

ADULT EDUCATION

9am on Sunday! Join us in the Parish Hall (or on ZOOM) for a rich discussion about the Gospel. Each week we explore the Gospel themes and this fall we will look at the Gospel as it's portrayed through various cultural lens. We might even notice the absence of the Gospel. Multimedia classes promise to elicit tears and laughter and will be edifying.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO . . .

September 15 - U2 "Highest selling Christian Band"

September 22 - Star Wars "The Force"

September 29 - No Adult Ed., Eagle Rock Sunday

October 6 - The Rev. John Donne "did you know he was an Anglican Priest?"

October 13 - Grateful Dead and Bob Dylan "What a long Strange Trip it's been -> You ain't going nowhere"

October 20 - Colonial Anglican Architecture "What makes our Nave so perfectly Protestant!"

October 27 - Harry Potter "The Power of Love"

November 3 - Saints in Christ "We miss and Love them!"

November 10 - Michelangelo Merisi da Caravaggio "Depictions of Jesus"

November 17 Taylor Swift "Hi, it's me...I am the Problem"

November 24 Gospel According to Thanksgiving "Come, Ye, Thankful People, come!"

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

Pageantry is all over the place right now and you'll find lots of symbols and signs in Target and elsewhere, but what about the reflections of hymns?

December 1 - Advent Hymns I

December 8 - Advent Hymns II

December 15 - Advent Hymns III

December 22 - No Adult Ed., Eagle Rock Lessons & Carols

December 29 - Christmas Carols I

January 5 - Christmas Carols II

ADULT EDUCATION IS AVAILABLE ON ZOOM!

See website—stmarksfincastle.org

Save the Date: Annual Meeting and Potluck—January 19th, 2025

MONTHLY SERVICES

SERVICES AT THE GLEBE

A service of Holy Communion is held at The Glebe Retirement community in Daleville **every second Tuesday** of the month at 11:00am.

Glebe Dates: September 10, October 8, November 12, December 10

HOLY COMMUNION WITH HEALING PRAYERS

Join us every **third Thursday from 11:30am to 12 noon** in the sanctuary (no Zoom) for a short service of communion with healing prayers.

Mid-Week Communion/Healing Prayer Dates: September 19, October 17, November 21, December 19

A very warm WELCOME to you!

We would LOVE to get to know you better, so please fill out a newcomer card found in the pew and drop it in the offering plate or click on "CONNECTION CARD" on our website home page (stmarksfincastle.org - only 2 pieces of info to fill in!). We hope you will join us each week!

A few notes about Sundays at St. Mark's:

Communion - Everyone is welcome to receive the bread and wine. You may receive only the bread or the wine if you wish. If you want to come forward and receive a blessing, then please cross your arms as you come to the Communion Rail. Follow the usher's direction about coming to the Altar. Communion is received standing or kneeling.

Fellowship - Following Church we have a laid back social time with cookies, lemonade, and coffee. We try to gather outside (weather permitting) or in the Church Parish Hall.

Offertory - The loose plate offering on the 4th Sunday of each month is directed to the Rector's discretionary account.

Membership - Looking for a church home? We are looking for you! Willis would love to talk to you about Baptism, Confirmation and joining the church. Note that once you walk through our doors, we consider you a "member"!

Zoom - Currently all our worship services, bible studies and meetings are accessible VIA Zoom.

Other offerings at St. Mark's...

DORCAS NEEDLEWORK GUILD

Dorcas Guild meets weekly on Thursdays from 10-12am and then 1-3pm in the Youth Center. All kinds of needlework are welcome. Usually the group makes quilts for those in need, or you can bring your own project to work on. Come any time and stay as long as you wish. Contact Carole Geiger for more details at Geiger.Caroleb@gmail.com.

EPISCOPAL MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

All men of the church meet on the first Saturday of each month at 8:30am at the Greenwood Restaurant on Route 11 in Troutville (8176 Lee Highway). Contact Mike Parish for more EMF information (Michael.L.Parish@gmail.com).

BOTETOURT MUSIC ACADEMY

Botetourt Music Academy, open since the Fall of 2021, offers choirs for ages 5 to adult. All are welcome to join together in song, from every faith, every school, every home. The mission behind this choir is to create ambassadors of music--children who learn fluency in music through a foundation of knowing the simplicity of solfege, children who become life-long learners of any subject, and children who will grow into adult concert-goers. Though this choir is not performance based, members of the choir will have the opportunity to share music at concerts throughout the year. During the academic year, the choirs rehearse on Wednesdays at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Fincastle. Any inquiries can be directed to music@stmarksfincastle.org.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

AA meets every Tuesday and Saturday at 7:00pm in the church parish hall downstairs.

BOTETOURT FOOD PANTRY

The Botetourt Food Pantry, led by co-chairs Martha Rodgers and Cathy McClung, is located in the basement of the St. Mark's Ministry Center. It assists families with food and personal care items. Food is distributed on Saturdays from 9:30 to noon. Volunteers are especially welcome to assist on Saturdays or on the first Monday of the month when a group off-loads their delivery truck from Feeding America.

JESUS LOVES YOU!

Weekly Opportunities

EVENING PRAYER (WEDNESDAYS)

Lay readers from the congregation lead an online spoken service of daily prayer following the form of the *Book of Common Prayer 1979*, every **Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m. by Zoom only**.

During the service the participants join in saying the words of the service, which includes a Psalm. There are some readings from the Bible, and prayers are said for the Church, the World and ourselves. There is no music, and a brief meditation is offered. **Links to all Zoom services are on the homepage of our website. Note Advent Series Below.**

ADVENT MEDITATION

(11/27, 12/4, 12/11, 12/18)

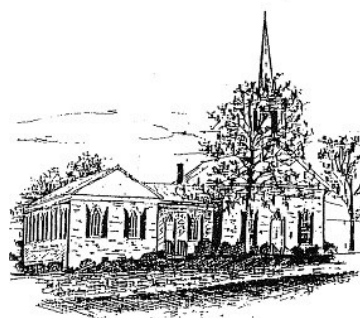
For Advent, join us in the Ministry Center (or on ZOOM) **Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m.** for sessions of *visio divina*. We will be led in guided meditation and discussion of artwork related to the upcoming Sunday's scripture readings during Advent.

BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY (THURSDAYS)

The Brown Bag Bible Study is a casual, hour-long study of a particular book of the Bible beginning at 12:05pm on Thursdays. If you don't have a Bible, we have one for you! Right now, we are going through the Gospel of John. There's no need to have attended previous weeks' studies. Bring your lunch and join in person in the Ministry Center or on Zoom (link on our website).

Celebrating Fincastle's Historic Churches

St. Mark's will be the featured church for Historic Fincastle's "Celebrating Fincastle's Historic Churches" through history and music on Sunday, September 29th at 4:00pm. The Botetourt Music Academy's youngest choirs will give a concert., docents will be on hand to provide tours and Willis will provide a reflection on the History of Anglicanism in Botetourt County. Light reception to follow.



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Jake Webb, Assistant to the Rector
Gina Painter, Office Manager/Vestry Clerk
Anna Preston, Music Minister Tommy Hunter, Organist
George Sydnor, Treasurer
Allison Caldwell, Children's Minister

Vestry (Lay Leadership)

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Sunday Morning

Adult Education (Parish Hall) 9:00am - 9:45am
Holy Communion Rite I or Morning Prayer at 10:00am

Monthly

Second Tuesday of each month, Holy Communion at The Glebe at 11:00am
Third Thursday of the Month—Holy Communion with Healing Prayers at 11:30am in sanctuary



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