

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

Annual Report for 2023



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St. Mark's 2023 Annual Meeting Agenda – January 2024

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Prayer
3. Determination of a Quorum
4. Adoption of Time Allotment/Speaking Rules
5. Approval of 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes (page 18)
6. Appointment of Tellers*
7. Report of the Nominating Committee
8. Opening of Polls*
9. Rector's Report
10. Warden's Reports
11. 2023 Financial Report and 2024 Missional Budget
12. Closing of Polls
13. Report from the Tellers*
14. Old Business
15. New Business
16. Closing Prayer
17. Adjournment

Our Mission: We seek to unite all people with God and each other in Christ through worship, fellowship, education, and service.

Vestry Members

Class of 2023 (serving until January 2026 Annual Meeting)

Kent Clark
Rick Werren
Joe Hoot

Class of 2022 (serving until January 2025 Annual Meeting)

Sara Strattan
Leslie Redmon
John Willoughby

Outgoing Vestry Members

Carol Hayn
Gene Little
Mandy Pelger

Vestry Candidates:

Beth Bletzacker



I have been a member of St. Mark's since about 2006. My husband, Kirk, was raised Catholic and I was raised Presbyterian. We attended a few churches before feeling comfortable at St. Mark's.

Kirk and I love living at Meyers Lake. We have three children: Zack, Emily (Gordon), and Alex. Five grandchildren: Oscar, Carson, Zeke, Jack, and Beau. We also have a Golden-doodle named Hank. I retired from Babyland, a secondhand children's store, and from Nannying to help watch our grandchildren, which I totally love! In between babysitting, I help St. Mark's office manager, Katie, with her photography business.

I also like to travel, attend concerts, entertain in the summer, am very competitive, and am a true beach bum!

My contributions to St. Mark's have included being the organizer for the Sunday School Outreach Program (hygiene kits for Hope Outreach Ministry), organizer of the Meal Train, and involved in Prayer Chain & Cluster Dinners. I'm looking forward to serving on Vestry for the first time!

Ken Jaeb



I was born in Canton, Ohio on March 1, 1945. I grew up in Louisville graduating from Louisville High School in 1963.

I have one son, Tony and two stepdaughters, Christa and Cheri.

I joined St Marks in 1979. My wife, Linda and I got married at St. Mark's in 1980. We both sang in the choir and our girls sang in the youth choir. Linda passed away in 2016.

I served on the vestry in the 1980's as a youth minister and in the 1990's as a liaison for the choir.

I retired in 2010 and have lived in North Canton since 1980,

I want to serve, once again, on the vestry to give back a little to St Marks for all the spiritual growth the Church Family has given me.

Kathy Wise



I found St. Marks in 1987 after searching for a church that would work for both John and I since we came from different religious backgrounds. When we discovered St. Mark's, we fell in love with it and made it our spiritual home. Our children, Lindsay and Jonathan grew up in St. Marks, served as acolytes and now my daughter, Lindsay, her husband, Adam and their two children, Giada and Kieran have also made St. Marks their place of worship.

Working several years in private practice and then at both local hospitals as a Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist. I continued to pursue my passion for health and wellness becoming a wellness coach helping people to create a healthy lifestyle, teaching stress management, mindfulness and resilience training. In 2021 I retired from Summa Health System where I was Director of Employee Health and Wellness.

Since retirement I continue to stay active, love spending time with my grandchildren and especially enjoy working with St.

Mark's children as I help assist our wonderful Sunday school teachers.

I served on St. Mark's vestry many years ago and look forward to serving on it again.

Burials: 3
Weddings: 0
Baptisms: 2
Average Sunday Attendance: 74
Easter Sunday Attendance: 148
Christmas Service Attendance: 155

Rector's Report

2023 was an active year at St. Mark's. We have continued to grow both in numbers and activity. Our average Sunday attendance is up by 17% over last year. Over the last two years, we have added 15 new households of various ages. It is good to see the members of St. Mark's incorporating these new members of our family into various fellowship events.

The intergenerational services continue to be a strong component of our parish family life. The children and youth of St. Mark's are not only the future of the church. They are also contributing to our present parish life. It has been exciting to see them take ownership of the hygiene kits for Hope Outreach Ministry and to see them help with the crafts at the intergenerational service. We have also added a few helpers to the Sunday School so we can split into different age groups from time to time.

In November we began serving lunch at Hope Outreach Ministry on the third Sunday of each month. Those who participated in the beginning of this outreach opportunity reported that it was a rewarding experience. Hopefully, as we get to know the people there, we will be able to learn from their experiences.

We held a "New to St. Mark's" class, which was well attended. The purpose of the class was to explain some of the distinctive elements of the Episcopal Church, as well as to look at the Baptismal Covenant. The Baptismal Covenant is a statement of our beliefs as well as how those beliefs shape the way we live.

It was great to see the Betty Fortney Sanctuary renovated over the Summer. We were able to hold one service there after the renovation. I look forward to utilizing the sanctuary when the weather turns warm once again. To facilitate the use of the sanctuary, it would be helpful to have a team of people to help set up prior to the service. As the time when the weather allows us to use the sanctuary approaches, we will put out an appeal to people to help.

The relationship with Weaver Child Development Center continues to be strengthened as Geoff Gordon meets with their board. Through a grant they received, Weaver was able to replace the door leading from the lower parking lot into the undercroft.

I anticipate finishing the classwork for my D.Min. program in the spring. God willing and the faculty of Lexington Theological Seminary consenting, I will then begin a final project which will lead to an action research dissertation for the completion of the program.

I look forward to continuing the growth of our St. Mark's family in 2024.

Fr. RJ+

Senior Warden's Report

The Vestry has been very busy this past year managing the changes, challenges, and opportunities that presented in this past year. Blessed with the leadership of Father RJ, we have been guided by the words in our mission of worship, fellowship, education, and service. Membership has increased, our involvement with Outreach has increased, and we have a closer relationship with Weaver Child Development Center. The diocese also welcomed Bishop Anne Jolly to Ohio.

We have been blessed with an excellent Finance Committee and Trustees who watch carefully over the budget and finances of the church. While financial challenges remain, there are tremendous opportunities for growth as we move into the new year. We have already experienced an increase in membership, which is an indication we are moving in the right direction. We must build on this momentum and continue the work ahead to grow the church.

To assist in this endeavor, the Vestry organized the various ministries within the church into five key areas of Administration, Worship, Fellowship, Outreach/Mission, and Parish Care/Christian Education. It was amazing to discover we have over 30 committees managing the activities within each of these key ministries. St. Mark's strength has always come from the steadfast commitment of our parishioners, young and old. We have been strengthened by the addition of new members this year, and it is great to see them getting involved in serving a ministry within the church.

