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Easter Sunrise 2017

GATHERING.....*Dr. Bill Wharton*
“Christ the Lord is Risen Today” *Powell*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord!
God’s love endures forever!
 Sing songs of victory! Shout the good news!
Jesus is risen! Christ is risen!
 Open the gates of righteousness!
Enter in and give thanks to the Lord!
 This is the day the Lord has made!
Hallelujah! Rejoice! Christ is risen!

PRAYER

Risen Christ, we come with songs of joy and words of praise for your powerful love and life-giving grace. Like those first disciples who ran to your empty tomb, calm our harried thoughts, that we might hear the message of your resurrection. Like the grieving Mary who searched in the garden, reveal yourself to us, that we might know your presence and heed your call. Transform our doubts into faith, that we might be a resurrection community, revealing your loving presence for all the world to see. Amen.

▲ **HYMN** *“In the Garden”* page 314

THE WITNESS OF THE EARLY CHURCH *Acts 10:34-43*
Ruth Higgins, Lay reader

▲ **HYMN** *“Easter People, Raise Your Voices”*page 304

▲ **THE EASTER GOSPEL** *John 20:1-18*
This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord! Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE... . “*What a Day of Rejoicing It Is!*”*Rev. Missy Rekitzke*

▲ **HYMN** “*The Day of Resurrection*” *page 303*

▲ **BLESSING**

Why were you weeping?
The world had grown dark.
For whom were you searching?
For one who had died.
Christ is risen and is with us still!
Christ is risen indeed and goes with us now!
Run forth with this news, for our world is weeping in the dark and
Searching for one who is with us still.
Christ is risen! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE *Dr. Wharton*
“*Christ the Lord is Risen Today*” *Rawsthorne*

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BREAKFAST IS SERVED in Fellowship Hall! We thank The United Methodist Men for getting up early to serve us today!

You may put your offering in the plate as you leave.

TODAY

8:15, 9:30 & 11:00 AM Services are in the Sanctuary.

9:30-10:30 AM – Sunday School

GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND...



In memory of our parents, by Wade & Janice Dudrow.

*In honor of Pat & Pat Higgins, by George, Ruth, Tim,
Jennifer, Garrit, Madison, & Rylie.*

In memory of Hope Marie Jackson, by Tim & Ruth.

In memory of Sallie Yater, by The Higgins Family

*In memory of my Husband, G. Rodney Taylor & parents, The Rev. & Mrs.
Hartwell Chandler.*

In memory of our parents, by Bette & Frank Meyerle.

*In honor of all our children, grandchildren, & great grandchildren, by
Neal & Pat Jones.*

In memory of our parents & son-in-law, by Neal & Pat Jones.

In memory of Bonnie Springer, by Bob & Sarah Springer.

In memory of Thomas & Jeanette Davis, by Sonny & Mary Granger.

In memory of Carroll & Myrtle Newcomb, by Sonny & Mary Granger.

In honor of Dr. Bill Wharton, by Marcia Kirby.

In loving memory of Mike & our parents, by Marcia Kirby.

In memory of Molly Kernan & Thomas Herr, by Iva Herr & Seth.

*In memory of our spouses, Shirley Taylor & Bill Elliott, by Jack & Fran
Taylor.*

In memory of Rhea Hunt, by Donna & Richard Anderson.

*In memory of Dianne's parents, Eva N. Hubbard & Nathan H. Hubbard, by
Dianne & Richard VanSlambrook.*

In memory of our parents & sisters, by Bob & Fran Gosser.

In memory of Donna Fleming Borges, by Lloyd & Elizabeth Fleming.

In memory of Elizabeth Porter & Marie Jackson, by Cal & Marion Jackson.

In memory of Nickolas J. Maisano, by Sharon A. Maisano.

*In memory of Caroline Messick & James Messick, by Lana & Charles
Weaver.*

In memory of John, Debbie & Barbara Jackson, by Jack Simperts.

*In memory of my mother, Marian Miller; my father, Herbert Bradley; & my
stepfather, Raymond Miller, by Cindy Doupnik.*

In honor of Jacob N. Shores, by Jeff & Carol Shores.

*In memory of Lenny Satchell, Tillie Satchell & Loretta Spurry, by Lou
Satchell.*

By Inez Smock.

In honor of Beth Shortall, by Frank Gunsallus.

In memory of Dwight Gunsallus, by Frank Gunsallus.

In honor of Chesley L. Hargraves, IV, by Phyllis Matthai.

In honor of George & Ruth Higgins, by Howard & Charlotte Higgins.

In honor of my children & their families, by Pat Visgaitis.

