

Coming up...

St. Mark’s UMC ~ Fall Fest
Today, October 26th 3:00-5:00 PM
All Welcome!

District Charge Conference
Join us for the **Red Clay Hills District Charge Conference** on **Sunday, November 2, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.** at **Morton United Methodist Church** (29 South Second St., Morton, MS 39117). You may catch St. Mark’s Church Bus at 2:45 pm to ride together!
All clergy, Lay Members to Annual Conference, SPRC/Staff-Parish chairs, Finance and Trustees representatives, and interested laity are invited.
We’ll **celebrate ministry across the district, approve annual business, and pray together for the year ahead** as we continue *“Becoming”* the people God is shaping us to be.

St. Mark’s Children’s Ministry
Wednesday Nights in Asbury Hall @ 6 pm
Sun. Nov. 2 - Tween Night @ 5 pm (Big Rm – Asbury Hall)
Sat. Nov. 8 - Blessing of the Animals 9- 10 am (outside-CLC)
For details and sign-ups contact Anna McGough at anna@saintmarksum.org

St. Mark’s Youth Ministry
Wednesday Nights @ 6 pm in SWH
Youth Sunday Nights @ 5:30 pm in CLC / SWH
Oct. 26 - Youth Monster Mash at 6-8 pm (SWH & CLC)
Please email us at youth@saintmarksum.org

Trendsetter Opportunities - for anyone 50+...
Nov. 11-13—New Orleans Train Trip - Contact Sandra Thomas for details
For more info text Sandra Thomas at 601-940-5120 or email



Actors Needed for “Behind the Headlines”

Step into the story of Christmas like never before!
Our upcoming play, *Behind the Headlines*, reimagines the Nativity as a live talk show—where residents of Bethlehem share the untold stories behind Jesus’ birth.
We’re looking for **actors and readers and behind the scenes helpers** to be part of this fun production **Performance Date: Wednesday, December 10**
Interested in participating? See **Sandra Thomas or Tonda Riley** for more details.

SUNDAY, OCT. 26 - St. Mark’s Fall Fest
8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
9:30 am Methodism 101 (2-W107)
9:30 am Sunday School (1+2+3+4)
10:45 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
10:45 am 11th Hour Worship (5) (Greeters)
3:00 pm Fall Fest (5-Outdoors)
5:00 pm Handbell Practice (1-Robe Rm)
6:00 pm Youth Monster Mash (4+5)

MONDAY, OCT. 27
8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
10:00 am Chair Yoga (5)
10:00 am Women’s Bible Study (1-Choir Rm)
5:30 pm Disciple Fast Track (1-Robe Rm)
7:00 pm AA (2)

TUESDAY, OCT. 28
8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
6:30 pm Trustees Com Meeting (3-Parlor)

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 29
7:00 am Men’s Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm)
8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
10:00 am Chair Yoga (5)
10:00 am Adult Study (1-Robe Rm)
5:00 pm Weds. Night Supper (5)
6:00 pm Bible Studies (2+3+4)
7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)
7:00 pm 11th Hr. Praise Team Practice (5)

THURSDAY, OCT. 30
8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
5:30 pm Pickleball – Fall 2025 (5)
6:00 pm Men’s Fellowship Group (2)
7:00 pm AA (2)

FRIDAY, OCT. 31
8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
10:00 am Chair Yoga (5)

SATURDAY, NOV. 1

SUNDAY, NOV. 2 – All Saints Sunday
8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
9:30 am Methodism 101 (2-W107)
9:30 am Sunday School (1+2+3+4)
10:45 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
10:45 am 11th Hour Worship (5) (Greeters)
2:45 pm District Charge Conference – Morton (Bus)
5:00 pm Handbell Practice (1-Robe Rm)
5:00 pm Tween Night (3-Parlore)
5:30 pm Youth Sunday Night (4+5)

KEY:

- 1 – Sanctuary building
- 2 – Wesley – adult education
- 3 – Asbury – children’s education
- 4 – SWH – youth building
- 5 – CLC – Christian Life Center



“Authentically Imperfect Christ Followers Uniting all seeking Grace and Belonging.”

