



THE HAPPENINGS

April 5th – Easter Sunday

ST MARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

REV. ANN MARIE QUIGLEY-SWANSON

WE BELIEVE...

THE THIRD DAY HE ROSE AGAIN FROM THE DEAD;

HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN...

JOHN 20:1-18

Called Congregational Meeting

The session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, April 12, at 11:30 in the sanctuary for the purpose of receiving a nomination from the Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC) to fill the unexpired term of Elder, Class of 2027.

The Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC) has nominated Susan Penrod.



**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.**

SUSAN SPIVEY PENROD

Susan Spivey Penrod is the daughter of a PCUSA pastor, and a mother who was deeply engaged in local church Christian education. Rather than experiencing a faith conversion such as the apostle Paul, Susan's faith was nurtured as Timothy's, "which was first lived in your grandmother and your mother..." (2 Timothy 1: 5) She loves to tell the story of a Scottish ancestor who survived being hanged by soldiers of the English queen centuries ago because of his protestant faith. Church has felt like home to her from a very young age and continues to be an anchor and guiding light in worshipping and serving the Lord. Susan and Michael have been members of St. Mark since 2004. Susan's father, parents-in-law, son, daughter-in-law and two grandchildren are a part of the St Mark family.

Susan graduated from the University of Tulsa with a degree in Christian Education and is a Certified Christian Educator in the PCUSA. She also holds a professional degree in Interior Design from St. Mary's University. Susan taught public school, founded pre-schools and served as director of Christian education in several San Antonio Presbyterian churches before joining Mission Presbytery as Associate Executive for Education and Congregational Nurture. As a member of St. Mark, she has served on the ELC Board of Directors; and committees including Congregational Nominating, Pastor Search, Stewardship, Human Resources, G2G, and Christian Education.



Susan and Michael have two married sons and three wonderful grandchildren. Susan enjoys knitting, reading, gardening, walking her golden retrievers, involvement in the women's organization P.E.O. and deep-sea fishing with Michael. She is grateful for the opportunity and eager to serve St. Mark as a member of the session.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE



In commemoration of the Last Supper, when Jesus celebrated His final Passover with His disciples, a Maundy Thursday worship service is planned for St. Mark. Starting at **6:00 pm** on **Thursday, April 2nd**, in the Family Life Center (FLC), we will share a soup supper together followed by a worship service with Communion and special music.

All activities will be held at the tables in the FLC.

The service is very family-friendly and childcare is available.

We hope as many of you as possible are able to attend this service. See you there!



GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Good Friday service will be held on **Friday, April 3rd**, starting at **6:30 pm** in the sanctuary, childcare available if needed. The message of the Good Friday service will focus on the stain glass windows that represent, through the Apostles' Creed, our beliefs in the Holy Trinity, the life of Jesus and his death on the cross. Through the message, as we envision the Crucifixion, light fades to darkness, reflecting loss, injustice and moments when we may have felt hope was absent. The service is powerful, one of remembrance that leads us to a connection of what is to come.

Wait...

EASTER SERVICE



Christ is Risen!

He is Risen, indeed!

Join us for a joyful Easter celebration on **Sunday, April 5**. Begin the morning at 10:00 a.m. with a continental breakfast and a beautiful butterfly release, a meaningful sign of new life. Worship follows at 10:30 with inspiring music from our choir and our guest musician, John Mendoza, the celebration of communion, and a message proclaiming the good news of the resurrection. Following worship, children are invited to continue the celebration with a fun-filled Easter Egg hunt.

Come rejoice in the hope and new life of Easter!

Branch Mangum

I believe in the Trinity, God Maker of All, The Holy Spirit and Jesus Christ. Who rule as one in heaven and shall come to judge us on a day we do not know. I believe our sins are forgiven everyday because Jesus, God's only son, died for us on the cross and rose from the dead into heaven. I know that if we believe in these things and we spread the word of God in a loving way, we will have eternal life with God. Amen

Ayaka Warren

I believe in God as my creator and guide. And I believe that He is always with me, through my ups and my lows. My faith will now always be a part of me in a much deeper way that will remind me that I am never alone, no matter how alone I may feel and that God has a plan for my life. I believe in Jesus Christ and the example He set for us. Jesus taught us to love one another, forgive others, and show kindness and compassion. I believe His teachings show us how to live our lives. Even though I am not perfect, I know that Jesus forgives me and I strive to follow His example.

