



# 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.

September 2002

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## Church School Begins

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Church School for all ages will resume on Sunday, September 8, immediately following the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

The preschoolers through fifth graders will follow the "Living the Good News" curriculum. A lectionary-based curriculum originally developed in the Episcopal Diocese of Colorado, the curriculum covers a three-year cycle.

Beginning in Advent, we will introduce "Godly Play" into our preschool through second-grade classrooms. The program is modeled on the Montessori approach of teaching. "Godly Play" provides an environment in which children feel safe and welcome...where they can learn the art of using religious language to encounter God and to find meaning in their lives.

Our second program year teaching "Rite 13" to our sixth- and seventh-grade children will be during the 2002-2003 Church School year. "Rite 13" is the first two years of a six-year program entitled "Journey to Adulthood". The goals of "Rite 13" are to celebrate God's gift of manhood and womanhood; to affirm the gift of creative energy; to explore the thoughts and disciplines which allow individuals to affect change in the world; and to teach by work and example the principles of freedom, responsibility and friendship.

Our Youth Group will continue to follow the "Living the Good News" curriculum in the upcoming semester until the introduction of "Young Adults in Church" in January 2003. "Young Adults in Church" (Y.A.C.) is the last two years of the six-year program "Journey to Adulthood". They will continue to be involved in community outreach programs and enjoy fellowship time together.

The Adult Education offerings will include three opportunities. We will reintroduce the "Disciples of Christ in Community" program (DOCC) on Sunday, October 13. DOCC is an adult Christian education/formation program providing experience in building a Christian community, while encouraging individual spiritual growth. DOCC offers an opportunity for participants to experience the Christian gospel of Christ in the context of the late twentieth-century world. This class will meet during and extend 15 minutes past the Church School hour.

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## Worship Schedule

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### Sundays

Holy Eucharist 8:00 AM  
AND 10:00 AM

### Weekdays

Morning Prayer  
Monday-Friday 9:00 AM

Healing Service  
Tuesday 10:00 AM

### Reconciliation and other Sacraments

by Appointment with the Clergy

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## Highlights

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Church School Begins

Foyers

ECW Card Party

Remembrance Service

Homebound Ministry

We will also offer an Adult Forum featuring guest lecturers covering a range of topics from death and dying to lectures on C.S. Lewis, Islam, the Children of God, Talking to Youth, and the New Church's Teaching Series. This class will also be held during the Church School hour.

St. Mark's will be hosting two "Education for Ministry" (EFM) classes during the 2002-2003 academic year. EFM is one of the best adult education programs available to Episcopalians. EFM is a distance learning theological education program of the School of Theology of the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. Completion of the program takes four years, during which participants study the Bible, church history and twentieth-century theology. Participants commit one year at a time to meet regularly in seminars led by a trained mentor. Classes will meet on Wednesday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Church School classes will be led by:

Nursery	Sharon Kidd and Carole Mullady assisted by parish volunteers
Toddlers	Erik and Sara Marvin
K-2nd Grades	Stacy Grimm and Magan Irvin
3rd-5th Grades	Nancy Urbscheit and Andy Blieden
Rite 13	C. Ann Gittings and Jim Taveime
Youth Group	Debbie Glenn and David Crone
Adult Forum	Schedule Posted in Information Center
DOCC	Harry Sladen
EFM	The Rev. Charles Hawkins

We believe you'll find a program to suit your needs. We look forward to seeing you in class!

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## Volunteers Needed

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Volunteers are needed to help in the nursery for the Fall/Winter/Spring 2002-2003 Church School year.

Please sign up in the Information Center for any available Sunday(s) or call the parish office.

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## Focus on Foyers

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Foyers were first introduced at St. Mark's last fall, and the program was overwhelmingly successful with over 60 persons participating. We continue to receive much positive feedback and are anticipating a wonderful response as sign-ups begin for this program year. Since the primary purpose is to allow parishioners to become acquainted with others whom they may not know well, new groups will be formed in the upcoming weeks. Even if you participated last year, we ask that you again sign up on the sheet located in the Information Center.

Foyers are small groups of adult parishioners who meet approximately once a month for a light meal in one another's homes with the members taking turns as hosts. These simple, inexpensive dinners provide wonderful opportunities for Christian fellowship and allow members of the St. Mark's family to get to know one another in a relaxed social atmosphere. The only agenda is to simply have fun. Often, if the group prefers, the meal can be potluck with the host providing the entrée and each member bringing a dish to share. If desired, several members can even combine efforts and co-host a meal.