Oct. 26th, 2025
20th Sunday after Pentecost

Contact Us:
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info@saintmarksum.org

Ministry Staff
Jon Kaufman, Senior Pastor
Ryan McGough, Associate Pastor
Sandra Thomas, Pastor of Worship & Senior Adults
Anna McGough, Director of Children’s Ministries
Will & Amanda Lawson, Directors of Youth Ministries

Connect With Us Online:
www.saintmarksum.org

Facebook - St. Mark’s United Methodist Church
Instagram – [stmarksumc_brandon](#)
TikTok - [stmarksumc](#)

Traditional Service

20th Sunday after Pentecost – October 26, 2025

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

+Call to Worship

+Hymn *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* # 133

Affirmation of Faith Apostle's Creed # 881

Response Gloria Patri # 70

Stewardship Moment (Video) Ken and Lisa Peacock

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Anthem *May the Mind of Christ My Savior* Choir

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

+Doxology # 100

Passing of the Peace
Children ages 3K through 5K are
dismissed to Children's Church

+Hymn *Sanctuary* # 2164

Scripture 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

Sermon The Story of Your Rev. Kaufman
Dash

+Hymn *Fight the Good Fight*

+Benediction

Postlude Darlene Baker

+ Please stand as you are able.

Holy Communion immediately follows 8:20 service,
except on first Sundays.

Livestream available for 8:20 am Traditional & 10:45 am 11th Hour
on St. Mark's FB or Saintmarksum.org

Nursery is available ages up to and including two (2) years of age.

To Request Prayers Email:
Prayerrequest@saintmarksum.org

Friendly Reminder **Sunday, Nov. 2**
Daylight Savings Time ends,
Set Clocks Back One Hour.



A New Vision for St. Mark's UMC

We are ***Authentically Imperfect Christ Followers Uniting
all seeking Grace and Belonging.***

Our vision statement is...a way of life that shapes who we are and
how we live as a community of faith.

- Following Christ – Learning from Jesus daily
(Matthew 4:19)
- Being Authentically Imperfect – God loves us as we are
(Romans 5:8)
- Seeking Grace – God's free gift changes lives
(Ephesians 2:8)
- Uniting in Love – Love makes us one family (1 Peter 4:8)
- Belonging Together – All are welcome in God's family
(Galatians 3:26)

This vision is both a calling and a challenge. It invites us to live with
humility, extend grace to others, and build a community where all
people find a home. Together, we can be a community where
God's love is real, grace is abundant, and everyone belongs.

Wednesday Night at St. Mark's Supper Service in CLC begins at 5 pm Volunteers Needed!

Please scan the QR Code or use Link to
Register for Supper or call Church.



<https://saintmarksum.shelbnextchm.com/external/form/1cb13ca5-df73-4471-b786-4d46ab73c46e>

Regular Meal Pricing:

-\$10 Adult Meals (6 grade & up; -\$7 Child

Excellent weekly menus we
look forward to seeing y'all at Supper!

All welcome to join our
Weds. Night Adult Studies
at 6:00 pm in Wesley Center



St. Mark's Online Shelby Giving

Please scan the QR code
with your smartphone to access
the Shelby Giving app.
Thank you for your continued
support of our Ministries!

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, Oct. 26

Joel 2:23-32
Psalm 65
2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18
Luke 18:9-14

MON., Oct. 27

Psalm 87
Joel 3:1-8
Peter 4:12-19

TUES., Oct. 28

Joel 3:9-16
1 Peter 5:1-11

WEDS., Oct. 29

Joel 3:17-20
Matthew 21:28-32

THURS., Oct. 30

Psalm 119:137-144
Jeremiah 33:14-26
2 Corinthians 1:1-11

FRI., Oct. 31

Habakkuk 2:5-11
John 8:39-47

SAT., Nov. 1

Daniel 7:1-3,15-18
Luke 6:20-31

SUNDAY, Nov. 2

Habakkuk 1:1-4;2:1-4
Psalm 119:137-144
2 Thessalonians 1:1-4,11-12
Luke 19:1-10

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT:

9/30/2025

Yr. 2025

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$ 1,271,083.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD	\$ 820,479.00
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD	-\$ 850,058.00
Revenue Over/Under Expense	(\$29,579.00)