ST. MARK'S MINISTERS

Min. Nena Hughes (Asst. Pastor) Min. Darren Logan (Asst. to the Pastor) Min Anthony Latney (CLM) Rev. Walter Lee Smith Jr. (Senior Pastor)

"No big shots or little shots at St. Mark's; we are all shots in" "God's eyes!"



"Roses are red violets are blue we sure do love you!" God be with you!

St. Mark's United Methodist Church

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"We come together at St. Mark's to praise God, celebrate His love for us, and grow together in Christ by equipping the people of God to implement and spread His Word to the world."

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Bishop LaTrelle Millet Easterling Baltimore/Washington Conference

> **Rev. Sarah Schleicher** District Superintendent for the Southern Annapolis Region

> > Worship Service 10:00 AM ALL ARE WELCOME

Welcome, as we gather here to worship! April 6, 2025 Third Sunday in Lent Color Purple <u>Order of Service</u> Bro. Thomas Matthews, Worship Leader

PreludeBrothers Dwayne Jackson & Walter Johnson	
Lighting of the Candle	sDeborah Ford
Processional	St. Mark's Mass Choir
Greeting	Bro. Thomas Matthews
Opening Hym	"Because He Lives"
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Prayer	Min Nena Hughes

Greeting/Call to Worship...... Bro. Thomas Matthews

Leader: When we have been hurt and lost,

People: God brings us laughter and joy.

Leader: When our lives reach a dead end,

People: God opens a way forward.

Leader: When the rivers of our lives dry's up,

People: God sends living water to quench our thirst.

Leader: God has done great things for us!

All: Let us rejoice

Alleluia..... Pg 186 UMH

"Proclaiming Christ to the generations... Equipping disciples to transform the world"

Special Prayers / Sick and Shut-In List: If you hear of anyone that needs special prayer or is taken to the hospital, please contact:

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Willim (Dip) Hebron, Jerry Reeves, Francis DeSouza, Quincy Jacob, Tyrone Awkward II, Molone Adams, All branches of the Military, Barbara Hughes, Barbara Mason, Jannette Shuford-Reeves, Rachel Hughes, Rico Harper, Keith Davis, Judith James, Joseph Ballard, Robert (Bobby) Marshall, Oscar Johnson, Harold (Bubby) Awkward, Jr., Tyrone Awkward, William (Jimmy) Scott, Charles Gregg, Janet Carey, Lafayette and Elaine Harvey, Bernice Jackson, Brenda Jackson, Floyd Hughes Sr., Phillip Reese, Naomi Williams, Leah Henry, Sonja Smith, Eric Smith, Gloria Thomas, Wanda Dumas, Tyrone Mundell, Ernestine Gibson, James Matthews, Paul Browder, Lamar Payne, Kevin Miller, Hannah Polk, Larry Powell, Millicent George, Wanda Latney

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Selection.....St. Mark's Mass Choir

Donations Needed: The Craig A. Moe Laurel Multiservice Center needs men and women winter clothing and boots, coats, scarves, hats, gloves and blankets. To make the above donations in red, you will need to make an appointment to drop off (204 Fort Meade Road, Laurel) by calling 301.974.3010 or visiting the website at info@laurelmsc.org. For additional giving, checkout an Amazon Wish List by scanning this barcode



Laurel Winter Shelter Volunteers Needed: If you wish to volunteer on behalf of St. Mark's, please send your email address to Sandy Johnson (sandra7767@msn.com or 410.530.0399). Your background check form will then be emailed to you.

Note from Finance: First, let us give a big thank you to all that have been giving. This is a reminder that there are several ways to get your offering to the church:

- 1. You can drop it off at the church and place it in church mailbox
- 2. You can mail it to the church (601 Eighth Street, Laurel, MD)
- 3. You can use on-line giving (Give–St. Marks https://www.shelbygiving.com/app/giving/stmarkslmd)
- 4. Scan the barcode



Again, thank you. Just remember the church building still has obligations that need to be met.

Volunteers Needed

Six to eight women are needed to join the **Communion Steward's** ministry, please see Sister Zsa Zsa Hill or Rev. Smith.

