



ST MARK

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



July 28 - 10th Sunday after Pentecost

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.,

The Happenings

SUMMER SERMON SERIES



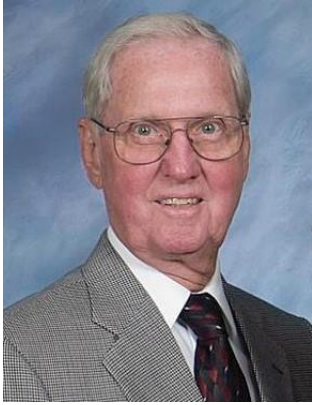
This week: *Jesus Calms a Storm Luke 8:22-25*

*And Reflections from Our Youth and Leaders
On the Mission Trip to Puerto Rico*

HELLO FROM PUERTO RICO

Please click on the link before to see more pictures

<https://www.facebook.com/St.MarkPresbyterianChurchBoerne/>



With confidence in the sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life, we extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Wayne Ganze who died July 12, 2024. Please keep Wayne's wife, Joyce, their daughter and son-in-law, Elizabeth and Sean Kavanagh, and their grandchildren, Hayley and Erin, in your prayers.

**TAKE THE NEXT STEP
AUGUST 11**

Take the NEXT STEP!



The Next Step class is for those thinking about joining St. Mark, new members, and anyone that wants to learn more about the church, the mission and ministries of St. Mark, and find ways to get involved.

9 to 10am Sunday, August 11 in the Library in the Hospitality Center

Contact Melanie Doppenberg at melanie.doppenberg@gmail.com or 229-224-3186 to RSVP and for more information.



**FILL THE CART
AUGUST 4TH**

Fill The Cart Sunday

ALWAYS THE 1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH



**On August 4, bring your
donations of nutritious,
non-perishable foods
to benefit
The St. Mark
Little Free Food Pantry**



EXTENDING THE TABLE: Home Communion



If you are a church member who is unable to attend church for Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month, Home Communion is available to you! We have a team of ordained elders and deacons who will come to your home and carry out an extended service of communion per our Book of Order. If interested, please call the church office at 830-816-3000, or Deacon Ruben Trono.

BACK TO SCHOOL BBQ WITH PRESBYTERIAN CHILDREN'S HOME

Outreach invites you to a special Back to School BBQ with the Presbyterian Children's Home and Services in San Antonio on Saturday, August 10th. This is a great opportunity to tour their campus, meet their staff/supporters and enjoy good food.

Outreach has already donated \$200 towards their needed school supplies. If you feel lead by the Spirit, you are welcome to follow the below steps & order online via Amazon wish list & items will ship directly to SA campus by August 1.

Please request a receipt to be included & reference if the order is from you personally or on behalf of your church (or email banner.huggins@pchas.org the receipt with such information). This is requested by the accounting staff.

PCHAS Wish List Link: [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com)

Please RSVP by July 31 to Toni Hensley toni.hensley@gmail.com so she can send the total number of St. Mark guests to PCHAS.

Presbyterian Children's
Homes and ServicesSM

**BACK TO
SCHOOL
BBQ**

SATURDAY
August 10th
11:30 am - 1 pm

**SAN ANTONIO
CAMPUS**
6355 Whitby Road,
San Antonio, TX 78240

Join us for food, fun & fellowship!
food & beverages compliments of

H-E-B
Helping Here

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NOMINATIONS FOR ELDER, DEACON AND CNC REQUESTED

The Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC) is seeking the names of individuals for church leadership positions to serve beginning January 1, 2025. These individuals demonstrate love of Jesus Christ, have a strong faith, and are committed to Him as their Lord and Savior. Persons nominated must be willing to devote time, energy, and talent to the work of St. Mark Presbyterian Church.

An **ELDER** will serve on session and chair a ministry team. Elders are charged with the oversight of the spiritual life of the congregation. Elders should be persons of faith, dedication, and good judgement, and should be regular participants in church activities.

A **YOUTH ELDER** will serve on the session and be on a ministry team. Youth Elders serve for one year, as a High School student. A Youth Elder shall be a person of faith, dedication, good judgement, and should be a regular participant in church activities.

A **DEACON** will serve on the Diaconate and assume responsibility for areas of service to the congregation. Deacons are persons of spiritual character, honest repute, exemplary lives, brotherly and sisterly love, sincere compassion, and sound judgement to help further the mission of St. Mark.

A **CNC AT-LARGE MEMBER** shall be a person who is an active member in the life of St. Mark, has a good knowledge of members and the activities of the congregation, and reflects the diversity of the congregation (men/women, older/younger, ethnicity, etc.)

