

Re“Mark”able News

Together in Faith: Jesus asked: “Does a servant get special thanks for doing what’s expected of him? It’s the same with you. When you’ve done everything expected of you, simply say, ‘I did the work. What we were told to do, we did.’” *Luke 17:9-10.*



This gospel parable is one of the more surprising of all the many stories Jesus told. It presents the servant’s master as holding the servant to a very high level of service... and then not giving the servant much credit for his service. Instead, the servant is expected to simply say, “Well, I just did what I was supposed to do.” And then Jesus tells his followers, “It’s the same with you.”

No thanks there for a job well done. None of this, “Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of your master,” as in Matthew 25. No, just do what you’re supposed to do.

Servants are stewards. How are we doing with the work we’re supposed to do?

Pasta La Vista Fundraiser: Join us for a Spaghetti Dinner and a concert featuring the East Valley Barbershop Harmonizers on Saturday, October 8th. Dinner begins at 5:30 pm accompanied by a barbershop quarter, followed by a concert at 7 pm in the church. Tickets are \$20 per person; \$10 for children 12 & under and are on sale now. Wine bar, silent auction, and raffle will also be available. Fundraising efforts will go toward replenishing St. Mark’s building fund.

“Trunk or Treat”: More volunteers are needed for drivers/cars and candy donations for our annual Trunk or Treat event scheduled for Saturday, October 29th from 3 to 5 pm. Please contact Jeanette Rogers at gramjayro@aol.com.

Transportation Ministry: As a church family, one of our first priorities is to ensure that our brothers and sisters in Christ are in our prayers

and when the need arises, extend that love to a visit or even a ride. We are currently recruiting parishioners who are able to provide rides to others who would like to attend one of our many services but have limited or no means of transportation to do so. It is a great fellowship, deeply appreciated by those in need and allows us to grow deeper in faith and love with one another. Whether you are in need of a ride or may be able to provide transportation to someone in need, please contact Mayra Alvarado at 830-765-8088 and leave a detailed message.

Upcoming Ministry Meetings:

ECW Meeting: Sunday, October 9th, 12:15 pm, Conference Room
Daughters of the King Meeting: Wednesday, October 12th, 11 am
Property Cleanup: Saturday, October 22nd, 6:30 am
Bishop's Committee: Tuesday, October 25th, 7 pm, Conference Room

Mark Your Calendars:

Youth Christian Formation and Children's Chapel each Sunday at 9:45 am.
ECW Fundraiser Dinner with East Valley Harmonizers, Saturday, October 8th, tickets on sale now, limited seating; see insert for more info
Diocesan Convention, October 21st & 22nd (Office Closed on Friday, Oct. 21st)
Halloween "Trunk or Treat", Saturday, October 29th, 3 to 5 pm
All Saints Day & Dia de los Muertos, October 30th, One Bilingual service, 10 am with potluck to follow in Knight Hall

August 2016 Year-to-Date Financials

General Fund

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Favorable</u> <u>(Unfavorable)</u>
Income	\$138,313	143,539	(5,226)
Expenses	<u>137,131</u>	<u>143,539</u>	<u>6,408</u>
Net	1,182	0	1,182

