

St. Mark Connection

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Father's Day Tribute

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**June 11 - White Rock
Center of Hope**

**June 18th – Called
Congregational Meeting**

**June 25th – 70 Years
of Faith Celebration
Special Worship Service
Followed by a Luncheon**

For the young son, Dad stands for all he wants to be in life “when he grows up”. He watches with eyes and ears that record how Dad lives, whether it be in the home, on the job, or in their time of recreation as a family. This recording takes place on a daily basis in his life, as one day he will push “play”, and become a Dad himself. For the young daughter, Dad is her knight in shining armor with the responsibility to protect her, yet tender enough to shower her with his unconditional love when she needs to know he’s there. For her, Dad remains “Daddy” through the turbulent years of teenage trials, then with a falling tear and trembling lips she kisses “Daddy” on the cheek at her wedding in hopes she is marrying someone who will love and protect her “just like Daddy did”.

Some Dads have become the leaders of their family without a Godly example in their home as they grew up, yet have determined in their own hearts to start a legacy of love so their own children will have a good example to follow. Like Joshua of old challenged the people in *Joshua 24:15b*, he states these words, then does all he can to live up to the commitment: *“But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”*

We applaud you Dad, as you sacrifice for your family in so many ways, yet also encourage you to give your most valuable asset to your children as much as possible, which is of course, your time. Those special times of playing catch in the back yard may provide some wear and tear for the lawn, yet will grow a great relationship. Those early mornings of fishing together may not yield much for the dinner table, but the conversations while fishing will be quite a catch for both Dad and child. Taking time for a date with your daughter will provide her with an example of what to look for in manners and actions when she begins to date. There is a statement that says, “time is of the essence”, and this is indeed the case when Dads and kids interact. Thank you for working, planning, caring, disciplining, teaching, and yes, learning about being the best Dad you can possibly be. In a world that says “can’t”, thanks for saying “can too!”

Most of all, thanks for being “Dad” and trusting your Heavenly Father to guide you in the journey. St. Mark Presbyterian Church celebrates you and we want to honor you on Father’s Day and every day as special people on the front lines doing God’s work!

May God richly bless you this year and the years ahead!

Blessings and peace!



Sunday Sermons and Events

June 4 – Trinity Sunday
 Celebration of The Lord’s Supper
 Guest Preacher – Rev. Julie Riley



June 11
 Second Sunday after Pentecost
 Guest Preacher – Rev. Beverly Hughes

June 18
 Third Sunday after Pentecost
 Guest Preacher – Rev. David Fletcher

June 25
 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
 Guest Preacher – Rev. (Dr.) Randall McGee

God Bless You on Your Birthday

June 1
 Harriett Anderson
June 4
 Daniel Robinson

June 25
 Leon Johnson
 Ruth McGowan
June 29
 Dee Huckaba

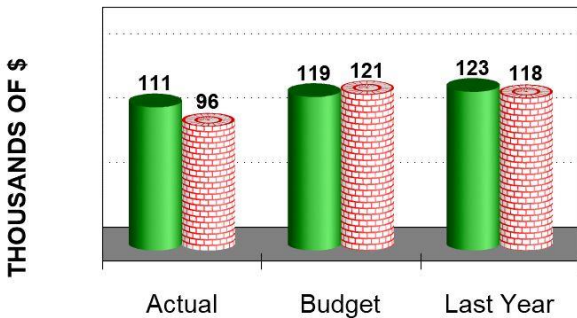


Sunday, June 11th

Donation baskets will be available for the following suggested items: Canned Meat Products, Canned Tuna, Canned Fruit, Canned Green Beans, Canned other Beans, Canned Corn, Canned other Vegetables, Boxed Mac and Cheese, Peanut Butter, any Shelf Items (Hamburger Helper, Jell-O, Suddenly Salad, Condiments, etc.), Newspaper bags. Thank you!

Treasurer's Report

10 MONTHS THROUGH 4-30-2023



OPERATING FUND

■ +INCOME ■ -EXPENSE

Operating Fund – YTD unrestricted contributions are \$7,000 below budget, and \$20,000 below last year. YTD expenses are \$25,000 below budget, and \$23,000 below last year. Bottom line, we are approximately \$15,000 cash positive YTD which is \$17,000 better than budget and \$10,000 better than last year.



Church Pantry

The church pantry needs the following items: Fruit cups, canned meat products, peanut butter crackers, tuna or chicken salad kits. Sacks and grocery bags will also be appreciated. Thank you!!

The Session calls the congregation to meet **Sunday, June 18th**, immediately following worship to elect officers for the Class of 2026.