Liam Porter

I believe in God and that He loves me and has a plan for me, even when life feels confusing or unfair. One Bible story that inspires me a lot is the story of Noah. Noah trusted God even when it must have felt like he was completely alone. Everyone around him thought he was weird for building a huge ark when there was no rain. I imagine people laughing at him or thinking he was crazy. But Noah kept going because he trusted God more than what other people thought. Sometimes I feel a little like that in my own life. I'm the only boy in my family and I have three sisters. It can be hard because I feel outnumbered a lot of the time. My oldest sister is really good at everything, school, being responsible, making the right choices, and sometimes it feels like she's kind of perfect. People notice that, and sometimes I feel like I'm standing in her shadow. It can make me wonder if I'm ever going to measure up. But when I think about Noah, it reminds me that God doesn't expect everyone to be perfect. God chose Noah for his faith and trusted him with something important. That helps me remember that God made me to be me. The story of Noah also reminds me that doing the right thing can be hard and sometimes lonely. But faith means trusting that God sees you and knows what you're going through. Just like God had a plan for Noah, I believe He has a plan for me too, even if it looks different from the plans for my sisters. I also like how Noah took care of the animals and protected his family on the ark. I hope that as I grow up, I can learn to be responsible like that and take care of the people around me. Another part I love is when the flood ends and God sends a rainbow as a promise. It reminds me that God keeps His promises and that hard or lonely times don't last forever. Because of Noah's story, I want to keep trying to trust God even when things feel difficult. I want to remember that I don't have to be perfect or be like someone else to matter. God made me the way I am for a reason, and I believe that if I keep trusting Him, He will guide my life just like He guided Noah.



ELC NEWS



The ELC is celebrating Holy Week!

On Tuesday, the children learned lessons in humility and gifts of service as they experienced Washing of the Feet at Chapel time. They left with an understanding of Jesus' desire for us to love others as He has loved us.

Throughout the rest of the week, we will learn about the Last Supper, Jesus' Crucifixion and ultimate Resurrection! This time with our youngest believers is such a blessing!



ADULT EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Adult Education Scholarships are available for the 2026-2027 academic year. Applications will be accepted from **February 1 - May 1** and must be typed. The application form is now available to download on our St. Mark Presbyterian website under Adult Education.

For more information, please contact the office at office@stmarktx.org

[Click here to access the Scholarship through Adult Education page](#)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2026



ST MARK
VBS 2026

GO SPORTS!

Be a Trophy for Christ

June 15-19 | 9am to Noon

4 Years to Entering 5th Grade
and Special Needs Adults

Free!
Registration
opens 4/1

“...let us run the race set before us.”
- Hebrews 12:1-2

Registration is
open!

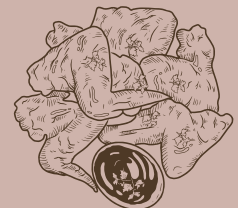
To register
children or volunteers,
[click here](#)

LUNCH BUNCH APRIL 6TH

Join us for Lunch Bunch, a monthly gathering where conversation flows easily and everyone is truly welcome. We meet on the **first Monday of each month at 11:30 a.m.** at Sauced Wing Bar in Boerne to share a meal, laugh together, and enjoy the gift of community.

No RSVP needed. Just come, be present, and take a seat at the table.

Location:
Sauced Wing Bar
215 W. Bandera Rd.
Boerne, TX



ST. MARK VOLUNTEER EVENT AT HABITAT FOR HUMANITY IN KERR COUNTY



When: Saturday, April 25, 2026

8:00AM - 12:00PM

Where: Kerrville, Texas

Options: Carpool from St. Mark 7:15 am

Stay for lunch in Kerrville before returning to St. Mark

Old and young are welcome! For youth 16 and up, parental attendance is not required; ages 15 and under will be limited as to the types of activities they can help us with and require a parent or guardian to attend.

Habitat for Humanity Kerr County is currently working across the community to support local families through both disaster recovery efforts and affordable homeownership opportunities.

Habitat's homeownership program was paused for more than three years while homes for previously selected families were completed and infrastructure for their new Mariposa neighborhood was developed. Habitat's traditional affordable homeownership program has now fully resumed. In the interim, an interest list of more than 700 families continued to grow, highlighting the significant need for affordable housing in Kerr County.

Today, Habitat's work is helping flood survivors recover while also creating long-awaited opportunities for families seeking a safe, stable, and affordable place to call home.



