



May 10, 2026 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

THE HAPPENINGS

ST MARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Rev. Ann Marie Quigley-Swanson

*WE BELIEVE... IN THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY;
AND THE LIFE EVERLASTING*

JOHN 11:17-27



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.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Be Part of our Welcoming
Presence on Sunday Mornings**

DETAILS

We're looking for friendly faces to serve as greeters before worship! This is a simple and meaningful way to share hospitality and help others feel at home.

Greeters serve about once a month and arrive at 10:10 a.m. It's a great opportunity to meet wonderful people and be a part of God's welcoming presence.



INTERESTED?

Contact Claudia at the church office:



office@stmarktx.org

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Celebrating the Life of Lura Palladino

Sympathy is extended to the family and loved ones of Lura Palladino who entered the Church Triumphant on April 29, 2026. Please pray for Lura's husband, Frank, and their loved ones.

A celebration of Lura's life will be held on **Saturday, May 9, from 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.** (stop by at your convenience) at their family home, 602 Georg Oak, Bulverde, TX 78163. This will be an outdoor, casual gathering. The family is grateful for all the messages, prayers, and support over the last few weeks.



Lura Palladino

Meet Our New Communications Associate



Kristy Byrd

We are pleased to welcome Mrs. Kristy Byrd as St. Mark's Communications Associate. She will support print and digital communications, including *The Happenings*, the website, and social media. Kristy brings over 20 years of experience in education and communications, including teaching in public schools and founding Merryweather Designs, where she creates websites and visual content.

Kristy lives in Fair Oaks Ranch with her husband, Dan. They have a son who is a junior at Champion High School and a daughter who is a junior at The University of Texas at Austin. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, traveling, and is always eager to learn something new.

LOOKING AHEAD

Vacation Bible School

GO SPORTS!
Be a Trophy for Christ
"...let us run the race set before us."
- Hebrews 12:1-2

 ST MARK
VBS 2026

donation sign-up!



Beginning this Sunday, 5/3, in the hallway, sign-up to donate items for VBS or leave some \$ and we will do the shopping!

Return items by June 1.

Once you've signed up for specific items, you will be able to find most of them on our Amazon Wishlist or you can purchase at the store of your choice. Some items we just need to borrow and will return the week after VBS.

Muffins for Moms

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The children and youth of St. Mark will be baking muffins and learning about different moms in the Bible during Sunday School on **Mother's Day, May 10.**



Be on the lookout for some sweet treats before and after worship!


ST MARK
YOUTH


ST MARK
KIDS
Sunday School

LOOKING AHEAD



Summer Leader Sign-Up

PICK YOUR SUNDAY | 9:15 AM

MAKING IT EASY...

- Small classes of elementary-age students (1-6 kids)
- Watch a video and discuss
- If time permits play a game or do a craft--planning assistance provided!
- See available dates on sign-up in the Hallway

CONTACT US

ChristianEd@stMarkTX.org



*must complete
volunteer
application

CONNECT & BELONG

Thanking God In Fellowship (TGIF) News

Contact Larry Warren for more information.



familyjourney@yahoo.com



(830) 446-1128

SAVE THE DATE!

TGIF Presents: A Special Museum Trip!

 **Date: May 16th**


 **Location: Belóved Gallery - Marble Falls, TX**


Experience Faith Through Art on the guided tour


FEATURING: PRINCE OF PEACE,

by Akiane Kramarik



 **Enjoy time together at the Blue Bonnet Cafe after the tour**

 **Family-friendly event open to all St. Mark members & guests**

 **Don't miss this unforgettable day of faith, art, and community.**

Contact Larry Warren for more information

Sunday Table Fellowship

What Is Sunday Table Fellowship?

Quite simply, it's going out to lunch after church with other St. Mark worshippers. No reservations needed, and no sign-ups or RSVPs, just come whenever you like.

The restaurants to meet at are listed in *The Happenings* each week. We visit a variety of places in the area, making it a fun way to get to know each other better while enjoying lunch together.

Give it a try! This Congregational Life ministry is coordinated by the Thanking God in Fellowship (TGIF) group.

SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

Hill Country Pregnancy Care Center *Baby Bottle Boomerang*



St. Mark Outreach will be supporting the Baby Bottle Boomerang fundraising event to benefit the Hill Country Pregnancy Care Center (HCPCC). The HCPCC is a faith-centered local organization committed to offering completely free and confidential services to everyone involved with a pregnancy. This fundraiser is a community-wide effort to support the mission of the HCPCC.

