



THE PARISH VOICE

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STEWARDSHIP LUNCH

Slider Sunday Celebration Lunch

**Join us in celebration of our
stewardship kickoff**

we will have fellowship and lunch

**Sep 13th,
After the 10:30 Service
St. Marks Courtyard**

MINISTRY AND GROUP OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SWEET SUNDAY
STEWARDSHIP
BRUNCH

SEPTEMBER 20TH
BETWEEN THE 8:00 AND 10:30 SERVICES
ST. MARKS EPISCOPAL CHURCH PARISH HALL



JOIN US FOR MUFFINS, SCONES, CINNAMON ROLLS, AND OTHER BREAKFAST GOODIES



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DEO CLINIC **5K**

RUN & WALK



652 Haig Mill Lake Road, Dalton, GA 30721

SEPTEMBER 12,
2026 9 AM

www.deoclinic.org

CLILA ENGLISH CLASSES



Join us for Amigo Day!

Dates:
September 19
October 24
December 5

9:00 am
First class (beginners)

10:30 am
Second class (continuing)

Come to one or both!



Dalton State **BIRDFEEDER**

St. Mark's has supported the Birdfeeder at Dalton State for a number of years. Many Dalton State students are in economic straights. They have few if any resources to buy food or personal care products. We have baskets in the Narthex for collection.

The Birdfeeder needs dry foods that are storable such as soup; cans of meat, fish, vegetables, and fruit; boxes of cereal, granola bars, and protein bars; and peanut butter. The Birdfeeder has a freezer and needs frozen individual meals. Personal care products include deodorant, shampoo, toothpaste, and feminine hygiene products.

The Birdfeeder supports the clothes closet as well. They only accept dress clothing for students to use for job interviews and practicum placements.

Let's get the new academic year off to a great start for Dalton State students in need.

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BIBLE STUDY

THIS WEEK

**9/3/2026
MATTHEW
18:15-20**

NEXT WEEK

**9/10/2026
MATTHEW
18:21-35**

STUDIES WILL BE
AVAILABLE ON
ZOOM

EVENING PRAYER

Our next meetings are...

**9.8.2026 at 6:15pm
&
9.15.2026 at 6:15pm**

meetings take place every Tuesday evening

Contact Stephanie Jinright for more
information:
snjinright@gmail.com

Join Us for QUILTING FOR OTHERS

This group meets every 2nd and 4th Monday of the
month at 10AM in the Parish Hall

Our next meeting is September 14th.

Contact Nola Culverson For more details.
noli10@yahoo.com

STRENGTH IN STILLNESS

9.20.26 | 12PM

A time in prayer and quietness.

**St. Marks Episcopal Church Sanctuary
901 W Emery St, Dalton, GA 30720**

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

**PRAYER SHAWL
MINISTRY
CHURCH LIBRARY
SEPT. 8TH AT 7PM**

SAINT OF THE WEEK: Elie Naud, Huguenot Witness To The Faith

Again this week we are reminded that slavery and prejudice against blacks occurred in the North from the very beginning of settlements there. September 7 has been set aside to honor Elie Naud, a man who worked to make life better for all people. Elie was born in 1662 in France into a Huguenot family. The Huguenots were French Protestants who followed the teachings of John Calvin and were persecuted by the Roman Catholic Church. In his early life Elie was a seaman who sailed to the Caribbean and the New York colony. He was captured and forced to be a galley slave and imprisoned for his Protestant religion. After getting out of prison Elie fled France and the Roman Catholic persecution, spent a short time in England, and eventually settled in New York City about 1700. The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel was established by the Church of England in 1649 to convert negro and Indian slaves and to prepare them for baptism and communion. The group was especially active in New York and Elie Naud was put in charge of a catechizing school for slaves and free Indians. He was comfortable with the Church of England and became an active member of Trinity Church, New York City. Naud's school suffered after the Slave Riot of 1712, which many whites blamed on the education of Negroes. In spite of the concern of some whites as to whether blacks could and should be educated, Naud got support from important people and continued his work for the rest of his life. He died on September 7, 1722 and is buried in the cemetery of Trinity Church.

NATURE NOTE: Sweet Autumn Clematis

We see pretty much the same flowers about the same time each year but some years are better than others. This has not been a particularly good year for Kudzu blooms. I haven't seen or smelled the purple flowers that smell like grapes. On the other hand, another potentially invasive vine is having a spectacular year. Now is the time to enjoy a fragrant fall blooming Clematis. When you hear the name Clematis you probably think of a vine with large purple or white flowers. I have a purple one on a trellis on the end of my greenhouse and a white one on my front lamp post. But I've also got another variety of clematis that's blooming right now called Sweet Autumn Clematis. It covers part of the arbor on the end of the house, some of the lattice under the deck, and several sections of the chain link fence around the yard. The vines, which can grow up to 30 feet, can grow up walls and trellises or along the ground for a dense ground cover. The flowers are a little over an inch across with 4 white petals, and are sweetly fragrant. Clematis is in the buttercup family and there are over 300 species. Sweet Autumn Clematis (botanical name *Clematis terniflora*) was brought from Japan in the late 1800's. You can see this plant on Tibbs Road across from the Presbyterian Church and on Emery Street on the brick wall that's so close to the road. This plant makes an attractive vine for walls and fences or a ground cover. But Sweet Autumn Clematis is considered a highly invasive plant in some states and against the law to plant. You can control the spread of this vine by cutting the flowers after blooming. This prevents the light puffy seeds from blowing everywhere.

