



Saint Marker

St. Mark's strives to be a community of healing, fellowship and inspiration, sharing love with joy in Jesus Christ and challenging all to life anew.

July 2004

Independence Day at St. Mark's

St. Mark's annual observance of Independence Day will be Sunday, July 4, at 10:00 a.m.

A word on the observance of Independence Day: Proper Psalms, Lessons, and Prayers were first appointed for this national observance in the Proposed Prayer Book of 1786. They were deleted, however, by the General Convention of 1789, primarily as a result of the intervention of Bishop William White. Though himself a supporter of the American Revolution, he felt that the required observance was inappropriate, since the majority of the Church's clergy had, in fact, been loyal to the British crown.

Writing about the Convention which had called for the observance of the day throughout "this Church, on the fourth of July, for ever," White said, "The members of the convention seem to have thought themselves so established in their station of ecclesiastical legislators, that they might expect of the many clergy who had been averse to the American revolution the adoption of this service; although, by the use of it, they must make an implied acknowledgment of their error, in an address to Almighty God. . . . The greater stress is laid on this matter because of the notorious fact, that the majority of the clergy could not have used the service, without subjecting themselves to ridicule and censure. For the author's part, having no hindrance of this sort, he contented himself with having opposed the measure, and kept the day from respect to the requisition of the convention; but could never hear of its being kept, in above two or three places beside Philadelphia."

It was not until the revision of 1928 that provision was again made for the liturgical observance of the day.

Hymns that will be sung during the Independence Day service include National Anthem, America, and America the Beautiful.

Bishop's Visitation

The Rt. Rev. Edwin F. Gulick, Jr., Bishop of Kentucky will be making his annual visitation to St. Mark's on Saturday, July 10, and Sunday, July 11. Bishop Gulick will celebrate and preach at the Saturday evening service and at both

Worship Schedule

Saturdays

Holy Eucharist 5:30 pm

Sundays

Holy Eucharist
8:00 am, 10:00 am
and 5:30 pm

Weekdays

Morning Prayer
Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am

Healing Service
Tuesday 10:00 am

**Reconciliation
and other Sacraments**
by Appointment with the Clergy

Highlights

Independence Day

Bishop's Visitation

Bats Game

Outreach

Sunday services.

On Sunday, July 11, at the 10:00 a.m. worship service four children will be baptized. Please join us in Langley Hall immediately following the service for a reception in honor of both the bishop and the children.

An Evening with the Bats

This summer St. Mark's Night at the Louisville Bats is Saturday, July 31. We will head to Louisville Slugger Field to see the Bats play the Norfolk Tides (Triple A farm team of the New York Mets). Our seats are located in Section 130 (left field). Game time is 6:15 p.m. As an added bonus, the Phillie Phanatic is scheduled to appear that night.

For those interested in a pre-game picnic, we will meet on the Great Lawn (maps are available in the Information Center) at 5:00 p.m. Please bring your own food, including drinks, as well as lawn chairs or blankets.

Pre-paid ticket orders will be taken through Sunday, July 11. The cost is \$5.00 per ticket. Checks should be made payable to St. Mark's Episcopal Church. Please indicate "Bats Game" on the bottom of the check.

A sign-up sheet is available in the Information Center. Please sign up as soon as possible as tickets go in a hurry. Should you have any questions please contact Gwen O'Dea (895-2429). Mark your calendars now...we hope to see you on the 31!!

Lemonade on the Lawn

This summer, continuing through September 5, parishioners and visitors are cordially invited to join us for "Lemonade on the Lawn" following the 10:00 a.m. service. Weather permitting, we will gather on the front lawn and enjoy lemonade and cookies as well as fellowship with one another. In the event of inclement weather, we will gather in the church parlor.

Volunteers are needed to serve as hosts on several Sundays. Please sign up in the Information Center if you would like to assist with this event. Instructions will be mailed to volunteers the week prior to their

chosen date.

