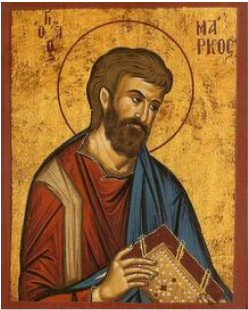


The Grapevine

January 2018

The kingdom of God has come near: an introduction to the Gospel of Mark

Sundays in January, 9-10 am, in the conference room



The Gospel of Mark is the shortest of the four gospels, and believed to be the original telling of the life and ministry of Jesus. Mark is actually short enough that you can read it in one sitting!

Mark forms the basis of our lectionary this year, so January will be a good time to acquaint ourselves with some of its sharp corners and compelling urgency. We'll look at the whole first chapter, paying attention to the people who formed Mark's community and the way he wrote about them. Mark tells the story of Jesus' journeys of teaching and healing throughout Galilee and Judea as a spiritual geography, so we'll look at maps of the

Holy Land and of intersecting trade routes of the Roman Empire, the ground on which Jesus walked and proclaimed the Good News of God's reign.

It might be fun if we all arrived on January 7 having read the whole Gospel of Mark – but at least the first chapter. All other study materials will be provided at each session. Each session is open to all, whether or not you have been able to attend earlier weeks.

Jacque

SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Search Committee has had a very busy past couple of months! We have met almost weekly and have now reached a decision regarding the final candidates who will move forward in our process. During the next few weeks, the Committee will be meeting with our candidates in person to continue our discernment, which now takes on a very concentrated focus. I am so grateful to the Committee for all of their faithful work and to Deacon Shelly for her guidance as we navigate through the discernment process. We appreciate your continued prayers for us, our candidates and for the people of St. Matthew's during this time of wondering and waiting. God has great things in store for us!



For any questions, contact a member of the Search Committee (Pictured left to right: Becky Clifford, Deacon Shelly Banner (consultant), Larry Mathews, Erin Bagley, Dave Holloway, Cindy Adamowsky, Elizabeth Weekley, Gail Jones, Courtenay McKeon, Penny Dugas, Joe Hannah)

Wishing you all a very blessed and joyous Christmas,
Cindy Adamowsky
Search Committee Chair

COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATE:

Due to the extreme cold and conflicts of interest, our community garden meeting has been rescheduled to **Mon. January 8th at 7:00pm**, in the conference room. Please consider working with us to realize this ministry at St. Matthew's. Our goal is to feed the community fresh fruits & veggies through the local food pantry and our *Open Table* meal. We'd love your input!



ST. MATTHEW'S ANNUAL CHURCH GREENING



As with all things, what goes up must come down. **The de-greening will be held on Saturday, January 7th at 1:00pm (Date changed).** This is usually a quick process of basically taking down everything we put up during the greening and the vacuuming should be light. Once we're done, we usually go out for a bite to eat and a little fellowship. Please see Gail Jones at the 8:00am service, during coffee hour between the services or leave her a message at 453-5618. Thank you - you won't regret it.

SAMARITAN CENTER

The next meal that St. Matthew's volunteers will serve at The Samaritan Center will be on **Saturday, January 6th at 12:30pm**. We are in need of more volunteers to join our team! There is a much larger need at The Samaritan Center with clients, so we need to match that with volunteers. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you are able to help us that day. It's always a good time, and such soul-feeding mission! Contact Clinnie Poole with any questions.



MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE & LEARNING



LIFE'S MOST PERSISTENT
AND URGENT QUESTION:
WHAT ARE YOU
DOING FOR OTHERS?

Please save the date: **January 15th at 10:00 am**. There will be activities for all ages. We will take part in various service projects, and also watch short videos on Martin Luther King, Jr. and his impact on our world.

PROPERTY REPAIRS



There is a new form located on the walls in the parish hall and outside the sanctuary. This form is for you to fill out if you see any part of the St. Matthew's property that is in need of fixing. Anything at all! This form will allow us to keep track of what is in need of fixing. Sometimes, your eyes notice things that we do not, and we'd like to hear about those things! Any questions, contact Penny Dugas.

LADIES' NIGHT

Join us on **Monday, January 8th at 6:30pm** for game night! Since we had to reschedule our ugly sweater party, wear your ugly sweater from the holidays and we will enter you into a raffle! Sign-ups appreciated!



