

## **February 10, 2019 Announcements**

*Announcements, **not to exceed 150 words**, are to be submitted to [bulletin@stmarks.net](mailto:bulletin@stmarks.net) by **5:00 pm on the Tuesday** preceding the Sunday you wish the announcement to run.*

The Official Parish Calendar is online at: [stmarks.net/connect/calendar](http://stmarks.net/connect/calendar)

### **Parish Life**

**1. February 15 Film Club - "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind"(2004)** - Join us for Michael Gondry's outstanding romantic drama, written by Charlie Kaufman, starring Jim Carrey and Kate Winslet, with Tom Wilkinson, Mark Ruffalo, Kirsten Dunst, and Elijah Wood. **Friday, February 15, 7:30 PM, 1321 Geranium Street, NW, Washington, D.C.** Bring snacks/desserts/potent potables to share. For further info., contact Alicia Ruble, 202-420-9256, [blurbologist@hotmail.com](mailto:blurbologist@hotmail.com).

**2. St Marks Women to Women (& male friends)** – Join us on **Tuesday, February 26th in Baxter Hall from 6-8pm** for a light dinner and **discussion on 'Embracing Otherness'** led by Rev. Patricia Catalano including food, fellowship, discussion and silent prayer. Come and enjoy! ~\$5 donation to cover dinner supplies, RSVP [ednaboon@gmail.com](mailto:ednaboon@gmail.com)

**3. Looking to get more involved with the St. Marks community?** Have great ideas for how to make our church a more dynamic, fun, and welcoming place? Then the Membership committee needs you! Please contact Amber Macdonald ([amacdojo@gmail.com](mailto:amacdojo@gmail.com)) and Ryan Baugh ([geographicscale@gmail.com](mailto:geographicscale@gmail.com)) to find out more.

**4. The 20's & 30's Faith Fellowship** meets on the **last Sunday** of each month to discuss a short reading, talk about our month, and build friendships. We gather around **6pm**, just after the 5pm service, down in the **Dozier Library**. Our next meeting is **February 24th**. For more information: contact Emily McDuff at [emily.a.mcduff@gmail.com](mailto:emily.a.mcduff@gmail.com) for more information.

### **Christian Education**

**5. The Belonging Class: January 29 – March 12, 2019 (Tuesdays, 7:30-9:30 pm in the Adams Room)**  
Are you new and want to gather a supportive group of friends at St. Mark's? Have you been at St. Mark's awhile and want to be reconnected with yourself and others in a new way? Do you yearn to experience the fullness and potential of your life? Do you want to move along on your spiritual journey? Then sign up for the Belonging Class and begin the adventure. There are two retreats, one of which is paid for you. See one of the leaders: Rev. Michele Morgan ([michele@stmarks.net](mailto:michele@stmarks.net)), Rev. Scott Lipscomb ([scott@stmarks.net](mailto:scott@stmarks.net)), Susan Thompson ([susanlynnthompson@gmail.com](mailto:susanlynnthompson@gmail.com)) or Rita Ossolinski ([rossolinski@yahoo.com](mailto:rossolinski@yahoo.com)) for more information.

**6. Ongoing Christian Education.** These groups are open to newcomers:

\* **Sunday Morning Bible Class, 10-11 am, through May 19, 2019, Penniman Room**  
**Studying First Samuel (Hebrew Scriptures)**

Convener: Bob Ewald ([llerbe@yahoo.com](mailto:llerbe@yahoo.com); (301) 541-5133)

First Samuel is the story of Israel's (rocky) transition in leadership from Priest (Samuel) to King (Saul, David). The course consists of class discussion of the text assigned for that day.

- \* **Sunday Afternoon Wrestling with the Angel**, each **second Sunday** of the month we meet at **1:15** downstairs in the **Dozier Library** to discuss theology and ethics. Our next meeting will be Feb 10th. Contact: Assistant Rector, Scott Lipscomb at [scott@stmarks.net](mailto:scott@stmarks.net).
- \* **SMMC Meditation, Mondays 7:30-9:00pm, in the Adams Room.**  
Contact: Collie Agle, (202) 255-2687 or [charles.agle@gmail.com](mailto:charles.agle@gmail.com)
- \* **The Wednesday Bible Class** is studying the Hebrew prophets using the classic work "The Prophets" by Rabbi Abraham Heschel. Class continues on **Wednesdays at 11:30 am (note time change) until 12:45 pm**. Brown bag lunch follows. Location: **Elders Room in the undercroft**. Coordinator: Raiford Gaffney, [rgaffneydc@gmail.com](mailto:rgaffneydc@gmail.com).
- \* **Centering Prayer, Thursdays 7:30-8:30 am, in the Nave.** Centering Prayer is an early Christian contemplative practice that places a strong emphasis on interior silence. Please contact Collie Agle if you are interested or curious, at (202) 255-2687 or [charles.agle@gmail.com](mailto:charles.agle@gmail.com).

