Holy Week Services at St. Mark's UMC

April 13 – Palm Sunday – Worship Services: * 8:20 am – Traditional—Sanctuary * 10:45 am – Joint Service-Christian Life Center (CLC)

April 17 – Maundy Thursday Service: 7:00 pm—Sanctuary

April 18 – Good Friday Service (Youth Lead): 7:00 pm — Christian Life Center (CLC)

Sat., April 19 – Easter Egg Hunt @ 9:30 am (CLC); Flowering of the Cross @ 5 pm (outside garden front of Wesley Center)

April 20 – Easter Sunday – Worship Services:

* 8:20 and 10:45 am – Traditional—Sanctuary

* 10:45 am – Contemporary / 11th Hour (CLC)

* Livestream on St. Mark's FB page or www.saintmarksum.org

Join us in a special Easter Offering Sunday, April 20^{th!} Be a Bringer, Be a Giver:

Make an Eternal Impact this Easter

Easter is right around the corner, and this year, we're inviting our church family to embrace two powerful practices that Jesus modeled for us:

1. **Be a Bringer** – Invite someone to worship with you.

2. **Be a Giver** – Prepare to give a special Easter offering. This year's Easter offering is a "second mile" gift — above and beyond your regular giving — that will support three vital ministries making an eternal difference in the lives of children and students across Mississippi:

- United Methodist Camps —4 camps in our state including Camp Wesley Pines.
- United Methodist Community Centers five centers providing hope and help in local communities.
- United Methodist Campus Ministries supporting students at seven state universities and five community colleges.

Let's follow Jesus' example: He brought people to new life and gave everything for us. Let's do the same this Easter — bring someone with you and give generously to help others experience Christ's love.

Rev. Jon Kaufman Senior Pastor Mark Your Calendars...

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
9:30 am Sunday School (1+2+3+4)
10:45 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
10:45 am 11th Hour Worship (5) (Greeters)
3:30 pm Handbells & Music Rehearsals (1-Robe Rm)
6:00 PM Trustee Com Meeting (1-Robe Rm)
4:30 pm Praise Team Practice (4)
5:00 pm Youth Sunday Nite (4+5)

MONDAY, MARCH 31

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5) 9:30 am Chair Yoga (5) 10:00 am Women's Bible Study (1-Choir Rm) 6:00 pm Disciple Fast Track (1-Robe Rm) 7:00 pm AA (2)

TUESDAY, APRIL 1

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5) 6:00 pm Caregiver Support Group (1-Robe Rm)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm) 8:00 am Walking with Joy (5) 9:30 am Chair Yoga (5) 10:00 am Lenten Prayer Study (1) 5:00 pm Weds. Night Supper (5) 6:00 pm Bible Studies (2+3+4) 7:00 pm 11th Hr. Praise Team Practice (5) 7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)

THURSDAY, APRIL 3

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5) 6:00 pm Men's Fellowship Group (2) 7:00 pm AA (2)

FRIDAY, APRIL 4 8:00 am Walking with Joy (5) 9:30 am Chair Yoga (5)

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
9:30 am Sunday School (1+2+3+4)
10:45 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
10:45 am 11th Hour Worship (5) (Greeters)
3:30 pm Handbells & Music Rehearsals (1-Robe Rm)
4:30 pm Praise Team Practice (4)
5:00 pm Youth Sunday Nite (4+5)



March 30, 2025 4th Sunday of Lent

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<u>KEY:</u> 1 – Sanctuary building 2 – Wesley – adult education 3 – Asbury – children's education 4 – SWH – youth building 5 – CLC – Christian Life Center

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

Entering Into Worship

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

Acknowledging the Light of Christ in Our Midst

Call to Worship

+Hymn Con	ne Thou Fount of Every Blessing	# 400
+Affirmation of F	aith Apostles' Creed	# 881
+Response	The Summons v.1	# 2130
	A Lenten Meditation Aiden Curry and Cindy Wilkins	Handbell Duet
Morning Prayer		
The Lord's Praye	er	
Anthem	O Lamb of God Sa	nctuary Choir
Offertory Prayer		
Offertory	Mis	sion Moment
+Doxology Children ages 3ł	K through 5K are dismissed to Child	# 95 ren's Church
Passing of the P	eace	
+Hymn	Gentle Shepherd	# 3096
Scripture Readir	ng Exodus 32:1-10	
Sermon	<i>"Waiting on God"</i> F	Rev. Kaufman
+Closing Hymn	I Have Decided to Follow Jesus	# 2129
+Benediction		

+ Please stand if you are able.

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: <u>Prayerrequest@saintmarksum.org</u>

Reflection Questions:

Continued Worship / Notes:

- 1. What are some "golden calves" you have created in moments of impatience or uncertainty?
- 2. How can you learn to trust God's timing instead of trying to take control?

Action Step:

Try replacing impatience with worship—whenever you feel tempted to take control, spend time in prayer, scripture, or gratitude instead.

Wednesday Night at St. Mark's

Join us for Supper at 5:00 pm in the CLC

Our Menu for Weds. Apr. 2 Poppyseed Chicken, Green Beans, Broccoli Casserole, Roll, Salad, Beverage & Tonda's yummy Dessert!

> \$10 Grade 6 and up \$7 Child Meals

> > And

Children, Youth and Adult studies at 6:00 pm

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DAILY BIBLE READINGS

<u>SUNDAY, MAR. 30</u> Joshua 5:9-12 Psalm 32 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

MON., MAR. 31 Psalm 53

Leviticus 23:26-41 Revelation 19:1-8

TUES., APR. 1 Leviticus 25:1-19 Revelation 19:9-10

<u>WEDS., APR. 2</u> 2 Kings 4:1-7 Luke 9:10-17

<u>THURS., APR. 3</u> Psalm 126 Isaiah 43:1-7 Philippians 2:19-24

SAT, APR. 5

FRI.,APR. 4 Isaiah 43:8-15 Philippians 2:25-3:1

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! Exodus 12:21-27 John 11:45-57 SUNDAY, APR. 6 Isaiah 43:16-21 Psalm 126

Philippians 3:4-14 John 12:1-8

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT:	
2/28/2025	Yr. 2025
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$ 1,271,083.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD	\$ 160,886.00
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD	-\$ 193,165.00
Revenue Over/Under Expense	(\$32,279.00)