ASHBY CALENDARS FOR 2018



The calendars are available on the desk in the hall. Please take one home for your use during 2018. We are most grateful to Maurer Funeral Home for underwriting the cost of the calendars again this year.



ALTAR GUILD MEETING

The altar guild will have their annual meeting on **January 21st at noon**. Please make every effort to attend this meeting.

ANGEL TREE UPDATE

I want to thank all of you for your participation in this years' angel tree program. You have once again outdone yourselves. A special thanks to Bill & Pat Boylan and Mike & Jackie Gates for delivering all the gifts so they were received in time for Christmas. Again, thank you all and see you next year! *Cathy Labaucki, Angel Tree coordinator.*



SCRABBLE TILES NEEDED



Sue Straub's Sunday school class is in need of "old style" wooden Scrabble tiles for a project they are going to do in January. If you have any old Scrabble games lying around, and you would like to donate, please give them to Sue Straub or Sarah Almond.

THE OPEN TABLE FREE MEAL

Please join us on **Sunday, January 28th from 4-6pm**. The menu for the meal will be turkey tetrazzini. All are welcome to come and eat. Please bring your friends and family and anyone else you might know that could be in need of a delicious home-cooked meal!



ANNUAL MEETING



Please note that the date for our **2018 annual meeting is February 4th**. The meeting will officially start at 8:00am, and there will be a parish breakfast at 9:00am. Elections will take place during the meeting. See you there!

SOUP-ER BOWL SUNDAY

On **Superbowl Sunday, February 4th**, we turn our passion for the game of football into help for our local food pantry! Please support your favorite team in the Superbowl by participating in our St. Matthew's "Soup-er Bowl", and bringing in cans of soup (high protein, preferred) to place in the box for your favorite team! If you wish not to donate soup, but wish to donate cash, that's okay too!



SNOW DAY NOTICE:



Just a reminder! During the week, when Liverpool Schools are closed, the office at St. Matthew's will be closed and all services at St. Matthew's will be canceled. If there is a delay, the office will delay opening. Please email stmatthews_office@verizon.net with any questions or concerns during closures.

MEETING NOTICE

Please keep the vestry at St. Matthew's in your prayers. They will be meeting next on: **Tuesday, January 23rd at 7:00pm.**



ONGOING OUTREACH



Shopping Cart Sunday:

The 3rd Sunday of every month is Shopping Cart Sunday! Please remember to drop off your non-perishable items in the cart so they can benefit those at the St. Joseph the Worker food pantry, here in the village.

The Gregory J. Harris Military Courtesy Room:

In the hallway, you'll find a large bin labeled "Military Room Donations". On the bulletin board above it you'll find a list of items to be donated to The Gregory J. Harris Military Courtesy Room at Hancock Airport. Please drop off travel-sized toiletries, individually wrapped candy, snacks, cookies and individually wrapped packages of popcorn. Canned soda is also appreciated. Thank you!

Food Bags:

St. Matthew's maintains a steady supply of food bags for those in need. If you wish to donate any non-perishable items to have on hand to stock the bags, please see the list in the on the bulletin board in the hallway, or contact the office at stmatthews_office@verizon.net, or 315-457-4633 to be sent a list. There is also a list available on the website. For any questions about the Food Bag Program, please contact Sarah in the office.

FOOD \$EN\$E SHOPPERS PROGRAM

At St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

Everyone can s-t-r-e-t-c-h their food dollars... NO income requirements

Ordering: Sunday, January 7, 9-10am
Wednesday, January 10th, 2-4pm
Sunday, January 14th, 9-10am

Pick-up: Wednesday, January 24th, 2-4pm

Buy January's Food Package for \$20.50 (list subject to change)

- Chicken Thighs, 3.5 lbs (avg.)
- Italian Meatballs, 1 lb.
- Haddock Fillets, 1 lb.
- Italian Sausage, 1 lb.
- Ground Turkey, 1 lb.
- Spaghetti Sauce, 26 oz.
- Cheese Ravioli, 13 oz.
- Pizza (Supreme), 20.6 oz.
- Strawberry & Blueberry Blend, 1 lb.
- Mixed Vegetables, 12 oz.
- Fresh Produce Item 1
- Fresh Produce Item 2

**Projected package is subject to change*

The Specials for January are:

Chicken Breast Fritters: 5 lbs. for \$11.00 - The chicken breast fritters are breaded and can be used like a boneless chicken wing.

Stuffed Pork Chops: 2 lbs. for \$7.00 - The pork chops are stuffed with apples and cranberries.