Our Outreach programs, under the guidance of Beth Bletzacker and Mandy Pelger, expanded this year, with volunteers helping out at Gibbs School for First Friday visits, Halloween trick or treat, and serving Thanksgiving dinner to over 600 people. Emily Gordon and the Sunday school teachers did an amazing job in supporting Outreach this year, with the children assembling over 800 hygiene packets for Hope Outreach Ministries. We are also enjoying more participation from the children with our quarterly intergenerational services, their beautiful singing at various services, and the annual Christmas pageant. Reading about them in the Sunday bulletins has been a great way to get to know them better.

St. Mark's music program, under the direction of W. Robert Morrison, was again filled with beautiful selections sung by the choir, soloists, and occasional musical guests. Accompanying at times on the piano is Sally Little, who also provides music for the Sunday school. We enjoy Bob and Sally's duets played before the service, and during the intergenerational services. With Karen Violand leading the bells, and Bruce Schutrum's technical skills and musical accompaniment, we have been very blessed with these beautiful musical ministries.

Many volunteers participated in the renovation of the Betty Fortney Sanctuary in the Woods. Generous donations from the parish supported an Eagle Scout project to complete all the improvements and upgrades. Finishing touches included a new altar, additional benches, and lovely hand painted stones by the children of St. Mark's and Weaver Child Development Center.

We celebrated the rededication of the chapel in September.

I feel very blessed to have worked with the other members of Vestry this year. They are truly a dedicated, committed group of individuals who care deeply about this church and its parishioners. St. Mark's is going strong into the future, and I am confident we will see another year of growth in the new year. Thank you all for your support, and for allowing me to be your Senior Warden in 2023.

Leslie Redmon
Senior Warden

Junior Warden's Report

Having been elected to serve as Junior Warden for a second year has provided new insights into the strong leadership at St. Mark's. It has been rewarding to participate and observe. Our parish family continued to grow: in size, in activities tied to our mission statement, and in confidence for our future. It is a pleasure to note the numerous ministries included in this Annual Report, and the great ways they are helping to fulfill Our Mission at St. Mark's: "We seek to unite all people with God and each other in Christ through worship, fellowship, education and service".

Your Rector and Vestry work collaboratively and productively to seek solutions to the issues and needs that arise. An organized "Ministry/Vestry" communication and support structure has been established to assist. An updated Vestry Handbook is being finalized to contribute to Vestry effectiveness and efficiency. The Treasurer, Finance Committee and the Endowment Trustees continue the serious work related to St. Mark's financial health. Our relationship with Weaver Development Center has been enhanced thanks to the effort led by our Liaison, Geoff Gordon. Our efforts have expanded with Hope Outreach Ministries and Gibbs Elementary School, while being maintained with other community drives. Our Stewardship Committee completed its annual "campaign" with engaging and informative dinner sessions that help "Continue Growing Our Family". We have gained new members as the message has spread via word of mouth and social media about our friendly, open and spiritual environment. Our newcomers inspire us to continue to invest our time, talents and riches for a brighter future.

We are a thoughtful and generous community of Episcopalians! I urge you to participate and enjoy the fellowship, solace and spiritual blessings that exist here.

Respectively submitted,
John Willoughby
Jr. Warden

Parish Musician's Report

Our ministry of music depends on dedicated volunteers. This year we were blessed with the keyboard skills of Sally Little. She came to my attention when it was planned to have the Sunday School children sing, and it was apparent that Sally was a gifted player. Since then she has duetted with me and done solo work at the Ron Hill synthesizer. Sandi Kaustinen's parents Jim and Jan McIlvaine were in my choir downtown and I've known Sandi for quite some years. At Christmas a while back we did a Robert Hebble cantata with harp. Sandi sang the final solo "O Holy Night" and Marilyn Thorp remarked that she had never heard it so beautifully sung! For some time Sandi and her daughter and later on Caroline did the significant Easter duet "The Magdalene." Frances Agnes Hooks Swinehart, born in Britain, then married to an American citizen, now deceased, has the pure voice of a boy soprano, most evident in her recent solo of Dvorak's "God Is My Shepherd." Leslie Ellason Redmon is not only a fine soprano but also a skilled reviewer of church events in St. Mark's literature. Pam McCarthy does double duty as a Eucharistic minister and an alto. When we did a three-part ladies' chorus she sang the difficult middle voice with distinction. Rebecca Ruth Mehollin Rand is our librarian. She and photographer (and bluebird whisperer husband Bill) renovated the choral library. She has a warm and deep alto voice. Barrie Thorp has been a longtime mainstay in the tenor section. His wife has sponsored numerous choir dinners at their gracious home. Ken Jaeb is perhaps the finest singer I know for accuracy of pitch. His recent rendition of "It Is Enough" from Mendelssohn's "Elijah" was masterful. And when I ask the choir to rehearse at 9:00 o'clock, Chuck Violand is present at 8:55 and never fails to notify me of times when he cannot attend. His wife Karen, although not a chorister, not only acolytes but is the "go-to" person for anything handbell related, using the handbell tree and handbell table which my late caregiver Ray Eddie Slinger constructed. Caroline Tory Valentine Willoughby's offering of Gounod's masterpiece "O Divine Redeemer" last Lent was a high moment, and I'm hoping her

schedule will allow us to hear more. John Werren lends his vocal talent to our choir when Florida is willing to send him our way.

St. Mark's is such a welcoming family of faith. I don't know how long my age will permit me to serve in this way, but am thankful for these 26 years of my tenure.

Respectfully submitted, *W. Robert Morrison*

MINISTRY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Acolytes

Saint Mark's acolytes are a special group of people. They are loyal to Saint Mark's, add pageantry and dignity to the service, carry out the liturgical sequence of the mass, assist the priest and lead the processional and recessional each Sunday.

We presently have four acolytes. They are Danny Holihan, Brooks Deuble, Karen Violand and Joe Hoot. To their credit, these four acolytes have covered all Sunday services and special services throughout the 2023 church calendar.

We are currently looking to add eligible church members to the acolyte staff. I as acolyte adviser appreciate their continued participation.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gary L. Giammarco

Altar Guild

Altar Guild had another wonderful year!

We have welcomed two more new members this year – Heather Thomas and Kathy Wise. Eloise Hochwalt has stepped back from active membership, but continues to keep up with our activities, and Marilyn Thorp has continued to assist by polishing the silver every few months.

