in the parking lot. On Wednesday evening, December 5th, we will be preparing the tree stands and gift boxes. If you would like to help please meet at 6:00 pm in the undercroft. Trees stands are still needed - please drop your donations off to parish office.

### **New Lector Sign-Up for Christmas Eve service**

In the Common Room there is a sign-up sheet for Lectors for the Christmas Eve Midnight Mass.

### **Phil Stacey Concert**

Phil Stacey gained national attention on Season 6 of American Idol. Phil will be ministering in song and testimony at First United Methodist Church of Hastings (7<sup>th</sup> & Hastings) on Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome. Tickets are available at the office or door for \$5.00, and an additional offering will be taken. This is not a fundraiser for the church. All proceeds will benefit the artist. Go to <https://philstacey.com> to learn more.

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## Stewardship Sunday Insert from 11/11/18



## 2018 Budgeted Income

Signed Pledges	\$126,929
Unpledged Contributions	\$5,400
Miscellaneous Income	\$3,400
Loose Offering	\$1,900
Spotts & Other Trust Income	\$27,759
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$165,388</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$187,180</b>
<b>Budget Deficit</b>	<b>-\$21,792</b>

## 2018 Outreach Expenses

<b>Outreach Total</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>
<b>Budget Total</b>	<b>\$187,180</b>

The Outreach budget goes to pay for things such as Open Table sandwich making, Christmas Trees for recent migrants, the church website, donations to Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD), Fresh Start Bags, Laundry Love, Community Garden, and many other projects.



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## ~Just For Laughs~

A preacher visits an elderly woman from his congregation. As he sits on the couch he notices a large bowl of peanuts on the coffee table. "Mind if I have a few?" he asks.

"No, not at all!" the woman replied.

They chat for an hour and as the preacher stands to leave, he realizes that instead of eating just a few peanuts, he emptied most of the bowl. "I'm terribly sorry for eating all your peanuts, I really just meant to eat a few."

"Oh, that's all right," the woman says. "Ever since I lost my teeth all I can do is suck the chocolate off them."

