

Wednesday Night Supper begins @ 5:15 pm in our Christian Life Center (CLC). Please Sign Up! Complete, tear off and place your sign-up sheet in our Sunday Offering plate *or* scan the QR Code provided to Pre-Register by noon on Tuesday (this signup now includes an option for a recurring reservation for this semester)!

Wednesday Supper Sign-Up Sheet

Please Print:
Last Name: _____
Adults: _____
Children: _____



Wednesday Night Supper – Oct. 18

Service begins @ 5:15 pm in our Christian Life Center (CLC)

Menu: Smokehouse BBQ - Pulled Pork Sandwich, Beans, Potato Salad;
Beverage & Dessert

Cost: Adult \$ 7 and Child \$ 5 Maximum Family Charge: \$25

Volunteers Needed to Help Serve & Assist w/ Cleanup!

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT: 10/8/2023

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,483,188.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD	\$1,002,300.00
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD	\$1,093,206.00
OFFERING FOR 10/8/2023	\$29,788.00

St. Mark’s Shelby Giving --- Please click on the QR code to the right with your smartphone to access the **Shelby Giving** application on your mobile phone.
Thank you for your continued support of
St. Mark’s UMC Ministries!



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Warren Coile..... Senior Pastor
Jeff Nesbit.....Associate Pastor
Sandra ThomasPastor for Worship & Music Arts
Stephen Craig 11th hour Worship Leader
Jeanne Chapman.....Director of Youth Ministries
Anna McGoughDirector of Children & Family Ministries
Katherine Long..... Director of Nurture & Outreach
Darlene Baker..... Music Assistant/Pianist
Jason Boyd..... Music Assistant/Organist
Thelma Lorentz..... Administrative Assistant

Mark Your Calendars...

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
(Livestream on St. Mark’ FB or Saintmarksum.org)
9:30 am Sunday School (1+2+3+4)
10:45 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
10:45 am 11th Hour Worship (5) (Greeters)
(Livestream on St. Mark’s FB page)
1:00 pm Youth - Leave for Fair / Jeremy Camp Concert
2:00 pm Administrative Council Mtg. (3-Parlor)
No - DRIVEN Band Practice (4)
No - MERGE - tonight

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

10:00 am Women’s Bible Study (1-Choir Rm)
7:00 pm Disciple Fast Track Workshop (1-Robe Rm.)
7:00 pm AA (2)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

6:00 pm Honduras Potluck Dinner/Gathering (3-Parlor)
6:00 pm Nominations Com. Meeting (1-Choir Rm.)
6:30 pm Ruth Circle (1-Robe Rm.)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

7:00 am Men’s Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm.)
10:00 am Adult Bible Study (1-Choir Rm.)
3:30 pm 5th Block (4)
5:15 pm Wednesday Night Supper (5-CLC)
6:00 pm Bible Study (2+3+4)
6:00 pm Holy Land Trip Meeting (1-Choir Rm.)
7:00 pm 11th Hr. Praise Team Practice (5)
7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

7:00 pm AA (2)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

9:15 am Walking with Joy (5-CLC)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22 – Children’s Sabbath

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
(Livestream on St. Mark’ FB or Saintmarksum.org)
9:30 am Sunday School (1+2+3+4)
10:45 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
10:45 am 11th Hour Worship (5) (Greeters)
(Livestream on St. Mark’s FB page)
4:30 pm DRIVEN Band Practice (4)
5:30 pm MERGE (4+5)

KEY:

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

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

am Matthew 22:1-14
pm Philippians 4:10-23

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

Exodus 33:12-23
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Psalm 99

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

Exodus 34
Matthew 22:15-22

WEDS., OCTOBER 18

Leviticus 6:1-7
Leviticus 17:10-14

THUR., OCTOBER 19

Leviticus 25:1-7
Leviticus 25:8-24

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

Numbers 6:22-27
Numbers 12

SAT., OCTOBER 21

Numbers 13:1-14:10
Numbers 14:11-45

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

am Numbers 20:1-13
pm Numbers 21:4-9

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Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 15, 2023

