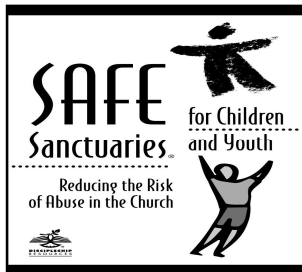


*The Vision of St. Mark's United Methodist church is to inspire people of all ages, through acts of love and service, to know Jesus Christ.*

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**6th Sunday of Easter**  
*9:30 Worship for May 21, 2017*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING SONGS

#### **Your Grace Is Enough**

Great is your faithfulness, O God. You wrestle with the sinner's heart.

You lead us by still waters into mercy.

And nothing can keep us apart.

So remember your people, remember your children,  
remember your promise, O God.

**Refrain: Your grace is enough, your grace is enough,  
your grace is enough for me.**

Great is your love and justice, God.

You use the weak to lead the strong.

You lead us in the song of your salvation.

And all your people sing along.

So remember your people, remember your children,  
remember your promise, O God. **Refrain**

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remember your promise, O God. **Refrain**

Your grace is enough.

Heaven reaching down to us.

Your grace is enough for me.

God, I see your grace is enough. I'm covered in your love.

Your grace is enough for me, for me.

#### **Trading My Sorrows**

**Chorus:** I'm trading my sorrows,

I'm trading my shame,

I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.

I'm trading my sickness,

I'm trading my pain,

I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.

**Refrain:** Yes, Lord, yes, Lord yes, yes, Lord.

Yes, Lord yes, Lord, yes, yes, Lord.

Yes, Lord yes, Lord yes, yes, Lord Amen.

I'm pressed but not crushed, persecuted, not abandoned;  
struck down but not destroyed.

I'm blessed beyond the curse, for his promise will endure  
and his joy's gonna be my strength.  
Though the sorrow may last for the night,  
His joy comes with the morning.

**Chorus & Refrain**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**MEET & GREET YOUR NEIGHBORS**

**JOYS & CONCERNS**

**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. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

**SONG OF PRAYER**

**What a Friend We Have in Jesus**

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.

**OFFERINGS OF TITHES AND GIFTS**

*"Thy Word" ... .. Grant/Smith*

▲ **DOXOLOGY** ..... page 697

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT**

*Daniel 10:7-14*... ..page 772

*This is the Word of the Lord..* **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

**MESSAGE** ... .. “*Think Long* ” ... .. Rev. Missy Rekitzke

**CLOSING SONG**

**Draw the Circle Wide**

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

No one stands alone, we’ll stand side by side.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

**Repeat**

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.

Let this be our song: no one stands alone.

Standing side by side, draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

**Repeat**

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.

Let this be our song: no one stands alone.

Standing side by side, draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

▲ **BLESSING**

**“Have a Blessed Week & Say a Good Word for God!”**

**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 memory of loved ones by Elizabeth Lechthaler.

**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.

## -Those Who Serve -

**LAYREADER:** Victoria Laureska.

**HEAD USHER:** Eric Steward.

**USHERS:** Dave Dianich, Claudia Knox, JoAnna Thomas, Jake & Victoria Laureska.

**GREETERS:** David Dianich, Dick Middleton, Claudia Knox, JoAnna Thomas, Jake & Victoria Laureska.

**COFFEE HOUR:** Janice Dudrow & Dixie Larrimore.

**SOUND TECH:** Shea Springer.

**VIDEO TECH:** Josh Atwood.

**ALTAR GUILD:** Harry & Janice Nagel.

**CHURCH OPENING:** Jeff Morton. **CLOSING:** Frank Meyerle.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Wesley Yater Class meets in Chapel, Pairs & Spares meets in Conference Rm. of Staff wing, The Koinonia Class meets in Meeting Rm. 155.

