



The Call



May the words of our mouths and the mediations of our hearts be acceptable in Thy sight O Lord our strength and our redeemer.

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July 2022

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Psalm 139:17 – “How precious to me are your thoughts God! How vast is the sum of them! Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand – when I awake, I am still with you”

Summer vacation getaways are still high on priorities this year. After two years of Covid-19 and lockdowns, we are all ready to release the shackles. The vast expanse of God's creation is all at our fingertips. Let us be safe but at the same time enjoy our well deserved family time.

The journey back up the hill to St. Mark's brought some joy but also an opportunity for new beginnings. We are herding our Ministry Leaders back together getting ready for full steam in this Fall. Opportunities abound for individuals who would volunteer to be part of these ministries. Personal participation is part of our mission as Christians and also commitment as Episcopalians. It is one of our Church tenants known as “Time”; time devoted to building the ministry of God.

The youth are excited and eager to participate in the growth of our church. Exciting youth programs are in the plans for the coming year with the expected arrival of a Youth Minister. External Ministries, Flyin Lions, La Escuelita and Ranson Middle School are all back on the radar and ready to get our partnerships back in full swing.

In all our excitement and challenges, I am asking our church families to increase our prayer lives as our country experiences so many tragedies due to gun violence and especially to the most vulnerable, our children.

As Christians, we walk by faith and not by sight, so let us continue to walk along our leader Jesus Christ, who promised that by faith, all things are possible.

Remaining faithful and loved,
Fr Garry+

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Sunday Services
will continue through the Summer

8:30am and 10:30am

Live Streaming will be available with the 10:30am service

Please remember to turn in your pledges during the summer months.

Many of us will be on vacation;
however, the church still has bills to pay.

Checks can also be mailed to: St. Mark's Episcopal Church
8600 Mt. Holly Huntersville Rd.
Huntersville, NC 28078



SUMMER HYMNS

Pick your favorite hymn for August.

Do you have an old favorite, a childhood classic or a tune you heard as a visitor?
Thumb through the hymnal, pick a number, write down the title, jot down the theme.

Give us any idea to go on and we will try to incorporate your favorites
during the month of August.

Fill out the form in the bulletin and place in the offering plate or
Email your selection to Alex Ancona @ awancona@gmail.com by July 24th.

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Youth Sunday
2022
Graduates:
Pryor Rhinehardt
Sydney Bayne
Lesli Kathman





July 31st

One Service at 9:30 with a potluck to follow

Please Bring A

Main Dish

Side or Dessert

Hospitality will set up and clean up; however, they are not providing a main course this month.

Please consider bringing a main dish this month

If you are able to help Hospitality with the set up and clean up on this day

Please contact Kelly Pope

at

kellytpope@gmail.com



**Come see us at the
Farmers Market**

**Flyin' Lions will be at the
Huntersville Farmers Market
Saturday Mornings from 8am - Noon
July 9th, 23rd and 30th
The Market has moved to the lawn in front of
Discovery Place Kids.**

CALLED TO SERVE? SEE OUR MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

As we break for the summer and assess our needs for the next programming year we ask you to prayerfully assess where you may be called to serve when you return from vacation.

WELCOME

Is responsible for our greeter ministry
New comer gatherings, contacting visitors and members who would like additional information
distributing new name tags and
being a friendly face.

If this ministry speaks to you we would love to know.

We are specifically looking for a few more greeters
(time commitment 1 hour Sunday Mornings)

Some folks to make phone calls
(time commitment 20 minutes per week if needed)

Newcomers Social Hosts/Planners
(time commitment, once or twice a year helping to plan and facilitate a gathering)

Reach out to Bridget Stein with questions, or for more information
bridgetstein22@gmail.com

HOSPITALITY

Is responsible for eight or less events per year that revolve around fellowship, food and fun.

Some of these include

Hot dog Sundays, Brunches, Bishop's Reception
Rally Day

Some of our former members have moved on to assist with Flying Lions Events.

We would love to have some new faces to help us as we plan for the new programming year.

This is typically a Sunday commitment which includes fun, and fellowship in the kitchen for all levels of cooks.