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

+Opening Hymn Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart # 160
vv. 1-4

+Affirmation of Faith The Apostles’ Creed # 881

+Act of Praise Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart # 160
v. 5

Special Music His Strength is Perfect Teresa Humphrey

Epistle Philippians 4:4-9

Psalter Psalm 25:1-10 # 756

Morning Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Anthem

Offertory

+Doxology

+Hymn Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast # 339
Children ages 3K through 5K are invited to Children’s Church

+Gospel Matthew 22:1-14

Sermon The Dress Code Rev. Coile

+Closing Hymn Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me # 361
Following the Light of Christ into the world

Benediction

Postlude

Holy Communion immediately follows 8:20 service except on first Sundays.
We are always pleased to welcome new members. If you wish to unite with our church family today, please come forward during the singing of the last hymn; or you may speak to one of the ministers following the benediction.

Nursery is available ages up to and including 2 yrs.

Prayer Concerns...

In Sympathy to Family & Friends of:

Marcia Oden, retired NWR English teacher, on her passing, Oct. 10th
(Friend of Christy Jones)

Members Needing Prayers:

Mike Blackwell	Carol Grigsby	Les Malottki	Emily Grace Shields
Trish Champney	Hewitt Pittman	June Miracle	Merriam Smilley
Jimmie Ray Gordon	Keith Jenkins	Garner Peacock	JeanAnn Suggs
Bob Grigsby	Robert Lott	Brad Sessums	Ron Tisdale

Family & Friends --- June – Oct. 2023:

Carol Baker (Katie Heard)	Pequita Lattimer (Clarene Reynolds)
Tara Blessinger (Coile Family)	Austin Lee (Pete Williams)
Billy Boyd (Betty Wheat)	Olivia Mann (Branigin, Nguyen, Lapiere)
Briggs Family (Samantha ‘Briggs’ Nguyen)	Larry Marguez (Karen Reed)
Ed Coile (Warren Coile)	Patricia Martin (Janet Langley)
Sam Darnell (Rick Darnell)	Mary K. Reiners (JA Suggs)
Jerry Frazier (Lyn Smith)	Jennifer Roberts (Misty Simmons)
Rob Gill & Family	Sandra Rogers (Mayita Price)
George Haydu (Linda Finley)	Simpson Family (Thelma Lorentz)
Lisa Helmick (Joseph Hibbert)	Effie May Smith (Josh & Lauren Allen)
Cindy Hooks. (Carla Cascio)	Ben & Leslie Toombs (Robby Toombs)
Cindy Horton (Dick & Susan Weatherholt)	Heather Trotter (D.W. & Katherine Long)

Long Term Prayers:

Tinker Colwell	Jerry Klomparens	Janette Thomas
Martha Gower	Dixie Miller	Linda Thomas
Joanne Humphries	June Miracle	Frances Upchurch
Sherry Johnston	Jonnie Norton	Mike & Connie Weaver
	Ann Saucier	
Jim Allard (David Allard)	Martin Levitt (McGinnis)	
Amanda Hearn Biek (Karen Williams)	Tanya Lofton (Megan Howe)	
Jay Brantley (Bob & Carol Grigsby)	Marie Nichols (Gwen Robertson)	
Hunter Burkhalter (Amanda Doby)	Oscar McGough (Ryan McGough)	
Maxine Creel (Becky Stevenson)	Lori McLendon Parker (Charlinda & Raymond Hall)	
Danielle (Susan Weatherholt)	Martha Munsey (Jimmie Ray Gordon)	
Gina McGraw Duffy (Vicki Phillips)	Lori Parker (April & Seth Hall Richards)	
Russell Gaines (Linda Jennings)	Anna Marie Pauli (Marisa O. Martin)	
Ruby Galmore (Beverly McClure)	Jennifer McBeth Payne (Sharon Womack)	
Leon Elzey (Sandra Bates)	Tommy Pittman (Hewitt Pittman)	
Victoria Farr (Carolyn Farr)	Kerri Puckett (Cindy & Tim Puckett)	
Jason Heins (Linda Breedlove)	Russ Robbins (Beth Robbins)	
Luanne Hitselberger (Chris Zachow)	Jeannette Rodriguez (Vicky & Kim Rohr)	
Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)	Robert Sanford (Misty Simmons)	
James Walker Hodge (Charlinda Hall)	Luke Shappley & Family (Sara & Rodney Meeks)	
Cindy Horton (Jo-Anna Ray)	Emily Grace Shields (Becka & Richard Shields)	
Don Jacks (Cyndi Morgan)	Will Sorey (Dennis O’Neal)	
Debbie Jefcoat (Janice Larson)	Danny & Melissa Stephens (Jo-Anna Ray)	
Karnowski Family (Jeanne Chapman)	Lovie Thomas (Cynthia Morgan)	
Bud Lambert (Suzan Watson)	Jim Woodson (Bob & Lois Landry)	
Gale Landry (Vicky & Kim Rohr)	Hubert & Vicki Wright (Linda Finley)	

