

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

Sunday Services at 8am & 10am

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Greetings!

Twenty Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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Frankly
Speaking



Reflection

Tree of Life

It was a night of remembering and a night of reflection. A large gathering representing all faiths and traditions came together last Tuesday evening at Temple Israel to pay tribute to the Congregation Tree of Life members who were murdered on that Shabbat morning in Pittsburg. Candles were lit, prayers were intoned in Hebrew and English, and all listened as a short biography of each victim was read.

Rabbi Jonah Dov Pesner, a nationally known leader of Reform Judaism and a renowned social justice advocate, spoke after the prayer service. His credentials tell of his commitment to race relations,(He serves on the board of the NAACP) to LGBT equality, and to human rights in general. Moreover, his mission focuses on building bridges to eradicate anti-Semitism, Islamophobia, and other forms of hate and bigotry. Because his work has taken him through both Republican and Democratic administrations, he cautioned for the need to stop the in-fighting and come together as a country.

Ironically, Rabbi Pesner was scheduled to speak at Temple Israel that evening long before the Tree of Life Congregation tragedy. However, his urgent call for reconciliation and healing provided a welcome message of hope at a time when the over-riding feeling was loss.

Blessed are the Peacemakers.

Shalom,
Anne Coen

Notable
Music this Sunday

Guest pianist Marc-Frederic Indorf will assist in the playing of the Bach/Fox "Now Thank We" in the prelude and the entrance hymn will be "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come." With resident pianist Ron Hill we will have two-pianos on the hymns. Cantor Norman Warren will chant the Psalm and tenor soloist Ken Jaeb will sing "David's Prayer" by Michael Costa.



Poinsettias

Poinsettias donation card will be available the next several weeks.

Donation cards with payment can be submitted until December 10th, either by placing them into the offering plate or by dropping them off at the church office. Poinsettias will be \$15 each. Please indicate on your card if you will be taking your poinsettia(s) home after Christmas services.

Thank you!



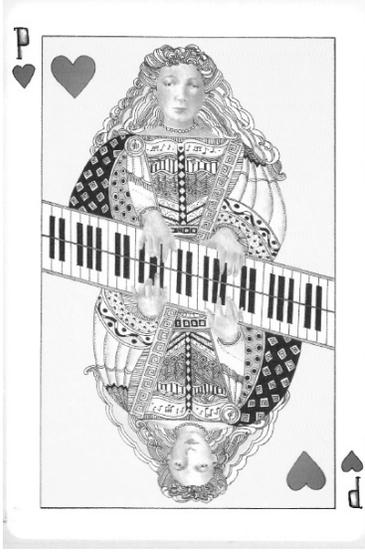
Community Christmas

We are still in need of several large (microwave-sized) boxes for Community Christmas.

If you have any, please contact Katie in the church office.

office@stmarks-canton.org

Thank you!



DINNER AND CONCERT

Monday, November 26, do plan to come to St. Mark's for a potluck dinner at **6:30**. The main course will be Chef Carol's beef tips and noodles. And at **7:30** a gala "duet" concert with two pianos, piano/organ, organ and synthesizer sponsored by Canton Chapter American Guild of Organists. Some of our finest local musicians will participate. All free; all

welcome.

Stewardship Reflections

Stewardship as Giving.

The Indians got a bum rap. The original colonists who came to America's shores did not understand or appreciate the customs or the hospitality of many of the Native Americans they met. One of those customs was the presentation of gifts, in the context of full and complete sharing.

When "Indians" gave a gift, they intended it to be shared, not kept, as the colonists and pioneers most often did. When the gifts or equivalent presents were never returned, the Native Americans, in disappointment if not anger, asked for their gifts back – the genesis of the term "Indian giver." The recipients of those gifts had simply failed to understand the Native American concepts of giving and sharing.

Today, in full recognition of the gifts with which we have been blessed by God, are we any better at giving and sharing?

Do not neglect to do good and share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. (Hebrews 13:16)



**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

Wednesday, November 21st:

Study Group, 10:30am

Thursday, November 22nd:

Thanksgiving Day, Holy Eucharist 10:00am

Thursday, November 22nd and Friday, November 23rd:

Office Closed

Sunday, November 25th

Nursery Closed

Monday, November 26th:

Knitting, 1:00pm

AGO Program with Bob Morrison, 6:30pm

Tuesday, November 27th:

Lunch Bunch, 1:00pm @Walther's on Applegrove

Wednesday, November 28th:

Study Group, 10:30am

Sunday, December 2nd:

Community Christmas Wrap, 9:00am

Parish Bylaws Meeting, 9:15am

Puppet Gang Dress Rehearsal: Sunday, December 9th
(Sunday School + Puppet Gang should arrive for rehearsal)

Puppet Gang Show: Sunday, December 16th

Tuesday, December 18th:

Women's Christmas Luncheon at the Massillon Women's Club

Sign up in the lobby.

