



# The Parishioner

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## From the Pastor's Desk:

So, we continue our Lenten journey, our commitment to “keeping a holy Lent.” The Lenten journey is a journey to Easter, to the glorious resurrection of the crucified Jesus. And this is a journey. We don't – we can't – get to Easter by bypassing Lent. The first of March falls on a Friday. Easter falls on the 31<sup>st</sup>, the last day of March. Consider the opportunities for worship this month:

- Saturday/Sunday (2/3 March) – The Third Sunday in Lent (5:00 p.m./9:00 a.m.)
- Wednesday (6 March) – Community Lenten Service at St. Peter's Anglican Church (7:00 p.m. – I will be preaching.
- Saturday/Sunday (9/10 March) – The Fourth Sunday in Lent (5:00 p.m./9:00 a.m.)
- Wednesday (13 March) – Community Lenten Service at First United Methodist Church (7:00 p.m.) – Deacon Mitch Natali will be preaching.
- Saturday/Sunday (16/17 March) – The Fifth Sunday in Lent (5:00 p.m./9:00 a.m.)
- Wednesday (20 March) – Community Lenten Service at St. Paul Catholic Church (7:00 p.m.) – Pastor Merry Meloy will be preaching.
- Saturday/Sunday (23/24 March) – Palm Sunday (5:00 p.m./9:00 a.m.)
- Thursday (28 March) – Maundy Thursday (7:00 p.m.)
- Friday (29 March) – Good Friday (7:00 p.m.)
- Saturday (30 March) – Easter Vigil (5:00 p.m.)
- Sunday (31 March) – Easter Day (9:00 a.m.)

So, there are 14 opportunities *before Easter* for us to gather for worship as a congregation and with our brothers and sisters from our community congregations. These fourteen services are a vital part of the Lenten journey. On this journey we are carrying the cross of Christ – our cross – that Jesus commanded us to take up, and we are carrying it not so that we can toss it aside on Easter Sunday, but so that we may remember that we have died with Christ and are raised with him (see Romans 6). So many of us want to celebrate the glorious resurrection and the eternal life given to us in the crucified and risen Jesus without having carried the cross. As Martin Luther described it, we want a theology of glory without the theology of the cross.

Yes, these are difficult times: our nation is in turmoil; people are struggling to make ends meet and many have taken on extra hours or additional part-time jobs to provide for themselves and their families; people live in fear of the germs all around us; it's winter in western Pennsylvania and it's so much easier and more comfortable to stay at home. But as Christians, our identity is found in and shaped by the saving and sustaining gospel – the good news – of Jesus Christ: that the eternal Son of God became incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, that he suffered and died, that he descended into hell and on the third day rose again, that he

ascended into heaven and reigns at the right hand of God the Father, that he and the Father poured our the Holy Spirit and called the church into being, that he daily forgives our sins, he gives himself and his salvation to us in his holy sacraments, that he will come again to judge the living and the dead, that there will be a resurrection to eternal life in the new heaven and new earth.

It seems to me that if we really, truly comprehended the depths of the faith we claim to hold, that this faith is our very being and purpose, we would hunger to worship together, not just at “special/holy times” (e.g., Christmas and Easter), but weekly, or as often as the doors of the church are open. This worship is not about checking a box, not just about giving an offering; it is about honoring God the Father through his Son and in the power of the Holy Spirit, thanking and praising him for his amazing love and grace – his saving and sustaining grace – doing all that with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

I urge and challenge you to dedicate the remainder of this season of Lent, the holy days of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil, and, of course, Easter Sunday, to gathering as the church known as St. Mark’s Evangelical Lutheran in order to hear God speak to us, to “forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in [God’s] will, and walk in [His] ways, to the glory of [His] holy name.”

To the Glory and Honor of God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

*Pastor Phillips*



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**Community Lenten Services – 2024, 7:00 p.m.**

**Theme: “The Kingdom of God is like...”**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PREACHING</u>
06 Mar 2024	<u>St. Peter’s Anglican Church</u>	<u>Pastor David Phillips</u> St. Mark’s Ev. Lutheran Church
13 Mar 2024	<u>First United Methodist Church</u>	<u>Deacon Mitch Natali</u> All Saints Catholic Parish
20 Mar 2024	<u>St. Paul Catholic Church</u>	<u>Pastor Merry Meloy</u> St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

