



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.

November 2006

Thanksgiving Eve Dinner and Service

On Thanksgiving Eve, November 22, there will be a special Thanksgiving dinner and service. Fellowship time will begin at 6:00 p.m., and dinner will follow at 6:30 p.m. in Langley Hall. After dinner there will be a simple and festive Eucharist in Dreher Hall.

Please sign up in the Information Center or call the parish office if you wish to join us for this special event. Also, please indicate on the sign-up sheet if you can assist with dinner preparations or clean up.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Jimmy Stewart, Fellowship Chairperson, or Gwen O'Dea.

Advent Outreach

Mitten and Cap Tree

As cold weather approaches and we get out our hats and gloves, please remember our St. Mark's Mitten Tree. The tree will be in the Information Center hallway beginning Sunday, December 9, for you to decorate with your warm hats, gloves, mittens, scarves and earmuffs. Your gifts will go to children who attend Chenoweth Elementary School. They will put them to good use. The tree will be in place until January 7, 2007.

Angel Tree

The St. Mark's Angel Tree will be ready for you to select an "angel" on Sunday, November 19. These gifts will go to underprivileged children at Lincoln Elementary School, 930 E. Main St. The child's name, age and sizes will be noted on your paper angel. It is important that the angel be attached to your wrapped gift when it is returned. Gifts for Lincoln Elementary angels must be turned in by Sunday, December 10. (The youth will shop for and/or wrap your gifts on that date for the Lincoln Elementary angels if you wish.)

We will also have as angels three children from United Crescent Hill Ministries. This year UCHM is requiring that all items on the child's list be purchased and

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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that \$75-\$100 be spent per child. They are also requesting that wrapping paper, tape and a package of bows be sent with the unwrapped gifts. Each UCHM family unit is also to receive a Kroger gift card in the amount of \$75-100. Please bring your unwrapped UCHM angel's gifts to the office by Wednesday, December 13, along with their paper angel. Again, the youth will shop for your angel on December 10 if you wish.

Please remember to sign your name on the line by your angel's name on the sheet located in the Information Center. There will also be space to sign up for a UCHM family Kroger gift card.

Food Gifts from St. Markers

UCHM has determined that it is much more feasible to have Kroger gift cards available to give to needy families as family needs can vary greatly. Please make your checks payable to St. Mark's and indicate "Kroger Gift Cards". We can then consolidate the funds and purchase the cards from UCHM. UCHM will then benefit from the purchase when the cards are used.

ECW News

November 14: Joint meeting with St. Andrew's. The meeting will be at St. Mark's at 11:00 a.m. with The Rev. Dick Humke as our guest speaker. He will speak about his recent trip to Iraq. Lunch will be served. Let's have a large number of people turn out for this. Sign up in the Information Center.

December 2: Holiday Bazaar, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Everyone is getting geared up for another successful St. Mark's Holiday Bazaar. We will have many new items for sale this year. We are looking for volunteers to again help make this a very successful event. Please sign up in the Information Center if you can help.

Baked goods of all kinds, candies, jellies and any other specialty items are most welcome. "White Elephants" are needed for the basement sale; any item for which you have no further need can be donated to this sale. Books are needed, but, please, no magazines or text books. If you have any high-quality items that have outlived their usefulness, these will gladly be accepted for the "Treasures Room."

Pictures with Santa will be taken from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Opportunity tickets on gift certificates for fine dining at various Frankfort Avenue restaurants will be available for \$1.00. Chili will also be available for lunch.

December 12: Annual ECW Christmas Party at the Episcopal Church Home. Time: 12:30-? Remember to bring a generic gift for the Home residents. Please sign up for this activity in the Information Center.

St. Mark's Christmas Cards

The St. Mark's Christmas Cards have arrived and are for sale. The cards feature a beautiful picture of St. Mark's altar at Christmas. They sell for \$15.00 for twenty cards. They are available after the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday mornings in the Information Center or may be ordered through the church office. Support the ECW by purchasing these cards and by mailing them to family and friends at Christmas.

Holiday Gathering

The Evening Women's Group's annual Holiday Gathering will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Katherine Kingren (124 S. Bayly Ave.). All women of St. Mark's are cordially invited to attend. The entrée and beverages will be provided; parishioners are asked to bring a salad, vegetable or dessert to share as well as a \$5.00 gift to exchange and a canned good for the parish food basket. Please sign up in the Information Center if you plan to attend. Should you have any questions, please contact Gwen O'Dea in the parish office.

