

St. Mark's United Methodist Church



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CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

*November 25th, 2018
8:15 & 11 a.m. Worship Service*

GATHERING..... *Please take time to pray*

WELCOME

WELCOME EACH OTHER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE..... *Dr. Bill Wharton*
“Prelude on “Holy, Holy, Holy” *Callahan*

▲ CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us enter God’s Dwelling place.

Let us worship in the house of God.

Let us enter with thanksgiving and praise.

Let us worship with the joy of the Lord!

Let us worship with our words and our lives.

Let us live as the household of God!

▲ THE OPENING HYMN

“Holy, Holy, Holy”..... *page 64*

▲ THE OPENING PRAYER

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Canadian)

We are not alone, we live in God’s world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God’s presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

▲ THE GLORIA *page 70*

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen**

PSALTER READING

Psalm 139: 13-24 with response page 855

SPECIAL MUSIC*Ellen Berry Grunden*

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

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

Offertory Prayer and Voluntary*Dr. Wharton*
“Prelude on “Holy, Holy, Holy”*Farlee*

▲ DOXOLOGY... .. page 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

▲ HEBREW READING

Psalm 139: 13-24page 542

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

MESSAGE... *“David’s Dangerous Prayer”* *Pastor Ed Kuhling*

▲ HYMN – (Altar is open for Prayer)

“Crown Him with Many Crowns” page 327

▲ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Dr. Wharton*

“Toccata on “Holy, Holy, Holy” *Callahan*

▲ Indicates Congregation standing as able.

“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.

THE FLOWERS on the altar this morning are presented to the *Glory of God*, in memory of Dorothy Sherwood, Mr. & Mrs. Howard Sherwood, Esther S. Trice, Martha S. Callahan & Nellie S. Lewis by Charlie & Mollie Connolly.

THE NURSERY is located in Room 212 for newborns through 18 months. Nursery Volunteers are available to watch your children only during our 9:30 service. The Nursery room is also available for parents to attend to their child's needs during the 8:15 & 11:00 services if needed. Please see Wendy Avey, Director of Christian Ed if you have any questions or if you would like to help volunteer at any time throughout the school year.

-Those Who Serve -

LAYREADER: Dick VanGilder. (8:15). Raymond Harrison. (11:00).

HEAD USHER: Mike Butler. (8:15). Ray Kraeer. (11:00).

USHERS: Tom & Marie Davis. (8:15).

Barbara Kraeer, Bob Thomas, Brad & Jodi Baker. (11:00).

GREETERS: Tom & Marie Davis. (8:15). Ray & Barbara Kraeer, Laura Sydnor & Carmen Pena. (11:00).

COFFEE HOUR: Marion & Cal Jackson, John & Barbara Reisinger, Bob & Eenie Burris & Edith Hayman.

SOUND TECH: Cindy Hammons.

ALTAR GUILD: Bobbie Ayers.

CHURCH OPENING: Dick VanGilder. **CLOSING:** The Nagels.

-Announcements-

RADA makes wonderful Christmas gifts! Pick up a catalog from the Gathering Area to show to family and friends that you will be seeing over the Thanksgiving holiday. Orders accepted until November 27.

DEATH NOTIFICATIONS We have had a request from a member who would like to be notified when a member of our church family has passed. We would like to develop an email list for this purpose. If you would like to be on this list, please contact Karen in the church office either via phone 410-822-0001 or email to: churchoffice@stmarkseaston.org

UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY In the United Methodist Church, there are six special Sundays. Through St. Mark's missions fund, our church makes a small donation to each as it occurs each year. **United Methodist Student Day** is one of these & is celebrated each year on the last Sunday in November. Donations here furnish scholarships & loans for students attending United Methodist related & other accredited colleges & universities. There are copies of a small brochure concerning United Methodist Student Day in the gathering area.

THRIFT SHOP NEEDS VOLUNTEERS if you are interested in helping out the shop contact Becky VanGilder 410-822-6769.