During 2023, we were able to arrange for new torches for the acolytes to carry. It may not have been noticeable from the pews, but the old torches were more than ready to be retired. When thinking about the torches it brings to mind all the types of candles we maintain. Among them are:

- Altar Candles -- the two candles that sit on the altar. *Acts 20 records that there were "many lights" at the service at Troas when Paul and other Christians gathered to break bread. Lamps and candles were in normal use in Christian worship by the fourth century, but for many years it was not customary to place candles on the altar. The first known mention of the use of altar lights was a twelfth-century report that two candles flanked an altar cross in the papal chapel. The injunction of Edward VI in 1547 called for there to be two lights on the high altar "for the signification that Christ is the very true light of the world." Candles have been used in some English cathedrals and churches since the seventeenth century. The use of candles at the eucharist was disputed in the Church of England and in the Episcopal Church during the nineteenth century. During the years of the ritualist controversy in the Episcopal Church, the General Conventions of 1868, 1871, and 1874 considered proposals to prohibit the use of altar candles. Use of candles in worship was strongly favored by Episcopalians of the catholic tradition and resisted by those of the evangelical tradition. The use of altar candles was never prohibited by General Convention. Use of altar lights and other*

candles in the worship of the church is now customary. (<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/glossary/candles/>)

- **Pavement Candles** – the freestanding candles placed near the altar which are lighted during services.
- **Sanctuary Lamp** – the candle which hangs in front of the *aumbry*. The aumbry is the small cupboard in the wall behind the altar. It is used to hold the *reserved sacrament* (consecrated bread and wine). The candle is always lit when there is reserved sacrament in the aumbry.
- **Paschal Candle** -- *A large candle that symbolizes the risen Christ. It is often decorated with a cross, symbols of the resurrection, the Greek letters Alpha and Omega, and the year. The term "Paschal" concerns Easter or Passover. It is customary for the Paschal candle to burn at all services from Easter through Pentecost (BCP, pp. 285-287).... After the Easter season, the Paschal candle is typically placed near the font. It should burn at baptisms, representing the new life in Christ that we share in baptism. The newly baptized person may be given a small baptismal candle that is lit from the Paschal candle. It may also be carried in procession at burials and placed near the coffin as a symbol of resurrection life.* (<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/glossary/paschal-candle/>)
- **Torches** – these candles are mounted on poles and are carried by acolytes in procession, including the gospel procession. Their purpose is to enhance the solemnity and festivity of worship.
- **Advent Wreath** -- *A circle of greenery, marked by four candles that represent the four Sundays of the season of Advent. An additional candle is lit as each new Sunday is celebrated in Advent. Advent wreaths are used both in churches and in homes for devotional purposes. The candles may be blue, purple, or lavender, depending on local custom. Some Advent wreaths include a white candle in the center known as the "Christ Candle," which is lit on Christmas Eve.* (<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/glossary/advent-wreath/>)

Altar flower dedications continue to be offered at cost. Sadly, dedications have dropped off this year, and we are required to dip into our reserves to cover the cost of flowers for regular Sunday services.

Altar Guild continues to cover the expense for the water cooler in the family room.

The Altar Guild is a volunteer group of the parish whose ministry is to care for the altar, vessels, and altar linens of the parish. Altar Guild members prepare the sanctuary for services, and clean up afterwards. Altar Guild members frequently supervise the decoration of the sanctuary of the parish with flowers.

If you are interested in learning more about the Altar Guild, please do not hesitate to reach out to any of our members. We welcome your inquiries.

Cindy Brown, Diana Cornell, Beth Crawl, Linda Deuble, Paulette Frech, Bobbi Gordon,
Susie Hines, Eloise Hochwalt, Carol Popovich, Pat Silagy Wesson, Kathy Sloan
Sara Strattan, Heather Thomas, Karen Violand, Kathy Wise

Book Club

Books read this year:

This Time Next Year We'll be Laughing
Tears of the Giraffe
A Cuban Girl's Guide to Tea and Tomorrow
News of the World

Lincoln Highway
Lessons in Chemistry
Honor
Horse
The Splendid and the Vile
The Book of Longings
The Boys in the Boat
Dream Town

Book Club meets the second Monday of every month at 3:00 PM in the Family Room. Our group has grown from 5-6 people a couple of years ago, to our current group of 12 readers! Everyone is welcome to attend, and we are always looking for exciting books to read. The current books for the upcoming two months are always posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Please feel free to join us!

Leslie Redmon

Building & Grounds

We have taken care of the building for another year with challenges. Your church home is used daily by Weaver school and they have invested in our building. This should not go unnoticed: a new alarm entry system to better secure the building, and a new door at the East entry stairwell to the parking lot near the pavilion. They also added hand washing stations where drinking fountains were. It is a good thing the building is in use helping God's children rather than being empty.

Please read Geoff Gordon's report on Weaver School for more info. We had trees trimmed and some dangerous ones taken down. With the help of the City of Canton's Arborist we identified which trees and learned a thing or two from him. We always have issues with some plumbing, heating, cooling, etc. Some of these are handled in house, others with contracted companies. If you know a thing or two and can lend a hand please let me know. joe24hoot@gmail.com We have a great group of men that can take care of a lot of different issues that come up.

Our biggest issue is the flat roof. The team has done some really good research and saved money for now. We are looking at ways to solve the leaking parts of the roof and preventive care. The Boy Scout's updated The Betty Fortney Chapel. It looks great with a new altar, benches, and paint. A special thanks to Leslie Redmon for seeing this project through.

We continue to try to save money where we can, and have some ideas for the future to save more when it makes sense.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph Hoot

Cluster Dinners

Cluster Dinners have been gathering since 2013 - 10 years!!!! Its purpose is threefold: fellowship, hospitality (both the giving and receiving) and dining. The custom is to meet almost monthly between April and November. In 2023, 30 adult couples and singles signed up. For several folks, it was their first time to attend/host these dinners. The format changed this year in that the hosts (with Fr RJ's availability) choose a date and the first 8, 10, or 12 who RSVP then attended.

Typically, the dining is carried out by a potluck in homes, which were April 16, June 8, July 15 (lake fun), Sept 22, and Oct 14. Atypically in August, we were paying guests at an Amish dinner which was organized by a parishioner and open to the whole congregation. What a treat and good fellowship time! The variety of "venues" has been enjoyable.

A hearty *thank you* to all of the hosts who offer Christian hospitality, as well as fellow parishioners/"receivers" of that hospitality.

Fr RJ's support in cooking/assembling a potluck contribution as well as attending as many as possible is most appreciated.

We typically take a hiatus in the winter months. Cluster Dinner opportunities will aim to resume in April, when the weather is mild and the daylight is longer.

Respectfully submitted
MaryAnn Kiesling, Coordinator

ECW

The "Somebunny" Easter baskets were delivered to the 32 women and some 10 custodial children at the Y.W.C.A. Also given were several "Welcome baby" gift baskets to expectant mothers. These were requested by the intake person at the Y. They contained a baby blanket, baby toiletries and 2-3 clothing items for an infant plus a lotion for the mother. More baby baskets were delivered during the summer. We had remaining money from your Easter donations, so I bought some crib mattress pads, towel sets, pots and pans, and clothing for the residents and children residing there over Christmas.

There was a meeting after Easter for the women interested in E.C.W. As you may know, nothing transpired, although there were several suggestions. Of main concern is finding a daytime to meet that doesn't conflict with the school. Also, we need projects that aren't overwhelming for our size and age. We plan to have Ohio Tea come for a program and tea tasting in 2024.

Susan Little

Greeters/Welcome Guild

One of the main purposes of the Welcome Guild is to provide greeters at every Sunday 10 o'clock service, plus the typical 2 services on Christmas Eve. Christian hospitality is a gracious opening to God's house. Thank you to all our fellow parishioners who are aware of being greeters and who are willing to take a turn and often sign up, without being prompted. There is a signup sheet on the kiosk in the lobby. If need be, we text/phone folks or snag them in the lobby.