Stewart Joy Recognition Sunday

The Reverend Stewart Joy, longtime Assistant Rector and later Rector of St. Mark's, will celebrate the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood this December. In recognition of this milestone, we will be honoring Stewart on Sunday, November 26th, during the 10:00 a.m. service and at a festive reception for Stewart and his family in Langley Hall immediately following (Church school classes will not meet that day). Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for this joyous occasion.

The Exodus

Fall Youth Gathering - November 3-5, 2006
All Saints' Episcopal Center
Leitchfield, KY

All High School and Middle School students are invited to All Saints' for a weekend of fun and fellowship while you learn about the second book of the Old Testament. Hear about the trials and tribulations of the Israelites as they struggle to obtain their freedom. Hear about Moses' life as an Egyptian Prince, a poor shepherd and a leader of the Israelites. Here's a story full of adventure, intrigue and conflict as only the Bible can tell it. Learn about the Plagues, The Ten Commandments and the Golden Calf. There will be plenty of music, games, crafts and dramatic skits. We'll hold a "Walk like an Egyptian Dance" on Saturday Night and a gentle Flag football game on Sunday. It's the "The Egyptians versus the Israelites". Explore an ancient story in a new way!! So pack a bag and join us at All Saints' on Friday, November 3rd. Check in is at 6:00 p.m. Central Standard Time and dinner is at 7:00. The weekend ends after lunch on Sunday. Please register before October 25th in order to secure your spot!! Scholarships are available but please return your registration as soon as possible in order to obtain one. Please call Marti Taber in the church office for a registration form.

Please Note...

1. Advent Lessons and Music will be celebrated on Sunday, December 17, beginning at 9:50 a.m. St. Mark's choir will be joined by the choir of Crescent Hill Baptist Church. Following the service here, St. Mark's choir will proceed to Crescent Hill Baptist to join their choir during their worship service.
2. There will be no morning services on Sunday, December 24. Christmas Eve services will be at 4:30 p.m. (pageant) and 10:15 p.m.

Acolytes

October 6-8, five of our acolytes participated in the National Acolyte Festival in Washington, DC. They enjoyed the National Cathedral, learning much about the cathedral and being an acolyte. Thank you to all who donated monies for new robes. We certainly

looked our best for everyone in DC. Dinners in Chinatown, Union Station and seeing the sights on the Moonlight Tour were great fun for all. Jamie Ramsay and Katherine Kingren were awesome chaperones. Thank you making the trip such a memorable experience for everyone.

Twelfth Night Party

After several years of celebrating the life of St. Nicholas, we are going to take a break from that routine and instead have a party celebrating the Twelfth Night of Christmas. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending the last party of the Christmas season on Friday, January 5.

Baptisms

St. Mark's conducts baptisms five times a year: The first Sunday after Epiphany, Easter, Pentecost, All Saints', and the Bishop's annual visitation. All Saints' Sunday is November 5, and St. Mark's will be conducting baptisms at the 10:00 a.m. service. If you wish to receive the sacrament of baptism on All Saints' Sunday, please notify the Rector immediately.

Santa Sprint

The 11th Annual Santa Sprint and Stroll (5K run/walk and one-mile walk) (sponsored by FABBA) will take place Saturday, December 2. Registration is at 8:00 a.m. and the sprint/stroll begins at 9:00 a.m. at Barret Traditional School. Proceeds from this event will benefit UCHM.

It's Pageant Time!

This year's Christmas Pageant is in the planning stage. If your child wishes to be a part of this year's production, please sign up in the Information Center or call Marti Taber in the church office. Anyone interested in helping should also call. This is always great fun for the children as well parents.

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to Herb Miller and family on

the death of his mother-in-law.

Sympathy is also extended to the family of Gloria Helm.

Treasurer's Comments

August Highlights

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>YTD Actuals</u>
Income	\$24,593	\$30,571	\$268,187
Expenses	\$33,213	\$28,766	\$273,687
Surplus/ (Deficit)	(\$8,620)	\$1,805	(\$5,500)

August income was much stronger than expected, and expenses were lower than expected, allowing us to end the month positive instead of with the deficit we expected. Despite the strong income, we are still running at a deficit for the full year.