Summer Camp at Journey Church

Journey Church is having a summer camp June 5 – 8, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each day. Children from Pre-K through 6th grade may participate. St. Mark family and friends are invited to attend or to help out. The camp theme is S.T.E A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math). The third day will be a visit to the Dallas Museum of Art and Klyde Warren Park. There is a fee to attend. More information is available at their website:



<https://journeydallas.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1740512>

Journey Church is asking for help preparing and serving the food and snacks. They will provide the food and snacks. Each day snacks will be served at 10:00 a.m. and lunch will be served at noon. If someone is able to stay the whole time, the schedule will be from 9:15 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Otherwise, 9:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. for snacks and 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. for the lunch shift. The dates are **Monday – June 5, Tuesday – June 6 and Thursday – June 8.**

St. Mark will pay the attendance fees for any kids that wish to attend. Please contact Leigh Taylor at leightay@yahoo.com for more information.

Please contact Bill Grayson at billg49@gmail.com if you want to volunteer to help serving snacks and/or lunch.



70 years.

That is a long time ago.
So much has changed since 1953.
Some changes we like.
Some we don't.

I was thinking about the last 70 years at St. Mark and “I wonder” questions began popping into my mind.
I wonder how many hours choirs have practiced?
I wonder how many lessons have been taught to God’s children of all ages?
I wonder how many people have swept a floor or cleaned a kitchen?
I wonder how many meals have been shared with grieving families.
I wonder how many people have served as liturgist?
I wonder how many sandwiches have been made for Austin Street?
I wonder how many people have been encouraged by something they experienced at St. Mark?
I wonder how many people have been challenged by something they experienced at St. Mark?
I wonder how many lives of people we never met have been touched in a positive way by St. Mark?
I wonder what the future holds for St. Mark?

I don't know the answer to any of those “I wonder” questions.
But I do know that God has a ministry for all the people who are a part of St. Mark.
I wonder what those things will be?



70 Years of Faith

1953-2023

Please join your St. Mark Family, on June 25th, as we celebrate the 70th anniversary of our Church. There will be a special worship service and a meal to follow. Please RSVP to either the Church office or Dee Huckaba at midee.robinson@live.com.

We hope to see you!



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June



St Mark Presbyterian Church, Dallas Texas

June 2023



Sunday

Monday








Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

28	29	30	31	1	2	3
9:00a Blood Drive 9:15a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service 12:00p Yoga 12:00p Steering Committee Pentecost	Memorial Day - Church Office Closed		6:00p Handbells Rehearsal 7:00p Choir Rehearsal	6:00p Zoom Yoga		
4 9:15a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service 12:00p Yoga 12:00p Fellowship Com Mtg	5 9:00a Journey STEAM Summer Camp (9:00 am - 3:00 pm)			6:00p Zoom Yoga	9 8:00a Property Com Mtg 9:00a Mini Workday 	10 8:00a Property Com Mtg 9:00a Mini Workday 
						
11 9:15a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service 12:00p Yoga 12:00p Mission & Membership Com Mtg	12 6:00p Admin & Personnel Com Mtg	13 6:00p Stewardship & Finance Com Mtg 6:00p Christian Educ Com Mtg	14 6:00p Handbells Rehearsal 7:00p Choir Rehearsal	15 6:00p Zoom Yoga	16 	17
18 9:15a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service 11:30a Congregational Meeting 12:00p Yoga Father's Day	19 6:00p Session Dinner / Meeting	20 	21 6:00p Handbells Rehearsal 7:00p Choir Rehearsal	22 6:00p Zoom Yoga	23 	24
25 9:15a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service 12:00p Yoga 12:00p 70th Anniversary Luncheon 	26 	27 	28 6:00p Handbells Rehearsal 7:00p Choir Rehearsal	29 6:00p Zoom Yoga	30 	1



Dear beautiful people of St. Mark Presbyterian Church,

My heart celebrates with all of you on this joyful occasion in the life of your congregation: 70 years of ministry! Seventy years of heeding God's invitation to love God and to love your neighbors. As we all know, the nitty gritty of ministry is not as poetic as we'd like for it to be. The reality feels more like endless committee meetings, navigating the landmines of church members' personal feelings about the minutiae of church life, and the never-ending dread of "Are we doing this right?"

Although my time as your pastor was brief, undoubtedly, in those short months I can certainly tell you that St. Mark is walking faithfully with God in more ways than I can count. Your love for each other is inspiring. Your care for your staff and those in partnership with St. Mark are exceptional. Your heartfelt desire for St. Mark to be a light in the community, a balm where there is pain, and a joyful noise above the chaos of this world is reflective of your faith in Christ's unending love.

I feel honored that my ministry intertwines with St. Mark, and I pray for you often. May God continue to bless you and keep each and every one of you. May God's love radiate through your worship and into the world. May God's steadfast presence abide with you as you endeavor into an unknown future, trusting you are equipped and called to serve the least of these. For there is no greater love than this, than to love intentionally, love extravagantly, and to love unconditionally. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for allowing me to experience this love from you. And I hope you have felt the same in return.

Grace and peace,

Rev. Kathy Lee-Cornell

