

# St. Mark's Announcements

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### Our Meetings

Monday, March 11  
School Board - 6:30 p.m., Conference Room

### Our Discipleship

March 3 (Sunday): No Service  
March 4 (Monday): 44

<b>Tithes &amp; Offerings *</b>			
<b>Week ending Sunday 03/03/2019</b>			
	Needed for Budget	Actual	Over (Under)
Week	\$12,071	\$5,172	(\$6,900)
Year-to-date	\$434,562	\$422,569	(\$11,992)
*Includes gifts to School Operating Fund Year-to-date is Fiscal Year beginning July 1			
	Week	YTD	
Debt Reduction gifts	\$50	\$101,031	
Mortgage Loan Balance		\$1,301,712	
*Matching period - 03/28/18 – 03/30/20			To-Date
Our Gifts towards 250K Match Goal			\$85,615
Donor gifts			\$29,009
Total Combined to 500K Goal			\$114,624

✠ **Adult Bible Class, 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.**  
*Pick up the Adult Bible Study Catalog at the Connections Center for a full description.*

### **Experiencing Contagious Joy (Women's Study)**

Dates: Now - April 7      Time: 10:30 a.m.  
Location: Room 104      Leader: Kim Becker

### **Road to Coronation**

Dates: March 10 - April 14      Time: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Location: Room 105      Leader: Pastor Dar Karsten

### **Blessed is the Man –Psalms of Lament**

Dates: March 10 - April 14      Time: 10:30 a.m.  
Location: Conference      Room Leader: Andy Bates D.C.E.

**Celebration:** Today during the worship service we will celebrate all those who have become new members over the past year. Join us following the service for a cake reception in the lobby.

**Easter Flowers:** You may now place your order for the flowers you would like to purchase and take home after the Easter service on April 21. They will be displayed around the altar in a beautiful cross. To place your order for the flowers that are available, go to The Connection Center and fill out the form, along with payment and place it in the envelope provided. You will note that there has been an increase in the cost of the flowers. We had to find a new nursery to meet our needs, as the one we have been using is not selling the spring bulbs any more. Checks should be made out to "St Mark's." Deadline to place your order is Sunday April 7. You may pick up your flowers to take home after the 11:00 a.m. Easter Service or by Tuesday, April 23, in the church entry way. Flowers not picked up by Tuesday will be taken to nursery and retirement homes in the area for their enjoyment.

**Lent with Kids:** A special time from 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. in the Worship Center for families with kids of any age. We will have an after school snack, activity, and family devotion. This is a great way to observe Lent as a family and countdown to Easter if you have little ones who are in bed by 7:30 p.m. Feel free to come even if you are a little late.

**Wednesday Lenten Service:** The coming Messiah (Christ) is prophesied throughout the Old Testament to be a King in the line of King David. This placed in the minds of the Old Testament people – particularly the Jews – visions of power, prestige, pomp and circumstance under the rule of this promised King. Jesus is that King – the Messiah, the promised Savior! However, THE KINGDOM THAT JESUS USHERED IN was the rule of a humble servant who came to serve, not to be served, and ultimately to give His life on the cross for the sins of the whole world. There are various ways to portray what God did in sending His Son – King Jesus! One way to picture the enthronement of this King – His Coronation – His taking control of power – is His death on the Cross! On the cross, He did conquer all the forces of evil – sin, death and the Devil's power – for all who believe in Him. Join us during Lent to explore the road of this King to His Coronation at 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Center.

**Our Vision:** *Bringing Christ's compassion to life.*

**Lent Fellowship Meal:** Before the Wednesday evening Lent service we will have a fellowship meal at 6:00 p.m. in the church lobby. Sign up at the Connections Center to bring a soup, salad, bread or dessert to share.

**Resurrection Celebration**

He is Risen! Come celebrate the awesome news of Jesus' resurrection on Saturday, April 6 from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Bring a friend to share in the activities which include games, crafts, and Easter egg decorating in the gym.