**Offerings collected at each service will be given to Isaiah 117 House.** - Our Purpose - *When children are removed from their homes out of concern for their safety, they are usually brought to a child welfare services office to await placement. This wait can be a few hours to several days. These children often have nothing with them and are scared, lonely, hungry, and in dirty clothing. Isaiah 117 provides a comforting home where these children instead can be brought to wait – a place that is safe with friendly and loving volunteers who provide clean clothes, smiles, toys, and snuggly blankets. This space allows children to receive the comfort and care they need while child welfare staff can do the necessary paperwork and identify a good placement. The mission of Isaiah 117 House is threefold:*

- *reduce trauma for children awaiting placement ,*
- *lighten the load for child welfare services,*
- *ease the transition for foster families*



For more information about Isaiah 117 house visit: <https://isaiah117house.com/>

NALC Lent & Easter Daily Devotionals – can be accessed in many ways:

Download here <https://thenalc.org/lenten-easter-devotional-2024/>

Daily Text Message & Email - Text: "ReadingTheWord" to 24251, If you wish to receive daily emails, you must first sign up by *texting* the message above, and then you must enter your email via the form on the automated signup confirmation link.

Listen to this year's devotional on the North American Lutheran Church podcast: [Apple](#), [Google Play](#), [Spotify](#) or [thenalc.org/media](https://thenalc.org/media).

Watch a video recording of the devotional daily: [facebook.com/thenalc](https://facebook.com/thenalc)



### 3T-Wednesday, March 6 @ 9:00 am

Time of talk, task & tea - lite lunch @ 11:30am, bring a dish to share

Join us in this time of fellowship as we cut, stitch, tie, sort, weave. All abilities and hands are encouraged and welcome.

We are collecting for our 2<sup>nd</sup> bench. The updated rules require 1000 lbs. of plastic donated in a 1-year period. Any questions about plastic donations can be directed to Carol Scott; all plastic used for this project diverts it from ending up in our landfills and waterways.

\*Our collection bins are located at the bottom of the steps coming in from the parking lot.

\*Find the list of acceptable plastic items that qualify on the table near the elevator and start recycling today!

#### Afternoon @ the Movies

Thursday, March 7

"God's Not Dead, We the People"



*"Reverend Dave is called to defend a group of Christian Homeschooling families. He finds himself taken aback by the interference of the government, and believing that their right to educate their own children is a freedom worth fighting for, Reverend Dave is called to Washington, DC to testify in a landmark congressional hearing that will determine the future of religious freedom in our country for the years to come."*

Thursday, March 21

"Silent Night"

*The powerful true story behind the most popular Christmas carol of all time. In 1818, when Joseph Mohr is assigned to be the new assistant priest in Oberndorf, a small Austrian town near Salzburg, the young man is full of ideas and ideals. His passion to bring the church closer to the common people sets him on a collision course with his superior, Father Noestler. When Mohr organizes a church choir that includes outcasts from the local tavern and performs in German instead of Latin, Noestler threatens him with disciplinary action. The night before Christmas, Mohr has to decide if he will accept defeat and leave Oberndorf or embrace the true significance of the Holy Night.*

Viewing time is 1:30 pm; bring a friend!

**Eve Bible Study** will meet on **Tuesday, March 26 at 3:00 p.m.** in the Conference room. The study that day is, "Equipped for Ministry" in the study books *By the Will of God*.

#### Congregational Council

>Next meeting<

Tuesday, March 12 @ 6:30

Please have your reports into the office by Thursday, March 7. Envelopes will be available for pick-up in your mailboxes, Saturday, 9.

St. Mark's Financial Overview  
January 2024

Receipts \$ 46,062.48

Expenses \$ 55,156.74

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#### Prayer Shawl Group



Wednesday, March 13 @ 1:00 pm.

If you are unable to join the group at the church, but would still like to add your talents, please reach out to Elaine Walker.

#### Old Testament Bible Study

Thursday, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21 @ 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall with Pastor Phillips.



## **A Lenten message from Bishop Dan Selbo**



*"Dear friends, greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus as we enter this most holy time in the life of the Church.*

*The season of Lent is a time when we center our thoughts and our attention on the path our Lord walked on our behalf that led Him to the cross. It's a time when we remember the reason He had to die and the suffering He endured in order that you and I might have life.*

*It's also a season that begins on Ash Wednesday, a day when we remember our mortality and of how, 'from dust we came and to dust we shall return.' And yet, in spite of our sin and the many reasons why we deserve to die, the hope and the promise we have in Jesus is the security and the assurance of forgiveness and life.*

*The passage often associated with the beginning of the Lenten season, taken from the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter of Luke's gospel, is a study in opposites. It's the story of two men who went up to the temple to pray. And what a contrast it was between the two. The one man was a Pharisee, a leader in the religious community. Highly respected and as disciplined as the come. He fasted regularly, tithed his possessions, and was often found in the temple spending time in prayer with God.*

