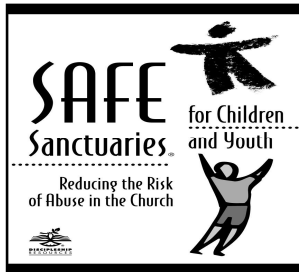


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Easter VII9:30 *Worship for May 20, 2012*

Music to Prepare Our Hearts

Great Is the Lord

**Refrain: Great is the Lord, he is holy and just;
by his power we trust in his love.
Great is the Lord, he is faithful and true;
by his mercy he proves he is love.**

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory!
Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice:
Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord! **Refrain**

Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory!
Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great are you, Lord; I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:
Great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord! **Refrain**

Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, My Savior, Lord, there is none like You:
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength;
Let every breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

**Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing
power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands,**

forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

My Life Is In You, Lord

**My life is in you, Lord; my strength is in you, Lord;
my hope is in you, Lord; in you, it's in you.
My life is in you, Lord; my strength is in you, Lord;
my hope is in you, Lord; in you, it's in you.**

I will praise you with all of my life, I will praise you with all of my strength;
with all of my life, with all of my strength.

All of my hope is in you. **Refrain**

▲ AN EASTER CREED

Leader: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved.

Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.

We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit.

Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen.

▲ A WORD OF WELCOME

PSALTER READING *Psalm 1*

Response: *I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways. And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.*

Blessed are those who do not walk in the counsel of the wicked;
or stand in the way of sinners, or sit in the seat of scoffers;
but their delight is in the law of the Lord,
and on God's law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water
that yield their fruit in season, and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

The wicked are not so, but are like chaff which the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment;

**nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.**

Response: *I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways. And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.*

PRAYER CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

In the Garden

**And he walks with me, and he talks with me, and he tells me I am his own;
and the joy we share as we tarry there, none other has ever known.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERINGS OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Anthem "All My Days" Mark A. Miller

▲ DOXOLOGY verse 5, page 315

**"Alleluia!" now we cry to our King immortal, who, triumphant,
burst the bars of the tomb's dark portal; "Alleluia!" with the Son,
God the Father praising, "Alleluia!" yet again to the Spirit raising.**

▲ SCRIPTURE READING

St. John 17:6-19 page 941
*This is the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ. **THANKS BE TO GOD!***

MESSAGE "The Way to Travel" Rev. K. Wayne Grier

▲ As We Go/BLESSING

**As we go, may your Spirit go before us.
As we go, may we follow where you lead.
May we live what we have learned,
share the message we have heard,
and be a light unto the world as we go.**

"This Week Say a Good Word for God & St. Mark's!"

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Please welcome St. Mark's newest church members!

Confirmation Class 2012

Bailey Ayers Dickerson
Geneva Knox Foster
Claire Elizabeth Gross
Mya Lian Mothershead

Molly Susan Oertel
Rachel Yvonne Quimby
Christopher Kyle Tefft
Brendan Paul Wazniak

New Members

Jean Cottingham
Carol Craig
Mary Ann Smith
Jane Sullivan

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S! Let us prepare ourselves to worship our Lord this morning with prayer. Before the service begins, you are invited to register your attendance (**please print**) in the attendance pad in the pew.

FLOWERS on the altar this morning are presented to the *Glory of God* in memory of Raymond McCarty, Wallace Cole & in honor of Rebecca Cole by Mr. & Mrs. Wade Dudrow .

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS , BULLETINS, & PRAYER

REQUEST FORMS ARE AVAILABLE. Please see an usher.

IN THE LITERATURE RACK DevoZines - May/June; and Pockets - May.

CD MINISTRY Today's 11:00 AM service is available on CD for you to share with a friend. Please see an usher or fill out a form on the usher's table.

-Those Who Serve-

GREETERS: Craig & Vicki Atwood, Bob & Debbie Rich, Calvin & Polly Yowell.

USHERS: Craig & Vicki Atwood, Eric Steward & Cynthia Lieck.

COFFEE HOUR: Bobbie Ayers & Ann & Don Yingling.

LAY READER: Jan Middleton.

ALTAR GUILD: Karen Reed.

CHURCH OPENING: Brad Watts. **CLOSING:** The Nagels.

☆ ☆ **ARE YOU SEEING STARS?** ☆ ☆

That means that the announcement is new or updated for this week!

THE NURSERY will have volunteers available during the 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 services. **The nursery is located in Room 212.**

★ATTENTION ALL MEN: Be a part of the new St. Mark's United Methodist Men's group. Contact either Brad Powers, 410-822-7852, bpowers@goeaston.net, Bob Lawrence, 410-819-8029, boblawrence1@msn.com Mike Kirby, 410-745-4336, mkirby8125@aol.com , or Richard VanSlambrook, 410-819-8878, rtvans@goeaston.net The next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 12 at 7PM in Meeting Rm. 155.