Ideally, *two* greeters (of any age) welcome parishioners and visitors. We seem to be having more first timers than in a long time. So acknowledging them is important and proves that we really are as friendly as we like to think we are!

It's the *easiest and most enjoyable* ministry - there's no prep!!! A cheery "hello" and a smile are all that are needed. And wearing our name tags is really helpful. These are, also, signs of Christian hospitality.

Support from vestry could include:

You could wear your nametag - most people do, thank you!

You could sign up to be a greeter (it's different from being an usher). Speak to a person that you don't recall seeing before. One could ask "have you been to St. Mark's before?" "Are you visiting?"

As greeters, we can offer a Visitor Bag, show where: the coat room and restrooms are, where the guest book is, accompany them to coffee hour, and introduce them to Fr RJ, and where the sanctuary is - we take all this for granted. We could also locate where Sunday school is being held.

At the stewardship dinner, Fr RJ reported that there are 11/12 new folks in our midst. Now how do we assimilate these folks into our Christian community?

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Hixon MaryAnn Kiesling Pat Silagy Wesson Tory Willoughby

History Committee

In the St. Mark's Jane Harig Memorial Library there are notebooks from 1954 to 1969 that contain the history of the church for those years. The notebooks highlight the significant events that took place for each year. 1954 and 1955 tell how and why St. Mark's was started. There are even pictures of events, such as confirmation classes, church services, building of the church, etc.

After 1969 we have information on the history of St. Mark's but it is scattered. The history committee is going through vestry minutes, annual reports and Lion's Tales looking for significant dates and events for the years 1970 to the present. From this information we hope to create notebooks for those years and a timeline of the history of St. Mark's. Our goal is to have the notebooks and timeline ready for St. Mark's 70th year celebration in 2025.

If you have any pictures of a St. Mark's event from 1970 to the present and you would like to share, please let me know. We would like to include them with the notebooks.

Kathy Sloan

Hope Outreach Ministry

St. Mark's has a long relationship with Hope Outreach Ministry, going back to 2015. Hope Outreach, located at 1530 Superior Avenue NE, is a faith based inner city mission serving needy and homeless families. Our initial focus was collecting blankets for the families in need. Soon we were collecting all types of winter items and then expanded to include men's, women's, and children's clothing. We collected items to support this mission with our own "Hope Chest" located in the Narthex. Collected items were delivered directly to Hope on a regular basis. Last year, the St. Mark's Sunday School decided to collect bar soaps and wash clothes to make personal hygiene bags that the homeless will be able to use more than just one time. To date, they have put together almost 1000 kits! And starting in November of 2023, adult members of St. Mark's will volunteer to be in charge of serving a hot lunch one Sunday per month to hungry people at Hope Outreach. Thank you to all who have made a difference.

Respectfully submitted, Gary Mull

Knitting (crocheting, etc included).

We knit on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 1-3 in the afternoon. We knit hats and scarves to donate to the Seamen's Church Institute, however we also knit prayer shawls, plus our own personal knitting. There are presently 5 dedicated knitters and one who crochets. If you want to learn to knit or crochet, let us know. Basic knitting instructions given. Sue Little

Lay Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Visitors, and Worship Leaders

Saint Mark's continues to be blessed by Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers who strive to put meaning and clarity in their reading of scripture. I am thankful for the time and effort they put in to making our services special each Sunday morning.

Tom Turner, Anne Coen, Carol Hayn, Derek Gordon, Bruce Schutrum, Pam McCarthy, Mark Nadel, Kim Nadel, Judy Hixon, and Bruce Hixon serve the 10 O'Clock Congregation, while Sara Strattan, Paul Sack, Diana Cornell, and our new Lector Doug Carey serve at 8 O'Clock. All serve from time to time at special services during the Church Year. I cannot thank them enough.

Greatly missed will be Fletcher Clark who has embarked on his college career at The Ohio State University.

We are always happy to welcome new members to our ministry. If you feel called to the service of Christ through the reading of the Word and/or the administration of the Chalice, please speak to Fr. RJ or Bruce Hixon.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bruce Hixon

Our Eucharistic Visitors were inactive in 2023

Lazarus Committee

The Lazarus Committee had a very busy year updating the Columbarium literature along with our other End of Life Resource documents. I want to thank the Committee, the Vestry, and Katie Kuceyeski for navigating this process. I also want to especially thank Kathy Sloan for sharing her extensive knowledge of the columbarium. Her expertise allowed us to fine tune the documents and assure that our columbarium policies are as current as possible.

We were also able to work with the building and grounds committee to repair the floor in the columbarium and restore the memorial bench.

If you have not done so already, we encourage everyone to take an opportunity to review all of the End of Life Resources available to St. Mark's parishioners.

Derek Gordon

Lunch Bunch

Meets on the fourth Tuesday at 1:00 at various local restaurants. We have had attendance from 4-12 ladies meet each month. Sue Little

Marketing/Social Media

St. Mark's continued to have a presence on Facebook and Instagram, growing our following and interactions. We ran several ads over the year, all well-received with messages that vestry helped craft.

We maintain a small listing in the Canton Repository.

The increase in activity and photos provided by Bill, Bruce, and many others helped to provide content that was more personal and interesting. The photos from the intergenerational event, especially, were well-loved by social media followers.

Going forward, the most helpful way to support St. Mark's reach within the community is to like, comment, and share posts and to continue to provide content to the office when possible.

Katie Kuceyeski

Meal Train

St. Mark's Meal Train only provided meals for one parishioner in 2023. They consisted of nine dinners that were delivered.

I try to reach out to parishioners (and/or family members) that are listed on the Prayer Chain that I participate in, and Katie Kuceyeski keeps me updated also.

Special thanks to all the "cooks" who deliver these delicious dinners when called upon.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Bletzacker

Men Out Dining (MOD) Squad

We have had a great time dining out this year. Met new members of the church and ate at some really good local restaurants. Currently we have about 25 members that come when they can. Most nights we have 15-18 different men come out for dinner. Some bring their sons, others their fathers. We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month and are open to all men of the Parish. Once a year the Bletzacker's host us for our anniversary. We hang out at the lake, take a boat ride, eat hamburgers, sides and Beth makes a wonderful dessert! If this sounds like a good time please join us!

Contact me at joe24hoot@gmail.com or any Sunday morning.

Happily submitted
Joseph Hoot

Outreach

Gary Mull, Mandy Pelger, and Sue Little

During 2023 St. Marks continued outreach with Hope Outreach Ministries. The Sunday School will continue to collect items to donate for self care packages that are passed out as needed at Hope Outreach. We will also now be serving a hot meal on the 3rd Sunday of each month, so if you are able please sign up for this great outreach that allows us to go out and help people in need. The members who have already served meals can share with you how heartwarming and positive the experience is.

