

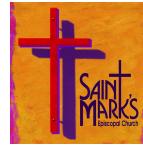
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The Messenger of St. Mark's | After Pentecost | August 2, 2024

For your thought:

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." --John 6:35



[Study this Sunday's Readings.](#)

Lectionary Note: From 6/2 until Advent (12/1), we will be reading from Track 1 for our Old Testament readings - Psalms, Epistle and Gospel readings will be from Track 2.

WORSHIP CORNER



Worship on Sunday is both in person and virtually, every week at 9:30 a.m. We live stream Sunday liturgies on our [Facebook](#) & [YouTube](#) channels.

Also, we offer a Midweek Eucharist every Thursday at 11 a.m. that is both in person and on our live-streaming platforms.

[Orders of Worship](#)

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[All Offerings](#)

Useful links:

- [Fill out a form](#) to volunteer, donate altar flowers, fill out a new member/visitor form, and more!
- Access and/or edit your [Member Directory](#) information.
- To read or view [previous sermons, click here](#).
- **Schedule a meeting with Mother Sylvia [by clicking here](#).**
- **Schedule a meeting with Deacon David [by clicking here](#).**

Important Upcoming Dates:

- Sat., Aug. 3, 1 p.m., Funeral for Sean Murphy (Hybrid/Nave)

- Sat., Aug. 10, 11 a.m., Church Unbound Sandwich Making (In person/kitchen)
- Sat., Aug. 10, 9-11 a.m., Storytelling Workshop: Sarah of the Bible (In person/Library)
- Sun., Aug. 11, 9:30 a.m., Blessing of the Backpacks (Hybrid/Nave)
- Sun., Aug. 11, 11 a.m., Bring Lunches for Church Unbound from Undercroft (In Person/Undercroft)
- Sun., Aug. 11, 11:30 a.m., Youth and Family Luncheon (In person/Parish Hall)
- Sun., Aug. 18, 11:15 a.m., Storytelling Practice Group, session 1 (location TBD)
- Sun., Sept. 1, We all share one cup for wine this day & going forward
- Sun., Sept. 1, 11:15 a.m., Storytelling Practice Group, session 2 (location TBD)
- Mon., Sept. 2, Labor Day (Offices Closed)
- Sat., Sept. 7, Sat., 11 a.m., Church Unbound Sandwich Making (In person/kitchen)
- Sun., Sept. 8, 11 a.m., Bring Lunches for Church Unbound from Undercroft (In Person/Undercroft)
- Sun., Sept. 15, 6 p.m., Storytelling Sharing Event (In Person/library)

SAINT MARK'S MISSION, MINISTRY & OUTREACH

Sunday: Coffee Hour to Honor Sara Johnson



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Blessing of the Backpacks

Blessing Backpacks on Sunday, August 11 at 9:30 a.m.

We will bless all those going back to school during the liturgy on Sunday, August 11. **Students of all ages, teachers, administrators, and all education staff are welcome** to come forward for the blessing. **Bring backpacks, sneakers, lunch boxes, briefcases or any school-related items you'd like to be blessed as well.**



Welcome the New Choir Director of St. Mark's



We are delighted to introduce Dr. Patrick Dill, who will be joining the staff of St. Mark's in late August as St. Mark's Director of Music & Choir for the 2024-2025 program year. Dr. Dill is looking forward to working closely with St. Mark's principal organist, Jeremy Wirths, as well as our wonderful assistant organists, choir members, clergy, and congregation as we continue to grow together both spiritually and musically.

Dr. Dill has worked as a church musician for over two decades, directing adult, children, and handbell choirs. In addition to his service in music ministry, Dr. Dill has ten years of experience teaching high school choir in the state of Texas, followed by twelve years of college experience, and is joining the UNM music department as the choral music education faculty member. He holds a bachelor's degree in music education from Millikin University,

a master's degree in choral conducting from Westminster Choir College, and a doctorate in choral conducting from the University of North Texas, where his path first crossed with Jeremy Wirths. He now lives in New Mexico with his husband, Ryan, and their two daughters, Serenity and Patience. Please join us in welcoming Dr. Dill and his family to St. Mark's.

Youth & Family Lunch

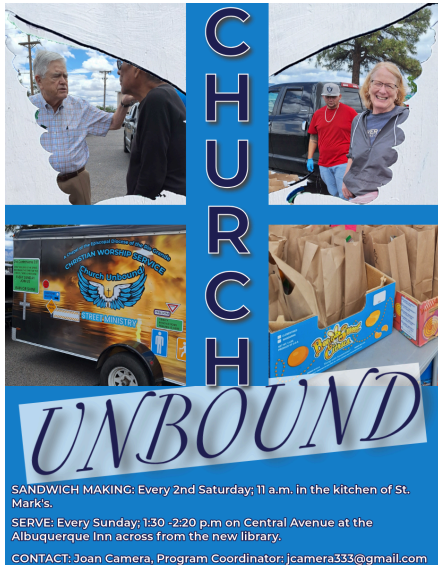
Youth and Family Lunch on Sunday, August 11

Families with youth in middle and high school are invited to lunch in the library at 11:30 a.m. on **Sunday, August 11**. We will talk about ideas and dreams for our youth moving into the future. We want everyone's input – both youth and their grown-ups. Lunch will be provided.



Please RSVP To Deacon David, via [email here](#).

Please Sign Up for Church Unbound



Church Unbound needs 5-6 volunteers on **Saturday from 11-Noon**, and then 5-6 people on **Sunday after coffee hour to bring everything up from the Undercroft**. Please sign up on the **Welcome table in the narthex**.