★ THRIFT SHOP HOURS Monday 10:00 am to 12:30 Thursday, Friday & Saturday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm The shop is looking for Patriotic items with the holidays coming up. Thank you for your generous donations!
Lee Royer - Missions

NOTHING TO BIG OR SMALL!! S.U.R.F. is doing a mission month in June & wants to help you around your home or yard. Call youth leader Becky at 301-213-2945 to set up for the youth to come mulch your gardens, mow the grass, & anything else needed.

REMINDER! COMMITMENT SUNDAY is May 20! Please bring your completed commitment brochure.

2012 GRADUATES On June 10th we will recognize our **2012 graduates** at the 11am service. If you have a high school or college graduate, please send their name & graduation information to the church office by June 1st.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS The church office will be opened 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m., reopen at 1:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. At that time it will be closed for the day to everyone. This will allow staff much needed time to complete their work.

NEW MEMBERS' INFORMATION MEETING Just a reminder that there will be an informal meeting the *first Sunday of each month* when any new members or prospective members may meet with Rev. Grier to learn more about St. Mark's & the opportunities available to become involved in our church. **We will meet at 12:30 pm in the conference room for about one hour or so.** All recent new members or prospective members are welcome. For more information or to sign up, please call Judy, Program Administrator, in the church office 410/822-0001 ext. 305 or email her at jlawrence@stmarkseaston.org

AMERICANA CONCERT OPPORTUNITIES The annual Americana concert will be presented on Sunday, June 24 at 3:00 p.m. This is a great short-term commitment & a way to help celebrate your patriotic spirit through music. Additional singers are needed to participate in the choir. Also needed are instrumentalists: tenor sax, guitar & percussion. Please contact Bob in the Music Office 410/822-0001, ext. 306

ATTENTION ALL ST. MARK'S STUDENTS RETURNING TO COLLEGE OR ATTENDING COLLEGE FOR THE FIRST

TIME The Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce that applications for consideration in the St. Mark's Scholarship awards this year are available in the Church Office from May 7 until May 30. Applications will also be available on Sunday May 13 and Sunday May 20 from 9:00-9:30AM and 10:30-11:00 AM in the Gathering Area before church service. All applications are due back in the Church Office by June 15th, 2012. Questions??????? Please contact Jim De Laney, Scholarship Committee Chair at 410-763-7490 or jdconed@verizon.net

INFORMATION for bulletins will need to be in the Office or emailed by 2:30 p.m. on Wednesdays! Thank you for your cooperation. Karen Reed

PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY The purpose of the Prayer Chain Ministry is to provide prayer support in crisis or emergencies for church members, loved ones & people in the community. Please call the church office 410/822-0001 & or Contact Sara Lou Casson 410/822-4872 or Betty Fleming 410/822-2216.

IT'S HERE!! Please go to www.stmarkseaston.org & take a look around! We have a new site with lots of information about St. Mark's.

BLACK WALNUTS & PECANS *are still available in the church office. Proceeds will go to the needy fund. The 1 lb. bags of pecans & black walnuts are \$8.50 each. These freeze very well for next years baking.*

MR. FIX IT If you have things around the house that need fixing, & you don't know where to turn, call the office, Mr. Fix-It can probably help.

INFORMATION CHANGED? If you have changed your mailing address, email address or phone numbers please forward to the church office so we can update your information. churchoffice@stmarkseaston.org
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JIM DENNY HAS WRITTEN A BOOK about the stained glass window located in the Chapel. The book traces the origin of the Christian Service window from its inspiration to its dedication. The book is available in the church office for \$20.00 or 2 for \$35.00 proceeds will go to the Mortgage reduction.

SAVE YOUR TRASH! Please continue to save **Boxtops for Education** for local Elementary Schools, & **soda can tabs** for Ronald McDonald House in Baltimore. Any **Campbell Labels for Education coupons** received in the trash basket will be placed in the church's soup can.

-TODAY-

Sunday, May 20, 2012

- 8:30 a.m. – Sunday School Teachers Appreciation. Fellowship hall.
- 10:30 a.m. – Reception for Confirmation Class. Fellowship hall.
- 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages.
- 6:00 p.m. – Junior & Senior High Youth Group. Room 203.
- 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 Singers Rehearsal. Sanctuary.

Tuesday, May 22, 2012

- 6:30 p.m. – Pre-Conference Orientation. Gathering Space & Sanctuary.
- 7:00 p.m. – Board of Trustees. Conference Rm.