JOIN THE SHEPHERD'S CLUB OF ST. MARK'S PRESCHOOL The Shepherd's Club is a great way to "shepherd" the flock of our community's children. We ask for a \$100 donation to become a member. Your name will be listed on our website as one of our generous donors. We used the funds collected to purchase new items for our classrooms & to provide enrichment programs, such as pumpkin patch visits & Spanish classes, for our students at no additional cost to them. If you are interested in joining, please contact Sarah Ewing 410-822-0078 (stmarkspreschooleaston@gmail.com) or you may place your donation in the offering plate on Sunday. (Please make sure to write Shepherd's Club in the memo field)

MSDE Letter of Compliance #70897

BUS MINISTRY HELP! The schedule for drivers for the Bus Ministry has been completed for the year, but we are still filling out the schedule for Group Leaders (who ride with the passengers to assist them when necessary.) If you would like to be a Group Leader contact Eric Steward at 443-786-4175. We will be having a training session for Group Leaders, soon.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:30 AM Pairs & Spares meet in the conference room, The Koinonia Class meets in Meeting Rm 155. Wesley-Yater meets in the Chapel.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES should be available soon!

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN is 1:00 p.m. every Wednesday!

UNITED METHODIST MEN If you are a man of faith and want to help us in our mission of serving Christ & others, we would love to have you join us. Send me an email to earecksonr@yahoo.com & I will put you on our United Methodist Men (UMM) email list. You don't have to attend our meetings to be involved. We are active & alive for Christ. Come & be a part of our group.

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.

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-

Sunday, November 25, 2018

- 8:15 a.m. – Worship Service. Chapel.
- 9:30 a.m. – Worship Service. Sanctuary.
- 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages.
- 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service. Sanctuary.

Monday, November 26, 2018

- 6:00 p.m. – Women of Advent. Chapel.

Tuesday, November 27, 2018

- 6:00 p.m. – Charge Conference. Sanctuary.

Thursday, November 29, 2018

- 7:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir. Sanctuary.

Sunday, December 2, 2018

- 8:15 a.m. – Worship Service. Chapel.
- 9:30 a.m. – Worship Service. Sanctuary.
- 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages.
- 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service. Sanctuary.

Monday, December 3, 2018

- 6:00 p.m. – Women of Christmas. Chapel.

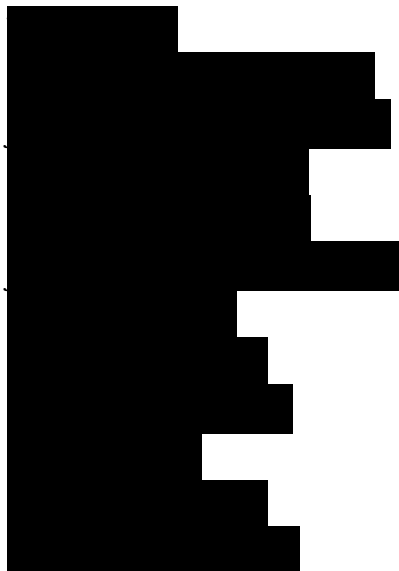
-Let Us Pray For-

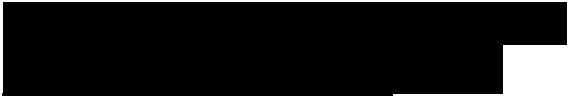
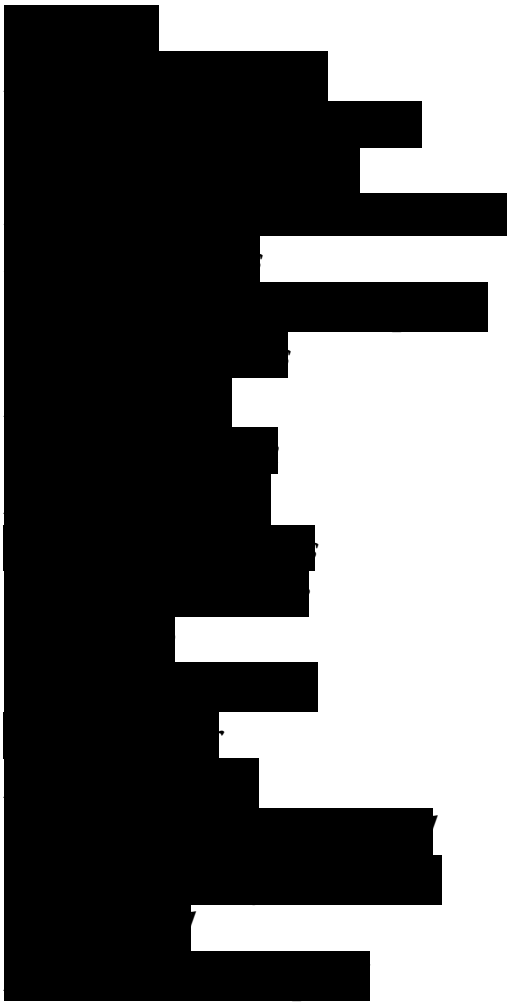
Prayer Focus:

For people who are homeless & hungry.

