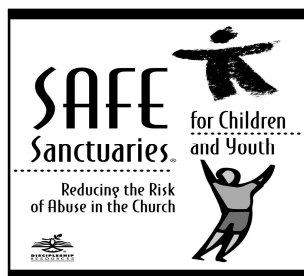
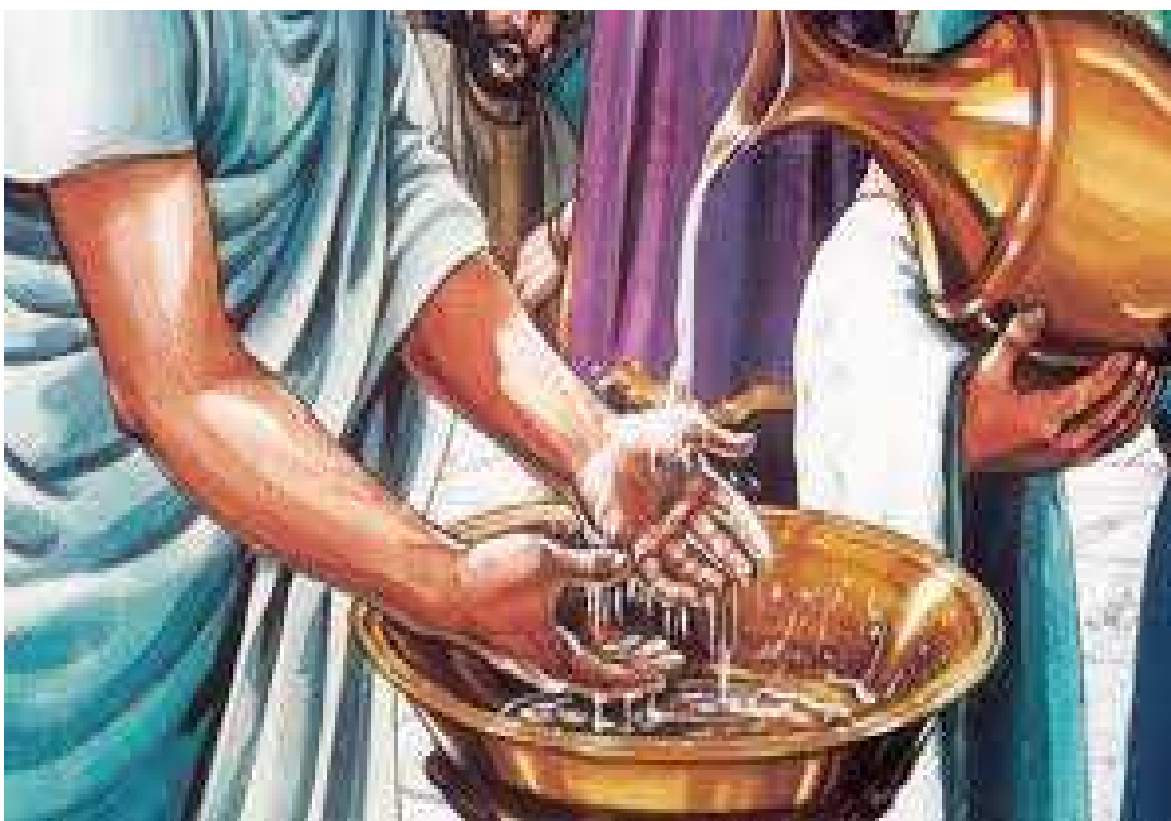


ST. MARK'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*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*



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Hearing Assistance
Available

9:30 Worship
March 24, 2019

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME YOUR NEIGHBOR

OPENING SONGS – Joyful, (You are the One Who Saves)

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

Chorus *You are the One who saves*
 You are the One who saves
You are the One who's hands lift us from the grave
 You are the light of life
 The everlasting day
You are the One who takes all our sins away

You are giving and forgiving
Ever blessing, ever blessed
Fountain of the joy of living
Ocean depths of happy rest

Chorus

Jesus you are my rescue
Jesus you are my rescue
I give you everything I am

You are giving and forgiving
Ever blessing, ever blessed
Fountain of the joy of living
Ocean depths of happy rest

Chorus

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful,
where your streams of abundance flow, blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name when I'm found in the desert place,
though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be your name.

Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,

**Refrain: *Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious name!"***

Blessed be your name when the sun's shining down on me,
when the world's all as it should be, blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering,
though there's pain in the offering, blessed be your name.

Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,

Refrain

You give and take away, you give and take away;
my heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be your name."

Refrain

My Life Is In You

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

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**

TIME OF PRAYER & 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 PRAYER

OFFERING - Only Jesus

(Ushers will receive the offering starting in front pew and working to the back)

▲ GOSPEL READING

Matthew 27: 11-26... .. *pages 864*

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

MESSAGE .. "Pontius Pilate" *Pontius Pilate*

CLOSING SONG – Everlasting God

Strength will rise
As we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord (2X)

Our God, You reign forever
Our hope, our strong deliverer

You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God
You do not faint you won't grow weary

You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

▲ 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.

THE FLOWERS on the altar this morning are presented to the *Glory of God*, in celebration of our 53rd wedding anniversary by Lee & Benita Afflerbach.

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.

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS ARE AVAILABLE Please see an usher.

-Those Who Serve -

WORSHIP LEADER: (LAYREADER): Victoria Laureska.

HEAD USHER: Hugh Dawkins.

USHERS: Curt & Brynja Booth, Karen Reed.

GREETERS: Pat Jones.

COFFEE HOUR: Mary Circle.

SOUND TECH: Shea Springer.

VIDEO TECH: Josh Atwood.

ALTAR GUILD: Bobbie Ayers.

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

-Announcements-

UMCOR SUNDAY, MARCH 31st The United Methodist Church has six special Sundays. Through St. Mark's mission fund, our church makes a small donation to each, when it occurs each year. UMCOR stands for the United Methodist Committee on Relief. This Sunday used to be called One Great Hour of Sharing & is celebrated on the fourth Sunday in Lent. Gifts to this special Sunday are used to pay the operating expenses for all relief efforts to major disasters. Thus, by providing the administrative expenses, giving to this special Sunday allows 100 percent of gifts given for a specific disaster to be used to provide the actual food, shelter, health care, etc.. There are copies of a small brochure with more information concerning UMCOR/One Great Hour of Sharing Sunday in the gathering area. Individual gifts will be added to the \$100 donation from missions.

STEWARDSHIP INFO If you haven't turned in your Stewardship Information for 2019, please do so. If you need another copy, they are in the Gathering space.

MR. FIX IT is back in town. If you are a member in need of help with a small project, contact the church office.

THE THRIFT SHOP 410-820-7106 The Thrift Shop just did their Spring change over! When you switch your clothes from winter to spring take any unwanted items to the Thrift Shop! 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.

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.

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.

-This Week at St. Mark's-

Sunday, March 24, 2019

- 8:15 a.m. – Worship Service. Chapel.
- 9:30 a.m. – Worship Service. Sanctuary.
- 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service. Sanctuary.
- 2:00 p.m. – Youth Group Meeting. Youth Rm.

Tuesday, March 26, 2019

- 6:30 p.m. – Board of Trustees. Meeting Rm. 155.

Thursday, March 28, 2019

- 1:00 p.m. – Christian Doctrine & Apologetics. Meeting Rm. 155.
- 7:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir Rehearsal. Choir Rm./Sanctuary.

Sunday, March 31, 2019

- 8:15 a.m. – Worship Service. Chapel.
- 9:30 a.m. – Worship Service. Sanctuary.
- 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service. Sanctuary.
- 2:00 p.m. – Youth Group Meeting. Youth Rm.

-Let Us Pray For-

Prayer Focus:

Mayor Willey, Easton Town Council, Talbot County Council. 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.



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Serving in the Military

[REDACTED]

On March 31st we will hold all THREE worship services instead of ONE.

St. Mark's Bus Ministry

St. Mark's Bus Ministry is in need of bus drivers & assistants. On Saturday, March 30 at 1 p.m. & Sunday, March 31 at 2 p.m., Eric Steward, Bus Ministry Coordinator, is providing a bus training for drivers & assistants. You only need to attend one day. Drivers can be ages 21 & older and must have a valid Driver's License (a CDL is not necessary!)