Sea Scallops: 2 lbs. for \$11.00 - The sea scallops are individually quick frozen and there are 30-40 per pound.

Protein Box: \$12.00 - The Protein Box includes pork tenderloin (1.6 lbs. avg.), chicken drumsticks (3.5 lbs. avg.), ground beef (80/20; 1 lb.), breaded fish sticks (1 lb.), and fresh eggs (1 dozen).

Mozzarella Sticks: 2 lbs. for \$6.00 - The mozzarella sticks are par-cooked and ready for the oven.

Meatloaf: 2 lbs. for \$6.75 - The meatloaf is a traditional meatloaf made from 100% ground beef.

Breakfast Sausage: 3 lbs. for \$7.00 - The breakfast sausage is made locally in Utica, NY.

JANUARY

Birthdays

Brown, Jessica	25	Piraino, Joseph	23
Chidsey, Kate	24	Reber, Brady	25
Croyle, Kate	05	Sees, Susan	02
Dennis, Carol	24	Smith, Deborah	25
Hanousek, Jennifer	04	Stearns, Alec	18
Jim, Alex	11	Straub, Brandon	22
Marks, Virginia	05	Straub, Bryan	22
Miner, Kenny	20	Todd, Lindsay	18
Pierson, TJ	08	Vigliotti, Dale	03
		Warner, Craig	05

* If anyone has been omitted from this list, please call the office *

In Our Thoughts and Prayers:



*Mary & Sean Ahern
Neil Alamond
Rev. Barbara Allen
Rev. Adrian Amaya
Andrea
April
Jim Arnold
Benjamin, Kai, & Keisha Baxter
Wes Anderson
Michael Bell
CJ
Nicole Canavan
Tim Cook
Dora Mae Croyle
Gordon & Sandy Davis
Doug Drumsta
Beverly Eggers
Cheryl Familo
Charles & Mary Lou Feeney
Duane Fleming
Amy Good*

*Nancy Goodsell
Dave Harvey
Leo, Serina, & Sarah Hubbard
Jimmy
Susan Kadet
Jacob Kaiser
Don Keough
Jennifer Kerns
Marion Magee
David Maier
Virginia Marks
Larry & Nanny Martin
Laura McGaffick
Michelle
Jared Miller
Kaden Miner
Diani Miner
Bob Murdock
Marian Osborne
Paulette Pertgen
Joe & Pam Piraino*

*Zachary Piston
John Prochaska
Sharon R.
John Rheinheimer
Michael Roach
Amaya Robinson
Dorothy Rolince
David S.
Mimi Sachel
Ron Sager
Fr. Ed Scully
Shirley Shepherd
Jacob Smallman
Sohyla
Alec Stearns
Rick Stocking
PJ Tarquinio
Sue Turo
Noel Warner
Justin Zander*

*Please contact the office if anyone needs to be removed from the list *

DIOCESAN NEWS...

Youth Winter Skating & Overnight (Syracuse)

When: January 20, 2018, 2:00 pm–January 21, 2018, 12:00 pm

Who: Youth in grades 6-12 are invited for a weekend of winter fun, sponsored by the Diocesan Youth Ministry.

What: We'll spend the night at St. Paul's Church in downtown Syracuse (use the Montgomery Street entrance when you arrive) and enjoy skating at the Clinton Square Ice Rink.

Registration: To register, please [download the registration form](#) and return to Ms. Kristen Blum, Youth Ministry Co-Coordinator, following the instructions on the form. A [Safe Church for Teens training](#) will take place following closing worship (details TBD). Youth leaders under age 16 must take this training annually.



Youth Winter Retreat



When: February 18, 2018 – February 22, 2018 (Dates subject to change)

What: A winter overnight retreat for youth.

Where: St. Margaret's House in New Hartford.

Registration: Details TBA. Check www.cnyepiscopal.org for updates.

COMMUNITY NEWS...

A Taste of Peru

Where: Liverpool Public Library, Carman Community Room

When: Thursday, January 11, 2018 7:00pm

What: Matt Cullipher, owner of the Hope Cafe and Tea House, will talk about his life in Peru, Peruvian cooking and the charitable organizations the cafe supports. There will be a demo and a sampling of Peruvian cuisine.