Wednesday, May 23, 2012

- 9:15 a.m. – Wednesday Morning Women's Group. Meeting Rm. 155.

Thursday, May 24, 2012

- No Choir rehearsal this evening 7:00 p.m. — ~~Chancel Choir~~. Sanctuary.

Sunday, May 27, 2012 Last Day of Sunday School

- 9:00 a.m. – Coffee Fellowship. Gathering Space.
- 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School Activity. Meeting Rm. 155.
- 6:00 p.m. – Junior & Senior High Youth Group. Room 201.
- 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 Singers Rehearsal. Sanctuary.

Monday, May 28, 2012 Church office closed for Memorial Day

-NEXT WEEK-

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS from the lectionary for next Sunday are Acts 2:1-21, Ps. 104:24-34, 35b, Rom. 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21, John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HAPPENINGS!!

SUNDAY SCHOOL Ages 2 thru adult, and nursery 9:30am. *5/27 Last day!*- Students should dress comfortably and may be going outside!

Confirmation Sunday is today, May 20 during the 11:00 service!*

“SURF” (SERVING UP REAL FAITH - YOUTH) - SUNDAYS 6 – 8PM, GRADES 6 THRU 12. FOR MORE INFO CONTACT BECKY HOYER AT BHOYER@STMARKSEASTON.ORG

ADULT BIBLE STUDIES: Wednesday Morning Women–Wednesdays from 9:15 to 10:45 in Rm 155. 3 Weeks left! ****We need nursery volunteers!****

VBS–Vacation Bible School 2012 is July 16-20th, 9am-12pm, for kids entering pre-K through 7th grade. Adults and youth who have completed 7th grade & older can help by volunteering your time during the week of VBS**. To register online go to <http://overboard.cokesburyvbs.com/stmarkseaston>.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

****FORMS in the GATHERING AREA**

“A Global Missions Partner Church”

Our Mission: To share the love of Jesus
with & through the people of Talbot County & beyond.

<u>Our Worship:</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
8:15 A.M. Worship	73	71
9:30 A.M. Service	192	137
11:00 A.M. Worship	144	<u>186</u>
Total Worship Attendance	409	394
Sunday School Attendance	90	104

* The new fiscal year began on July 1.

Our Tithes & Offerings (May 13, 2012)

Amount Received Last Week	\$ 7,829.42
Missions Fund (YTD) *	\$ 39,248.09
Building Maint. Fund...(YTD) *	\$ 34,488.00

SUMMARY OF OPERATING FUND: JULY-APRIL

	<u>2011-2012</u>	<u>2010-2011</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Income:	\$422,956.26	\$440,610.82	\$(17,654.56)
Expenses:	<u>\$424,127.85</u>	<u>\$445,068.80</u>	\$(20,940.95)
Difference:	\$ (1,171.59)	\$ (4,457.98)	

‘GROWING TO SERVE’ - Debt Reduction

(year to date)

Monthly Payment:	\$ 11,340.01
<u>April Giving:</u>	\$ 9,451.70
Principal Balance:	\$ 1,669,982.31

PEW OFFERING ENVELOPE

Name _____ Env. # _____

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MY WEEKLY OFFERING
Please write in the amount.

Current Expenses	\$ _____	Capital Campaign (Growing to Serve)	\$ _____
Missions	\$ _____	Other (Specify):	_____
Building Maintenance	\$ _____		_____

COKESBURY-01

“\$10 a month per worshipper Toward the Debt”

**St. Mark's
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and the Historical Society of
Talbot County**

Presents



David & Ginger Hildebrand

American music of the War of 1812 era

Sunday, May 20, 2012

3:00 pm

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Partially funded by the Talbot County Arts Council,
based on a grant from the Maryland State Arts Council.

HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER @ ST. MARK'S

Membership in St. Mark's Church is open to all people who confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and are willing to serve Him with joy!

Fill out the information on this page. *At the conclusion of the worship service come forward to the Baptismal Font. A New Member Guide will meet you.* If you are already baptized, you will be welcomed into St. Mark's membership today.

If you need baptism, the pastor will contact you to discuss its meaning and when the Sacrament could be administered.

Please fill out completely (print clearly)

First Middle Last Name Age

First Middle Last Name Age

Address _____

Home Phone # _____

E-Mail Address _____

How are you joining?

By Certificate of Transfer? If yes, then complete below.

Name of Church and Address

or

By profession of faith? Yes or No (circle one)

If yes, have you been baptized? Yes or No (circle one)

What are the next steps?

1. Fill out your *EveryOne in Ministry Commitments* and return them to the church.
2. In response to your area of service, a ministry leader will contact you about serving in an area of ministry.
3. You will be invited to attend an *orientation session*.

Date _____ NMG _____