On **Mother's Day (May 10)**, we will be passing out baby bottles to the congregation to take home and fill with coins, bills, or checks to be returned to St. Mark the following **Sunday, May 17**. *All checks are to be made out directly to the HCPCC.* A little spare change can go a long way to supporting a person in need.

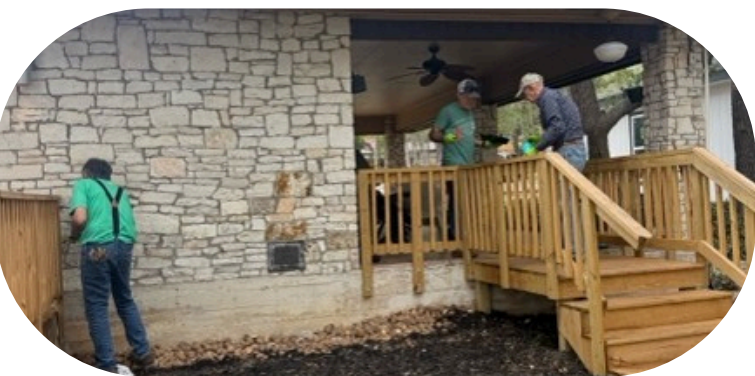
Please see **Marilyn Bonaguro** or **Chris Snyder** for more details, and thank you for your generous support for this important cause.



TRANSFORMING OUTDOOR SPACES FOR TRANSFORMATION HOUSE

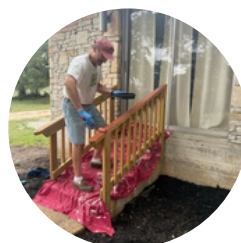


On April 23 and 24, a small group of enthusiastic members and friends of St. Mark gathered to support Transformation House by staining and sealing new outdoor decking and railings for housing and office space on the Transformation House campus.



Transformation House, founded in 2018, is a local mission organization supporting women and children impacted by domestic violence in Kendall County and surrounding areas by providing housing, case management, and therapy services. They focus on best practices that foster sustainable self-sufficiency for families, helping them achieve financial stability and emotional healing through a holistic, wrap-around approach.

Thank you to the volunteers who helped put some finishing touches on the Transformation House campus. The residents feel the love, time, and care you shared to make their space feel more like home!





ELC NEWS

The ELC hosted their Annual Art Show on Tuesday, May 5. The FLC was transformed into a beautiful art exhibit, and so many of the children's artistic creations were on display for their families to view. Such a proud evening for children, parents and teachers! Many thanks to the church members who provided delicious refreshments for everyone's enjoyment!



The ELC's Year End Program is on Wednesday, May 20, at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. All are invited to attend.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK

Sunday, May 10, 2026		
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Muffins for Mom	Hospitality
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Explorers Class	FLC #107
9:15 AM - 10:15 AM	Engaging God's Word	FLC #101
9:15 AM - 11:45 AM	Nursery Care	FLC #106
9:15 AM - 10:15 AM	Elementary Sunday School	FLC #105
9:15 AM - 10:15 AM	Youth Sunday School	FLC #103
9:15 AM - 10:15 AM	Disciples Class	FLC #109
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Breakfast Club	Parlor
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	St. Mark Worship Service	Sanctuary & Online Live
3:00 PM - 6:30 PM	Hill Country Newcomers	FLC
Monday, May 11, 2026		
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Hill Country Newcomers	FLC Main Floor, Kitchen, FLC #107/108
5:30 PM - 6:00 PM	Jericho Setup	FLC
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Jericho	FLC
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Finance Ministry	FLC #107/108
Tuesday, May 12, 2026		
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	ELC Chapel	Sanctuary
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, May 13, 2026		
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Bible Study (Rev. Ann Marie Quigley-Swanson)	FLC #107/108
12:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Compassion in Action	FLC #107/108
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Youth Group	FLC
6:30 PM - 7:45 PM	Choir Rehearsal (Mary Beth Thomas)	Choir Room
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM	A Few Good Men (R. Klein)	Parlor
Thursday, May 14, 2026		
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	WOW	FLC #107/108
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Pickleball Setup	FLC
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Pickleball	FLC
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Valor Basketball	FLC
Saturday, May 16, 2026		
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	TGIF Beloved Gallery	Marble Falls
1:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Grads Reception Setup	FLC



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Click to view this week's service.