While we all know that being admitted into the hospital can be a

stressful time, please contact the church office so that you can be visited. You are our family & are important to us! We would like your permission for your name to be listed if you are in the hospital.





Serving in the Military



Charge Conference will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 27, 2018 in the Sanctuary.

WE ARE ALWAYS COLLECTING Box Tops for Education and Soda Can Tabs. Collection Basket is by the coat rack outside the Gathering Area.

Salvation Army Bell Ringers Needed!
On Saturday, December 8th, St. Mark's UMC along with other churches in the area will once again be participating in the yearly Bell Ringing Kettle Donation campaign. Our location will be at the Acme Market in Easton. The Salvation Army, greatly depends on this annual event for vital income towards their goals. Please volunteer to help make this a very successful Bell ringer fundraiser.

Sign up in the Gathering space if you would be willing to ring a bell for one or two hours. We will then contact you to schedule a time that will be convenient for you. Options range between 10 am & 6 pm.
David Heistand 443-786-1000.

St. Mark's Mission is:

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

<u>Our Worship:</u>	<u>11/11</u>	<u>11/11</u>
8:15 A.M. Worship	64	66
9:30 A.M. Worship	114	89
11:00 A.M. Worship	<u>77</u>	<u>109</u>
Total Worship Attendance	255	264
Sunday School Attendance	76	82

Our Tithes & Offerings (November 18, 2018)

Total Amount Received Last Week	\$	15,484.00
Total for Operations	\$	11,477.00
Total for Maintenance	\$	465.00
Total for Mortgage	\$	1,695.00
Missions Fund (YTD) *	\$	30,940.12
Other	\$	1,847.00
Sunday School Offering	\$	85.00

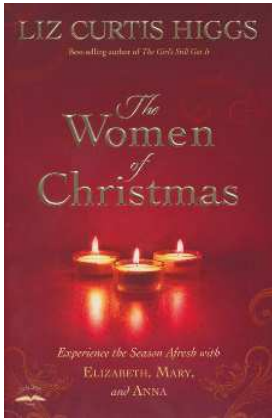
In a move to support your generosity, we're implementing a new way to give. We are really excited to announce that our app is now available for downloading in the app store! Using your smart phone text **stmarkseaston app** to **77977**. You will be sent a link which will direct you to our very own custom app. So no matter where you are you can give anytime! You can also use your computer by going to our website www.stmarkseaston.org click on the GIVE tab and follow the instructions.

Thank you for your support as we continue to grow & impact our community together!

**WELCOME
HOME**

Text "**STMARKSEASTON APP**" to **77977**
to download our app





Book Study

The Women of Christmas Book Discussion

November 26 – December 17,

Monday nights from 6 – 7 p.m.

Wendy Cadell & Amy Steward will lead a book discussion of “The Women of Christmas: Experience the Season Afresh with Elizabeth, Mary, and Anna,” a book by Liz Curtis Higgs, bringing these women’s stories into relevancy in our lives today. The class will incorporate discussions of the Advent

season, unwrapping the personal blessings and the gifts that God gives us every day, and silence, resting in the arms of our Heavenly Father.

A sign-up sheet is in the gathering area. Books must be ordered from Wendy Avey in the Church Office by November 15. The cost is \$10 per book which includes shipping. For questions, call Wendy Cadell at 410-924-2216 or Amy Steward at 410-829-0436.



Church Staff

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Dr. William F. Wharton, Organist

David Cherry, 9:30 Music Director

Karen Reed, Church Administrator kreed@stmarkseaston.org

Erica Kirby, Bookkeeper accounting@stmarkseaston.org

Bill Gunther, Building Superintendent

**ST. MARK'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MEAL &
MID-SHORE COMMUNITY BAND CONCERT**

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Reservation Form for Christmas Meal and Concert

December 2 at 5:00 p.m.