Christmas Services

Christmas Eve, 5:30pm (family service) and 10:00pm

Christmas Day, 10:00am

December 30th: Lessons and Carols 10:00am



Vestry Minutes

Posted on the Narthex Bulletin Board or click here:

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Next Vestry Meeting: Wednesday, December 5th at 6:00pm



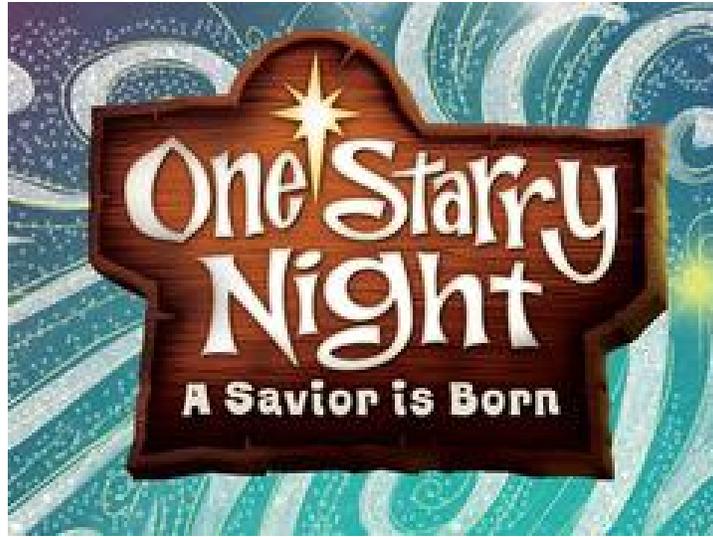
Intergenerational Advent Event – Sunday November 18th after the 10am service

Isn't this nativity scene just adorable? As a prelude to the Advent season, we have planned this Family friendly craft that can be used and talked about all through the holiday season. The nativity can be used in

your own celebrations or given as a gift. All ages and families are invited to join us for this Advent Event. **Please sign up** on the kiosk sheet or call or email the church office so we will have enough supplies. A light lunch will be provided.

office@stmarks-canton.org (330) 499-2662

Email Sharon Ryan if you have any questions. ohryans@neo.rr.com



"One Starry Night"

Come warm your hearts with the Puppet Gang and Sunday School children as they perform the Christmas show after the 10am service on December 16th. The show begins at 11:15am. Refreshments will be served afterwards and you'll get to meet our performers.

Sandy and Jan

PRAYER CONCERNS



Ken Pakenham, Joan Werren, Ron Hill, Peg Hill, Conley Family, Joe Hoot, Tom Burns, the Briggs family

Family and Friends: Susan, Johnny Willoughby, The Shafer Family (friends of the Gordons), Layna (friend of Boyds), The Moore Family (friends of Nadels), The Latora Family, Erin, Carol Morton, Barry (friend of Gordons), James McIlvaine (Sandi Kaustinen's father), Baby Hudson, Shirley Allen (friend of the Mulls), Michelle Garber (family of Geoff and Bobbi Gordon), Matt Gagnon, The Kesslers, Gabe Russo (cousin of Katie Cerrone-Arnold), Mary Frech, John Helmkamp (friend of

Ron and Cindy Brown), Marcie Crowell, Deb Thompson (friend of Jan Hudson), Bobby Guerin (friend of Pam McCarthy), John and Phyllis Green (friends of Sue Little), Don Stock

For all those serving in the armed forces.

For all those who have died.

Gabriel Russo

-Please share updates with Bobbi Gordon.-

PRAYER CHAIN:

St. Mark's has a group of prayer warriors who pray for specific needs of those on the prayer chain. If you would like to place yourself or a loved one on the prayer chain, please contact Bobbi Gordon at

ggordon24@sbcglobal.net

Please note, prayer requests may be placed on the Prayer Chain, in the Sunday bulletin's Prayer Concerns, or in both places. Please let Bobbi know your preference.



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This Week's Bicentennial Prayer comes from:

St. Paul's Church - Mount Vernon

Most merciful God,
we pray for the future of St. Paul's Mount Vernon.
Lead us and help us to prosper now and for the next 100 years.

We ask that as we gather as a family
we are able to hear the children's voices
as clearly as we hear your word and example.
Guide us to exemplify this word and example in our mission
Allow us to seek your Spirit to guide us to action
for each of the next 100 years.

All this we ask in Jesus' name.
Amen.

Upcoming Servers

Servers today Sunday, November 18th:

Acolytes, 8:00am: Susie Hines

Acolytes, 10:00am: Alexis Wilson, Lauren Hoot, Joe Hoot, Marilyn Thorp, Karen Violand

Eucharistic Minister, 8:00am: Sara Strattan

Eucharistic Ministers, 10:00am: Tom Turner, Rhonda Warren

Ushers: Dave Thorley, John Wise, Kent Clark

Altar Guild 8:00am: Diana Cornell, Sara Strattan

If you are unable to serve, please try to find a sub as soon as possible and notify the office. Thank you!

Yours in Christ,
St. Mark's Episcopal Church



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