

Fruit of the Spirit



Faithfulness



July 26, 2026 - Nineth Sunday after Pentecost

THE HAPPENINGS

ST. MARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Rev. Elaine Murray

The Fruit of the Spirit: Faithfulness

James 1:22-25



Our mission is to glorify God and by the power of the Holy Spirit, provide opportunities for all people to know, love and follow Jesus Christ.

PASTORAL UPDATE AND GUEST PASTOR ANNOUNCEMENT

Pastor Ann Marie has been out of town this week for vacation and will be back in the office on Monday, July 27.

This Sunday, we are pleased to welcome Rev. Elaine Murray as our preacher. Elaine is a pastor, writer, and founder of Elaine Murray Co, Spiritual Wayfinding Practice.

Spiritual Wayfinding is Elaine's work in equipping people who crave spiritual connection and authenticity to co-create a personal, soul-honoring practice reflective of their evolving values and deepest truths. Whether through writing, teaching, or one-on-one guidance, Elaine walks with others towards lives filled with meaning, joy, and purpose. You can learn more about spiritual wayfinding at her website www.elainemurray.co and in her upcoming memoir and spiritual wayfinding manual, set to release this Fall through Tehom Center Publishing.



Welcome

Rev. Elaine Murray

Elaine earned her Master of Divinity from Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary and Bachelor of Arts from Schreiner University. She and her husband, Rob Lohmeyer, co-pastor Pipe Creek Presbyterian Church, raise kids and a cattle dog together, and enjoy the holy view of God's creation in the Texas Hill Country.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Join Us in Saying Thank You 🎵 🎵 🎵

Please join us this Sunday, July 26, in sending our organist, Alex Gudmundsen, off with lots of St. Mark love.

Alex joined our staff in August 2025, working with us as he studied organ at UTSA. His studies there are coming to an end, and he is returning home to Utah.

Alex's music has helped us glorify God, lifting our voices and spirits. We will have cards in the Hospitality Center for you to sign and give your well-wishes.



With Joy, We Celebrate This Week's Birthdays



MINISTRY UPDATES

Financial Review from Treasurer Rob West

Financial Review: As of June 30, 2026

Households Pledging YTD:	73	Total Primary Members:	169
Budgeted Total Income YTD:	\$397,840	Actual Total Income YTD:	\$454,114
Budgeted Expenses YTD:	\$458,449	Actual Expenses YTD:	\$368,884

June, and summer in general, is the time for traveling, and that was certainly evident this past month as revenue was under expectations while expenses were up. In spite of that, we are looking good through the first half of the year but are likely to see some extra-ordinary expenses with some Property items. Enjoy your summer ramblings and thanks as always for your continued support of our blessed church!

Extending St. Mark's Welcome

Around 500 new Boerne homeowners will soon receive a warm welcome from St. Mark. This week, members of the Communications Team prepared a mailing that included a personal invitation from Pastor Ann Marie to worship with us. In addition to the letter, a brochure was enclosed with information on the many opportunities to grow in faith, build relationships, serve others, and become part of our church family.

Please join us in praying that these mailings will encourage those seeking a church home to visit and experience the love of Christ within our congregation.



LET'S FILL THOSE BACKPACKS

July Drive Ends Soon. Please Help Us Meet Our Goals!

JULY BACK-TO-SCHOOL DRIVES

DONATIONS SUPPORT



We are collecting:

- Pencil/Supply Boxes
- Fiskars 5" Pointed Scissors
- Glue Sticks
- Pink Pearl Erasers
- 25-Count Crayola Crayons



DONATIONS SUPPORT



We are collecting:

- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Dental Floss



Donation stations are located at
the entrance to the Narthex.



SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE UPDATE

Thank you for your generosity! Let's keep the momentum going.



**Pencil
Boxes**

Number Collected

**42 out
of 70**



**Fiskars 5"
Pointed Scissors**

Number Collected

**23 out
of 70**



**Toothpaste
Tubes**

Number Collected

33



Toothbrushes

Number Collected

43



**Dental
Floss**

Number Collected

59

Other Collected Supplies

Glue Sticks = 74

Pink Pearl Erasers = 45

25-Count Crayon Boxes = 73

SERVING WITH HEART

**Yes...
There's Candy.**

*But the sweetest part is
serving alongside our
church family.*

**Become an
Office Angel.**



It takes many people serving in different ways to help St. Mark run smoothly. One of those ways is serving as an Office Angel.

As an Office Angel, you'll:

- Greet visitors with a smile
- Answer the phone and take messages
- Buzz guests into the office

Whether you can help occasionally or on a more regular basis, we'd love to have you as part of our Office Angel team.

