

FALL FESTIVAL COMING SOON!

The **Third Annual Halloween Fall Festival** will be held on Saturday, October 29, from 4:00pm to 7:00pm. There will be carnival games and prizes, bounce house, food, cake walk, haunted house and the very popular trunk-or-treat!



Last year we welcomed hundreds of young people on to our campus for a safe celebration. This year to ensure that success and we need your help! Disciples are needed for several shifts including set up (2:00pm to 4:00pm), supervising a carnival game booth (4:00pm to 6:00pm), and clean up (6:00pm to 8:00pm).

If you are unable to attend, consider donating a few bags of Halloween candy, small toy game prizes or a baked good for the cake walk. Families are also needed to sign up to decorate their car for the trunk-or-treat, the main event of the night. Dress your car in a costume and hand out candy or other appropriate items as kids parade by in their costumes. Sign up for a volunteer shift on the Patio today or next Sunday, October 23. It will be a fun night for the whole family.



Come on November 17 to Vision for the Future

On Thursday, November 17, we will have Charge Conference to set the path for the year ahead. After a brief time for business, we will enjoy dinner

together and a time to plan and dream. Please put it on your calendar and plan now to join in the dream, on Thursday, November 17, at 6:00pm.

In Memory

Please extend your love and sympathy to the family and friends of these St. Mark's members:



...Ruthe Henderson, 94, who died on October 13. Her memorial service is still being planned. Please her family in your prayers.

...Bill Moore, 84, who died on October 2. His memorial service was held on Friday. Please keep Jeanette and family in your prayers.

...Ann Thisby, 93, who died on Sept. 28. Her memorial service will be in November. Please keep Marcy Steele, her daughter and family in your prayers.

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TODAY at St. Mark's

- Sunday, October 16**
60th Anniversary Celebration
 9:30am **Worship Service-SA**
 Sunday School-E1-4, 21-23
 Faith Pilgrimage-E25
 9:45am Worship Band-E21
 10:30am 60th Celebration-MH
 11:00am **Worship Service-SA**
 Sunday School-E1-4, 22-23
 Jesus Seminar-E25
 Quest Class-E24
 Write Now-E21
 12:00pm 60th Celebration-MH
 12:30pm Membership Class-E26
 2:00pm Seasoned Companions-E24
 2:30pm Grace in Motion-GC
 4:00pm Youth Group-GC

Fall Series Continues



Today is the fifth Sunday of the fall series, *St. Mark's Way*, a community exploration of the gospel of Mark, which will continue through November 20. In addition to the Sunday sermons, individuals are invited to read through the book on their own. The church has provided a pamphlet to assist you with the readings and prepare you for worship on Sundays. They are available in the lobby.

60 years of ministry—that's something to celebrate!



Today, St. Mark's is celebrating its 60th birthday. Special recognitions of charter members and former pastors will be made in each service. You are invited to celebrate in MacMurdo Hall after either worship service to enjoy light refreshments. Take a walk down memory lane in pictures and memorabilia. Help look ahead to the future and as we put together a time capsule to

be opened on St. Mark's 70th birthday. Consider celebrating with a gift—something with a 6 and 0, like 60, 600, 6000. It could be cents, or smiles, or dollars, or prayers—all to celebrate St. Mark's ministry in Sacramento! If your gift is monetary, please place it in a pew envelope and mark it "60th birthday."



This Week at St. Mark's

Monday, October 17

Office Closed

7:30pm Home Bible Study-Offsite

Tuesday, October 18

9:30am UMW Executive Board-E5

7:00pm Bell Choir-CR
Bereavement Support-PR
NSP Group-E24
Mark Study Group-Kohatsus

Wednesday, October 19

9:00am UMW Sew & Craft Group-E5

5:00pm Mark Study Group-E24
7:00pm Adult Education-E21

Thursday, October 20

9:30am Men's Group-GC
12:30pm Super Seniors-MH
7:00pm ACT Chapter Meeting-E5
Chancel Choir-CR
Ministry in Action-E5

Saturday, October 22

10:00am Bereavement Support-PR

Sunday, October 23

9:30am **Worship Service**-SA
Sunday School-E1-4, 21-23
Faith Pilgrimage-E25
St. Mark's Singers-CR

9:45am Worship Band-E21
11:00am **Worship Service**-SA
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Hooray for Fair Trade!

Through your abundant support of Fair Trade Coffee and other products a generous gift of \$500 will be given to support the St. Mark's mission trip to Haiti.

Remember in Prayer

Recent Requests:

Ginny Baldauf
Cath Brown
Bill Gile
Esther Huston
Mary Kasai
Sarah Kelly
Jeanette Moore
Lane Richmond
Iris Schindhelm
Marcy Steele
Doris White

On-going Needs:

Susanna Aaltonen
Nancy Aldrich
Sue Bailey
Sharon Britt-Richmond
Maurice Brown
Celina Davin
Frank Davin
Jennine Jones
Olivia Jones
Agnes Lappia
Dave MacMurdo
Bob McKibben
Doris Menuet
Dorrie Moon
Jimmie Poxon
George Roehr

Entertainment Books

The 2012 Sacramento Entertainment Books are available for \$30 in the Church Office. Proceeds from the book sales support St. Mark's Youth.



Pictorial Church Directory Portrait Sign-ups Begin!

TODAY, we begin signing up for portrait sittings for the new Pictorial Directory here at the church at the tables provided. Online signups began earlier this week through a link on the website.

This is always an exciting venture for St. Mark's and we want everyone who considers this their church home to be pictured in the directory.



November is our portrait month. Dates and times are on the posters around the campus, and will be at the signup sites. Each family group will receive a coupon for a free 8x10 portrait or credit towards another portrait size.

All photos will arrive before Christmas, and our online directory should be accessible by mid-December.

This directory will also be available online, giving access to immediate updates for information, and periodic additions of pictures for those new to St. Mark's.

The directory company, Lifetouch, is partnering with us in a benevolent project, *Feed the Need*. Each family who brings a non-perishable food item in the assigned bag will receive \$5 off any portrait order. In addition, the company is donating \$1 per family photographed! Be sure to sign up **today!** (or online this week at www.stmarksumc.com)

Thank You!

Dear St. Mark's Friends,

Thank you so much for including my son, George, in your prayers the past few months. His chemotherapy is concluded and his doctor has pronounced him "in remission." He is still dealing with compromised inactivity because of the chemo, but appears well on the road to good health.

I am grateful for the knowledge, skill and compassion of medical workers as well as for the support of the St. Mark's community. Finally, I give thanks for a God of grace and mercy that has given mankind the ability and desire to overcome deadly diseases.

Thankfully yours,

Thomas L Roehr

We are grateful for the willing hands of several who spent time and talents constructing the banner before you, including: Jim & Barbara Eychaner, lola Halligan, Michael Mathews and Melinda Stawicki. Thank you!!

In explanation of its meaning, Mark the Evangelist, the author of the second gospel account is symbolized by a winged lion—a figure of courage and monarchy. Mark has John the Baptist preaching "like a lion roaring" at the beginning of his Gospel. It also represents Jesus' Resurrection (because lions were believed to sleep with open eyes, a comparison with Christ in the tomb), and Christ as King. This signifies that Christians should be courageous on the path of salvation.