CHURCH STAFF

WEEKLY SERVICES:

8:00 AM - HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I
9:00 AND 9:45 - ADULT EDUCATION
10:30 AM - HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

EVERY THURSDAY:

BIBLE STUDY - 6PM LIBRARY
AL-ANON - 7PM PARISH HALL

OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY-THURSDAY
9:00AM-2:00PM

PRIEST:

REV. RICK TIFF

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BETH NICHOLS

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We celebrate the lives that make up the community of St. Mark's Church

Is a birthday or anniversary missing? Please contact the church office at admin@stmarksdalton.org

Birthdays: Clay Miller, Teresa Noble, Tristan Thompson,
Cathy Houser, Sarah Jenkins

Anniversaries: None

Serving in the Armed Forces: Will, Blane, Jordan, Matthew,
James, Emerson, Owen, Chrissy

St. Mark's Prayer Chain - If you have a prayer request, you may contact the prayer chain, Cathy Houser 706.624.8913, 404-219-8139; housermc@aol.com

STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR 9/30/2026

WEEKLY GIVING	\$10,012.00
TOTAL GIVING FOR MONTH	\$46,167.00
MTD BUDGETED FOR MONTH	\$42,115.35
DIFFERENCE FOR MONTH	\$4,051.65
YTD BUDGETED	\$294,807.45
YTD GIVING	\$273,820.93
YTD DIFFERENCE	(\$10,986.52)

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
GENEROSITY AND
SUPPORT!
FOR THE WORK OF GOD
AT ST. MARK'S**

DONATING STOCK IS A TAX FRIENDLY WAY TO MAKE YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE CHURCH. PLEASE ALWAYS ASK YOUR FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO CONTACT THE ST. MARK'S FINANCIAL ADVISOR SO THAT THE CHURCH WILL KNOW WHO MADE THE DONATION TO ENSURE PROPER CREDIT IS GIVEN TO THE DONOR.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

COME JOIN THE NEW ADULT ED SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:00 TO 9:30 – SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS – MEET IN PARISH HALL

THE BIBLE RECAP REBOT – MEET IN LIBRARY- LED BY CARTER THOMAS- FEEL FREE TO DROP IN AND JOIN US AS WE CONTINUE OUR READING THROUGHOUT THE BIBLE.

9:45 TO 10:15 – SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS– MEET IN PARISH HALL

THE BIBLE RECAP REBOOT - MEET IN LIBRARY - LED BY NANCY NELSON - THIS DISCUSSION BASED GROUP IS OPEN TO ALL, JOIN US AS WE CONTINUE TO JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE.

DON HOFFMEYER'S STUDY THIS WEEK.

CAPTIVE.

[HTTPS://YOUTUBE.COM/SHORTS/VXNY_C9W1DS](https://youtube.com/shorts/vxny_c9w1ds)

BO THOMPSON'S DEVOTIONAL PAGE.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO VIEW BO'S DEVOTIONALS.

14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

[STMARKSEPISCOPALDALTON.ORG](http://stmarksepiscopalaldalton.org)

2026

ST. MARKS CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	1 6:15PM EVENING PRAYER	2 9:30AM: PRESCHOOL BLESSING OF BACKPACKS 5:30PM: SAFEGUARDING PLANNING MEETING	3 9AM: ADVENTURE SEEKERS 6PM: BIBLE STUDY 7PM: AL-ANON	4	5
6	7 7PM: PRAYER SHAWL	8	9	10 10:15AM ROYAL OAKS 6PM: BIBLE STUDY 7PM: AL-ANON	11	12 9AM: DEO RUN 3PM: MARTHA MOSES FUNERAL
13 AFTER 10:30 SERVICE "SLIDER SUNDAY DRIVE" LUNCH 6PM: ROYAL OAKS	14 10AM: QUILTING FOR OTHERS 1PM: CIRCLE OF CARE MEETING	15 6:15PM EVENING PRAYER	16	17 6PM: BIBLE STUDY 7PM: AL-ANON	18	19 9AM-5PM SAFE GUARDING TRAINING
20 BETWEEN SERVICES "SWEET SUNDAY" BRUNCH NO SUNDAY SCHOOL NOON: STRENGTH IN STILLNESS	21	22 6PM: VESTRY MEETING	23	24 6PM: BIBLE STUDY 7PM: AL-ANON	25	26
27 NOON: PILGRIMAGE MEETING	28 10A: QUILTING FOR OTHERS	29	30	1 6PM: BIBLE STUDY 7PM: AL-ANON	2	3

LONG TERM PRAYER LIST – SEPTEMBER 2026

PEOPLE ON THIS LIST HAVE BEEN MOVED HERE AFTER BEING ON THE
SERVICE BULLETIN LIST FOR FOUR WEEKS.

PARISHIONERS INDICATED BY *

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*RUTH BAKER
* WILLIAM BRAMMER
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*JOHN AND JUDY SCHWENN
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*CAROL TAYLOR
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