St Mark's family will gather together for fellowship, dinner & a concert by the Mid-Shore Community Band on Sunday, December 2, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. We will gather in Fellowship Hall for a delicious meal provided by Old Mill Deli. Dinner will be meatloaf, mashed potatoes & green beans and dessert! After dinner we will move to the Sanctuary for the concert. The cost for the evening will be \$7.00 for adults, \$3.00 for children or \$22.00 for a family. The dinner is open to church family & guests and the concert is open to the public. A love offering will be donated to the Brighter Christmas Fund sponsored by the Star Democrat.

See you there!

Number attending _____ Amount paid _____

Name (s) _____ Telephone _____

Email address _____

To make a reservation: email churchoffice@stmarkseaston.org, or place this form in the offering plate, or mail to the church office.

Deadline to make a reservation is Sunday, November 25.

You can pay for your dinner using PUSHPAY online by using your cell phone

Text STMARKSEASTON TO 77977

Or from your computer by going to our website click on giving tab, click on the Give Online

Add up what dinner will cost fill in the amount select the fund (Christmas Dinner) add your information and your done! It's that easy!



FALL RADA CUTLERY SALE

Sarah Circle's Fall Rada Cutlery Fundraiser for 2018 will be November 4 – November 27. All profits benefit Mid-Shore Council on Family Violence which the circle supports throughout the year. As you know, there are so many victims of domestic violence, & this is our small way of helping with their needs. Since beginning this project in 2005, the circle's contribution to them has been over \$5,000 which includes an initial donation of \$1,500.00 & sponsoring a family each Christmas. In addition, the circle donates pantry items to them monthly. Because of your help, we are able to continue this worthwhile project.

In addition to the many different cutlery items offered, are cooking utensils, soups, cheeseballs, cheesecakes, dips, cookbooks, seasonings, caring adult coloring books, & inspirational books. Catalogs, which include ordering instructions, will be available in the Gathering Area November 5 – November 27. If you have questions, please call Ann Yingling at 410 820 8592 or email ayingling100@gmail.com

Tabitha Circle Wreath Fundraiser

Starting December 2nd in the Gathering space.



Coming Soon!



Friday, December 7th 6:30- 8:30pm

Come see what life was like the night the Jesus was born.

If your family enjoyed Vacation Bible Camp, you're going to love this event!

Volunteers & snacks Needed!

Please contact Wendy Avey @ (410)822-0001 x305

Or christianed@stmarkseaston.org

Board of Child Care

We need donations for items to have in the Christmas store in Denton. Below is a list of suggested items to get your creative juices flowing? If this is your first experience with the Christmas Store, They set up several tables in a retail thrift store fashion. No money is actually exchanged but the youth come in a few at a time with a staff member and select items they would like to give to their staff, friends, teachers, family, Court Appointed Special Advocates, anyone they would like to give a gift too.

The real spirit of Christmas is giving and as the saying goes, it is better to give than to receive.

This is one of the most heartwarming times for the Board of Child Care as we see the hearts of each of our precious youth when they are shopping for the people they care about. Thank you for your help in making this a successful event and experience for all of us.

Candles

Men's & Women's gloves

Sports memorabilia (Ravens/Orioles) cups, lanyards, posters, t-shirts, socks

Jewelry

Men & Women's scarves

Holiday ornaments

Gift sets – candy/lotion/body wash

Seasonal decorations

Wallets

3l bags – totes

Serving platters

Night lights

Flash lights

Ties for men

Axe body wash for men

Axe cologne spray

Axe deodorant

Any Men's cologne

Watches

Books – trivia, magazines, crossword puzzles, word search

Athletic socks – tall black

Garden sets/ seeds & starter cups

Art supplies/sets

Adult coloring books & colored pencils/markers

Blankets

Plastic water bottles

DVD movies all types NO RATED R

Dunkin Donut gift cards \$10.00

Arby's gift cards \$10.00

McDonald's gift cards \$10.00

Craft kits to make friendship bracelets

Potholder maker kits

Rug hook crafts

Paint by number sets

Coloring posters with markers

Plastic model cars

Taco Bell gift cards

Walmart gift cards

Gently used items are welcome. Please place items in the blue box located in the foyer.

Youth Group Holiday Fundraiser



We are excited to announce a NEW annual holiday tradition here at our church. Every November, we will be offering a different stunning ceramic Christmas Tree Ornament featuring a different section of the stained glass window in the St. Mark's Chapel & Sanctuary. The ornaments will make the perfect addition to your family's Christmas tree or perhaps a nice gift.

This year's ornaments will only be available for purchase in our Gathering Area on Sunday mornings between 9:15am – 11:15am.

