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Births

Evelyn Kaye Thompson, on May 2, 2023.
Parents are **Sarah Wilkes & Todd Thompson**

Happy Birthday

May 14 Gloria Tooke	18 Madora Simmons Erin Latch Steve Glover	20 Mary Ellison Sewell
15 Kathryn Smitherman	19 Diane Mathis Tracy Brooks Susie Sharp	
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THE MESSENGER

Community

This Sunday is Youth Sunday at St. Mark's! Our youth will participate in the service as readers and intercessors, and our sermons will be given by graduating seniors Field Baber and Gaines Harris. Seniors will be recognized. Please join us.

St. Mark's will host a blood drive on Saturday, May 20 from 9:00 am till 2:00 pm in the Ministry Center Garden Room. There will be a table in the back of the church this Sunday for anyone who wants to sign up.

The Altar Guild will host a reception for outgoing Directress Becky Bryant on Saturday, May 20 at 11:30 am in the Parlor.

Mark your calendars NOW for St. Mark's 2023 Music Camp, Monday-Friday, July 10-14 from 8:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. The camp is for grades 2-12. Students will perform on Sunday July 16 during the 10:30 am service. Camp Instructors are Heather Hooper, Leslye Gilchrist, Theresa Johnson and Derrick Meador. For more information, please contact Derrick Meador at derrick@stmarkscathedral.net

St. Mark's Vacation Bible School is right around the corner! VBS is set for **July 17-21** and this year's theme is *Keepers of the Kingdom!* We will see you there!

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

Shriners' children's hospital is in need of waiting room snacks and activities. Ideas for items needed include snack size: crackers, goldfish, cookies, baby snacks, fruit snacks, juice boxes, small water bottles, and small/short books. Please leave your donations in the church office. For questions or donations contact Jennifer Beruvides at jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net.

Come sing with us! The Boys & Girls Choir at St. Mark's offers free professional music education! It's open to ages 7-14, and no religious affiliation is required. Rehearsals are Wednesdays, 4:00 - 5:30 pm with a family dinner provided. For more information, please contact Derrick Meador at derrick@stmarkscathedral.net

If you give stock to St. Mark's, please call or email Becky Deverts in the Finance Office to let her know the broker as well as the name of the stock and the number of shares. Sometimes the stock is received and sold by our broker and no one knows who gave the stock. We have recently received a gift of stock and we don't know the contributor. If you have given stock this year and have **not** received a letter of acknowledgement, please be in touch with Becky at 318-458-3313 or becky@stmarkscathedral.net

Our Hospitality Committee invites parishioners (families, adult singles, siblings, friends) to serve as oblationers (gift bearers) at the 10:30 a.m. Sunday service. This is a meaningful way to serve the faith community. For more information please contact Kathy Williams at 469-9211.

Were you married at St. Mark's? St. Mark's Cathedral maintains a beautiful Wedding Album of all the couples who were married in the Cathedral since the 50's. If you would like to be a part of this fun tradition, please provide us a picture (color or black and white) of your choice no bigger than an 8" x 10".

1. Submit a digital photo (color or black and white, preferably a jpeg or pdf) which can be printed, by emailing gdamlouji@gmail.com.
 2. Drop your wedding photo off at the church's office to the attention of Mary Alice Rountree or Gerry Damlouji. Please be sure to include the bride and groom's full name and date married with your picture
- If you have any questions, please contact Mary Alice Rountree at 318-464-8004 or Gerry Damlouji at 318-820-9012.

Sunday Readings
The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 17:22-31 * 1 Peter 3:13-22
John 14:15-21

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

A church member revealed her newfound Commitment to tithing with these words: "I have a feeling of such joy when through my tithe to the church I have the chance to share Jesus' mission on earth." Giving should be a joy for the giver and unselfish giving will be rewarded by God.

Upcoming Events

May 14	Youth Sunday
May 20	Blood Drive 9:00 am MC Garden Room Altar Guild Reception for Becky Bryant 11:30 am Parlor
May 29	Memorial Day
June 5-9	Camp Tiger
July 10-14	Music Camp
July 17-21	VBS