September Highlights

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>YTD Actuals</u>
Income	\$38,398	\$41,898	\$310,086
Expenses	\$33,283	\$47,189	\$320,876
Surplus/ (Deficit)	\$5,115	(\$5,291)	(\$10,791)

In order to meet cash flow obligations, we transferred the balance of the funds out of our prepaid account and into operations. Despite this transfer, we were unable to pay our Diocesan Assessment in September. A roofing bill for repairs to our slate roof (\$13,000) had to be paid, and we were already operating at a deficit for the year. We liquidated our "rainy day" fund over the summer, so we had no options.

-Debbie Freeman

Poinsettia and Wreath Orders

The giving of a poinsettia or wreath recognizes and remembers loved ones or acknowledges blessings and assists in the adorning of our church for the Christmas services. For your convenience, order forms are now available in the Information Center. Deadline for placing your order is December 10.

Vestry Nominations

The nominating committee of the Vestry will be receiving nominations from the parish through Sunday, November 26, for potential Vestry members. Nominations can be submitted to the parish office in a sealed envelope. A form, should you wish to use it, is included in this newsletter for your convenience. All submissions will be given to the Nominating Committee which is composed of the outgoing members of the Vestry: Lyle Spalding, Lynn Boone, LaForrest Campbell and Andy Blieden.

The nominating process is as follows:

1. Names are submitted to the Nominating Committee.
2. The Nominating Committee reviews potential nominations, speaks with possible nominees, and submits a slate to members of the Vestry.
3. The Vestry approves list of nominees.
4. At the annual meeting the parish, four new members are elected to the Vestry from the list of nominees, each member serving a three-year term.

Diocesan Convention Delegate Nominations

The Nominating Committee will be receiving recommendations from the parish through Sunday, November 26, for potential delegates to the Diocesan Convention to be held February 23-24, 2006, at St. Luke's, Louisville. Recommendations can be submitted to the parish office in a sealed envelope. A form, should you wish to use it, is included in this newsletter for your convenience. All submissions will be given to the Nominating Committee which is composed of the outgoing members of the Vestry: Lyle Spalding, Lynn Boone, LaForrest Campbell and Andy Blieden.

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4. At the annual meeting, the parish elects three alternates from the list of nominees. (The three alternates from last year's election become delegates to this year's convention).

Feasts and Fasts

Principal Feasts of the Church

The principal feasts observed in the Episcopal Church are: Easter Day, Ascension Day, the Day of Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, All Saints' Day, Christmas Day, and Epiphany. Three of these seven will be observed during November, December and January.

All Saints' Sunday is November 5. Christmas Day is always December 25, and Epiphany is always January 6.

St. Mark's has three special services to celebrate Christmas: A Christmas pageant and a midnight mass celebrated on Christmas Eve, and a Christmas Day service. We will again have a service on Epiphany.

Major Feasts

In addition to the principal feasts of the Episcopal Church, St. Mark's observes two of the eleven major feasts of the Episcopal Church: Independence Day and Thanksgiving Day.

Fasts

The Episcopal Church observes two fasts, both of which are observed at St. Mark's: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The fasts of Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are "bookends" to the season of Lent and Holy Week, which is observed by special acts of discipline and self-denial. But remember, Sundays during Lent and the Feast of the Annunciation (which also occurs during Lent) are not days of discipline and self-denial.

Senior Warden's Corner

There is good news and no so good news.

The good news first: The beginning of the Fall program year showed continuing Parish vitality and a positive future. Eighty-four persons were enrolled in Church School and, for several weeks, worship attendance has been over two hundred. Coffee hour has also returned. The two Education for Ministry courses have seventeen eager students; and Anne Vouga, our seminarian/intern, is already making an impact.

The not so good news: The Stewardship Committee learned that a culture change is like turning an aircraft carrier around in a narrow channel. This was most evident when the Budget Committee met on October 15 to utilize 2007 pledge commitments that were not in when due on October 9. (Yes, that was earlier than in past years.) Pledge income was insufficient to allow formulation of a budget. And, as this article is written (October 23), only 52% of members had pledged with only 72% of the dollar goal reached. (The only silver lining is at that time 52 people had increased their pledge; 32 remained the same; 17 were new pledges; and there were only two decreased pledges.)

A big thank you for those who have pledged and an appeal to those who have not to make up the more than \$100,000 needed for a viable 2007 budget.