After careful prayer, please provide the names of members of the congregation for consideration as nominees to fulfill these important positions. If you feel called to leadership and can meet the qualifications and commitments, you are encouraged to submit your own name. Nomination sheets will be available at Sunday worship services and in the church office on August 1st through August 18th. Please place the nomination sheet with your recommended names in the collection plate on Sunday mornings, drop off names at the church office, email names to the church office at office@stmarktx.org, or provide names to a CNC member (see list below). **Nominations close Sunday, August 18th.**

2024 CNC: Chris Snyder (chair), Wally Doppenberg (vice-chair), Delanie Cravey, Steve Crowell, Monica Phillips, Larry Warren, Paul Mebane, and Pastor Ann Marie (non-voting)

REFLECTIONS: THE WHICH WAY TREE

Ever come to a fork in the road and not know which way you should go? Having a signpost pointing in the direction you should go proves to be immeasurably helpful. Consider this tidbit from our Texas history: Shortly after the fall of the Alamo, General Sam Houston led his rag tag army east to regroup and figure out the next move. Stopping to rest his army, he considered his options as he pondered two possible routes. A branch on a nearby oak tree seemed to be pointing towards a settlement that was then termed Harrisburg. Choosing to advance his army in that direction he eventually met and defeated the Mexican forces under General Santa Anna in the Battle of San Jacinto. The “Which Way Tree” still stands in a commemorative park in northern Harris County.



Signs in their very essence communicate messages. Go here; don't go there. Do this; don't do that. When traveling, we rely on signs to find our way, to reach our destination. If we don't pay attention to the signs along the way, we are likely to get lost and end up someplace we don't want to be. The same principal very much applies to our life journey.

As we travel along life's path, we don't have a literal Which Way Tree to tell us how we should proceed. Nevertheless, when you don't know what to do in any given situation, you can always ask the Holy Spirit and He will provide you a solution. To be led by the Holy Spirit, we first must listen to Him. He can speak to us through Scripture, through direct communication with our spirit, and through special people and circumstances He puts in our path.

As I move to conclude, I am reminded of a quote from one of Craig Johnson's Longmire books: *Stay calm, have courage and wait for signs (As The Crow Flies)*.. Applying this direction to our faith journey, I offer this revision: *Trust in the Lord, be ready and willing to face tough and/or negative situations and patiently wait for the guidance to come from the Holy Spirit.*

Do you know which way you're going?

Therefore, the Lord himself will give you a sign (Isaiah 7:14a, ESV).

Offered by Larry Warren



ST. MARK LEADERSHIP 2024

ELDERS	
Adult Christian Education	Dan Garber
Children and Youth Christian Education	Kathleen Ramey
Communication	Karen Ragsdale
Congregational Life	Christine Snyder, Gina Klein
Finance/Stewardship	Wally Doppenberg
Outreach	Lynn Bellow, Woody Paul
Personnel	Neal Patton
Property	Rick Eckersley
Strategic Planning	Dave Thomas
Worship	Andy Phillips, Rylenn Fenton
Clerk of Session	Julie McCarty
Treasurer	Bill Manzini
ELC Liaison	Wally Doppenberg
Deacon Liaison	Lynn Bellow
DEACONS	
Card and Flowers	Monica Phillips - Clerk
Driver Assistance	Wanda Pounders - Moderator
Meal Train and Prayer Chain Liaison	Sarah Hinman
Member Care	Crystal McElhenney
Member Care and In-Home Communion	Ruben Trono
Pastoral Support	Pat Anderson
Receptions	Nona Annett, Paula Witt
Visitors Follow Up	Melanie Doppenberg
TRUSTEES	
Member	Gina Klein
Chair	Andy Phillips
Secretary	Dave Thomas



Weekly Calendar July 29– August 3rd

Explorer’s Class	9:00 AM	FLC # 107/108
Nursery Care (Birth to pre-kinder)	9:15 AM	FLC # 106
Children’s Sunday School – Angela Grover	9:15 AM	FLC # 104
St. Mark Worship Service in Person	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
https://www.youtube.com/@stmarkpresbyterianchurchbo7319/streams		Online

Tuesday, July 29th

Staff Meeting	12:00 PM	Parlor
Pickleball – Carol Trono	6:00 PM	FLC
Worship Team Rehearsal – Ron Thompson	6:30 PM	Sanctuary

Wednesday, July 30th

Bible Study – Rev Ann Marie Quigley-Swanson	10:30 AM	FLC #107/108
Centering Prayer – Lynn Bellow	5:00 PM	ZOOM
Midweek Men’s Group – Rob Klein	6:30 PM	Library

Thursday, July 31st

Pickleball – Paul Cashion	11:00 AM	FLC
Outreach Committee Meeting- Woody Paul	3:00PM	ZOOM
Worship Committee – Andy Phillips	6:30 PM	FLC # 107/108

Friday, August 1st

CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED

FLC – Family Life Center