Outreach

On Wednesday, July 7, from 10:00 a.m.-noon, St. Mark's is hosting a summer party for the children at the Salvation Army Day Care. We will be doing a craft and bringing refreshments for them to enjoy. The kids' ages range from two to five years old. We did this last year, and it was really fun.

A "Youth Volunteer Workshop", sponsored by U of L, will be held on Thursday, July 29, 9:00 a.m.-noon, and is for ages 10 and up. The cost is \$10.00. If you are interested in either of these Outreach opportunities, please see the sign-up sheets in the Information Center or contact Ellen Eirk in the Outreach office.

Thank You

A very big thank you to all of the ladies who volunteered to make the salads for the UCHM Progressive Dinner and to the co-chairs June Gibson and Shirley Elmore who decorated the Langley Hall so beautifully. Thanks also to the hardworking clean-up crew - Dorothy Durning, Barbara Rich, June Richards, Mary Beth Ellis and June Gibson - and to the St. Mark's parishioners who attended the dinner. St. Mark's was well represented, and we received many compliments. There were a total of 99 people who came through our doors for the dinner.

Also, many thanks to the ladies who volunteered on Saturday, June 12, for the UCHM House Tour. Special thanks to Marjorie Vogt for organizing our part. It was a very successful weekend, and St. Markers should be proud.

Mendy Cumberledge

On Saturday, July 3, Mendy Cumberledge, our soprano section leader, will join the Louisville Orchestra and other singers in a patriotic concert at the Louisville Zoo. This performance is a part of the Roar-orchestra Series. Gates open at 6:30 p.m., and there is a pre-concert at 7:00 p.m. The Orchestra concert begins at 8:30 p.m.

Lava Lava Island

Please mark your calendars with the following important dates:

Thursday, July 1 - 6:30-9:30 p.m. - VBS Workshop
Tuesday, July 6 - 6:30-9:30 p.m. - VBS Workshop
Friday, July 9 - Deadline for VBS Registration
Saturday, July 10 - 6:30-9:30 p.m. - VBS Workshop
Monday, July 19, through Friday, July 23 - 9:00 a.m.-
Noon - Vacation Bible School

Thank you to everyone who has sent items in. We greatly appreciate your generosity.

Softball News

St. Mark's adult softball team has enjoyed fellowship (and victory upon occasion) as our parishioners participated in a Metro Parks league at Seneca Park on Thursday evenings. The season concluded with a single-elimination tournament.

Thanks are extended to the faithful fans who supported the team as well as to Victor Garza of Sonic America's Drive-In who provided the team with their special shirts.

Steven Paul Spears

3 November 1989. My 19th birthday was a chilly and rainy day. As I was getting out of my beat-up yellow Chevette, I said a quick prayer to God. I asked for a church choir job. Going into the house, I checked the mailbox. There, on that very day, was an announcement sent to Kentucky Opera Chorus members about a position available at St. Mark's. I called. I auditioned. I was hired. I was changed.

Through St. Mark's, I have been fortunate to have found the basis of my faith and my art, something I will carry with me always. I have gone several times - to a singing engagement, away to school; and always, when I come back, I feel I have returned home, with seemingly more love than when I left. This too I will always carry with me.

After receiving my Bachelor's Degree of Music from the University of Louisville in 2002, I attended the Juilliard School in New York City, where I received

the Master's Degree of Music this past May. I will be traveling to Italy this summer, and then assuming the position of Visiting Professor of Music at the Lawrence Conservatory in Appleton, Wisconsin in September. This is a one-year position, which may turn into a tenure-track appointment.

I have always been and will always be grateful for all of the love, encouragement and support I have received from St. Mark's and its beautiful congregation. My hope is to one day return to Louisville to stay FOR GOOD, whether that is in one year or three or twenty. Louisville is my home and St. Mark's is a great part of my home, and I will be back often, hopefully able to return some of the spirit that inhabits St. Mark's Church.

Steven Paul Spears

Parish Nursing

Your Health: Is It a Stroke?