Growing Fuller at Table Fellowship

10th - No Meeting
 17th - Sauced
 24th - Papa Nachos
 31st - Fifth Sunday Potluck

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 Kim Heinze Eric Beilstein	2026 2027 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

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
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



Honoring our Graduates!

On Sunday, May 17, in addition to Youth Sunday, we will be honoring graduates. St. Mark has four high school graduates and five college graduates this year. We will also recognize and pray for those graduating with family connections to our church. We are so blessed to have watched many of these young people grow up and grow in their faith!

Following worship, lunch will be served in the Family Life Center provided by Congregational Life Ministry. There will be baskets and envelopes available to collect gifts and cards to send these grads off with our blessings. Our high school grads will "leave their mark" on St. Mark by adding their handprint to the large canvas. We hope you will all join in as we honor and celebrate their accomplishments.

To learn a little more about our graduates, please see the following Graduate Questionnaires.

MEET THE Graduate



NAME: CAROLINE PENROD

HIGH SCHOOL: PIEPER HIGH

MIDDLE SCHOOL: PIEPER MIDDLE

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

KINDER RANCH

FAVORITE...

COLOR: LIGHT BLUE

CLASS: CHOIR

TEACHER: MRS JAMES

BIBLE STORY/VERSE:

2 TIMOTHY 1:7: "FOR GOD HAS NOT GIVEN US A SPIRIT OF FEAR, BUT OF POWER AND OF LOVE AND OF A SOUND MIND".

MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT AT ST. MARK:

GOING TO SYNOD YOUTH WORKSHOP!

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE:

TEXAS A&M!!

WHEN WILL WE SEE YOU AGAIN:

ON BREAKS/ IN BETWEEN SCHOOL YEARS



MEET THE

Graduate

Troy Brennan

UNIVERSITY OF MARY
HARDIN-BAYLOR

DEGREE:

BIOLOGY / PRE-PA

MINOR:

PSYCHOLOGY

FAVORITE...

COLOR: PINK!

CLASS: REGENERATIVE MEDICINE

BIBLE STORY/VERSE: "HAVE I NOT COMMANDED YOU?
BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS. DO NOT BE AFRAID; DO
NOT BE DISCOURAGED, FOR THE LORD YOUR GOD WILL
BE WITH YOU WHEREVER YOU GO." JOSHUA 1:9

GOD SIGHTING DURING COLLEGE:

FINDING MY CALLING IN MEDICINE AND BUILDING THE
BEST RELATIONSHIPS! (SHOUTOUT BEN!)

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE:

BECOMING A CERTIFIED MEDICAL ASSISTANT & GOING
BACK TO UMHB TO GET MY MASTER'S IN PHYSICIAN
ASSISTANCE!

WHEN WILL WE SEE YOU AGAIN: VBS AND SUNDAY
SERVICE!!!



MEET THE

Graduate



Grace Cleary

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

DEGREE:

CORPORATE COMMUNICATION

MINOR:

LEADERSHIP STUDIES

FAVORITE...

COLOR: BLUE

CLASS: CORPORATE ADVOCACY & PUBLIC POLICY

BIBLE STORY/VERSE:

"THERE IS A TIME FOR EVERYTHING, AND A SEASON FOR EVERY ACTIVITY UNDER THE HEAVENS." ECCLESIASTES 3:1

GOD SIGHTING DURING COLLEGE:

MEETING MY BEST FRIENDS AND SERVING ON MY SORORITIES EXECUTIVE BOARD

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE:

I WILL BE STAYING IN WACO AND WORKING AT ENTERPRISE AS APART OF THERE MANAGEMENT TRANNIE PROGRAM!

WHEN WILL WE SEE YOU AGAIN: HOLIDAYS!!!!



MEET THE

Graduate



Madison Oylenn

Texas Tech University



DEGREE:

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

FAVORITE...

COLOR: PINK

CLASS: DEVELOPMENT OF SPECIAL POPULATIONS

BIBLE STORY/VERSE:

"FOR I KNOW THE PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU, DECLARES THE LORD, PLANS TO PROSPER YOU AND NOT TO HARM YOU, PLANS TO GIVE YOU HOPE AND A FUTURE." JEREMIAH 21:11

GOD SIGHTING DURING COLLEGE:

STUDENT TEACHING 4TH GRADE WITH MY ROOMMATE AND BESTFRIEND!!

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE:

I WILL BE TEACHING 3RD GRADE MATH AT JOHNSON CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL!

WHEN WILL WE SEE YOU AGAIN: SUNDAY SERVICE & VBS!!