*In contrast, the other man was a publican, a tax collector, one who was despised by the people, whose reputation in the community may well have been that of an extortionist and a cheat.*

*On the surface, the contrast between these two men could not have been greater. Their lives and their actions were as differing as they could possibly be, as were the prayers they offered to God. And yet, it was the tax collector, Jesus said, who went home justified that day. It was the tax collector, our Lord tells us, who was made right with God. It was the tax collector and not the other who went home at peace and assured and forgiven of all he had done.*

*And so, what does that mean for us and how, as we move into and through this season of Lent, can we be at peace and assured and confident of our standing before God? The first verse in our story makes it clear what was happening and what was at stake. Luke says, 'Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and treated others with contempt' (Luke 18:9).*

*It all begins with the posture we take in our hearts. Not so much with our goodness and righteousness in life in comparison with others, but where we stand in the presence of Jesus and how we all, in comparison with Christ, come up short.*

*'God, be merciful to me, a sinner.' That was the tax collector's prayer. It needs to be our prayer as well. Human comparisons mean nothing. To see oneself as better or worse than another is missing the point. When it comes to our standing before God, it is one man, one woman, one youth or child, one person at a time, one on one, alone with God.*

*The season of Lent is not a time to stand before God and tell Him how good we have been in this life and how much we have done. Rather, it is a time when we are all lined up before God, and He tells us what we need to hear. Our sin causes a separation. The separation leads to death. Our only hope is Jesus. Our greatest need is taken head-on and addressed in the person and the work and the cross of Christ.*

*As we enter into the Lenten season, let the tax collector's prayer be ours. Let His words and confession lead us to our only hope. 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner.'"*

**Read the rest of the NALC Newsletter here:**

<https://thenalc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/NALC-February-2024-web.pdf>





# Katie's Kitchen Newsletter for March 2024.....



**H**appy SPRING ! Did we actually even have a winter? Anyway.....

Plans for the Community Meal Ministries Annual Gala & Art Show are well underway. We are planning a fun evening of wine, light refreshments, music, &, of course, great local art. There will be baskets, a beautiful quilt & a 50/50 drawing to be raffled off- tickets will be pulled Sunday afternoon at 1:30. We have a few other surprises in store, but I will save those for my April Newsletter! 😊

Jon Pugliese, Mark Hall, & Paul Means will be returning artists with new pieces they have created, while there will be 2 new artists that will be bringing their creative style to our show.

## First is **Ms Martie Easter.**

Martie is a Butler based painter interested in portraits, surrealism, and many other techniques and works mainly in acrylics & oils. She is a graduate from IUP with her bachelor's degree in English Literature. Recently, she returned from Japan where she taught English to Junior high school students. Culture and Literature are what inspire her passion for painting.

## Our second new artist is **Ms Jennifer Spryn:**

Working mostly as a realist in oil paint, Jenn Spryn's credo follows the belief that everyone should have original art in their home, and, of course, at least one family member portrait. She started creating personal likenesses sculpted in porcelain. Approximately 11 years ago portraiture became her focus.

Her artistic skill. Her community involvement is evident at the Advocacy Center for Children, where she created the fourteen-foot tropical tree! She has worked with other local artists to create and publish, "Denna's Dream," a book that profits the Advocacy Center. She can frequently be found at the Butler art center and shows her works locally as well as the Pittsburgh regional area.

## **Notes from the Kitchen.....**

✿ Thanks to your donations we have been able to add 2 needed upgrades to the kitchen. Finally, our pot filler faucet has been added near the stove so that our cooks don't have to lift the VERY heavy pots filled with water over from the sink. We have also added a GFI outlet near the small prep sink that will help when we are using a number of roasters for our meals. We continue to be so blessed by your donations.

✿ In late February, Jean Stockburger, one of our fabulous cooks, and I renewed our Serve Safe certification through Penn State Extension. This certification prepares us to safely store, package & serve food. It is important for at least one person in the kitchen have this certification.