Upcoming dates – please mark your calendars:

- **August 10 & 11, 2024**
- **September 7 & 8, 2024** (Note: This is the 1st Saturday, but is the 2nd Sunday of this month)
- **October 12 & 13, 2024**
- **November 9 & 10, 2024**
- **December 7 & 8, 2024** (Note: This is the 1st Saturday, but is the 2nd Sunday of this month)

Any questions, please contact Joan Camera: 505 440 8984 or via [email here](#).

Storytelling "Sarah" Workshop & Following Events

As we approach the second half of our summer of conversation, we would like to invite you into a slightly different kind conversation – one that takes the form of telling stories taken from our sacred texts.

The first set of conversations will focus on the wonderful chain of stories that describe the world and life of Sarah, and will start with a workshop led by Harriet Cole on Saturday, August 10 at 9-11 a.m. in the library.



The workshop will be followed by two practice sessions during Adult Ed time (11:15 a.m.) on August 18 and September 1st.

All this will lead to a Story Sharing (with an assortment of simple, evening snacks) in the library of St. Mark's on Sunday, September 15th at 6 p.m.

Special Note: All are invited to all of these activities. Join our workshop and practice sessions if you simply want to listen, and/or you want to learn more about storytelling, but don't know if you want to tell, and/or if you already know that you are up for learning and telling about Sarah!

- **Saturday, 8/10, 9-11 a.m., Storytelling Workshop: Sarah of the Bible**
- Sunday, 8/18, 11:15-Noon, Storytelling Practice Group Session 1 (location TBD)
- Sunday, 9/1, 11:15-Noon, Storytelling Practice Group Session 2 (location TBD)
- Sunday, 9/15, 6 p.m., Story Sharing Event (library)

For We All Share One Cup (Again) - Effective September 1



Throughout the Covid 19 pandemic, we made a variety of temporary changes to our normal liturgical practices at St. Mark's, according to the needs of our community and the direction of our Bishop. One of those changes was introducing the option of receiving wine in individual vessels at communion. Despite this temporary concession to a public health crisis, the Common Cup has remained a core symbol of Eucharistic theology and normative Eucharistic practice in the Episcopal Church. In early 2022, at the urging of our bishop, we began a gradual return to normative practice by reintroducing the Common Cup at communion, while continuing to offer the option of individual vessels at the back of the church. **As of September 1, 2024, St. Mark's will discontinue the use of individual vessels for wine at Communion.** If, for any reason, you prefer not to drink from the Common Cup at communion we invite you to participate by reverently acknowledging the presence of Christ in the Common Cup with a reverent nod, bow, touch or kiss--remembering that the Church's historic teaching is that communion in one kind (bread OR wine, alone) constitutes a full communion.

If you have been called to share in the ministry of administering Holy Communion, and you have enjoyed the ministry of administering wine in individual vessels during the pandemic, we invite you to prayerfully consider how you might be called to participate in another, related, sacramental ministry beginning this fall. Do you feel called to serve as a Eucharistic Visitor, by bringing communion to people who may be sick or homebound, or by preparing Home Communion Kits each week for our Eucharistic Visitors? Do you feel called to serve as a member of the Altar Guild, to share in preparing the holy space and objects for worship? Or do you feel called to join our team of Eucharistic Bread Bakers? Please reach out to the clergy for further discussion and discernment of how God is calling you to grow in these, or other, ministries.

Saturday, August 3: Funeral for Sean Murphy

There will be a celebration for the life of Sean Murphy, parishioner of St. Mark's and 2023 St. Mark's Montessori School Board member, on August 3, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. in the Nave of St. Mark's. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

[Click here to view Sean's obituary.](#)

[For virtual options, click here.](#)

In lieu of flowers, please consider:



- Sean admired and supported The Gazelle Foundation, which saves lives by developing clean water sources in the small African country of Burundi. In lieu of flowers, we hope friends will consider a gift to The Gazelle Foundation through his memorial page [by clicking here](#).
- Sean died of complications from Type 1 Diabetes, which he had battled since childhood, so another organization he cared about was Breakthrough T1D, formerly JDRF, at <https://www.breakthrough1d.org/> whose research surely had a role in extending his life.

~ May light perpetual shine upon Sean and all the departed. ~

ST. MARK'S MONTESSORI SCHOOL



"Play is the work of the child." --Maria Montessori

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Give electronically through the [Diocese of the Rio Grande Parish Donation site](#) and check the box next to "Albuquerque-St. Mark's".

Just fill out the rest of the information and **click the Next button at the bottom of the page. Please make sure fill out "special instructions or comment" to let us know how to apply your gift** (e.g., pledge, congregational relief fund, etc.).

DIOCESE & BEYOND

Happy Birthday to St. Thomas of Canterbury in ABQ!

Circa 1959, the Canterbury Club (UNM Episcopal Campus Ministry) moved from St. Mark's to make its home in a property on Ash Street that would later become St. Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Church. 65 years later, the congregation of St. Thomas of Canterbury invites you to join them in celebrating 65 years as a faith community and 50 years as a parish."



[Click here to view the invitation to the celebratory festivities.](#)

To RSVP, please email canterbury65birthday@gmail.com with the names of the people attending, phone number and mailing address.



All are welcome to join us for worship during our Thursday 11 a.m. midweek Holy Eucharists and our Sunday Holy Eucharists at 9:30 a.m. You may join us in person or on Facebook & YouTube.
Come as you are!

Email submissions should be sent ([via email](#)) to the Communications Specialist by 9:00 a.m. each Wednesday for inclusion on Thursday's e-news.
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