Questions?

Contact Calleen Friedel, 210-376-7236, calleen_friedel@hotmail.com
or Crystal McElhenney, crystal@guadalupebend.com

To sign up for this event, [click here](#)

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING



PC(USA) SPECIAL OFFERING

RESPONDING TO CHRIST'S CALL TO MINISTRIES OF
COMPASSION FOR THE WORLD'S MOST VULNERABLE.

Each Easter Sunday Outreach collects donations for the PC(USA) One Great Hour of Sharing. This special offering has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world for the last 76 years. One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) supports programs in over 100 countries - programs that help build capacities of communities, relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and promote self-development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People.

Please look for our pew envelopes on **April 5**, mail your offering to the church office or give online. **Mark donations with "OGHS."**

NEXT STEP CLASS

Do you want to learn more about St. Mark?

Are you considering membership?

Do you want to get involved in the mission and ministries of St. Mark?

Are you looking for a connected community?

Date: **Sunday, April 19th, 2026**

Time: **9:00 AM**

Location: **Children's Sanctuary**

Holy Week Schedule

All are welcomed to join us for the journey to Easter Sunday

Palm Sunday

March 29, 10:30 a.m.

Confirmation Class of 2026 professes its faith.
Pot luck lunch celebration to follow worship.

Remembering Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem

Maundy Thursday

April 2, 6:00 p.m.

Dinner and Worship in the Family Life Center.

Remembering Jesus' Last Supper with
Communion at the table

Good Friday

April 3, 6:30 p.m.

Worship in the Sanctuary.

Remembering Jesus' Crucifixion

Easter Sunday

April 5

10:00 a.m. - Continental Breakfast & Butterfly Release

10:30 a.m. - Worship "He is Risen, Indeed"

11:30 a.m. - Easter Egg Hunt

WEEKLY CALENDAR

APRIL 5TH – APRIL 11TH

Online Service Youtube:

<https://www.youtube.com/@stmarkpresbyterianchurchbo7319/streams>

No Children or Youth Sunday

School, April 5th

Office Closed April 6th

GROWING FULLER AT TABLE FELLOWSHIP

12th - El Chaparral

19th - Black Board Bar-b-q - Sisterdale, Tx

26th - Shang Hai

Sunday, April 5, 2026

Sun 4/5/2026 (All day) Easter Day United States

- 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Explorers Class FLC # 107
- 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM Continental Breakfast/Butterfly Release Hospitaly
- 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM ☞ St. Mark Worship Service-Easter/Communion
- 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM Egg Hunt On Campus
- 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM Adam Johnson FLC

Monday, April 6, 2026

- 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Church Office is Closed
- 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM ☞ Lunch Bunch (Melanie Doppenberg) Sauced Wi
- 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Valor Basketball FLC
- 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM ☞ Deacon's Meeting Rom 107 FLC

Tuesday, April 7, 2026

- 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM ELC Teachers Conferences Parlor
- 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM ☞ ELC Chapel Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ☞ Staff Meeting FLC # 109
- 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM ☞ Pickleball setup FLC
- 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ☞ Pickleball - Carol Trono FLC

Wednesday, April 8, 2026

- 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM ELC Parent Conferences Parlor
- 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM ☞ Bible Study (Rev. Ann Marie Quigley- Swanso
- 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM ☞ Compassion in Action FLC # 107/108
- 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Youth Group FLC
- 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM ☞ A Few Good Men (R. Klein) Parlor
- 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM ☞ Choir Rehearsal (Mary Beth Thomas) Choir Roo

Thursday, April 9, 2026

- 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM ELC Teachers Conferences Parlor
- 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM ☞ WOW FLC #107/108
- 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM ☞ Pickleball (DeWitt Ragsdale) FLC
- 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Valor Basketball FLC

Friday, April 10, 2026

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2026 Elder Assignments

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

List of Deacons

Nona Annett – Moderator / Receptions

Toni Hensley - New Member Integration

Melanie Doppenberg- Visitor Follow Up Ministry

Kim Hodge - Home Communion / Receptions

Dottie Dunham - Driver Assistance Ministry

Karen Ragsdale - Card Ministry

Julie McCarty – Member Care Ministry

Lisa Paul –Diaconate Clerk / Prayer Chain Support

Andy Phillips - Flower Delivery Ministry / Meal Coordinator

Betty Robertson - Member Follow Up Ministry