

THE LION'S PAUSE



Greetings!

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 19)

[Read This Week's Lesson](#)

Frankly *Speaking*

With the anniversary of 9/ 1 weighing on many hearts and with eyes fixed on the path of hurricane Florence, I share this prayer from [Simple Prayers for Complicated Lives](#) (pp. 46-47):

Prayer of Dark and Light

*For all that we do not know:
for the mystery of God,
for the unfolding of our hope,
for the meanings that remain hidden,
for the times of waiting and watching;
for the moments we reach our limits*

*and are called beyond them,
for the deep structures of our universe
and its intricate energies moving beyond our sight,
for the ways in which even those
we love best are mysterious to us,
for the questions whose answers have not come,
for the suffering with meaning we cannot fathom,
for the silence after all speaking:
we offer the prayer of darkness.*

*For all that you reveal to us;
for the breadth and delight of learning,
for the flashes of insight and leaps of imagination,
for the moments your holiness breaks in to us,
for the heat and energy of life,
for the fire of love between people,
for the passion to change and build up the world,
for the dance in which all things are connected,
for the lightness of joy in which you visit us,
for the embers of faithful friendship that warm us,
for the opening door before us
through which brightness spills,
we offer the prayer of light.
In you the night and day are made whole.
In you beginnings and endings touch.
In you the universe holds together.
In you all things are made new.
From you all blessings spring.
To you we offer our thanks and praise. Amen.*

Notable *Music this Sunday*

Our choir's first anthem for the new singing season is a favorite: "Lord, I Believe" with a text based on the Apostles' Creed and a setting of a tune from *The Sacred Harp* - BEACH

SPRING by Larry Shackley. Cantor Ken Jaeb will sing Mary Pickens Opie's "A Communion Hymn" which starts "Hungry and thirsty, Lord, I come to thee."

A HUGE Thank You

to all that attended and supported
the Jambalaya Jam!

The event raised \$2,155.10 for
St. Mark's Restoration Campaign!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Today, September 16th:

Puppet Gang Show following the 10am service

Wednesday, September 19th:

Study Group, 10:30am

Casual Evening Prayer, 5:30

Sunday, September 23rd: ONE service at 9am,
Congregational meeting to follow (Nursery open for
meeting)

Monday, September 24th:

Knitting, 1:00pm

Tuesday, September 25th:

Lunch Bunch, 1:00pm

Wednesday, September 26th:

Altar Guild Potluck



Join the MOD (Men Out Dining) Squad

Wednesday, September 19th, 6:30pm

John's Bar & Grille
2749 Cleveland Ave. NW, Canton

Reservations: Contact Tony Keenan
at rakeenan@prodigy.net by Monday, 17th

Questions? Phone Tony at 330-497-6365

This new St. Mark's group plans to meet monthly at various local restaurants for fellowship.

Thankful *Thursdays*

School has begun! This means the time has come to start collecting for Thankful Thursdays again. Please consider donating any of the items listed below to stock our pantry again. These items will be given to families in need at Canton City's Schreiber Elementary School. Donations can be placed on the designated white table behind the Sanctuary. Thank you in advance!!

Emily Gordon and Mandy Pelger

Pasta

Tomato or Spaghetti Sauce (no glass please)

Fruit (in plastic containers or cans)

Canned vegetables

Hamburger helper or similar

Boxed rice or rice meals mixes
Canned Tuna Fish or Chicken
Macaroni & Cheese
Boxed mashed potatoes
Peanut Butter
Jelly/Jam/Preserves (no glass please)
Oatmeal
Granola bars
Cereal
Applesauce (no glass please)
Monetary donations



It's time for Cluster Dinner groups to be reshuffled and add new participants! The sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

Cluster dinner groups meet once a month for 2-3 months - beginning in October - in parishioners' homes for a pot luck.

All adults are welcome. Please sign up or [email](#) MaryAnn Kiesling by September 27. Please indicate if you would be willing to host.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Ken Pakenham, Joan Werren, Ron Hill,
Peg Hill, Ken McPeek, Maxine Kit, Conley Family, Tom
Burns

Family and Friends: Susan, Johnny Willoughby, Gabe Russo (cousin of Kate Cerrone-Arnold), Jim Mesko (friend of Jim Weaver), Edna Glinsky (aunt of Pam McCarthy), The Shafer Family (friends of the Gordons), Mike Fox (friend of Boyds), Layna (friend of Boyds), The Moore Family (friends of Nadels), The Latora Family, Judy and Mark McIlvaine (Sandi Kaustinen's sister-in-law and brother), Erin, Chad Patch, Allison & Family, Carol Morton, Barry (friend of Gordons), James McIlvaine (Sandi Kaustinen's father), Sally King (friend of Sue Little), Baby Hudson, Shirley Allen (friend of the Mulls), Matt Gagnon

For all those serving in the armed forces:
Jake Binder - Korea (husband of Amanda Hines Binder)

For the wedding of
Maggie Sawicki and Moose Violand

For all those who have died.

-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. Hubert's Church - Kirtland Hills

Dear God, heavenly Father,
We give thanks to you for the congregation that is St.
Hubert's,
for the blessing of their love and caring.
Fill us with your heavenly grace,
that our actions may honor you always.
Give us the wisdom and determination
to provide for the needs of our growing parish family,
in accordance with your will
Strengthen us and enrich our lives,
that we may be inspired to action in your service.
Bless us in all our endeavors,
that they might bear witness to our love for you
and for each other.
In Christ's name.
Amen.

Upcoming *Servers*

Servers today Sunday, September 16th:

Acolytes, 8:00am: Susie Hines

Acolytes, 10:00am: Lauren Hoot, Justin Crowl, Joe Hoot, Marilyn Thorp

Eucharistic Minister, 8:00am: Paul Sack

Eucharistic Ministers, 10:00am: Bob Kennedy, Anne Coen

Ushers: John Willoughby, Bill Rand, Gary Mull

Altar Guild 8:00am: Sharon Ryan, Sara Strattan

Altar Guild 10:00am: Louise Moore

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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