Along with our efforts to Hope Outreach we have also continued to support Gibbs Elementary in the Canton City School district. This year we provided candy for the school wide trick or treat to ensure all students would have a safe opportunity to trick or treat. Along with trick or treat St. Marks also provided part of the meal for Gibbs Annual Thanksgiving Feast. The Gibbs staff and students are extremely thankful for the support St. Marks has shown them over the last few years.

The outreach committee will continue to meet and work towards finding the best outreach opportunities for our St. Mark's family. If you have any ideas you would like to share please contact a committee member.

Mandy Pelger

Ministry:
Community Christmas
Thanksgiving Baskets

Money Raised:
\$ 1915.07
\$ 1665.00

Parish Care

Parish Care mainly reaches out to families when a funeral is being planned at St. Mark's.

We work with family members and Fr.RJ to help arrange a luncheon or reception following the service. Our goal is to offer comfort and support during this difficult time.

The family room provides a welcoming and restful place for families to be with loved ones and friends. Often we put together a meal on short notice. We can see the Holy Spirit at work as church members come together when there is a need.

Thanks to all who have helped during the past year.

Sincerely,

Grace Giammarco and the Parish Care Committee.

Parish Notecards *a behind the scenes ministry*

Parish Notecard Ministry has been ongoing since 2016 and is directed toward our fellow parishioners who are "missing in the pews" but still a part of St. Mark's family. We 3 ladies hand write a brief sentence or two, incorporating spiritual/Biblical sentiments or addressing specific situations. Prior to handing the notecards to Fr RJ, we pray for the recipients. He then signs them, prays for them, and mails them. Our thanks goes out to Fr RJ for his part in this ministry. We aim to send "rounds" of notecards 3 - 4 times a year, avoiding commercial/Hallmark "holidays".

The breakdown of recipients in 2023 is as follows:

February 22; June 13; September 13; October 5; November 11. The list of recipients is shared only with Fr RJ, the wardens, and the chair of the Prayer Chain. Some parishioners are homebound and therefore receive a notecard with each "round". Our next mailing will be in February 2024 or as soon as would be deemed appropriate. We 3 feel that our ministry is an example of letting folks know that they are remembered by their church family.

We thank Katie for printing the notecards and providing our supplies.

Respectfully submitted

Grace Giammarco
MaryAnn Kiesling
Bobbi Zollinger

Parish Notecards (Greeting Cards)

2023 was the first year for the Greeting Card ministry at St. Mark's. This new program came about as a supplement to the well-established Parish Notecard ministry, as a way to recognize and celebrate birthdays and anniversaries in our church family. Each month throughout the year, committee members review listings in the parish directory and prepare greeting cards with messages appropriate to the event being celebrated. Individuals not shown in the directory who have received a blessing during weekly worship are also included

when possible. The Rector signs each card, and the Office Manager mails the cards in advance of the birthday or anniversary. During the ministry's first year, 150 greeting cards were sent out. To further this ministry, parishioners who have not included birthday/anniversary dates in the St. Mark's directory are encouraged to do so!

Photography

It has been my pleasure this year to supply photos capturing the life and events of our St. Mark's family. Many others, especially Bruce Hixon, have supplied excellent photos recording significant events. Here is a list of some of those events. Capturing and sharing personal moments, celebrations, and our children's joy and charm continue to be a satisfying and inspirational service for me.

Photographs supplied:

Annual Meeting, Children's Outreach for homeless, Choir: January 22
Children's Outreach Project + Altar Guild Meeting: February 12
Father RJ with a beam of light shining on him: February 12
Pancake Supper: February 21
Intergenerational Service: February 26
Music, Bells, Choir, Piano Duet: March 5
Blessing Children's Outreach for the Homeless: March 26
Palm Sunday: April 2
Easter Sunday: April 9
Children's Outreach: April 30
Baptism of Becs Marie Hostettler: May 7 (Sent to them personally)
Fletcher Clark Senior Acolyte Photo: May 14 (Sent to family as well)
Choir Party: June 14
Supplied file photo of Jane McFadden (on her passing) July 1
Intergenerational Service-Blessing the Back Packs- Children's Outreach: August 21
Outdoor Service in the Betty Fortney Sanctuary: September 24
Bob Morrison's 98th Birthday: Oct. 1
Chuck and Karen Violand Anniversary: Oct. 8 (Sent to them personally)
Children's Choir sing: Oct. 29
Derek & Emily Gordon Anniversary: Oct. 29 (Sent to them personally)
All Saints Day: Candle lighting – Children's Outreach for the homeless: Nov. 5
Intergenerational Service: Dec. 3
Anticipate: Christmas Eve and Christmas Day: Dec. 24, 25

Respectfully submitted.

Bill Rand

Prayer Chain

Another busy year for the Prayer Chain with frequent requests to pray for mostly health-related concerns. I think we all feel the importance, privilege, & power of our prayers, especially if you are a recipient of them but also as the facilitator.

"To speak with our divine creator knowing he listens and responds wisely is an awesome privilege." The Privilege of Prayer, Richard Coekin

Faithfully submitted by Bobbi Gordon

Social Committee

The Social Committee was reinvigorated this year and participated in planning the many fellowship events throughout the year. The Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper was well attended, with the menfolk backstage flipping pancakes and serving up a great breakfast. Our Lenten dinners and Palm Sunday brunch are always well attended. Chef Carol Popovich and her team of volunteers always provide great food and treats for our parish events throughout the calendar year. Yummy meals were prepared for the Stewardship meetings which were well attended this year.

Burgers and ice cream were a big hit at the annual Picnic in the Pavilion, with Joe Hoot and his A-team at the grill, and lots of goodies provided by the entire parish. The newly renovated Betty Fortney Sanctuary in the Woods was celebrated with an outdoor service in September, as well as a very well attended Blessing of the Animals in October (even with the chilly weather!). This has been a great (and fun!) ministry to be involved in and we hope to have even more social events in the coming year.

Leslie Redmon

Stewardship Committee

This has been a rewarding time for me. We are seeing an increase in both pledging, Parrish growth, and involvement in the many Parish family ministries. In the short 2 years of this committee we have seen growth. We continue with challenges but we talk about them so we can help solve them together. We have more to do and I believe we will continue to help grow our Parish and the funds needed to sustain our mission. Some little things we accomplished, Sunday school bios in the Bulletin, BOLD print in the Bulletin where the Parish is to respond, our mission statement “WE SEEK TO UNITE ALL PEOPLE WITH GOD AND EACH OTHER IN CHRIST THROUGH WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP, EDUCATION, AND SERVICE”. Hopefully you have seen this in some new places as we try to reintroduce this statement. This statement was made over 10 years ago and still holds true, we just need to learn it again. At our dinners this year we had 6 different speakers. We had everything from laughter to tears from them. A special thanks goes out to all who spoke, Chuck Violand, Gary Giammarco, Pam Clark, Maggie Holihan, Gary Mull, and Emily Gordon. Thanks to Carol Popovich, Leslie Redmon, and Kathy Sloan for some great food and help in the kitchen.