**Easter Pancake Breakfast**

Sunday, April 21  
8:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

**Easter Sunday Worship Celebrations**

Sunday, April 21  
9:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

**Easter Egg Hunt**

Sunday, April 21  
10:15 a.m. (following the 9:15 a.m. service)  
Playground behind Worship Center

**Women's Ministry:** For the first time in many years we are going to have a Women's retreat at St. Mark's. All women young and old are invited. The retreat will begin at 9:00 am on Saturday, March 30 with coffee and pastry, and ends at 3:00 p.m. We will have soup, salad, and dessert for lunch. We will have music, interesting speakers, and slides from mission opportunities and hands-on service projects. Expenses will be covered by a Thrivent grant. Please sign up at the Connections Center notebook for reservations and child care. Bring a friend! The retreat will be free but we do need five volunteers to bring a soup to share. The women from Zion Lutheran Valley Park are bringing desserts and salad. We will be asking for a donation to our LWML mite box ministry. Please call or text Joanie Deuschle at 636-399-5350 or Lauren Bates 636-938-4432 (office). Help us make our March retreat warm and cozy.

**The Novel Seeker's Book Club** continues to meet for fellowship and discussion of our selected books. The next novel that we will be discussing is Educated by Tara Westover. Our next book club will meet on April 6 at 9:00 a.m. at the Eureka Hills Library.

**ISM:** International Student Ministry is taking students to tour the New Cathedral on March 23. Could you transport students from Wash U. to the cathedral? On April 6 we are having a traditional Easter dinner at Village Lutheran in Ladue for our students. Could you once again transport students and stay for lunch? Please email [ismstlouis@gmail.com](mailto:ismstlouis@gmail.com) or call 314-452-6406 to volunteer! Make this the year you become personally involved in world missions without leaving St. Louis!

**Mulch Sale:** Spring is right around the corner! Order your mulch today at [www.stmarkseureka.org](http://www.stmarkseureka.org) (events), or contact a youth student. Contact Debi Petry with any questions at 314-504-4192.

**Family Meeting:** Join us April 28, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. in the Worship Center to discuss the budget.

**Sunday School lesson for PK - High School:** Jesus Clears the Temple

Youth

**Swing-A-Round Fun Town**

Date: Sunday April 28  
Time: 11:30 a.m. -3:00 p.m.  
Ages: 6th – 8th grade (High school students welcome.)  
Cost:\$15.00 per person  
Location: Meet in the St. Mark's gym and then head to Swing -A-Round Fun Town in Fenton.

**Mulch Sales:** Informational sales meeting today at 10:30 a.m. in the youth room. All youth in 7 - 12 grade interested in raising funds for future trips and events should attend this meeting. Contact Debi Petry with any questions at 314-504-4192.

Children's Ministry

**Club 456:** Serving to help youth in fourth, fifth, and sixth grade reach out to others, get connected, and hear the Gospel of Jesus! Join us for fun, food, and Christian fellowship. Register at [www.stmarkseureka.org](http://www.stmarkseureka.org). Contact Lauren Bates for more information at [lbates@stmarkseureka.org](mailto:lbates@stmarkseureka.org)  
Date: March 24  
Time: 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
Location: St. Mark's Gym  
Cost: \$3.00 for Pizza and Drink

**VBS:** This epic African adventure engages the whole herd. At Roar, kids explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life. Mark your calendars for June 3 - 7, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. - noon. Many volunteers are needed. Contact Lauren Bates at [lbates@stmarkseureka.org](mailto:lbates@stmarkseureka.org). Register your students now at [www.stmarkseureka.org](http://www.stmarkseureka.org). Click on the Events section.

**Palm Sunday (April 14):** Children of all ages are invited to meet at the back of church at the beginning of the service to participate in the PALM PARADE during the opening song!

School Ministry

**Summer Camps:** Come spend your summer with us. St. Mark's summer camp is a place where the SON always shines! Visit the school section at [www.stmarkseureka.org](http://www.stmarkseureka.org) to view classes, and times, or to register.