A percentage of the art sold this Gala weekend will benefit the Community Meal Ministries. Remember, mark your calendar for **Saturday April 13**. Tickets are \$30 & can be purchased now from any of the participating churches or at the door. We are still looking for sponsors & basket donations. If you are interested in supporting the Community Meal Ministries & needy we serve, please call me for more information. Wishes for a prayer-filled Lenten season †, ~*Justine*

\*\*\*Basket Raffle Request, If you, or a group, would like to put a basket together to benefit the Community Meal Ministries Gala & Art Show that will be held the weekend of April 13 & 14 at St Michael's Hall, please have your basket to your parish office by Thursday, April, 4 so that we have time to properly tag them. Please give your basket a title, and add a list of contents & name of the donor. This basket raffle is an important part of our event! Questions can be directed to Justine Brown, 724-355-3178

# COMMUNITY MEAL GALA AND ART SHOW

Saturday and Sunday, April 13 & 14, 2024 at  
St. Michael's Church Hall, Butler, PA 16001

## Sponsorship Opportunities

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, my company/organization will be a Sponsor for the Gala & Art Show as listed below.

\_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed is our check payable to "St Mark's"

\_\_\_\_\_ Please send an invoice

\_\_\_\_\_ *\$1,000 Platinum sponsor*

(Full page ad in program, 6 tickets to event)

\_\_\_\_\_ *\$500 Gold sponsor*

(1/2-page ad in program, 4 tickets to event)

\_\_\_\_\_ *\$250 Silver sponsor*

(1/4-page ad in program, signage at event, 2 tickets to event)

\_\_\_\_\_ *\$150 Bronze sponsor*

(Business card available in program)

\_\_\_\_\_ *\$100*

(Listing of name or company in program)



\_\_\_\_\_ No, my company/organization cannot be a Sponsor, but accept our donation in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to donate a basket to the event.

Email your Camera-ready artwork (jpg) and Logo (if receiving signage at the event) to: [wendy.holt@stmarksbutler.org](mailto:wendy.holt@stmarksbutler.org)

Payment for the Gala and Art Show is due by **March 15, 2024**. Checks should be made payable to "St Mark's Church".

Please mail this form with your payment to:

**Justine Brown**  
**St Mark Church Attn: Community Meal Gala**  
**201 West Jefferson Street**  
**Butler, PA 16001**

Please print your information

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# No Boil Baked Ziti

Source: <https://iheartvegetables.com/no-boil-baked-ziti/>

## Ingredients:

- 8oz ziti or penne pasta
- 1 24oz jar marinara sauce
- 4oz fresh mozzarella cheese, torn into pieces (or about 1 cup shredded)
- 8oz whole milk ricotta cheese
- 1oz shredded Parmesan cheese



## Instructions:

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees.

Spray a 8×8 casserole dish with non-stick spray. Spray a sheet of aluminum foil with non-stick spray and set aside.

Combine the pasta and sauce in the baking dish. Stir to ensure the pasta is completely submerged in the sauce.

Stir in half of the mozzarella cheese.

Dollop the ricotta all over the pan.

Sprinkle with remaining mozzarella and Parmesan.

Cover tightly with the prepared aluminum foil and bake for 45 minutes. (For chickpea pasta, bake for 30 minutes.)

Uncover and continue to bake for 10-15 minutes or until pasta is al dente.

## Children's Hour Fun in February



## Historical Trivia for March

**March 4, 1681** - King Charles II of England granted a huge tract of land in the New World to William Penn to settle an outstanding debt. The area later became Pennsylvania.

Source: <https://www.historyplace.com/specials/calendar/docs-pix/feb-four-chaplains.htm>

Penn was born in London on October 24, 1644, the son of Admiral Sir William Penn. Despite high social position and an excellent education, he shocked his upper-class associates by his conversion to the beliefs of the Society of Friends, or Quakers, then a persecuted sect. He used his inherited wealth and rank to benefit and protect his fellow believers. Despite the unpopularity of his religion, he was socially acceptable in the king's court because he was trusted by the Duke of York, later King James II. The origins of the Society of Friends lie in the intense religious ferment of seventeenth century England. George Fox, the son of a Leicestershire weaver, is credited with founding it in 1647, though there was no definite organization before 1668. The Society's rejections of rituals and oaths, its opposition to war, and its simplicity of speech and dress soon attracted attention, usually hostile.

King Charles II owed William Penn £16,000, money which his late father Admiral Sir Penn had lent him. Seeking a haven in the New World for persecuted Friends, Penn asked the King to grant him land in the territory between Lord Baltimore's province of Maryland and the Duke of York's province of New York. With the Duke's support, Penn's petition was granted. The King signed the Charter of Pennsylvania on March 4, 1681, and it was officially proclaimed on April 2. The King named the new colony in honor of William Penn's father. It was to include the land between the 39th and 42nd degrees of north latitude and from the Delaware River westward for five degrees of longitude. Other provisions assured its people the protection of English laws and, to a certain degree, kept it subject to the government in England. Provincial statutes could be annulled by the King. In 1682 the Duke of York deeded to Penn his claim to the three lower counties on the Delaware, which are now the state of Delaware.