This ministry offers church members the opportunity to provide vital ministry to those who are not able to drive themselves to church. Members who attend the 8:15 & 11 a.m. services are best suited for this ministry since they do not need to miss church services to participate. The bus service is only offered at this time for the 11 a.m. service. For further information, contact Eric Steward at 443-786-4175 or sign up in the Gathering Area. Participants will meet in the church parking lot.



St. Mark's Mission is:

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

<u>Our Worship:</u>	<u>3/10</u>	<u>3/17</u>
8:15 A.M. Worship	59	59
9:30 A.M. Worship	107	163
11:00 A.M. Worship	<u>96</u>	<u>103</u>
Total Worship Attendance	262	325
Sunday School Attendance	72	61

Our Tithes & Offerings (March 17, 2019)

Total Amount Received Last Week	\$	10,851.00
Total for Operations	\$	6,599.00
Total for Maintenance	\$	118.00
Total for Mortgage	\$	1,557.00
Missions Fund (YTD) *	\$	8,344.00
Other	\$	2,502.00
Sunday School Offering	\$	75.00

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





Quality Crafts

March

In addition to packing a shoebox on your own this year, we are collecting **new** items to place inside shoeboxes throughout the year. Then in November, we will have a Church Packing Party! For the month of March we are collecting **Handmade Quality Crafts** for Operation Christmas Child. A child will probably only get one box in their lifetime and they deserve a box full of good, **new** items. A collection basket has been placed in the Gathering Area for donations. If you have any questions, please contact Wendy Avey in the church office: (410) 822-0001 x305.

Church Staff

Rev. Ed Kuhling, Pastor ekuhling@stmarkseaston.org

June Billman, Pastor of Visitation jbillmanstmarkseaston@gmail.com

Wendy Avey, Dir. of Christian Ed christianed@stmarkseaston.org

Scott Clausen, Dir. of Music & Worship musicdirector@stmarkseaston.org

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

Sarah Ewing, Pre-School Director St. Mark's Preschool

stmarkspreschooleaston@gmail.com

Order your Easter Flowers



We would love your help in decorating to enhance our Sanctuary for Easter worship services. The form below will allow you to decide what you would like to do. All gifts will be acknowledged in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.

*** Please note: Pastor Ed is allergic to lilies. ***

Name _____ Phone _____

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

In honor of _____

(Name of living person)

In memory of _____

(Name of deceased person)

All 6 inch pots are **\$10.00 each - colors will vary**

_____ No. of Tulips

_____ No. of Hyacinths

_____ No. of Daffodils

\$_____ Donation Only, No flowers needed.

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

St. Mark's UMC

100 Peachblossom Road

Easton, MD 21601

Memo line: Easter Flowers

Orders must be received by Sunday, March 31, 2019



April 7th, Lenten Cantata Sunday

We will worship with music and scripture as the Choir presents

“A Love So Wondrous”

A movement of Word and Song

This cantata will highlight the Lenten journey of reflection and repentance as we consider the steps the path that Jesus undertook towards the cross for the redeeming of the world.



St. Mark's UMC

For Adults and Children

Monday, March 25th 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Come and Stay as long as you like! (Room 206)

Help Us Make Fabric Bracelets

For Operation Christmas Child

Participants will also have the option to take a bracelet home.

All Materials Provided

However, feel free to bring extra:

Colored Embroidery Floss

Fabric strips (cut to 1/2" x 42")

Small beads & stones

Additional bracelet samples will be on display in the Gathering Area on Sunday March 24th.

If you haven't downloaded our App for Pushpay what are you waiting for?

Can't make it to church? You can catch up on the Pastor Ed's message on the App!

Wondering what events are coming up? You can check them out on the App!

Instructions for downloading are below.



how can i give?

ONLINE:
<https://pushpay.com/pay/stmarkseaston>

MOBILE:
Text stmarkseaston
to 77977

ENVELOPE:
Cash & Check

*Message & data rates may apply.

It's easy as 1, 2 ,3!