



ST. MARK'S THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 2 - Saturday, August 8, 2026



Summer Breakfasts

Sundays through August 16, 9 a.m. in Leatherbury Hall

Thank you to the Burrows, Kanes and Sleeths for providing today's breakfast!

Join us for breakfast and fellowship — new friends and old, all generations welcome! Whether you'd like to linger over the sermon or simply share what's in your heart, you'll be warmly received by The Rev. Charlie Holt and the people of the St. Mark's parish. **Contact:** engage@smjax.org

EYC Summer Hangouts

August 8: Back-to-School Color War — Wear white. Youth Center, 4:00 p.m.

Contact: [Mallory Douglas, mdouglas@smjax.org](mailto:mdouglas@smjax.org)

Caregiver Coffee & Conversation

Thursday, August 6, at 10:30 a.m. in the Youth Center

Join us this summer for coffee, conversation and encouragement for caregivers. We'll meet in the Youth Center on August 6 from 10:30–11:30 a.m. for refreshments, conversation and shared support in the caregiving journey. All are welcome—please share with anyone caring for loved ones in this season of life. **Contact:** [The Rev. Dr. Sandi Kerner, skerner@smjax.org](mailto:skerner@smjax.org)

Blessings of the Backpacks

Sunday, August 9, 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. in the church

Children bring backpacks to the 10 a.m. or 5 p.m. service for a blessing to be shared over them and the year to come. Each student will receive the gift of a backpack tag as a reminder of God's peace and presence throughout the school year. **Contact:** [Kaitlyn Nott, knott@smjax.org](mailto:knott@smjax.org)

Lay Leader Kickoff

Sunday, August 9, 5 p.m. in the church

Join us Sunday, August 9 for St. Mark's Lay Leader Kickoff and Training. We'll start with The River at 5 p.m., followed by our lay leaders kickoff and training event. This evening is all about equipping, encouraging, and celebrating you as we prepare for the new church year. **Contact:** [Jordan Eyrick, jeyrick@smjax.org](mailto:jeyrick@smjax.org)



A Sincere “Thank You”

Thank you for supporting the mission and ministry of St. Mark's. While our expenses have remained on budget, pledge giving is currently behind what was anticipated. If you're able to catch up on your pledge, or even make an additional gift, the generosity truly will go a long way towards the continued mission and ministry of our parish. To give, visit smjax.org or scan the QR code.

Christianity Today

Sundays, 11 a.m. in the Grace House

Christianity Today, led by Doug Milne, Sr., will continue to meet this summer, Sundays at 11:00 a.m. in Grace House. This popular Bible study is currently exploring the Book of John, examining the life and teachings of Jesus and their relevance today. Dialogue is welcomed and encouraged. Weekday preparation is not required. **Contact:** doug@milnecorpjax.com

St. Mark's Stitches

Thursdays, 11 a.m. at the Red Lion Upstairs

Join us for our needlepoint group at the Red Lion upstairs, on Thursdays from 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Whether you are brand new or a seasoned stitcher, all are welcome to attend for fellowship and stitching. Bring any stitching project! **Contact:** engage@smjax.org

EYC Kickoff

Sunday, August 23, 6 p.m. in the Youth Center

Join us as we kick off a new year of youth group! All middle and high school students are invited to the Youth Center at 6:00 p.m. for a fun and meaningful evening. We'll have games, food, and time to reconnect, along with a chance to grow in faith and build community. Whether you've been coming for years or it's your first time, this is the perfect night to jump in - bring a friend or come as you are! **Contact:** MalloryDouglas,mdouglas@smjax.org

Rally Day

Sunday, August 30, 10 a.m.

Join us on Rally Day for food, fellowship, and lots of fun! At the 10 a.m. service, our choir will be joined again by the Jacksonville Gospel Chorale. After the service, come to Leatherbury Hall for a BBQ lunch. Meal tickets can be purchased online ahead of time or at the door. Enjoy outdoor activities, including a huge water slide, train rides, a dunking booth, and games. **Contact:** engage@smjax.org

Birthday Blessings (Week of August 2 – 8)

Kelly Anderson, Whitfield Athey, John Baker, Lyla Blethyn, Kayla Braude, Jan Brundick, Julia Crum, Lanie Crum, Melissa Dearing, Susan Dearing, Jane Edmonston, Rosanne Ennis, Leslie Fraleigh, Emily Johnson, Brittany Jones, Stacey Lassiter, Caroline Lever, Jacob McCormick, Hallie Nelson, Lisa Nichols, Gil Pomar, Brenda Ray, Dan Ricci, Kent Sausaman, Stacia St. John, Rob Thomas, Bill Whitmire, Betsy Wilson