Joseph Hoot

Stream Team

St. Mark's has been streaming our 10:00AM Sunday services for the past four years. The live viewing audience has averaged around six people. Once posted, the stream is viewed fifty to seventy five times. The dedicated streaming team consists of John Wise, Joe Hoot, Bruce Hixon and Geoff Gordon. If you'd like to join the ministry, please see Geoff.

Sunday School

In 2023 the Sunday School regularly met January-May, were off for the summer, and picked back up in the Fall. We kicked off 2023 with a new outreach project! Thanks to Beth Bletzacker for coordinating our Hygiene Kits for Hope Outreach and to our Sunday School kiddos for working hard putting those together. The project would not be possible without the donations from the congregation! Thanks to all efforts, we have put together and donated 1,861 kits to date! The Sunday school has also helped implement quarterly Intergenerational services. We started the year with a great intergenerational service in February during Lent, the next in May, blessing of the backpacks and hygiene kit making in August, and wrapping up the year with an advent themed service.

This Fall we have 9 active children (7 boys, 2 girls) ranging from ages 5 to 11. Sally Little has continued to volunteer her time to provide some music for our students. They work with her for 10-15 minutes most Sundays. The children performed 2 songs for the congregation in the Spring, 2 songs in October and Christmas songs for our Christmas pageant! We have also tried to break the kids into 2 groups once a month or so to separate some of the ages. This would not be possible without our teachers and assistants.

A huge thank you to those that volunteer with our Sunday School:

Lindsay Argenti, Beth Bletzacker, Katie Cerrone, Linda Deuble, Gary Giammarco, Bobbi Gordon, Maggie Holihan, Mandy Pelger, and Kathy Wise.

Submitted with joy,
Emily Gordon

St. Mark's Annual Meeting Minutes January 22, 2023

1. **Call to Order**

- The Annual Meeting was held in person, as well as virtually via Facebook for those unable to attend in person.
- The meeting was called to order at 10:21am.

2. **Opening Prayer**

- Fr. RJ Johnson opened the meeting with a prayer.

3. **Determination of a Quorum**

- A quorum was declared with 41 parishioners present. There were 17 viewers on Facebook.

4. **Adoption of Time Allotment / Speaking Rules**

- Old and New Business item discussions are limited to 30 minutes and remarks are limited to 3 minutes each.
- Barrie Thorp **motioned** to adopt the Speaking Rules. Rick Werren seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

5. **Approval of 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes**

- The minutes of the 2022 Annual Meeting were included in the Annual Meeting packet.
- There were no corrections or discussion.
- Pam McCarthy **motioned** to approve the Minutes from the 2022 Annual Meeting. Barrie Thorp seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

6. **Appointment of Tellers**

- Tellers were not needed, as the Candidates were running unopposed.

7. **Report of the Nominating Committee**

- Nominees for the Vestry Class of 2023 are Kent Clark, Joe Hoot, and Rick Werren.

8. **Opening of Polls**

- The Polls were opened and there were no nominations from the floor.
- Judy Hixon made a **motion** to close the nominations and the polls, accept the Nominees presented by the Nominating Committee, and elect the three Candidates by voice vote. Kim Nadel seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.
- All three Candidates were elected unanimously by voice vote.

9. **Rector's Report**

- The full Rector's Report is in the Annual Meeting packet.
- Fr. RJ commented on meeting 3 of the 6 goals he had set for 2022.
 - We added 6 households to the parish in 2022.

- We established an outreach program that is suitable for anyone in the parish to participate in if they want to be involved.
- Geoff Gordon has been appointed Liaison with Weaver School.
- Goals for 2023:
 - Add 6 more households to the parish.
 - Add one more outreach program.
- Long term goals:
 - Increase the average Sunday attendance to 100 by 2027. In 2022 the average was 63.
 - Balance the budget without requiring withdrawing funds from the Trust by 2027.

10. Wardens' Reports

- Senior Warden Bruce Hixon's report is included in the Annual Report packet.
- Junior Warden John Willoughby's report is included in the Annual Report packet.

11. 2022 Financial Report and 2023 Missional Operating Budget

- The Financial Reports are included in the Annual Meeting packet.
- Fr RJ presented a summary of key items in the Financial Report.
- Gary Mull mentioned that the performance of the Trust in 2022 was down considerably due to market conditions.

12. Closing of Polls

- Not needed.

13. Report from the Tellers

- None needed.

14. Old Business

- There was no Old Business.

15. New Business

- Board of Trustees
 - Maggie Holihan, President of the Board of Trustees, introduced three proposed changes to the original Trust Document.
 - i. Change language to be gender neutral.
 - ii. Streamline the process for nominating Trustees. The Nominating Committee will consist of The President of the Trustees, the Senior Warden, and Fr. RJ.
 - iii. Allow a Trustee to also be a member of the Vestry, however not more than one Vestry member can be a Trustee.
 - Maggie Holihan **motioned** to adopt the proposed changes to the Trust Document as described. Rick Crawl seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.
- Fr. RJ thanked Beth Crawl, Bruce Hixon, and Marcia Kiesling for their past 3 years of service as Vestry members.

16. Closing Prayer

- Fr. RJ closed the meeting with a prayer.

17. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 10:41am with a **motion** by Gene Little, seconded by Kim Nadel, and approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
 Karen Violand
 Clerk

TRUSTEES REPORT

The Trustees of St. Mark's manage all endowment funds for the church. Endowment funds are made up of bequests and donations which generous parishioners and friends have given to St. Mark's to ensure the longevity and well-being of the parish. With the creation of the trust, past parishioners wanted to set up a tool to benefit the church and a vehicle to provide funds for projects and needs beyond normal operating requirements.

There are five Trustees who serve five year terms (maximum two consecutive terms) and who oversee the investment and distribution of the funds. Trustees for 2023 were:

- Maggie Holihan (President)
- Geoff Gordon (Treasurer)
- Rick Crowl (Secretary)
- Drew Pelger
- Charlie Kiesling

Assets are currently invested in equities, income funds, and money market funds. A small portion of the assets, columbarium, church library and music programs are: Donor restricted to disperse principal and income.

he balance of the fund is available to be used for the benefit of the church with the approval of the Trustees and Vestry.

Maggie Holihan

2023 Financial Report

We seek to unite all people with God and each other in Christ through worship, fellowship, education, and service.

A budget reflects where we are financially. Income and revenue speak to how we as the St. Mark's community value our mission and are willing and able to financially support our mission. Expenses reflect how we utilize that bounty of funds to pursue God's call.

Throughout 2023 I have worked closely with the Finance Committee, the Trustees, the Vestry, and Father RJ. to receive, care for, and properly distribute the financial resources you have provided to support the mission of St. Mark's. This report has been designed to provide you with a clear and accessible picture of what resources have been received and how they have been used to further our work.

Here is an overview of our financial situation:

2023 Operating Budget:

- o Expenses exceeded income as projected, and there were additional overages due to relatively small shortfalls in income and increases in expenses (primarily maintenance and utilities).
- o The deficit was covered by use of Cash Reserves (\$24,413) and withdrawals from the Trust (\$60,00).