If you'd like to become an Office Angel, please contact the church office at **830-816-3000** or email **office@stmarktx.org**.

Bonus perk: *You'll be stationed within easy reach of our well-stocked candy bowl.* 🍬 😊

MAKE A DIFFERENCE ON SUNDAY MORNINGS!

We need volunteers to be an extra adult helper in the room for Transitional Worship every Sunday.

Transitional worship starts right after Time with Young Disciples, or on Communion Sunday, it starts after the passing of the peace. We come back to the sanctuary before the closing song.

Volunteers are not expected to plan a lesson or teach, but to just help as needed with the kids as we do a craft or game and learn about the bible story.

If you can volunteer even one Sunday a month, it would be very helpful.

Please contact Kayla Young at christianed2@stmarktx.org to volunteer. You can also sign up on the sheet outside the Children's Sanctuary.



We need volunteers for the following Sundays:

- 8/02/26
- 8/09/26
- 8/23/26
- 9/06/26
- 9/13/26





ST MARK
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**\$12.50
PER HOUR**

**WE'RE
HIRING!**



NURSERY WORKER NEEDED



**AGES
16+**

The St. Mark nursery staff is hiring for Sunday mornings and occasional weekdays and evenings. Paid training and flexible shifts.

NURSERY/CHILDCARE WORKERS:

- Enjoy caring for infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and occasionally elementary-age children
- Lead Bible lessons and activities
- Ensure safe environment



Interested? Contact Marilyn Bonaguro, St. Mark Nursery Coordinator, by text at (210) 857-3157 or by email at nursery@stmarktx.org.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK

Sunday, July 26, 2026		
9:15 AM – 11:45 AM	• Nursery Care	• FLC #106
9:15 AM – 10:15 AM	• Elementary Sunday School • Youth Sunday School	• FLC #105 • FLC #103
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	• Breakfast Club	• Parlor
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	• St. Mark Worship Service	• Sanctuary & Online Live
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	• Table Fellowship	• Black Board Bar-B-Q
11:45 AM – 1:00 PM	• Youth Lunch Out	• FLC
Monday, July 27, 2026		
6:00 PM – 9:00 PM	• Valor Basketball	• FLC
Tuesday, July 28, 2026		
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	• Staff Meeting	• Parlor
5:30 PM – 6:00 PM	• Pickleball Setup	• FLC
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	• Pickleball (Carol Trono)	• FLC
Wednesday, July 29, 2026		
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	• Bible Study (Rev. Ann Marie Quigley-Swanson)	• FLC #107/108
5:00 PM – 8:00 PM	• Youth Worship	• FLC
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM	• A Few Good Men (R.Klein)	• Parlor
Thursday, July 30, 2026		
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	• Pickleball Setup	• FLC
11:00 AM – 1:00 PM	• Pickleball	• FLC
6:00 PM – 8:30 PM	• Valor Basketball	• FLC
Friday, July 31, 2026		
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM	• BACH Basketball	• FLC



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week's service.

2026 ELDER ASSIGNMENTS

Ministry	Elders	Class Year
Christian Education – Youth	Curtis Friedel Harlan Mangum	2026 2026
Christian Education – Children & Adult	Susan Penrod	2028
Communication / Evangelism	Dinah McDougall	2028
Congregational Life	Gina Klein Bob James	2026 2028
Finance / Stewardship	Kim Heinze	2027
Human Resources	Woody Paul	2026
Outreach	Crystal McElhenney	2027
Property	Eric Beilstein	2028
Worship	E-J Warren Kathleen Ramey	2027 2026
Other Assigned Positions	Name(s)	Year / Term
ELC Liaison	Eric Beilstein	2028
Deacon Liaison	Kathleen Ramey	2026
Trustees	Gina Klein Eric Beilstein	2026 2028
Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC) – Session Reps	Kathleen Ramey – Chair Crystal McElhenney – Vice	2026 2027
Treasurer	Rob West (Interim)	2026
Clerk of Session	Dave Thomas	2026

DEACONS

Ministry	Deacons	Class Year
Moderator / Receptions	Nona Annett	2026
New Member Integration	Toni Hensley	2027
Visitor Follow Up	Melanie Doppenberg	2026
Home Communion / Receptions	Kim Hodge	2027
Driver Assistance	Dottie Dunham	2028
Member Care	Julie McCarty	2028
Diaconate Clerk / Prayer Chain Support	Lisa Paul	2027
Flower Delivery / Meal Coordinator	Andy Phillips	2028
Member Follow Up	Betty Robertson	2028