Groups will be comprised of parishioners of varying ages, marital status, etc. Each group will be no larger than eight to ten persons. Once group assignments have been made, a convener will be named for each group. The convener will be asked to host the first gathering. At that time the group will establish dates for future dinners and decide the format of the meetings (i.e., potluck, serving of alcohol, etc.).

The dinners will begin in October. Each group is asked to meet no fewer than six times and no more than eight times. Thus, the Foyers dinners will extend no later than next May with each group being given the latitude of deciding whether or not it wants to gather in December, for instance.

We ask that you sign up at your earliest convenience, come with an open mind and heart and an eagerness to get to know your fellow parishioners.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate

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to contact Gwen O'Dea in the parish office.

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## ECW News

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ECW will be hosting their Fall Card Party on Tuesday, September 17, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Now's the time to round up your friends for a play day that includes lunch and prizes. This would be a great opportunity to host your bridge club or other card club and to also show off our newly renovated church. Cost: \$10.00 per person. Sign up in the Information Center or call Dorothy Durning (897-2083) or Susan Schueler (426-2818).

Dorothy Durning  
Susan Schueler  
Co-Presidents, ECW

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## Renovation

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Two renovation projects have been undertaken during the summer, and both are nearing completion.

On August 25, we dedicated our renovated worship space. New hardwood floors, fresh varnish on the ceilings and fresh paint on the walls were just the most obvious improvements. The very labor intensive work of repairing damaged pews was undertaken as well. New lights were installed in the chancel. New padding and carpet were added to the kneelers. Further, a host of small items were updated that, though not obvious, have improved the quality of our place of worship.

On September 8, we will begin a new year of Church School in our newly renovated education space. The back portion was completed last year, and the front portion has been under construction this summer. New insulation has been added in the attic; central air conditioning has been added to the heating system; the landing at the front steps has been restored; a great deal of plaster work has been completed on the walls and ceilings; and new paint on the walls and carpet on the floor will have freshened the appearance of the space.

Please feel free to explore these two areas. The renovation will excite you. These material improvements are a wonderful sign of the spiritual vitality of St. Mark's.

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## Remembrance Service

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On Wednesday, September 11, at 5:30 p.m. the Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at St. Mark's to commemorate those who lost their lives in the acts of terrorism on September 11, 2001.

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## Kentucky Kingdom

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Twenty youth and five chaperones enjoyed a fun day at Six Flags Kentucky Kingdom on Saturday, July 27. The group met at church at 9:30 a.m. and headed out for the Kingdom and a day of rides, lunch and swimming. They returned to the church at 6:30 p.m. after a long, exciting and hot summer day. This special fellowship time was made possible by the generosity of a parishioner.

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## Volleyball, Anyone?

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St. Mark's is exploring the possibility of forming an adult, recreational, fall volleyball team that will play on Thursday evenings beginning the end of September. The games, which last one hour, will be played at Beargrass Christian Church - 4100 Shelbyville Road. If you are interested in being a part of the team or would like more information, please sign up on the sheet in the Information Center. Check the weekly bulletins for further information. Questions? Please call John Veltten (244-8723) or Dave Crone (435-2751).

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## To Carpet or Not to Carpet

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The Vestry will be deciding at its September meeting whether or not to carpet the center aisle of our worship space. The original renovation plans called for putting red carpet down the center aisle. However, the carpet has not yet been laid.

The question of whether we "have to" put the carpet back down has been raised in recent weeks, and the Vestry will make a decision on this matter at its September meeting.

Those raising the question have noted that St. Mark's did not have carpet on the floor originally; the hardwood floor is beautiful and "it would be a shame to cover it up"; the acoustics have improved without the carpet; and St. Francis in the Fields and the Cathedral have hardwood floors and no carpet down the aisle, and they have experienced no problems.

Those who wish to lay carpet down the center aisle have noted that though St. Mark's did not have carpet on the floor originally, St. Mark's has had carpet for a number of years; the hardwood floor is more "slippery" than carpet would be; though the acoustics are improved, the improvement is but marginal; and St. Matthew's has red carpet throughout their worship space, and they do not have any problems with noise.