Background on deficit spending: St. Mark's has had significant financial deficits for many years which have required careful oversight and planning. In 2019, when getting ready to call a new rector, the vestry spent several months considering whether a full- or part-time priest would be best for St. Mark's. Parish meetings were held, visits to parishes that had recently called full- or part-time priests were conducted, and the financial impact of each choice was projected. At the end of the study the vestry established the search committee charging it with identifying suitable full-time candidates. This decision was made with faith, understanding that our income would not cover our expenses. In May of 2023 the vestry reviewed our most recent five- year forecast (2023-2027) which includes yearly withdrawals from the Trust.

- Mission/Outreach:
 - o In 2023, parishioners donated over \$6,000 to be sent to outside organizations.

- Capital Improvements:
 - o The 30-year-old Fire Alarm main control panel was replaced. Parishioners donated over \$10,000 in support of the project.
 - o The Columbarium walls were sealed, and the floor was refinished.
 - o The HVAC system received long term pump and inspection upgrades.
- 2024 Operating Budget:
 - o Pledges are up - \$9,000 more than 2023.
 - o The amount of rent from Weaver School is increased again this year.
 - o Operating expenses increased by \$25,000 from last year.
 - o Trust Fund withdrawals will increase from \$60,000 in 2023 to \$74,400 for 2024.
- 2023 Operating Budget Performance, 2024 Operating Budget, Capital Reserve Status and a Cash Balance are attached for more detail.

The Finance Committee offers this 2023 Financial Report and 2024 Budget not only as a tool to analyze our financial realities, but more importantly to launch consideration of how we are responding to God’s call for us as a community.

A special thank you to John Willoughby, Sara Strattan, Geoff Gordon Chris Arnold and Pam Clark for their work with the finance committee. It is also important to recognize the significant amount of work done by Katie Kuceyeski, our office manager. I also would like to thank the people who offer their time to count the Sunday offering: Joe Hoot, Barrie Thorp, Carol Hayne, Geoff Gordon, Bob Kocab, Christy Thorley, and Rick Werren.

Please do not hesitate to ask me or any member of the Finance Committee about this report or any other financial matter.

Respectfully submitted, Charlie Kiesling

2023 Operating Budget Performance

		2023 Actual	2023 Budget	Variation +/- Budget	
Revenue and reserves					
1	Plate Offering	1,412	\$ 1,000	\$ 412	
2	Pledge Payments	167,027	\$ 171,364	\$ (4,337)	Relocations and Health
3	Non-Pledged Income	18,051	\$ 23,000	\$ (4,949)	Special gifts, Pledge over payment
4	Miscellaneous/Interest	406	\$ 5,000	\$ (4,594)	Rents, refunds, interest and promotions
5	Weaver Rent	36,825	\$ 34,450	\$ 2,375	Increased space
6	Total Budget Revenue	\$ 223,721	\$ 234,814	\$ (11,093)	
Expenses					
7	Diocesan Support	\$ 31,134	\$ 31,065	\$ 69	
8	Clergy and Staff	\$ 178,092	\$ 179,921	\$ (1,829)	Professional Development under budget
9	Building Expenses	\$ 51,043	\$ 55,950	\$ (4,907)	Maintenance and utilities over budget
10	Program Expenses	\$ 21,125	\$ 26,174	\$ (5,049)	Evangelism/Mission under budget
11	Capital Reserve Funding	\$ 8,117	\$ 8,000	\$ 117	Yearly funding of Capital Reserve
12	Total EXPENSES	\$ 289,511	\$ 301,110	\$ (11,599)	
13	Expenses +/- Income	\$ (65,790)	\$ (66,296)		
Funding:					
14	Funds from St. Mark's Trust	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000	\$ -	
15	Operating Reserve	\$ 5,790	\$ 6,296		Used less cash reserve than forecasted.

2024 St. Mark's Operating Budget

Revenue and reserves			
1	Plate offering	\$ 1,400	
2	Pledge payments	\$ 180,438	73 pledges
3	Non-pledged income	\$ 20,000	Same as last year
4	Miscellaneous/interest	\$ 1,300	
5	Weaver rent	\$ 38,113	August 2021 New 5 year lease
6	Total Budget Revenue	\$241,251	
Expenses			
7	Diocesan Support	\$ 33,000	Diocese support of the Episcopal Church
8	Clergy and Staff	\$ 186,641	Salaries and associated cost.
9	Building Expenses	\$ 63,434	Maintenance and utility cost
10	Program Expenses	\$ 24,050	Mission, Office and other operating expenses
11	Capital Reserve Funding	\$ 8,000	Annual reserve for capital expenditures
12	Total EXPENSES	\$315,125	
13	Expenses +/- Income	\$ (73,875)	
14	Shortfall Funding:		
15	Funds from St. Mark's Trust	\$ 74,400	Reduction in Operating Cash

Capital Reserves

Status Date 12/31/2023

Revised Capital Expenses Reserve Balance December 31, 2022		\$ 24,831	Note:1
1004 Key Operating Cash	\$ -		
1036 Key Bank Savings (8040-Designated Capital Imp)	\$ 3,443		
JIF Money Market	<u>\$ 21,388</u>		
Total		\$ 24,831	

2023 Donations/Receipts - Year to date		\$ 34,301	
Year to date JIF 205-2 Gain or Loss	\$ 4,600		
Yearly budget allocation	\$ 8,117		Note: 2
Capital Fund Donations (Account 8040)	\$ 10,070		
Columbarium From Trust Account	\$ 3,850		
Capital Expenditures from Expense Accounts	\$ 7,664		
Total		\$ 34,301	

2023 Capital Funds Expenditures		\$ 26,475	
New Fire Alarm			
1/4/23 Protech Review and temporary repair	\$ 1,479		
5/31/23 Protech Down payment on Eng. Drawings	\$ 1,168		
8/3/23 Environmental Controls Fire Protection	\$ 4,600		
11/20/23 Protech Drawings final payment	\$ 1,167		
11/20/23 Protech Service call - Monitoring hock-up	\$ 256		
12/1/23 Environmental Controls Final Payment	\$ 5,338		
Drawings Prints new Fire Panel			
9/22/23 Miller Custom Exteriors Columbarium Floor	\$ 2,650		
Old School Restoration & Masonry	\$ 1,200		
8/28/23 Timberlands Tree Service	\$ 6,950		
8/28/23 Install Boiler Drain - State Inspection	\$ 1,017		
9/15/2023 Replace HVAC pump Old Choir room Storage	\$ 650		
Total		\$ 26,475	

Reserve for Capital Expenses 12/31/2023		\$ 32,657	
1004 Key Operating Cash	\$ 3,963		
1036 Key Bank Savings (8040-Designated Capital Imp)	\$ 2,979		
Key Capital Reserve CD	\$ 25,104		
Diocese JIF	<u>\$ 611</u>		
		\$ 32,657	

Notes:

- 1 Corrected 2022 Year end number after receiving JIF Diocese 2022 year end report.
- 3 Yearly operating budget includes \$8,000. 2023 payments \$117 over budget.