### **Youth & Family Ministries**

- 7. February 17- Sunday Suppers:** Many thanks to the 20+ volunteers who came out for our January Sunday Suppers service! Mark your calendars for our next Sunday Suppers on Feb. 17 and sign up today- <https://bit.ly/2RXsxcJ>.
- 8. February 24 - Middle School Service Trip Interest Meeting-** Our rising 6th-8th grade will spend **4 days/3 nights together in service in DC this summer July 14-17**. We will serve with many important organizations in our neighborhood and community as well as spend some bonding time together as a group. Join us at **11am in the Lion's Den on Feb. 24 for an interest meeting to learn more**.
- 9. Needed - Adult Chaperones for Summer Service Trips!** Looking for ways to get involved at St. Mark's, give back to your community, and be inspired by some pretty cool youth? Consider signing up to be a service trip chaperone! We are looking for **3+ adults for the High School trip to Philadelphia June 16-22** and **2+ adults for the Middle School trip in D.C. July 14-17**. Email Caroline for more information.

Questions regarding these activities?

**Contact Director of Youth and Family Ministries Caroline McReynolds-Adams** [caroline@stmarks.net](mailto:caroline@stmarks.net)

### **Music & Arts**

- 10. Choral Evensong Service** - Please join us **next Sunday, February 17th at 5 pm** for a special Choral Evensong service. This is a beautiful, music-focused, and meditative service deeply rooted in the Anglican musical tradition. It will feature organ music, hymns, readings and prayers, and special music offered by the Chancel Choir. Selections shall include David Hogan's Magnificat & Nunc dimittis and Jean Berger's The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee. A reception will follow the service. **If you're willing to help with the reception, e-mail Penny Farley at [p3farley@me.com](mailto:p3farley@me.com)**.
- 11. Looking for Friends of Music!** We are looking for a group of volunteers to support the continued activities of the St. Mark's Music Program. We need assistance with half a dozen or so events throughout the program year including special concerts, Advent Lessons & Carols, Carols & Cheer, Choral Evensong services, and Hymns & Hoopla. Some of the ways you can help include 1) providing food, drinks, or setup/cleanup help for receptions, 2) greeting and ushering at events, and 3) helping with advertise. **Please e-mail Penny Farley at [p3farley@me.com](mailto:p3farley@me.com) if you can help.**

**12. Get Involved in Music.** We're always looking for more people to participate in the music program! The **Chancel Choir** rehearses **Thursdays 7:30-9:30 pm**, the **Boys & Girls Choir** rehearses approx. **every other Sunday from 11-12:30 pm** and the **Handbell Choir** rehearses the **2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month from 6:45-8 pm**. Let us know if you play an instrument and we can also find ways to get you involved. Contact Music Director Jeff Kempeskie at [jeff@stmarks.net](mailto:jeff@stmarks.net) for more info.

**13. Music Lessons are available through the St. Mark's Music Studio:**

Julia Morris ([juliamorris23@gmail.com](mailto:juliamorris23@gmail.com)) teaches flute lessons; Diane Atherton ([dianesvoicestudio@gmail.com](mailto:dianesvoicestudio@gmail.com)) offers voice lessons, and Stephanie Ng ([stephanien217@gmail.com](mailto:stephanien217@gmail.com)) teaches piano lessons. Students of all ages and experience are welcome. Learn more about our teachers at [stmarks.net/music](http://stmarks.net/music).

**14. The St. Mark's Dance Studio** has been an integral part of the St. Mark's community since 1963. The Studio's Advisory Board provides oversight and assistance to the Dance Company. The Board is seeking new volunteer members for a two-year commitment and is particularly interested in individuals with financial and marketing skills. If you are interested, please provide a brief statement that includes the types of activities you can support. Contact Fynnette Eaton (202) 203 8098 or [flejem@gmail.com](mailto:flejem@gmail.com)