If you have an opinion on the subject, please speak to a Vestry member before the third Tuesday of September, the date of the Vestry's next meeting.

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## Special Opportunity

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Would you like to be involved in the 10:00 a.m. worship service in a very meaningful way? If so, we would love to have you serve as an Element Bearer on an occasional basis. No training needed...basic instructions provided! If you would like to volunteer, please contact David Pearson, Coordinator, at 896-0349, or Gwen O'Dea in the parish office.

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## Bread Ministry

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St. Mark's has an ongoing need of home-baked loaves of bread to be delivered as a token of our hospitality to newcomers following their first visit. The bread can be baked at one's convenience and then placed in the freezer at church. It would be most helpful to have an ample supply on hand at all times.

If you are interested in assisting with this special ministry, please sign up on the sheet located in the Information Center. Delivery persons are needed as well as bakers. Questions? Please contact Anita Poynter, Chairperson, at 893-7743, or Gwen O'Dea in the parish office.

Many thanks are extended to the faithful parishioners who have baked and delivered many loaves this past year!

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## Brunch and Bowl

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Youth Group: Mark your calendars and polish up your bowling balls for Sunday, September 15, because we are going bowling! We will carpool after Church School on the 15th for a "Brunch and Bowl".

You'll need to bring a change of clothes, socks and money for lunch. The Church will provide for bowling shoes and lanes. Make sure to tell Debbie Glenn if you are going so we can arrange for enough transportation.

And remember, friends are always welcome!

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## Cathedral Happenings

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Christ Church Cathedral offers a noontime lunch and tour highlighting the restoration of the Cathedral for your organization of eight or more. Your group will also be shown 180-year-old stained glass windows, beautiful marble statuary, and architecture. The exquisite and creative banners made by the diocesan churches are also on display. Cost of lunch is \$7.00 per person, and reservations should be made two weeks prior to your desired date by contacting Sam Dorr (502) 587-1354 (ext. 231) or by email at [samd@episcopalky.com](mailto:samd@episcopalky.com).

September events include:

Friday, September 6, 2002 - Noontime Revival-Performance Luncheon at 12 noon, repeated at 7:00 p.m. - Brown Bag Lunch or Brown Bag Dinner is \$5.00 per person. Please RSVP by September 5. The Rev. Deborah Conrad and Mary Grace Feltham will present an abridged version of the History of Christ Church Cathedral. Rev. Conrad's rendition will be filled with the excitement of a mystery, the secrets of an archeological dig, and comedy club humor.

Saturday and Sunday, September 7-8, 2002 - Bishop Bartlett's Homecoming. Bishop Bartlett was Dean of the Cathedral from 1970 to 1985 and is now the retired bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. Reservations

can be made for a Saturday dinner (6:30 p.m.) in Bishops Hall, Christ Church Cathedral, before September 4. Cost is \$10.00 per person. On Sunday, September 8, Bishop Bartlett delivers the sermon at both the 8:15 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. services at Christ Church Cathedral. A Christian Formation/reception will follow the 10:00 a.m. service.

Sunday, September 29, 2002 - Derby City Brass Band (3:00 p.m.) - Come hear the famous local "English Style Brass Band" directed by John Jones, music instructor at the University of Louisville. Mike Tunnell, University of Louisville professor of trumpet, will be featured. Admission is free.

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## A Special Ministry

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As our parish continues to grow, it is vital that we remain connected to one another, especially to those who cannot worship with us on a regular basis due to infirmities. While many of you already visit with such parishioners on an occasional, informal basis, we are interested in forming an intentional visitation program. This Homebound Ministry team will be comprised of volunteers who are committed to regularly contacting several parishioners via home visits and phone calls and relaying pertinent information to the clergy and staff. If this outreach opportunity is of interest to you, please indicate so on the sign-up sheet in the Information Center. An organizational meeting will be held in early fall. Meanwhile, should you want more information, please contact Gwen O'Dea in the parish office.

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## Sympathy

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Sympathy is extended to the family of Gayle Shober on the death of her father.

