



# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCHES OF NEWAYGO COUNTY

## ST. JOHN'S FREMONT & ST. MARK'S NEWAYGO

### NEWSLETTER FOR MARCH 2019

#### PARISH CALENDAR:

**The Episcopal Church Women (ECW)** is not meeting this month.

**The Marksmen** meet the first Sunday of the month at St. Mark's at 10:15 a.m. (**this month: March 3, 2019**).

**St. Mark's Vestry Meeting** is the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. (**this month: March 12**).

**"Soups On"—Wednesdays in Lent at noon.** Newaygo churches are hosting a soup luncheon on Wednesday in Lent. On **Wednesday, March 13**, St. Mark's will be helping provide soup at Family of God Community Church. If you are able to contribute a pot of soup, please sign up in the SM parish hall or contact Pam Redinger. All are welcome to attend the soup luncheon.

**Chili Cook-Off: Saturday, March 23 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at St. Mark's.** Proceeds go to ECW to help sponsor registration costs for our kids going to diocesan camp at Camp Newaygo this summer. See Donna Friar.

**Joint Liturgy at St. Mark's: March 24, 2019; 10:00 a.m.**

**Game Night** is regularly the fourth Monday of the month in the St. John's parish hall at 7:00 p.m. (**this month: March 25, 2019**).

**Winter Wisdom: Aging with Intention:** This group regularly meets at Vera's House on the fourth Thursday of the month (**March 28, 2019**) from 10:00 a.m.-noon. Join other women in exploring the later seasons of life. We will be discussing writings about aging and doing some of our own writing and sharing our experiences as well. Contact Nancy Kennedy for more information.

**Course in Miracles:** Sundays from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at Vera's House.

**Women in Transition:** Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m.-noon at Vera's House; lunch follows in St. Mark's parish hall.

**Morning Prayer:** Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. at St. Mark's; Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. at St. John's.

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### MARCH BIRTHDAYS:

Mike Wyant—March 4; Mary Huisjen—March 13; Christi Demitz—March 18; Donna Friar—March 18; Sheryl Roeder—March 18; Jessica Barnard—March 30; Jim Pinnell—March 30

### MARCH SUNDAY SERVING SCHEDULE

	<b>MARCH 3</b>	<b>MARCH 10</b>	<b>MARCH 17</b>	<b>MARCH 24 JOINT LITURGY AT SM</b>	<b>MARCH 31</b>
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER</b>	SJ: Mike W. SM: Scott	SJ: Phillie SM: Drew	SJ: Mike W. SM: Sheryl	SM: Mary	SJ: Phillie SM: Kate
<b>LAY READERS</b>	SJ: Mike W. SM: Scott and Brian	SJ: Dave SM: Drew and Aleta	SJ: Dawn SM: Sheryl and Jim	SM: Mary and Sibyl	SJ: Phillie SM: Kate and Sheryl
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	SM: Sibyl	SM: Mary	SM: Donna	SM: Sibyl	SM: Mary
<b>GREETERS/ USHERS</b>	SJ: Phillie SM: Craig and Sue	SJ: Beth SM: Donna and Todd	SJ: Phillie SM: Bill and Nancy	SM: Ron and Kristy	SJ: Dave SM: Craig and Sue
<b>HOSPITALITY/ COFFEE HOUR HOST</b>	SJ: Phillie SM: Pam and Kathy	SJ: Dawn SM: Aleta and Christi D.	SJ: Kris SM: Kate and Gina	SM: Mary and Jan	SJ: tbd SM: Pam and Barb E.
<b>OFFERING COUNTERS</b>	SJ: tbd SM: Mark and Scott	SJ: tbd SM: Sheryl and Gina	SJ: tbd SM: Kate and Barb E.	SM: Kathy and Pam	SJ: tbd SM: Mark and Sheryl
<b>WIT LUNCH</b>	SM: Jeanne	SM: Kate	SM: Pam	SM: Mary M.	SM: Mary P.
<b>CHURCH CLEANERS</b>	SM: Jan and Barb E.	SM: Gina and Christi D.	SM: Bob and Pam	SM: Sibyl and Mary	SM: Jan and Barb E.

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**Save the Date: Sunday, March 24** is the ordination of Kellan Day to the Sacred Order of Deacons. The liturgy will take place at Grace Episcopal in Grand Rapids at 4:00 p.m.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Volunteer Opportunity from Spectrum Health Hospice:** Would you like to read to a patient who can no longer see the pages? Play cards with someone who is lonely? Watch a Tigers game with a patient while their spouse goes out to get groceries? Document a life story for someone who wants to leave their stories behind for their loved ones? Spectrum Health Hospice is looking for additional volunteers in the Fremont/Newaygo area who are interested in supporting our patients through the compassionate donation of time and caring. We offer a flexible Volunteer Orientation program and there is no cost for the training. Volunteers are able to determine the geographic area where they would like to serve patients. Average time commitment is one hour per week after orientation is completed.

Please contact us with your interest or for additional information. Phone: 616-391-4240; Email: [hospice.volunteers@spectrumhealth.org](mailto:hospice.volunteers@spectrumhealth.org).

**Please Save Your Prescription Pill Bottles:** We are collecting translucent prescription pill bottles at both churches in support of Sacred Suds in Muskegon. Sacred Suds provides a facility for laundry and showers to neighbors. The bottles are used for supplying laundry detergent, shampoo, conditioner, etc. Please see Denise Ritters for more info.

**Lectionary Texts:** If you are interested in looking up the Scripture texts for Sundays, visit <http://www.lectionarypage.net/>.

**Your Receipts from Bill's Shop-N-Save Help Support Our Parishes.** There is a container in the back of church at St. Mark's and one in the parish office at St. John's for your grocery receipts; our churches will get 1% back on most purchases.

**Episcopal Churches of Newaygo County Coffee Mugs** are on sale for \$10.

**St. Mark's Famous Cheese Tubs** are on sale for \$5.

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**Looking for a Good Book?** Browse books in our library in the St. Mark's Parish Hall or visit [www.librarything.com/catalog/stmarkschurch](http://www.librarything.com/catalog/stmarkschurch). For more information, please see Sibyl. At St. John's, please browse our books in the conference room adjacent to the parish office.

### VERA'S HOUSE:

**For more information** on our program offerings at Vera's House, please refer to the brochures available at either of our churches.

**Ideas to Help Support Vera's House** Please bring donations of shampoo, soap, deodorant, laundry detergent, toilet paper, toothpaste, & toothbrushes to Vera's House.

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