We need new trustee members, please see Bro. Thomas Matthews or Rev. Smith.

Passing of the Peace of Christ

The lord offers us everything we need without price. In celebration of this great gifts, let us share our joy by passing the peace of Christ with one another.

Acknowledgement of Visitors /	
Announcements	Sister Tina Matthews
Pastor Moment	Rev. Walter L. Smith Jr.

Selection.....St. Mark Mass Choir

Offering Prayer...... Min. Anthony Lantey Offering Offertory (*Please Stand*)

Scriptures.....Sis. Cynthia Augustus Old Testament – Psalm 126 - NKJ New Testament – John 12:1-8- NKJ (please stand)

- Sermonic Selection St. Mark's Mass Choir
- Sermon...... Rev. Walter Lee Smith Jr

Invitation / Altar Call.....Rev. Walter L. Smith, Jr. Invitation Selection

Thanksgiving and Holy Communion pg. 13 UMH

Recessional / Closing Hymn	Rev. Smith, Ministers
	St. Mark's Mass Choir

Extinguishing of Candles.....Sis. Deborah Ford

Benediction..... Rev. Walter L. Smith Jr.

Pray Daily at Noon

Please remember to pray daily at NOON. Some areas to include in your prayer can include the pandemic, racial healing, government leaders, educational challenges, and, most importantly for our sick and shut-ins and each other.



Tuesday (6:00 p.m.) — **Women's Roundtable.** Led by Minister Nena Hughes. Join Zoom Meeting <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81636690166?pwd=ND8RYcSgUrBxg5e11aN</u> wVV21Ms2B11.1; Meeting ID: 816 3669 0166; Passcode: 002740

Wednesday (7:15 p.m.) — **Wednesday Night Experience**. This is our weekly Bible Study based on the Wednesday reading in Upper Room. Call in #267.807.9611; Access Code: 331960#.

Thursday, April 10, 2025, St. Mark's MEN (6:30 p.m.) — Choir rehearsal

Sunday's, we invite you to bring the children to church to attend Sunday school, held every Sunday. Please see Sis Courtney Armstrong.

Wednesday, April 9, 2025: Please join us for our weekly Lenten service hosted by Mt. Zion UMC, 3592 Whiskey Bottom Road, Laurel, Maryland 20724. The service starts at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 10, 2025, Funeral Services for Min. Tony Latney's Mother at Queens Chapel UMC; Wake begins at 9:00 am followed by the Funeral Service at 10:00 am. For more info, please see Min. Latney or Rev. Smith.

Sunday, April 13, 2025, Palm Sunday service at 10:00 am

Sunday, April 13, 2025, Church Meeting following service. All officers and members are asked to be present; all are welcome to attend. Only members present vote will count.

St. Mark's U.M.C



Sunday, April 20, 2025, Easter Worship Service 10:00 am

Friday, April 18, 2025, <mark>Dinners on sale at St. Mark UMC please support. Please see Bro. Thomas Matthews or Sis. Tina Matthews.</mark>

Friday, April 18, 2025, Good Friday worship service the seven last words at Queens Chapel UMC and our very own Asst. Pastor Min. Nena Hughes will be one of the speakers. Rev. Smith is asking all officers and members to please support Min. Hughes.

Saturday, May 3, 2025: Music and Choir workshop hosted by Charles Diggs. All choirs are asked to be present; the time will be announced. Please expect 4 to 5 hours of presentation.

May 13-16, 2025, Rev. Smith and the Ministers will attend the Baltimore & Washington Conference in Baltimore City. Please keep them in your prayers.

May 18, 2025: Rev. Smith has been invited to preach at Payne A.M.E Church for their annual Usher anniversary. Payne A.M.E is asking that the St Mark's Ushers be the guest Ushers of the day, The Mass Choir is asking all choirs to join in together and asking the dance team to attend as well. The church van will depart the parking lot at 1:45 pm. Please see Bro Thomas Matthews if you would like to ride.

Announcement Notes

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Summary

Minister Name:_____

Sermon Title: