



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 2006

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 15, and Sunday, July 16. Bishop Gulick will celebrate and preach at the Saturday evening service and at both Sunday services.

A reception to honor our Bishop will be held in Langley Hall immediately following the 10:00 a.m. service.

Vacation Bible School

A Seussical Adventure

Preparations are underway to take us off to the wonderful land of Dr. Seuss. This year's festivities will be July 24 -28, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, for children ages preschool through 6th grade. Older youth are invited to help as counselors. Call Marti Taber in the church office to register (895-2429). All are invited to join our Seussical Cookout Friday, July 28, 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Look for the sign-up sheet in the Information Center.

VBS Help Needed

Help us create a magical Seuss Village. Please join us for one or more of the following workshops. We will meet upstairs in the DOCC Room.

July 8 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
July 11 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
July 15 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
July 22 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

Please check our Seussical Wish List in the Information Center for items needed for this year's VBS. Items may be returned to the special Cat in the Hat Box also located in the Information Center.

Worship Schedule

Saturdays

Holy Eucharist 5:30 pm

Sundays

Holy Eucharist
8:00 am and 10:00 am

Weekdays

Morning Prayer
Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am

Healing Service
Tuesday 10:00 am

Reconciliation and Other Sacraments

by Appointment with the Clergy

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Super Foyers

Super Foyers '06

As our church program year winds down for the summer and this year's Foyers groups soon conclude their gatherings, St. Mark's has decided to host a special event, Super Foyers '06, on Sunday evening, July 16, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in Langley Hall.

The church will provide the entrée, fried chicken, and the members of each Foyers group are asked to bring a covered dish to share:

Rose and Howard Rodgers' Group – Salads
Dave MacCool and Nancy Urbscheit's
Group – Vegetables
Eleanor and Jim Oppel's Group – Vegetables
Shirley Elmore's Group – Desserts
Susan and Ken Schueler's Group – Salads
Jamie and David Ramsay's Group – Desserts

All participants are asked to bring dishes heated (if necessary) and ready to serve.

Conveners should already have contacted their group members regarding this event and are asked to forward to Gwen O'Dea the final number of participants from their respective groups no later than July 12.

This promises to be a special evening as Foyers participants from the various groups interact and get to know one another better. See you on July 16!

Music Note

The Down by the Wayside Choir will be singing at St. Mark's on Sunday, July 23, during the 10:00 a.m. service. These singers are under the direction of Virginia Taylor.

Congratulations to...

Sarah Shannon on her recent graduation from Eastern High School.

Thanks to...

Lori and Jimmy Stewart for cleaning the acolyte robes.

Senior Warden's Corner

Several years ago Charles spoke to the Parish about the merits of a unified budget; one that would consist of all funds pledged by parishioners for St. Mark's staff, programs, occupancy costs and facility repairs. One which would also include opportunities to improve and enhance rather than just getting by; one that would not depend upon passing the "tin cup" each year in order to meet our obligations to the Diocese, the community and, yes, to ourselves. For the past several years, though very helpful in providing those extra things mentioned in earlier "Corners", we have not met all our obligations. Further, the attention of the Rector and the Vestry has been consumed by keeping the shop running rather than discerning and planning for enhancements that would benefit the Parish and community in the future.

Our near term future will not be likely to include much of the visionary, but a unified budget and improved pledging can get us beyond just keeping the shop running. With no numbers attached, there are some obligations and needs that are not now being met.

For the past several years we have not met our obligation to the Diocese for 15% of our net disposable income. We have moved to 13.5% this year and should make the final jump in 2007. Diocesan canons, and prudence, require an audit every two years. We have been unable to afford one for at least six years.

In the near-obligation category, our deserving Rector and Staff have had no merit increases in five years, and we had to forego cost of living increases in one recent year as well. We also need to increase the number of hours for programming staff in order to serve present parishioners and to encourage others to join. Cutting from four to one section leader at the Saturday service has not been satisfactory, so we would like to have two in 2007.

And so it goes. Not exactly luxuries, are they?

- Lyle Spalding

Treasurer's Comments

Expenses Don't Take a Vacation

Unlike most of us, our expenses here at St. Mark's don't take a vacation. Many of us go out of town in the Summer, and while we're away, we aren't paying our Stewardship Pledges. This creates a serious cash flow problem for St. Mark's during the months of June, July and August, and in some cases, requires us to pull funding out of investments to provide operating funds. The Vestry and I try to balance our cash and investments to cover operating expenses, maximize our returns and ensure long-term financial stability for St. Mark's. Yet, despite our best planning, we still have difficulty in the Summer.

If you are able to do so, please consider pre-paying your pledges for the Summer before you leave for vacation. It's one small thing you can do to help St. Mark's continue to grow and fulfill our mission throughout the year, not just from September to May. As Lyle Spalding, our Senior Warden, has been reminding us in his articles, Stewardship is a year-round calling for all of us.

April 2006 Results

In an effort to keep the parish informed about the financial health of St. Mark's, I've decided to publish a few key stats from our most recent month's financials. Due to publication deadlines, this information will be for the two months prior to the current month.

Please feel free to ask any questions or see me if you'd like more specific information.

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>YTD Actuals</u>
Income	\$26,693	\$38,646	\$129,047
Expenses	\$36,372	\$38,692	\$142,253
Surplus/ (Deficit)	(\$9,679)	(\$46)	(\$13,206)

Thanks to your generosity at Easter, April income and investments were virtually a wash, versus our expectation of a deficit for the month. Unfortunately, though, we're still running at a deficit so far year-to-

date. We had a surplus of roughly \$600 in January, and deficits of approximately (\$11,300) and (\$2,500), respectively, in February and March. Given historical income patterns, we will be faced with deficits all summer long, through September.

- Debbie Freeman

Lemonade on the Lawn

This summer, continuing through September 3, 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 outside the church parlor.

Volunteers are needed to serve as host/hostess 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.

Staff Planning Day

The Staff Planning Day originally scheduled for June 28 has been changed to Wednesday, July 19. The office will be closed that day as the staff gathers to plan the upcoming program year.

Summer Office Hours

Office hours will be 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and Friday 8:30 a.m.-noon during July and August.

Changes

Please advise the office immediately of any change of your address or phone number.

Parish Life

Birthdays

Elisabeth Hawkins	July 1
Peter Nicholas Stelzer	July 1
Ann Preston Radford	July 1
Rankin Dumesnil	July 2
Shirley Dumesnil	July 2
Kirk Neidhardt	July 2
Dorothy McCaffrey	July 3
Frances King	July 5
Jamie Ramsay	July 7
Mary E. Helm Ryan	July 7
Courtney Phoebe Lily-Rose McNeil	July 8
Ashleigh Straughan	July 12
Debbie Freeman	July 13
Paul Gill	July 14
Frank Lorimer	July 16
John Ousley	July 16
Linda English	July 18
Susan Gray	July 18
Mimi Amspiger	July 18
Mary Helfrich	July 19
Drew Jagers	July 19
Marshall Coomes	July 19
June Gibson	July 20
Pat MacLean	July 20
Emma Carlton	July 21
Betty Sherrill	July 23
Erik Marvin	July 25
Carlile Crutcher	July 26
Elizabeth Dick	July 29
Nina Babcock	July 31
Henry Bickel	July 31
Jan Ward	July 31
Mendy Cumberledge	July 31
Christy Brockman	July 31

Anniversaries

Ken & Susan Schueler	July 1
Tim & Gwen O'Dea	July 10
Ken & Dora Rohleder	July 14
Ethan & Amber Moore	July 23
Dick & Evie Day (65th anniversary)	July 26
David & Dana Boone	July 27
Joe & Marlene Straughan	July 28
Kurt & Lila Ludwig	July 31

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:

Tina Kingsbury, Dorothy McCaffrey, Bill Gossman, Verna Rothenburger, Daniel, Sue Hazelip, Eric Elliott, Polly Wood, Kit Davis, Debbie Mattingly, Rob Auerbach, Marlene Will, Ann Stewart, Meme Smith, J.C. Leonard, David Clayton MacDonald, Lynn Lewis, Jim Leason, Jeff Tafel, Lillian Yeager, Bill Butler, Ethel Bradshaw, Jean Fairleigh, Nancy Michler Burke, Pat Young, Gloria Helm, Tom Vogt, Rita Gildehaus, Nina Babcock, Virginia Wynn, Rob Hester, Stacy Harvey, Pat Jackson, Bradley, Ally, Janie Kall, Nancy Carlisle, Henry Bickel, Dick Day, Margaret Dick, Ann Lambertson, Gordon Caldwell, Perry Collins, Judy Semonin, Mary Deetsa, Joan Bickel, The Babcock Family, Vera Wallace

Parish Register

Baptism

Hannah Marie Irvin
(June 4, 2006)

St. Mark's Parish Calendar of Volunteers

July 2006

Acolytes

July 2 Shelby Carlton, Emma Proietti, Colin Penn
 July 4
 July 9 Hank Rohleder, Garrett Rohleder, Jake Holman
 July 16 Olivia Zoeller, Kathleen MacCool, Chris MacCool, Maggie Foster, Courtney Dwyer
 July 23 Peter Campbell, Summer Atwell, Hannay Shafer
 July 30 Joanna Fraser, Josh Fraser, Alyson Gill, Hannah Evans

Element Bearers

July 2 Mary Beth Ellis, Anita Poynter
 July 4 Lola & Lyle Spalding
 July 9 Eleanor & Jim Oppel
 July 16 June Richards, Roger Geer
 July 23 Connie & Scott Mendel
 July 30 Gary Davenport, Fran Reagan

Flower Delivery

July 2 Scottye Ghent, Fran Reagan
 July 9 Susan & David Gray
 July 16 Janie Estes
 July 23 June Richards, Frances King
 July 30 Gayle Dorsey

Altar Guild

July 2 Mary Beth Ellis, Mary Jane Gossmann, Elizabeth Mitchell
 July 9 Shirley Elmore, Mary Helfrich
 July 16 Marlene Straughan, Rose Rodgers
 July 23 Jamie Ramsay, Anita Poynter
 July 30 Mary Beth Ellis, Marlene Straughan

Lemonade on the Lawn

July 2 June Richards, Cindi Richards
 July 9 Megan & Hannah Irvin
 July 16 Mary Beth Ellis
 July 23 Joe & Marlene Straughan
 July 30

Lector / Chalice Bearers

July 2 8 am Phil Scherer
 10 am Paul Gill, Jimmy Stewart
 July 4 10 am
 July 9 8 am Desi Nisbett
 10 am Barbara Kramer, Scott Shafer
 July 16 8 am Phil Scherer
 10 am David Boone, Mendy Cumberledge
 July 23 8 am Paul Gill
 10 am Dean Rice, Melissa Dick, June Gibson
 July 30 8 am Phil Scherer
 10 am Chuck Eirk, Desi Nisbett, Drew Jagers

Ushers

July 2 LaForrest & Alex Campbell
 July 4 Keith Christenson, Debbie Freeman
 July 9 Marlene & Joe Straughan
 July 16 Dick Armspiger, Beth Carlton
 July 23 Dean Rice, Bob Shober
 July 30 Penny & David Pearson

Greeters

July 2 Joyce Martin, Bob Shober
 July 4 Connie & Scott Mendel
 July 9 Dani & Beau Baker
 July 16 Jamie & David Ramsay
 July 23 Dana Boone, Dick Armspiger
 July 30 Beth Carlton, Ken Rohleder

Money Counters

Month of July June Gibson, Alex Campbell

NONE

St. Mark's Parish Calendar July 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Children's Chapel 11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn 4:00 p.m. AA 8:15 p.m. AA/Alanon	3 7:00 p.m. AA	4 FOURTH OF JULY 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	5 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 7:30 p.m. AA	6 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 12:00 p.m. Bridge	7 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer	8 5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist
9 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Children's Chapel 11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn 4:00 p.m. AA 8:15 p.m. AA/Alanon	10 9:45 a.m. Busy Fingers 7:00 p.m. AA	11 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10:00 a.m. Healing Service 12:00 p.m. Bridge 7:30 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting	12 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 7:30 p.m. AA	13 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 12:00 p.m. Bridge	14 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer	15 BISHOP HERE 5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist
16 BISHOP HERE 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Children's Chapel 11:00 a.m. Reception 4:00 p.m. AA 5:30-7:50 p.m. Super Foyers 8:15 p.m. AA/Alanon	17 9:45 a.m. Busy Fingers 7:00 p.m. AA	18 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10:00 a.m. Healing Service 12:00 p.m. Bridge 6:00 p.m. Vestry	19 OFFICE CLOSED - STAFF PLANNING DAY 7:30 p.m. AA	20 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 12:00 p.m. Bridge	21 9:00 p.m. Morning Prayer	22 5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist 7:30 p.m. Gill/Goldsmith Wedding
23 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Wayside Choir 11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn 4:00 p.m. AA 8:15 p.m. AA/Alanon	24 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10:00 a.m. Healing Service 12:00 p.m. Bridge 7:00 p.m. AA	25 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10:00 a.m. Healing Service 12:00 p.m. Bridge	26 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 7:30 p.m. AA	27 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 12:00 p.m. Bridge	28 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 6:30-8:30 p.m. Seussical Cookout	29 3:00 p.m. Wedding 5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist
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Parish Prayer List

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

July 2 - Pray for the Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)
July 9 - Pray for the Church of North India (United)
July 16 - Pray for the Church of Pakistan (United)
July 23 - Pray for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea
July 30 - Pray for the Episcopal Church in the Philippines

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Hickman, KY

Parish Partners

St. Frances of Rome, Our Covenant Parish
The congregations of United Crescent Hill Ministries,
especially the Ursuline Sisters of Louisville

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Week of July 2

◆
Mainert Peterson
Virginia Peterson
Julie Potter
A.J. Potter
Nathan Potter

Week of July 9

◆
Anita Poynter
Jerry Proietti
Amanda Proietti
Emma Proietti
Fran Reagan

Week of July 16

◆
Cy Radford
Ann Radford
Cyrus Radford III
Liz Radford
June Richards

Week of July 23

◆
David Ramsay
Jamie Ramsay
Mason Ramsay
Carter Ramsay
Debra Lee Rollins

Week of July 30

◆
James Redmon
Jane Redmon
William Redmon
Anne Redmon
Thomas Redmon

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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Ron Everett, Sexton

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

Flowers

- July 2 By Dr. and Mrs. Henry Fairleigh in honor of their son, David; his wife, Vicki; and David and Vicki's children, Tyler and Elizabeth Grayce
- July 9 By Katy Burke in loving memory of her mother, Kathryn Steele Nunemacher.
- July 16 By Mr. and Mrs. Frank Keller Jordan in loving memory of their son, Frank Keller Jordan II.
- July 23 By Nell Helm and Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy Helm III in loving memory of Elizabeth Nelson Helm; Thomas Kennedy Helm; Blanche Smith Hoge; Peyton Harrison Hoge, Jr.; and T. Kennedy Helm, Jr.
- July 30 By Debbie and John Freeman in thanksgiving for their nieces, Jordyn Grace and Riley Elizabeth Graham.

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 and brother-in-law, Phyllis and Robert 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.