Although William Penn was granted all the land in Pennsylvania by the King, he and his heirs chose not to grant or settle any part of it without first buying the claims of the Native Americans who lived there. In this manner, all of present Pennsylvania except the northwestern third was purchased by 1768. The Commonwealth bought the Six Nations' claims to the remainder of the land in 1784 and 1789, and the claims of the Delawares and Wyandots in 1785. The defeat of the French and Indian war alliance by 1760, the withdrawal of the French, the crushing of Chief Pontiac's Indian alliance in 1764, and the failure of all attempts by Native Americans and colonists to live side by side led the Native Americans to migrate westward, gradually leaving Pennsylvania.

Quakers were the dominant English element, although many English settlers were Anglican. The English settled heavily in the southeastern counties, which soon lost frontier characteristics and became the center of a thriving agricultural and commercial society. Philadelphia became the metropolis of the British colonies and a center of intellectual and commercial life.

By 1776, the Province of Pennsylvania had become the third largest English colony in America, though next to the last to be founded. Philadelphia had become the largest English-speaking city in the world next to London. There were originally only three counties: Philadelphia, Chester, and Bucks, but by 1773 there were eleven. Westmoreland, the last new county created before the Revolution, was the first county located entirely west of the Allegheny Mountains.

The American Revolution had urban origins, and Philadelphia was a center of ferment. Groups of Philadelphia artisans and mechanics, many loyal to Benjamin Franklin, formed a grassroots revolutionary leadership. Philadelphia had been a center of resistance to the Stamp Act in 1765, and it moved quickly to support Boston in opposition to Britain's Intolerable Acts in 1774.



*William Penn*

To read the whole article go to: <https://www.phmc.state.pa.us/portal/communities/pa-history/1681-1776.html#:~:text=The%20King%20signed%20the%20Charter,for%20five%20degrees%20of%20longitude.>





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- [Newsletter](#) – “The Parishioner” - sent monthly to your mailbox and found on the website
- [Email](#) – Parish Administrator, [wendy.holt@stmarksbutler.org](mailto:wendy.holt@stmarksbutler.org) / Phone – (724)-287-6741
- [Mail](#) – 201 West Jefferson Street, Butler, PA 16001

Help us stay connected to you. Share and/or update your contact information so that we can keep you informed.

2023 Pictures Directories are finally finished! Stop by the Church to grab yours today!

Address Updates for your directory- Please notify the church office with any address/phone number changes, or directory corrections, so that we can keep all contact information up to date. Thank You.

A note from our Church Council:

- If you find yourself making purchases for the church, that will require reimbursement, please stop by the church office for a Tax Exemption form. As we hold tax exempt status, church council urges everyone to take advantage of this and in turn save us all additional costs.
- A warm WELCOME to Shelley O’Donnell as she joins the St. Mark’s staff as Youth Director. We look forward to your leadership and enthusiasm in the lives of young people in our community and church family.

We look forward to joining with you in worship!



- \*Palm Sunday Weekend, March 23/24
- \*Maundy Thursday, March 28 @ 7:00 pm
- \*Good Friday, March 29 @ 7:00 pm
- \*Easter Vigil March 30 @ 5:00 pm
- \*Easter Day, March 31 @ 9:00 am



**Community Meal Gala & Art Show  
April 13 & 14**






St. Michael’s R.C. Church Hall, Center Ave., Butler, Pa 16001

Event Tickets can be purchased at the church office or from Katie’s Kitchen manager, Justine Brown

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*“It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold: when it is summer in the light, and winter in the shade.” — Charles Dickens*



SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		
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# MARCH 2024

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FEBRUARY 2024

APRIL 2024

## SCRIPTURE:

“Be still, and know that I am God!  
I am exalted among the nations,  
I am exalted in the earth.”

~Psalm 46:10



Riddle answers: (1) Carpet, (2) He is walking, (3) Second, (4) Time (5) You are playing baseball

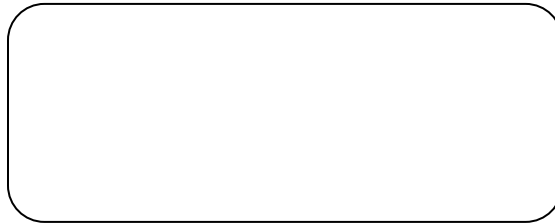
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Sunday School: 10:15 AM

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