

Easter Special Offering

The special Easter offering is for apportionments. The part of apportionments that we are focusing on at Easter is The World Service Fund. The World Service Fund is considered the heart of our denomination. Without the World Service Fund hunger eradication projects, health service projects, and global advocacy for women and children would not be possible. The purpose of the Fund is to build new churches, financially support missionaries and provide youth ministry here and abroad. Please continue to support these valuable programs by using a pew envelope and marking it special offering for apportionments.

29th Anniversary Feast for the Streets Sponsored by Francis House

A gala evening of food and wine from Sacramento's finest restaurants and wineries, plus live and silent auctions and live music! If you would like to sit at the St. Mark's table please contact the church office at 483-7848. Dedicated to Greg Bunker. (1948-2010)



April 27, from 5:30pm until 8:30pm
Scottish Rite Masonic Center
6151 H Street, Sacramento, CA 95819

Volunteer Opportunities

If you did not notice, there is a new page on the St. Mark's web site.

Volunteers!

This page shows some of the many volunteer opportunities here at St. Mark's. Go ahead and give it a look at www.stmarksumc.com/volunteer.

Happy Mother's Day

Or in this case, Happy Mother's Day eve. All mothers, grandmothers, aunts, mothers-in-waiting and escorts, and anybody else interested in ice cream and mothers, are invited to join together May 7, in Grace Café for an Ice Cream Social to start off the celebration. There will be ice cream, toppings, and something to "a la mode" for all of those attending. Arrive any time after 7:00pm and stay until 9:00pm or until the ice cream and toppings are gone, or the "ala mode" has been consumed, or the music stops. Oh yes, the music. Opportunities will be available to strut your stuff with your favorite mom, or somebody else's, or just sit and listen while you share motherhood with those in attendance. Come and enjoy.





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TODAY at St. Mark's it is Palm Sunday

	8:45am	Chancel Choir-CR	
	9:30am	Faith Pilgrimage-E25	
	9:30am	Worship Service-SA	
	9:30am	Youth Sunday School-GC	
	9:30am	Sunday School-E1-4, 21-23	
	9:30am	St. Mark's Singers-CR	
	9:45am	Worship Band Rehearsal-E26	
	11:00am	Quest Class-E24	
	11:00am	Worship Service-SA	
	11:00am	Jesus Seminar Class-E25	
	11:00am	Sunday School-E1-4, 22-23	
	12:00pm	OWL-GC	
	2:00pm	Seasoned Companions-E24	
	4:00pm	Youth Group-GC	
	6:00pm	Spiritual Companions-E24	

Holy Week Worship Services

Maundy Thursday, April 21

6:30pm, dinner and service
in MacMurdo Hall

Good Friday, April 22

7:00pm, combined service of Tenebrae with
other churches in our circuit, in the Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, April 24

6:00am, sunrise service at
Orville Wright Park
(South down St. Mark's Way)
9:30am, traditional service
in the Sanctuary
11:00am, contemporary service
in the Sanctuary

This Week at St. Mark's

Monday, April 18

Office Closed

7:30pm Home Bible Study-Off Site

Tuesday, April 19

10:00am UMW Bible Study-E5

7:00pm NSP Groups-E24

7:00pm Bell Choir-CR

7:00pm Disciple 2-E25

7:30pm Lent Group-Off Site

Wednesday, April 20

9:00am UMW Sewing & Craft Circle-E5

7:00pm Adult Education Cte.-E21

7:00pm ACT Board Meeting-E24

7:00pm Grace in Motion-SA

Maundy Thursday, April 21

9:30am Men's Group-GC

6:30pm **Worship Service-MH**

Good Friday, April 22

11:00am Membership Care Cte-E25

7:00pm **Worship Service-SA**

Saturday, April 23

8:00am Scone Prep-GC

Easter Sunday, April 24

6:00am **Worship Service-OWPark**

8:45am Chancel Choir-CR

9:30am Faith Pilgrimage-E25

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9:30am Youth Sunday School-GC

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Remember In Prayer

Susanna Aaltonen

(Blythe's friend)

Nancy Aldrich

Jennifer Allen

Paul Allen

Sue Bailey

Lorin Brown

(Cath's brother)

Jennine & Olivia Jones

Mary Kasai

Kimberly

(Linda Short's friend)

Agnes Lappia

Jimmie Poxon

Phyllis Pratt

Tim Rowe

Dick Smith

(Anne's husband)

Trisha St. Clair

In Memoriam

We extend our love and sympathy to the families of these who recently passed away:

... long-time member Earl Smith, who passed away on April 9. He and Marjorie have been living in Woodland, where Marjorie still resides. No services have been planned.

... Don Whitmore, who passed away on April 9. Don is the younger brother of Rev. Richard Whitmore, uncle of Pastor Faith. Services were held in Turlock on April 14.

Please remember their families and friends in your prayers.

Easter Flowers

On Easter Sunday you can remember a loved one by dedicating a delightful blooming spring plant to decorate our Sanctuary. This year we will be offering a lovely assortment of spring-colored blooms like azalea, hydrangea, kalanchoe, cyclamen, ranunculus and Easter lilies for only \$12 per plant. All plants will be available for pick up after the 11:00am service to take home or deliver to someone special. The last day to place orders is today! Please use the order form insert.



First to Worst Update and Follow Up

Many thanks to all who attended the St. Mark's ACT workshop on school finance on April 3. The presentations provided solid information and a call for action to address the fiscal crisis in our schools. The next meeting of the St. Mark's ACT chapter is Wednesday, April 20 at 7:00pm in Room E-23. Please consider joining us as we discuss next steps.

Bill Borah and Haiti Need Our Help

HELP HAITI

Bill Borah is scheduled to return to Haiti April 25 through APRIL 29 to participate in the Forum on *Reconstruction and Water Purification*, Bill needs to purchase his air fare as soon as possible. The prices have been fluctuating from \$786.00 to \$947.00. The estimate the total cost of the trip is about \$1200.00.

We have some fundraisers planned for this summer to raise money for the Haiti United Methodist children's hot lunch program and the October team trip, but this trip has come up at the last minute. Bill needs immediate help with the plane fare.

If you can support Bill in this life-transforming work, please make out a check payable to St. Marks UMC marked for "Haiti" and place it in this Sunday's offering plate.

Just Cup Café

Please come over to the *Just Cup Café* following the service for refreshments and fellowship. We offer regular and decaf coffee as well as tea and juice.



Help with Worship

Would you like to help with the production of Worship? Want to learn how things work behind the scenes? Contact Kevin W. in the church office at 483-7848 if you would like to learn more.