Parish Prayer List

Parishioners in Need of Prayer: Fr. Harry Way, Dorothy Tibshraeny, Doris Hossack, Judy Hossack, Rev. Don and Mary Twentyman, Kay Summers, Caryl Bayless, Becky Ford, Glenda Richardson, Winnie Jackson, Shirley Boswell, Deborah Larkins, Hazel Buehlman, Tom Journey, Rev. Harold & Edithanne Knight, Bob and Kay Jones, Rev. Carl and Valerie Bloom, Kathy and Mike LaGoy, Pat and Pam Mack, Robert and Virginia Delaski, Rosemary Lumpkin, Billy Badgett, Margie Collins, Monty Fox, Robert and Carrie Atwood, Pete and Barbara Willan, Jerry and Dee Greiner, Elaine Austin, Marguerite Gray, John and Karen Ddamba, Diane Lewis, Debbie Smith, Allyn Evans, Helen Frost, Lois Pettengill, Bob and Kathy Cheatham, Carl and Mary Lou Burgess, Ray and Barbara Haug, Laura Haug, Jan Northcutt, June Roberts, Kay Fail, John and Carol Banker, Anna, William, JR, Rich and Dawn Cook, Janette Leone, Randy and Lori Rogers, Mayra Alvarado and Family, Kevin and April Grace, Elizabeth, William, Jim and Julie Poulos, Anna, Mary, Brett Ellis, Donna Kelly, Julia Coleman, Pam Vespie, Alice Brunnett, Genevieve Muth, Sally, Brody, Dreana, Daniel Welch, Steve Anglin and Jake, Kim Lilly, Matthew, Russ, Flor and Zuleyzka Castillo and family, George Morgan, Raymond Marshall, Medura Family, Dan Bevington, Rick, Tom, and Debbie.

Others in Need of Prayer: Cindy, Susan, Sandra, Neil, Emily, Frank, Josh, Harlene, Iva Gean, Jorge, Susie, Jason, Avery, Dylan, Ryan, Jack, Keegan, Jessa, Clementine, Scout, Don Ginsel, Lucinda, Elda Meyer, Nichole, Kelly Williams, Ted Knowles, Terri Abernethy, Courtney, Justin, David, Braxton, Dave McManus, Christie Roberts, Jordan Stallings, Marie Meighan, Bob and Pat Doyle, Cathy Hogan, David Stanton, Kylie, John Bloom, Paul Bloom, Ramon Brambila, Judith Brambila, Shae Pifer, Dave and Barb Turley, Tori Jean, Sharon, Sydney, Paris, Christopher, Dave, Brian, Johanna and family, Mary, Russ, Roy, Evelyn, Mark Bristle, * Mel, Ama, Rob Meagher, Patricia Giese, Kathleen, Shanon, Charles, Deb, Karen, Bill, Claire, Ed, and Ken.

Serving in the Armed Forces: Duncan Hossack, Ana Maria, Mike, Chuck, Brian, Zachary, Gabriel, Jessie Swier, Alex, Daniel Pagan, Brandon Boulis, Ryan Ehrler, Matt Baicleme, Kaitlyn Haley, Blake, Dean, and Steve.

Celebrating Birthdays this Week: Laura Haug, Carolyn Midura, Chuma Ubosi

Celebrating Anniversaries this Week: Kevin and Dianne Nunez, Carroll and Olga Clark, Russ and Kathy Smith, Tom Leslie and Barbara Brichta

This Week at St. Mark's

October 3—October 9, 2016

Monday

Mesa Caledonian Pipe Band, 7 pm

Wednesday

Healing Service, 10 am

Christian Formation Class, 11 am, Knight Hall

Cursillo Grouping, 11 am, Conference Room

Thursday

MarkDowns Thrift Store, **9 am—1 pm**

Choir Practice, 7 pm

East Valley Harmonizers Practice, 7 pm, Knight Hall

Friday

MarkDowns Thrift Store, **9 am—1 pm**

Mesa Caledonian Pipe Band, 7 pm

Saturday

Baptism/Confirmation Class, 10:30 am

Tai Chi, 10 am

Pasta La Vista Fundraiser Dinner, 5:30 pm, Knight Hall

East Valley Barbershop Harmonizers Concert, 7 pm, Church-FREE

Sunday

Spanish Service, 7 am

Praise Service, 8:30 am

Lion's Den 9:45 - 10:45 am, Knight Hall

(Host: Cursillo and MarkDowns Thrift Store)

Christian Formation-Youth, 9:45, Classrooms

Choral Eucharist, 11 am

ECW Meeting, 12:15 pm, Conference Room