- Lyle Spalding

"All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee." I Chronicles 23:14

Parish Life

Birthdays

Jim Taverine	November 1
Edwin Scherer	November 1
Elizabeth Foster	November 1
Julie Potter	November 2
Steven Spears	November 3
Chuck Eirk	November 4
Verna Rothenberger	November 6
Dick Day	November 6
Connie Mendel	November 6
Claudia Shaugnessy	November 7
Jane Redmon	November 10
Geoffrey Dendy	November 11
Julie Hudson	November 11
Tim O'Dea	November 11
Ann Cogswell	November 11
Kate Solomon	November 12
Cindy Warren	November 12
Mildred Tierney	November 13
Becky Woehrl	November 15
Chandler Penn	November 16
Robert Durning	November 18
Bryan Hudson	November 19
Thomas Arnspiger	November 19
Marlene Straughan	November 20
Joyce Martin	November 21
Doreen Fraser	November 21
James Dendy	November 23
Henry Fairleigh	November 24
Matt Smith	November 24
Frank How er	November 26
Emma Proietti	November 26
Anthony Potter	November 27
Tammy Haight	November 27
Nancy Carlisle	November 28
Frances Luckett	November 29
Joshua Richie	November 30
George Davis	November 30

Anniversaries

Jimmy & Lori Stewart	November 7
Bryan & Julie Hudson	November 8
David & Jamie Ramsay	November 9
John & Carolyn Markham	November 15
Phil & Kathy Scherer	November 26
Jeff & Julie Tafel	November 30

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:

Sally Snyder, Alice Senn, Barbara Schwartz, Eleanor Bosen, Mary Prine, Danny Bukwa, Courtney Pearson, Bernie Sams, Aerial, Patty Sorrell, Carol Royer, Tina Kingsbury, Dorothy McCaffrey, Bill Gossman, Verna Rothenberger, 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, Bill Butler, Ethel Bradshaw, Jean Fairleigh, Nancy Michler Burke, Pat Young, Tom Vogt, Rita Gildehaus, Virginia Wynn, Rob Hester, Stacy Harvey, Pat Jackson, Bradley, Ally, Janie Kall, Nancy Carlisle, Henry Bickel, Dick Day, Margaret Dick, Ann Lamberton, Perry Collins, Judy Semonin, Mary Deetsa, Joan Bickel, Vera Wallace

Parish Register

Transfers In

Jeanne and Tom Murrell
(from Christ Church, Glendale, OH)

Baptism

Clara Hamilton Brown Hudson

Marriages

Sarah Murrell and Dan Knight
(September 30, 2006)

Heather Lewis and Roy Martin
(October 7, 2006)

Death

Gloria Helm
(August 2, 1923 - October 9, 2006)

Parish Prayer List

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

November 5 - Pray for the Church of Ceylon
November 12 - Pray for Iglesia Episcopal de Cuba
November 19 - Pray for the Church in Bermuda
November 26 - Pray for the Lusitanian Church

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

St. Thomas' Church
Campbellsville, KY

Parish Partners

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

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Week of November 5

◆
Lyle Spalding
Lola Spalding
Jimmy Stewart
Lori Stewart
Jordan Stewart

Week of November 12

◆
Leslie Spetz
Peter Spetz
Rebecca Spetz
Rachel Spetz
Ann Stewart

Week of November 19

◆
Joe Straughan
Marlene Straughan
Ashleigh Straughan
Joe Straughan III
Carter Strickler

Week of November 26

◆
Marti Taber
Ginnie Taber
Kathryn Taber
Anne Taber
Lewis Taber

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

Flowers

November 5 by Mrs. Ernest Vogt in loving memory of her husband, Ernest Barker Vogt; her parents, Charles Allen Gage and Verna Sieberst Gage; and her sister, Elizabeth Gage Moore.

November 12 by 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.

November 19 by Herbert E. Miller, Jr., and Mary Virginia Bickel in memory of their parents, Herbert E. Miller, Sr., and Virginia Ferguson Miller.

November 26 by Stacey and John Ousley in loving memory of her parents, Douglas and Linda Woodside.

Candles

Eucharistic Candles by Stacy Henry Olash in loving memory of her grandmother, Frieda Nunemacher; her brother, David Andrew Glass; and her mother, Kathryn Steele Nunemacher.

Five Branch Candles by Debra Rollins in loving memory of her mother, Barbara H. Rollins; her grandmother, Adeline E. Hibbitt; her aunt, Mabel Rollins; her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Rollins; and her dear friend, Bobby Sohm.