Origins of Jazz Series: The Jazz Singer



What: Big D Orchestra featuring Sharon Allen (American roots and blues)

Where: Liverpool Public Library, Carman Community Room

When: Sunday, January 21, 2018 at 2:00pm

Chicken & Biscuit Dinner

Where: Liverpool First United Methodist Church, 604 Oswego St. Liverpool

When: Saturday, January 27, 2018 4pm – 6pm



JANUARY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 New Years Day <i>Office closed</i>	2	3 12:00 Noon- +HE	4 5:00-7:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance	5	6
7 1st Sunday after Epiphany 8:00am-+HE 9:00am – Bible Study 9:15am – Sunday School 9:15am – Choir Reh. 10:00am – Child. Choir 10:10am-Nursery 10:15am - +HE 1:00pm – De-greening	8 11:00-2:00pm Advocates 6:30pm Ladies' Night 7:00pm Garden Meeting	9 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance	10 12:00 Noon- +HE	11 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance	12	13
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^WS: Worship Service +HE: Holy Eucharist °HB: Holy Baptism						

Find us online:





JANUARY 2018 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Ministry Schedule	<i>January 7th First Sunday after Epiphany</i>	<i>January 14th Second Sunday after Epiphany</i>	<i>January 21st Third Sunday after Epiphany</i>	<i>January 28th Fourth Sunday after Epiphany</i>
ACOLYTES 8:00	Gail Jones	John Vigliotti	Abby Hines	John Vigliotti
10:15	Elizabeth Weekley	Lambros Alamond	Campbell Bagley	Johnny Lisi
ALTAR GUILD	Kate & Mike Croyle	Kate & Mike Croyle	Courtenay McKeon Edie Oliver	Courtenay McKeon Edie Oliver
COFFEE HOSTS 8:00	John & Dale Vigliotti	Bill & Gail Jones	Betty Palmer	Penny Dugas
10:15	Stace Family	Penny Paolo	Mathews Family	Alamond Family
LECTORS & EMs 8:00	Gail Jones Dale Vigliotti	Cindy Adamowsky Jackie Gates	Deb Bayless Bill Jones	Mike Gates Dale Vigliotti
10:15	Pat Haight, Sallie Jameson, Lee Wakefield	Dick Kopp, Judy Carroll, Joe Hannah	Johnny Lisi, Tracy Lewis, Courtenay McKeon	Larry Mathews, Rose Rheinheimer, Sallie Jameson
NURSERY 10:10	Michelle Makai John Owens	Michelle Makai Aaron McKeon	Michelle Makai Penny Paolo	Michelle Makai Sarah Alamond
TELLERS	Matt Stace Don Adamowsky	Mark Miller Milt Oatman	Henry Wakefield Judy Carroll	Mark M., Mary Beth S., Dawn Sam, Linda C.
USHERS 10:15	Dave Holloway Elana Henner	Jim Carruthers Chris Clarke	Jim & Mary Beth Sullivan	Henry Family

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Search Committee Members:

Penny Dugas, Larry Mathews, Erin Bagley, Cindy Adamowsky, Becky Clifford, Elizabeth Weekley, Dave Holloway, Gail Jones, Courtenay McKeon, Deacon Shelly Banner

St. Matthew's Leadership

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Vestry Point Person for...</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Priest-in-Charge	The Rev. Jacqueline Schmitt		(315)446-2583	
Wardens	Penny Dugas		(315)652-3989	2018
	Bill Jones		(315)491-3959	2019
Vestry	Phil Iavarone	<i>Worship</i>	(315)451-5617	2018
	Courtenay McKeon	<i>Education</i>	(315)214-9276	2018
	Clinnie Poole	<i>Outreach</i>	(315)471-6689	2018
	Dawn O'Polka	<i>Communications</i>	(315)458-2088	2019
	John Owens	<i>Property</i>	(315)424-7792	2019
	Katie McCormick	<i>Stewardship</i>	(585)732-9005	2019
	Christina Stearns	<i>Inreach</i>	(315)263-3394	2020
	Amy Thackston	<i>Finance</i>	(315)652-5990	2020
	Deb Bayless	<i>Congregational Development</i>	(315)622-2664	2020
Treasurer	Deb Smith		(315)458-1409	
Clerk	Cathy Labucki		(315)218-5195	

Because we believe that God loves everyone without exceptions,
we are a church that nurtures spiritual growth for all ages.

We are a community that is:

Open and welcoming.

Gentle.

Joyful.

Generous.

Rooted in our Episcopal Tradition.