**RADA SPRING FUNDRAISER** Sarah Circle will be accepting Rada Cutlery orders through June 18. As always, all profit benefits Mid-Shore Council on Family Violence. There are several items that are absolute necessities for every kitchen as summer quickly approaches. All six (6) kinds of paring knives which sell for \$4.75 or \$5.75 each are very popular. Another two of the best sellers are the tomato slicer @ \$5.25 & the ice cream scoop @\$11.25. All are available with either the original silver color or black handle. Product catalogs are available in the Gathering Area. Any questions please call Ann Yingling @ 410 820 8592.

**SCHOLARSHIPS** Did you know that St. Mark's gives scholarships to undergraduate students? If are a current high school senior, planning on attending college in the fall or if you are currently enrolled in college, you may apply for a scholarship. You or your family must be members of St. Mark's to be eligible for the scholarship. Please see Karen Reed in the church office to pick up an application. Applications are due by Monday, June 12, 2017.

The Scholarship Committee is in need of donations for the scholarship program. Please consider donating to this worthy cause. If you would like to donate, please specify on your check or envelope that the money should go towards the scholarship program. Thank you for your support! Jen Eames, Chair

**CALLING ALL PRESCHOOLERS!!** St. Mark's Pre School still have openings in our M/W Two Year old program and our Four Year Old 4 or 5 day program, for the 2017-2018 school year. All children must be two/four by August 31 to be eligible for the class. Children attend class from 9am-12pm. Come play, learn and grow with us! Contact Sarah Ewing for more information. 410-822-0078 or [stmarkspreschooleaston@gmail.com](mailto:stmarkspreschooleaston@gmail.com).

**CAREPACKS for T.C.P.S. Children** The box near the door to the gathering area is now available for donations to the CAREPACKS project. A list of appropriate items is available in the folder next to the box. Thanks on behalf of our Missions Committee.

**THE THRIFT SHOP** 410-820-7106 The shop hours are Monday- 10:00am-12:30 pm, Thursday, Friday & Saturday 10:00am - 2:00pm. 410-820-7106. Thank you! Lee Royer 410-829-8189.

**FOR MEMORIAL OR HONORARIUM** monetary gifts please send to Karen Reed's attention. Please do not put in offering plate unless they are in regular envelope, marked with Karen's name. Letters are written to the family so they can be acknowledged.

**WE ARE STILL COLLECTING** the Box Tops for Education.

**MR. FIX IT** If you have nagging little things around the house that need fixing, why not call Mr. Fix-It who would be delighted to address your problem(s). Call the Church Office to arrange for this free service.

**PRAYER IN THE CHAPEL** meets weekly on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. please feel free to join us as we pray for various needs for the church, members & the local community. Please use the pew cards to submit requests for prayers.

**PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY** The Prayer Chain Ministry provides 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.

### -This Week at St. Mark's-

Monday-Wednesday, May 22-24-Peninsula-Delaware Annual Conference  
Thursday, May 25, 2017

1:00 p.m. - Disciple 4. Meeting Rm. 155.

6:30 p.m.- Disciple 2. Meeting Rm. 155.

Sunday, May 28, 2017

8:15 a.m. - Worship Service. Chapel.

9:45 a.m. - Worship Service. Idlewild Park.

11:00 a.m. - Worship Service. Sanctuary.

Monday, May 29, 2017 - Church Office will be closed in observance of Memorial Day.

-Let Us Pray For-

Prayer Focus:

*Military personnel serving  
around the world.*

St. Mark's Mission is:

*To share the love of Jesus  
with & through the people of Talbot County & beyond.*

<b><u>Our Worship:</u></b>	<u>5/7</u>	<u>5/14</u>
8:15 A.M. Worship	54	90
9:30 A.M. Worship	107	141
11:00 A.M. Worship	<u>97</u>	<u>125</u>
Total Worship Attendance	258	356
Sunday School Attendance	76	72

**Our Tithes & Offerings** (May 14, 2017)

Amount Received Last Week .....	\$	25,779.00
Missions Fund (YTD) * .....	\$	19,601.00
Building Maint. Fund...(YTD) * .....	\$	13,869.00

## **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](http://www.stmarkseaston.org) will be useful to interested candidates.