MEET THE Graduate



NAME: REESE VOULGARIS

HIGH SCHOOL: CHAMPION

MIDDLE SCHOOL: VOSS

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

CIBOLO CREEK

FAVORITE...

COLOR: PINK AND PURPLE

CLASS: SOCCER

TEACHER: MRS UHL

BIBLE STORY/VERSE:

JOHN 1:5: "THE LIGHT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS,
AND THE DARKNESS HAS NOT OVERCOME IT".

MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT AT ST. MARK:

MISSION TRIP TO ARIZONA

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE:

TEXAS A&M!!

WHEN WILL WE SEE YOU AGAIN:

ON BREAKS/ HOLIDAYS



MEET THE Graduate



NAME: EMILY PORTER

HIGH SCHOOL: BOERNE HIGH

MIDDLE SCHOOL: VOSS
MIDDLE SCHOOL

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:
CIBOLO CREEK ELEMENTARY

FAVORITE...

COLOR: BURGUNDY

CLASS: ANATOMY

TEACHER: MRS. NEIMAN

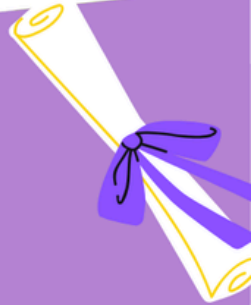
BIBLE STORY/VERSE: "THERE IS ONE LAWGIVER AND
JUDGE WHO IS ABLE TO SAVE AND TO DESTROY. BUT
WHO ARE YOU TO JUDGE YOUR NEIGHBOR?"
JAMES 4:12

MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT AT ST. MARK: FREE TIME
EXPLORING AT MO RANCH CHURCH RETREATS

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE:

TEXAS A&M CC – BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES & ISLANDER
DANCE TEAM

WHEN WILL WE SEE YOU AGAIN: EVERY
SUMMER!



MEET THE Graduate



NAME: TAYLOR FENTON

HIGH SCHOOL: CHAMPION

MIDDLE SCHOOL: AVIANO

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: ITALY

FAVORITE...

COLOR: PINK

CLASS: ECONOMICS

TEACHER: IDR. HOLCOMB

BIBLE STORY/VERSE: MARK 10:9 "THEREFORE WHAT GOD HAS JOINED TOGETHER, LET NO ONE SEPARATE"

MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT AT ST. MARK: HAVING RICE LICE PICKED OUT OF MY WIG

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE:

U OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA 🏐

WHEN WILL WE SEE YOU AGAIN:

CHRISTMAS, IF YOU ARE LUCKY



MEET THE

Graduate

Dakota Klein



TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

DEGREE:

ANIMAL SCIENCE,
ANIMAL PRODUCTION

FAVORITE...

COLOR: BLUE

CLASS: ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY

BIBLE STORY/VERSE:

"BUT THOSE WHO TRUST IN THE LORD WILL FIND NEW STRENGTH, THEY WILL SOAR HIGH ON WINGS LIKE EAGLES. THEY WILL RUN AND NOT GROW WEARY. THEY WILL WALK AND NOT FAINT." ISAIAH 40:31

GOD SIGHTING DURING COLLEGE:

SEEING STUDENTS TAKE ON A CLASS TOGETHER AND HOLD STUDY SESSIONS, HELPING EACH OTHER UNDERSTANDING THE INFORMATION

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE:

BECOMING A PROFESSOR AT TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY AND TEACHING A&P

WHEN WILL WE SEE YOU AGAIN:

HOLIDAYS AND VBS!



MEET THE

Graduate

Laura Cyateley

ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY

DEGREE:

SOCIOLOGY

FAVORITE...

COLOR: PURPLE

CLASS: QUALITATIVE RESEARCH

BIBLE STORY/VERSE: "LOVE IS PATIENT, LOVE IS KIND. IT DOES NOT BOAST, IT IS NOT PROUD. IT DOES NOT DISHONOR OTHERS, IT IS NOT SELF-SEEKING, IT IS NOT EASILY ANGERED, IT KEEPS NO RECORD OF WRONGS." 1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-5

GOD SIGHTING DURING COLLEGE:

FINDING MY PASSION IN PUBLIC HEALTH!

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE:

I WILL ATTEND UTHEALTH HOUSTON SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO OBTAIN MY MASTER'S IN HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION

WHEN WILL WE SEE YOU AGAIN: HOLIDAYS & CHURCH EVENTS!