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# Parish Life

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## Birthdays

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Betty Rothwell	September 2
Lauren Wells	September 4
Nancy Urbsheit	September 7
Jean Calvert	September 8
Cynthia Velten	September 10
Keith Christenson	September 12
Bill Cobb	September 12
Theresa Shannon	September 13
Tutt Snodgrass	September 16
Kitty Patterson	September 16
Beverly Kay	September 17
Sara Sladen	September 18
Joe Fairleigh	September 18
Dana Boone	September 19
Patricia Campbell	September 22
Dorothy Leason	September 23
Virginia Q. Wynn	September 24
Anne Ebendorf	September 24
Ethan Doerschuk	September 25
C. Ann Gittings	September 26
Christopher Webb	September 26
Andy Blieden	September 27
Peggy Conway	September 29

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## Prayers for Healing

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

Kennedy Helm, Nell Helm, Marjorie Carter, Frances Blackshear, Ed Shannon, Lettie Shawler, Richard Gibson, Judith Bloor, Steve Howard, Jim Speed, Margaret Dick, Frances Luckett, Betty Collins, Ann Lamberton, Gordon Caldwell, Perry Collins, Susan Fox, Cleveland Fraser, Judith Semonin, Jane Wilson, Mary Deetsa, Bob Scherer, Joan Bickel, Mason Bennett, The Babcock Family, Diana Estes, Janice Wood, Bobby Townsend, Margaret White, Nina Radford, Vera Wallace, Pam Mahdau, Marian Calvert, Dorothy Leason, Henry Bickel, Ethel Briney, Nancy Carlisle, Dick Day, Julie Jordan, Richard Dame, Lillian Yeager, Mac Kircher, Opal Cook, Mac Davidson, Marjorie Vogt, Sarah Shannon, Sally Dupree, George Wessel

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## Transfers In

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Susan Darst  
Timothy O'Dea, Sr.  
Gwen O'Dea  
Timothy O'Dea, Jr.  
Katherine O'Dea  
Emily O'Dea

(All transferred from St. Matthew's Episcopal Church.)

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## Anniversaries

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Mr. & Mrs. Tom Walthall	September 10
Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Kirven	September 11
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Dendy	September 27
Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Cunningham	September 28

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## Marriage

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Brian Steven Thomas  
and  
Mary Susan Peak  
August 3, 2002

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# Parish Prayer List

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**Anglican Cycle of Prayer**

September 1 - Church of the Province of Central Africa  
September 8 - Province III of the Church of Nigeria  
September 15 - Province III of the Church of Nigeria  
September 22 - Province III of the Church of Nigeria  
September 29 - Anglican Church of Tanzania

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

St. Frances in the Fields, Harrods Creek

**Parish Partners**

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

**Parish Cycle of Prayer**

**Week of September 1**

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Herbert DeLeGal  
Paul Dendy  
Cissy Dendy  
Geoffrey Dendy  
James Dendy

**Week of September 8**

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Madeleine Denley  
Dan Dierking  
Linda Dierking  
Mandy Dierking  
Kurt Dierking

**Week of September 15**

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Leslie Dobbins  
Courtenay Dobbins  
Gayle Dorsey  
Jane Doyle  
Jane Dugan

**Week of September 22**

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John Doerschuk  
Karen Doerschuk  
Ethan Doerschuk  
Charles Eirk  
Ellen Eirk

**Week of September 29**

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Edward Dumesnil  
Shirley Dumesnil  
Rankin Dumesnil  
Anne Ebendorf  
Jennifer Ebendorf

**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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Willie Bibbs, Sexton

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*Honor and Glory of God...*

**Flowers**

- September 1 by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grimm, Jr., in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grimm, Sr.; Mrs. Bessie L. Thomas; their friend, Judge Don Eckerle; and in thanksgiving for their children.
- September 8 by Dr. and Mrs. Henry Fairleigh in loving memory of her grandmother, Ida Harpe Rinker.
- September 15 by Frances Reagan in loving memory of her husband, Robert Reagan; her parents, LeRoy and Helen Axton Scott; and her nephew, Scott Lee McCracken.
- September 22 by June Richards in loving memory of Stephanie Clary, for her love and service to St. Mark's; and for her parents, Jack and Indie Foreman.
- September 29 TBA.

**Candles**

The Eucharistic Candles for September by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth B. Schueler in memory of Christine Yeager.

The Five Branch Candles for September by Mrs. Shirley Elmore in loving memory of her parents, Irvin and Sallie Crouch; her husband, Donald C. Elmore; and her friend, Chris S. Yeager.