ST. Mark's Balance Sheet

ASSETS	2023
Checking Account(s)	\$ 43,581
Savings Account(s)	\$ 16,014
Short Term Investments (include CDs and Money Markets)	\$ 25,715
Long Term Investment at Market Value (Joint Investment Fund)	\$ 165,225
Long Term Investment at Market Value (Other)	\$ 424,079
Land	\$ 1
Buildings	\$ 1,923,472
Furniture & Equipment	\$ 324,226
Less: Accum. Depr. (Bldg. & Equip.)	<u>\$ (1,632,874)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,291,461
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ 500
Payroll Taxes Payable	\$ 2,347
Weaver Security Deposit	<u>\$ 2,000</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 4,847
Net Assets	\$ 1,286,615

Parish Memorials

To the Glory of God

Given in Loving Memory, or as Gifts

Stained Glass Windows	Mary Virginia Shaw Lockhart Donald K. Merwin Marion Davies King
Reredos	Anne M. Longmate
Credence Table	Brian Thomas McManus
Flower Pedestals	Joseph Stevenson
Aumbry	A. William Gluck
Sanctuary Light	Dolores Wells Gluck
St. Mark Icon	Carey E. Sloan, Jr.
Icon Frame	Ed Long
Hymnal Boards	William Cummings
Altar Pavement Candles	Bob F. Danner Carl McMullen
Altar Candles	Eva Ellis George Harvey
Altar Cross	David Merwin
Processional Cross	Walter Little
Processional Torches	John Werren
Zimbelstern	S. Kathleen Morrison
Original Church Organ	Sidney C. Partridge
Antiphonal Organ	Helen McInnis
Zimmer Digital Organ	William F. Boyd Geoff Gordon Family Rita Martin Earnest Cobb
Zimmer Renewed Digital Organ	William F. Boyd Madeleine Regenhardt Rita Martin Family of St. Mark's (congregation)
Schulmerich Handbells	June Shealor
Paschal Candle	Richard A. Gibbs
Advent Wreath	Virginia Orton Marietta Daisley Robert Daisley
Baptismal Font	Harold Shealor
Urn Pedestal	Henry B. Kidder
Large Chalice	John R. Cromb, Jr. Anne Browning

Small Chalice
Lectern Bible (in Library)
Green Altar Hangings
Purple Altar Hangings
Blue Altar Hangings
Blue Chasuble
Altar Linens
Paten

Cruet
Cruet
Flagon
Altar Rail Cushions

Stations of the Cross
North Transept Hymnals and Prayer Books
Church Hymnals

(Original) Altar Service Book (now in Library)
(Original) Book of Gospels (now in Library)
Nave Lights
Aisle Candles

Library
Family Room
Cathedral Pictures

Caroline P. Mahon Denison
George Lockhart, Jr.
Bill Cropley
Adel Brown
Bob Gall
George Harvey
Elsie Whitaker
Commemorating Attainment of
Parochial Status
Mr. and Mrs. Elias A. George
Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Deal
Caroline P. Mahon Denison
Richard Gibbs and Marilyn B. Lilly
Jim and Thelma Baines
Ed and Jo Long
Joseph and Betty Fortney
William and Patricia Wallace
Charles and Evelyn Atkinson
Mary Ann Lockhart
Pat Croasdaile
Homer and Margaret Davis
Baxter and Lucille Redmon
Stephen Bunn
Ernie and Kathryn Cobb
Ruth Clough
Robert Cowie
O. Lee and Mary Bell Merrick
John C. and Bernice D. Werren
In the Name of St. Mark's ECW
Charles H. Luntz
George Harvey
Mary Lockhart
Bea Wisehart

S. Paul Warren
Michael C. McNeal
Phil and Elizabeth Furbay
William R. Hines
Mary Anne Kohler
Robert N. Cowie
Jane Harig
The Rev. Dr. Carey E. Sloan, III
Mildred J. Sloan

Classroom Furniture

St. Mark's Choir Room

Charles Walter Choir Room Piano

Cable-Nelson Spinnet Piano

Choir Shelves

Memorial Music Fund

Chair Lift

Undercroft Windows

Silver Lion Punch Bowl

Sanctuary in the Woods

Memorial Trees

Angel Doors

Columbarium Bench

Columbarium Planters

Memorial Flag Garden

Flag Garden Lion Bench

Picnic Tables

Winifred Wetherall

Ralph Wetherall

S. Kathleen Morrison

Jim Baines

Wilbur Family

Donald Merwin

June Gotschell

Dorothy M. Cromb

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ryall

Given by Jane Braster
and Mrs. Thomas O. Clingan

Betty Fortney

John A. Shortridge

Kenneth F. Fitzpatrick

Gerald F. Boyd

Mary Ann Lockhart

Robert E. Cook

Calvin Friar

Thelma Baines

John B. Kohler

Robert E. Cook

Calvin Friar

Pat Croasdaile

Loved Ones from St. Mark's
Hugh Pratt, Jr.

	Ministry/Committee	Contact	Vestry Liaison
1	Administration	Senior and Junior Warden	Leslie Redmon & John Willoughby
	Finance Committee	Charlie Kiesling	
	Trustees	Maggie Houlihan	Joe Hoot/Fr. RJ
	Lazarus Committee	Derek Gordon	
	Stewardship	Joe Hoot	
	Bldg&Grounds	Joe Hoot	
	Weaver CDC Liasion	Geoff Gordon	
	Archivist	Kathy Sloan	
2	Worship		
	Acolytes	Gary Giammarco	
	Altar Guild	Sara Stratan	
	Eucharistic Ministers/Readers	Bruce Hixon	
	Ushers	Rick Crowl	Sara Strattan/Kent Clark
	Greeters/Welcome	MaryAnn Kiesling	
	Music	Bob Morrison	
	Stream Team	Geoff Gordon	
3	Fellowship		
	Book Club	Leslie Redmon	
	Cluster Dinners	MaryAnn Kiesling	
	Catering	Carol Popovich	Leslie Redmon/Gene Little
	Knitting Club	Sue Little	
	Lunch Bunch	Sue Little	
	Men Out Dining	Joe Hoot	
	ECW	Sue Little	
	Social Committee	Leslie Redmon	
4	Outreach/Mission		
	Hope Services	Gary Mull	
	Gibbs School	Mandy Pelger	Rick Werren/Carol Haydn
	Photography	Bill Rand	
	Communication/marketing/social	Geoff Gordon/John W/Katie	
5	Parish Care/Christian Education		
	Note Cards	MaryAnn Kiesling	
	Prayer Chain	Bobbi Gordon	
	Birthday cards	Carol Hayn, Sandi Kaustinen	Mandy Pelger/John Willoughby
	Sunday School	Emily Gordon	
	Adult Education	Fr. RJ	
	Meal Train	Beth Bletzacker	
	Parish Care	Grace Giammarco	