Other tasks might include shopping, event set up, low key food prep, serving and clean up.

Ideally we are hoping to gain 6-8 people to join us.
Please contact Kelly Pope with questions or for more information

kellytpope@gmail.com

NURSERY COORDINATOR

Typically this role has been held by a parent that uses the nursery but can be held by anyone.
Duties include, checking in with the nursery attendants on a Sunday morning to see if they need anything.
Creating a schedule for them (can be done quarterly)
Letting the church office know if they have any needs, such as supplies.

Sarah Milholland has been serving in this role since our nursery has reopened; however, it is time to transition it back to a volunteer role as Sarah's commitments on Sunday mornings do not always allow time to check in on the nursery.

If you feel called to serve in this way please contact Sarah for more information

sarahmilholland@stmarksnc.org



Birthdays

Laura Fahey - 7/1

Dawn Lyons – 7/4

Richard Wisner - 7/4

Elly Thompson - 7/8

Willard Osburn - 7/11

Richard Masline - 7/12

Jackie Jones - 7/13

Emma Johnson – 7/19

Saunders Black - 7/20

Anna Gambill - 7/24

Michael Ferguson - 7/25

Sara Tinsley - 7/27

Anniversaries

Greg & Amy Weeks – 7/15

Rick & Bridget Stein – 7/29

Prayers for continued healing:

**Saunders Black
Martha Ann Springer
Richard & Mary Beth Masline
Jim Woolley
Marion Johannsson & Betsy
Paul & Michelle Cravetz
Bob Chandler
Milt Sullivan**

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Fourth of July
Come on out to the Lake
Lacy Hamilton, David and Laura Fahey
Invite St. Mark's Family
to join them for an evening of
Fellowship, Fun and Fireworks



July 4th 7-10pm
at the Fahey's
2153 Willow Cove Lane, Denver, NC

Bring: A chair, bathing suit, towels, floats, picnic (grill available)
Call Laura with questions or for additional information 704-231-3536



JULY
W.I.N.E.
(Women in Need of
Entertainment)

Mark your calendars for Monday,
July 18th at 6:30pm
We will have WINE
at the home of
Lacy Hamilton
5054 Wickford Lane
Denver NC

Bring a dish to share and or your beverage of choice
(adult beverages and non adult beverages)

This event is for ALL women.

If you don't have time for either just bring yourself.

Contact Lacy with any questions.
lacy.hamilton57@gmail.com



Thirstday
Thursday
Will meet on Thursday July 14th
at 6:30

We will meet at
HARVEY'S
(In Vermillion)
13812 Cinnabar Place
Huntersville

Please join us for a brief theological reflection,
fellowship and food.

No RSVP necessary but texts welcome
to David Fahey
704-562-7587

	2022 Budget	May YTD Actual
Current Pledged Income	\$312,436.06	\$152,479.59
All other anticipated income		
Non- Pledge Offerings	\$15,119.00	\$8,163.99.
Other income (use of space by outside groups)	\$145,885.04	\$57,245.00
Sales Tax Refunds	\$9,408.00	\$2,174.74
Daisy Shipp McCoy Foundation Trust Income	\$33,360.00	\$15,001.75
Total Budgeted Operating Income	\$516,208.10	\$235,515.07
2020 Budgeted Expenses Approved by Vestry		\$121,830.42
Staff	\$328,266.74	\$18,440.42
Diocesan Support	\$44,257.00	\$20,719.82
Campus Maintenance & Utilities	\$53,860.00	\$12,165.67
Office Admin & Other	\$40,352.00	\$492.06
Youth & Christian Formation	\$2,760.00	\$4,154.99
Outreach \$ Escuelita Support	\$9,104.00	\$1,202.02
Hospitality, Pastoral Care, Stewardship,& Retreat	\$5,400.00	\$1,955.40
Worship & Music	\$1,604.00	\$41,961.75
Rafters Loan Payment	\$100,708.20	
4% pledges unfulfilled based historic average	\$12,497.44	
Total 2021 Budgeted Expenses	\$586,311.92	\$222,994.58

2022 Pledge update-83 families average pledge \$3,764.00

YTD Pledge fulfillment 48.80%