Please contact: St. Mark's United Methodist Church

Att: SPRC

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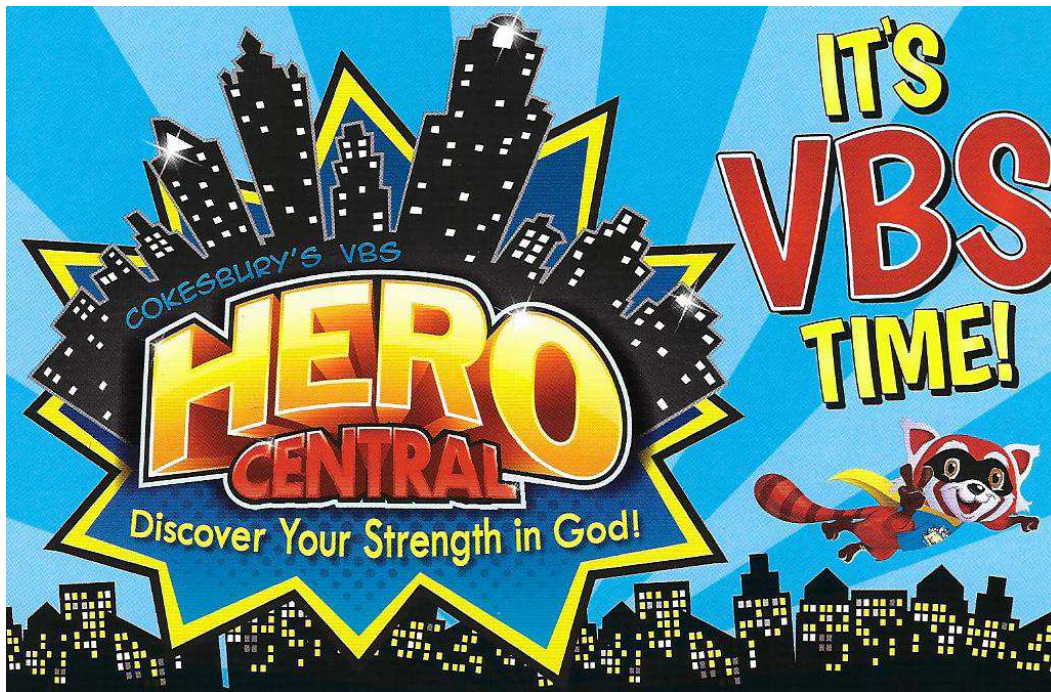
Easton, MD 21601 or email: [churchoffice@stmarkseaston.org](mailto:churchoffice@stmarkseaston.org)





## SUMMER IS COMING!

We will be working on Server schedules for the Summer months soon. Our beautiful services at Idlewild Park start **Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 am**. As many of you know, these are more casual services. Wear your shorts & bring your lawn chairs, blankets, & little people! It's fun & a great outreach opportunity for our community. We still need folks to serve as Ushers, Communion servers, Lay Readers, & help with sound system set up. If you are not already involved with serving at the Park, please contact me. We would love to get more people on the schedule. You can leave me a message at 410-822-0001 ext 308 or email [kmiller@stmarkseaston.org](mailto:kmiller@stmarkseaston.org). Thank you!



**Save the Date!!**

**St. Mark's UMC Vacation Bible Camp**

**July 31—August 4, 2017**

**From 5:30-7:30 p.m. with Dinner from 5-  
5:30 p.m.**

**Come on out! It's FREE & FUN!**

**You can sign up online at**

**[www.stmarkseaston.org](http://www.stmarkseaston.org)**

**just click on: Register here!**

**If you would like to volunteer to help with  
Camp**

**Please email Pastor Missy at:**

**[mrekitzke@stmarkseaston.org](mailto:mrekitzke@stmarkseaston.org)**