In memory of H. Dennis Tarbutton, by Pat Visgaitis.
In memory of Carl & Pusey Pusey, by Susan Divilio & family.
*In memory of mother & grandmother, Kathryn McDivitt, by Curt, Brynja,
Henry & Katherine Booth.*
In honor of loved ones & in memory of loved ones, by Bob & Eenie Burris.
*In loving memory of my father, Steward L. Hoxter & mother, Bette C.
Adams, by Karen Reed.*
In memory of my parents, Jean & Chester Barto, by Mary Belle Barto.
In honor of Dr. William F. Wharton, by Gail Aveson.
In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas S. Aveson Jr., by Gail Aveson.
In memory of Margaret M. Pope & Ebe H. Pope, by Sharon Schutz.
*In memory of Gene Butler, Katherine & Edward Knox, by Wally & Claudia
Knox.*
In honor of Sara Baynard's 100th birthday, by Hugh & Kathy Dawkins.
*In memory of Bill Kilroy, Hilly Dawkins & Jean Kilroy, by Hugh & Kathy
Dawkins.*
In honor of our children & grandchildren, by Polly & Brad Watts.
In memory of Curtis P. Taylor, by Kathleen Taylor.

*The church office will be closed on Monday, April 17, 2017. Have a
blessed Easter from all of the Staff here at St. Mark's!*

*The Vision of St. Mark's United Methodist church is to inspire people
of all ages, through acts of love & service, to know Jesus Christ.*

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S! 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 loving memory of Clara Harrison on her birthday & in memory of Laura's parents, Mr & Mrs James Sewell, on their anniversary by their grandsons – Raymond III, James, Paul & families.

THE NURSERY is located in Room 212 & is available for parents to attend to their child's needs. Volunteers are available during the 9:30 a.m. worship service only. The nursery is located in Room 212.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attention! Attention! Once again, YOU have an opportunity to bless our youth by sharing in our "LOVE BUCKET" ministry. We currently have 10 young people who will be going on the Confirmation Retreat this year (April 28-29) and who will be joining the church on **Sunday, April 30th**. Each confirmand will be given a bucket to show how much we love them and are excited for them to be a part of the church. The buckets will be in the church office in the front area so you can stop by any time the office is open to bring something to show your support (suggestions: cards, letters, candy, stickers, small gifts, use your imagination! Have fun!). Every year this is a highlight for the kids! But keep quiet so we can surprise them on Confirmation Sunday, April 30th at 10:00 a.m.

Henry Booth
Will Dickerson
Tristan Cassell
Will Beaven

Katherine Booth
Haley Nestel
Lucas Nilsen

Josh Sherwood
Hailey Kinnamon
Gracie Callahan

St. Mark's United Methodist

Ladies' Day Apart

Spiritual Retreat- All Women Welcome!

April 25, 2017

Solitude Farms, 7316 Solitude Rd., St. Michaels, MD 21663

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

(9 a.m. to 9:25 a.m. sign in, coffee, conversation)

Speaker: Jackie Cruse

From Kent Island UMC Healing Ministry



“God Our Healer”

**Jackie will share her own awesome testimony about how Jesus still
heals today!**

**Registration Fee: \$15 which includes lunch. Please make check out
to St. Mark's UMW with “Day Apart” on memo line.**

Please refer any questions to Barbara Friedman at 410-763-7263



____UMW Day Apart Reservation

Name _____ Phone # _____ Email _____

Special Dietary

Needs _____

Please give check or cash to Karen Reed in the church office or mail it with your check to St. Mark's UMW, 100 Peachblossom Road, Easton, MD 21601. Please register each guest separately. Registration Deadline is Tuesday, April 18.

Amount Paid _____

St. Mark's Church Seeking Director of Christian Education

This is a full time position. The Director of Christian Education oversees Sunday school, Vacation Bible Camp, Children's Programs, and—ongoing discipleship classes throughout the year for adults and, will—champion our discipleship ministries, in close coordination with the Pastor. The Director of Christian Education will identify, select, plan, and implement Wesleyan-based and United Methodist Church Christian Education programs for children, youth, and adults. Qualified candidates should demonstrate a personal commitment to Christ and Christian Education and ideally have a minimum of 3 to 5 years of work experience in Christian education, pastoral care, or another relevant field. A college degree in Education or another area with additional studies in Christian Education is preferred. The director must be available on Sundays. A full job description is available upon expression of interest. The church web page: www.stmarkseaston.org will be useful to interested candidates.

Please contact: St. Mark's United Methodist Church

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~APRIL 30th Combined Service~

The last Sunday of April is also one of our 5th Sundays. We will have a combined worship service that day at 10:00 a.m. (no Sunday School that day, as everyone will be a part of the Sunday worship service) This service will be a little different as it is Confirmation Sunday where we welcome our newest members into the church. What a great way to follow up our Easter services. After the service we'll have fellowship time in the Gathering area with cake and lots of goodies to celebrate our confirmands. Please plan to attend this very special service as we celebrate our young people here at St. Mark's!