This information might be a lifesaver. Symptoms of a stroke are sometimes difficult to identify, and the lack of awareness can spell disaster. The stroke victim may suffer brain damage when people nearby fail to recognize the symptoms. Now doctors say any bystander can recognize a stroke by asking the following simple questions:

- Ask the individual to smile.
- Ask him or her to raise both arms.
- Ask the person to speak a simple sentence.
- Can they move their legs?

If he or she has trouble with any of these tasks, call 9-1-1 immediately and describe the symptoms to the dispatcher.

The general public should learn to identify the symptoms of facial weakness, arm and/or leg weakness, and speech problems. Widespread use of this test could result in prompt diagnosis and treatment of a stroke and prevent damage.

Submitted by June Gibson

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended Pat Van Meter and her family on the death of her husband.

Parish Life

Birthdays

Prayers for Healing

Prayers are offered for a portion of the following list at each service on Sunday and the entire list at the Healing Eucharist on Tuesdays:

Iola Martin, Gloria Helm, Jean Fairleigh, Henry Solomon, Jack Yusk, Jane, Tom Vogt, Moyra Skidmore, Rita Gildehaus, Nina Babcock, Virginia Wynn, Ann Stewart, Ted Stewart, Rob Hester, Vickie Ferguson, Anna Clarke Sawyer, Stacy Harvey, Pat Jackson, Bradley, Ally, Deroy Scott, Janie Kall, Sally Dupree, Richard Dame, Julie Jordan, Nancy Carlisle, Henry Bickel, Dorothy Leason, Marian Calvert, Kennedy Helm, Lettie Shawler, Richard Gibson, Dick Day, Jim Speed, Margaret Dick, Ann Lamberton, Gordon Caldwell, Perry Collins, Judy Semonin, Mary Deetsa, Joan Bickel, The Babcock Family, Vera Wallace

Parish Register

Transfers In

Death

Anniversaries

Parish Prayer List

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

- July 4 - Give thanks for the Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)
- July 11 - Give thanks for the Church of North India (United)
- July 18 - Give thanks for the Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)
- July 25 - Give thanks for the Church of Pakistan (United)

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Christ Church Cathedral, Louisville

Parish Partners

St. Frances of Rome, Our Covenant Parish
The congregations of United Crescent Hill Ministries, especially
Beargrass Baptist Church

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Week of July 4

◆
Heather Johnson
Chase Johnson
Harrison Jones
Julia Jones
Lisa Koenig

Week of July 11

◆
Houston Jones
Sarah Jones
Billie T. Jordan
Frank Keller
Joseph King

Week of July 18

◆
Stewart Joy
Ellen Joy
Malcolm Kelly
Bill Kelly
Shane Koch

Week of July 25

◆
Gerald Kirven
Cara Kirven
Terrence Koontz
Rennie Koontz
Jeraldine Kramer

Prayer for Mission

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth,
and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far
off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may
seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold;
pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming
of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

At Morning Prayer each weekday, we pray for the Church around the world including members of our parish. If you are unable to join us for Morning Prayer, please remember those listed above in your personal devotions this month.

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July Altar Flowers and Candles
are given to the
Honor and Glory of God...

Flowers

- July 4 by Carolyn von Almen in loving memory of her parents, Antoinette H. and Alfred N. Estes, and her brother, Charles N. Estes.
- July 11 by Katy Burke in loving memory of her mother, Kathryn Steele Nunemacher.
- July 18 by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Keller Jordan in loving memory of their son, Frank Keller Jordan II.
- July 25 by Mr. and Mrs. T. Kennedy Helm, Jr., in loving memory of their parents, Elizabeth Nelson Helm, Thomas Kennedy Helm, Blanch Smith Hoge, and Peyton Harrison Hoge, Jr.

Candles

Eucharistic Candles by Mrs. Scottye Ghent in loving memory of her husband, R. Mitchell Ghent; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Copher; her niece, Natalie Clarke Latino; and her sister, Phyllis Clarke.

Five Branch Candles by Elizabeth M. Bernstrom, Katherine M. Solomon and Patricia M. Campbell in loving memory of Mr. Bruce DeHaven Miller, Sr., and Elizabeth Hook Miller.