The Youth are also selling copies of the book "The Awakening", a story of the creation of the "Christian Service Window" in our chapel written by James N. Denny.

The price of the ornaments are \$15. The price of the book is \$20.
Purchase both for \$30.

Proceeds for the Ornaments support upcoming Youth Group activities.
Proceeds for the Book will go to the Church Building Fund.

Order your Poinsettias



We sometimes receive orders for more flowers than we really need & because there are other ways you can help enhance our worship services at Christmas, the form below will allow you to decide what you would like to do. All gifts will be acknowledged in the bulletin on Christmas Eve.

I/We _____ Phone _____

Wish to make the following gift to enhance the Christmas services at St. Mark's:

In honor of _____

(Name of living person)

In memory of _____

(Name of deceased person)

_____ No. of Poinsettias (at \$12.50 each, 6 inch pot)

\$_____ Donation Only, No poinsettia needed.

Checks can be mailed or dropped off at the church office, or placed in the offering plate. Please make checks payable to:

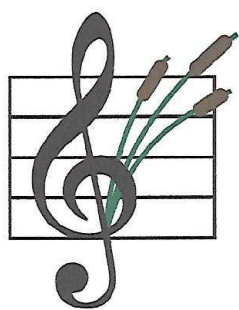
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Memo line: Poinsettias

Orders must be received by Wednesday, December 12, 2018

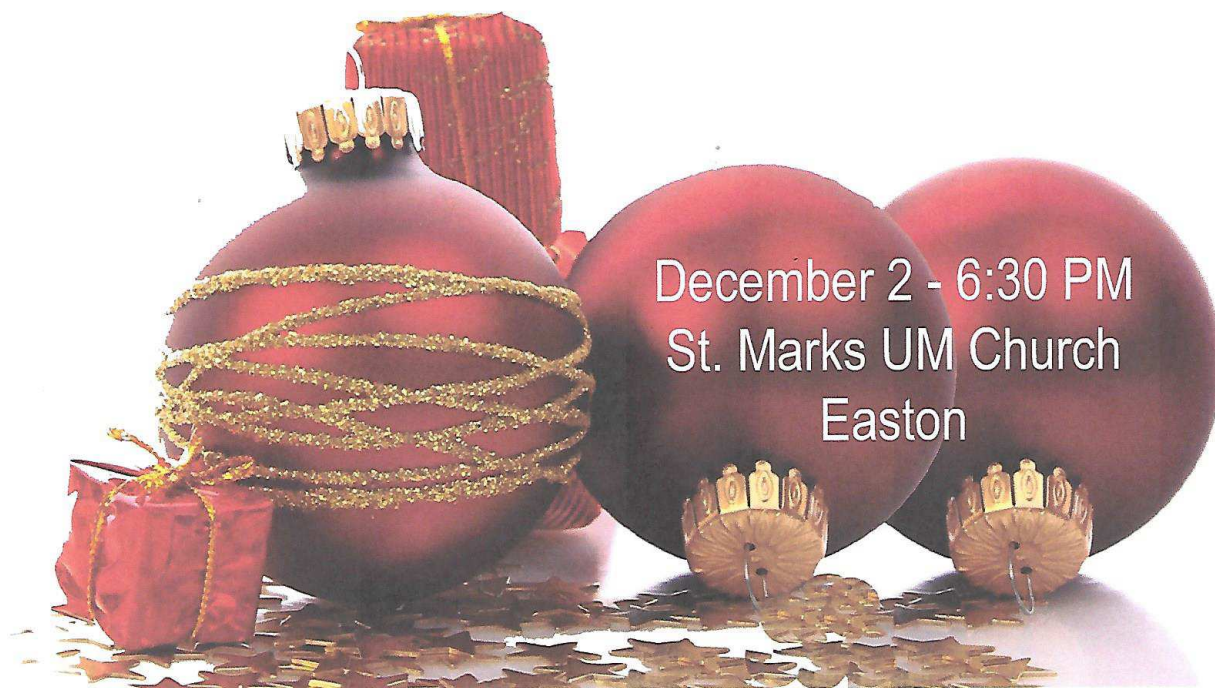


Mid-Shore Community Band

Presents

Sounds of the Season

*A Concert of Christmas Music
Donations To Benefit the Brighter Christmas Fund*



December 2 - 6:30 PM
St. Marks UM Church
Easton