Serving our Country:

Jason Attaway, Ethan Avent, Cameron Barr, Justin Cox, Leon Davis, Noah Duncan, Jay Ellzey, Noah Givens, John Kibble, Boston Little, Cooper Little, Drew Little, Nathan Muirhead, Donna Phillips, Frank Porter, Casey Powell, Joshua Schmitz, Mark Sills, Eric Spellman, Brad Suggs, TJ Riley

Upcoming Events, Mission & Volunteer Opportunities...

Operation Gratitude – Thurs. Nov. 2 @ 6:30 pm (1-WWF)

Okay all - it's that time! We need to start sewing, knitting, lanyarding, and writing! OG has a challenge starting today. All of you who knit or crochet, this is for you! These items must be returned to me or the church by Oct. 26.

Beginning September 28th, we are challenging our knitters, crocheters, and loom knitters to make as many hats and scarves as their needles, hooks and picks can stitch! You can use ANY color, ANY stitch, and ANY pattern for your hats and scarves! The only rules are that you must use a size 4 worsted weight yarn (no bulky yarn), your scarves must be between 4”-5” wide and 48”-50 ” long, and if you are making hats, please don't add a pom-pom. They do suggest not using white since it shows dirt so quickly.

Of course we will have fleece fabric, paracord, and note cards available
Hope to see you all! Happy knitting! Pete W.

Contact: Pete Williams for further details @ petewilliams217@gmail.com

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Honduras ~ Potluck Dinner Gathering ~ All Welcome!

Tues., Oct. 17th @ 6:00 pm in Asbury Hall / Parlor (A201)

Please come & spend time visiting with Daniel Tercero from Honduras

Contact Julie Blake for more info at 601-397-8880

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Fall Fest 2023 – 50th Anniversary Family Reunion!

Let’s celebrate our St. Mark’s UMC – 50th Anniversary together the best way – through FOOD, FELLOWSHIP and FUN! **On October 29th, 2023 @ 12:00 PM**
We’ll have lunch on the grounds, Corn Hole Tournament, Walk Thru St. Mark’s UMC Museum, Rock Wall, Inflatables, Axe Throwing, plenty of games and prizes!

What do you need to do? You can scan the QR code for details!

Candy & Cake Walk Donations Information coming out soon.
Check your closets for your favorite St. Mark’s UMC memorabilia.
Invite your family, friends, former members, current members to enjoy a day of celebration at our Anniversary Celebration!



Grace and Peace,

Anna McGough Director of Family & Children’s Ministry
anna@saintmarksum.org or 601-992-2131 (ext. 109)

Trendsetter Opportunities for anyone 50+ Join our St. Mark’s UMC Senior Adults! Here is a sampling of our upcoming events....

Mon. Dec. 11 - "The Trees of Christmas" at Merrehope in Meridian & lunch.
Leave at 8:30am and return 4pm Cost: TBD about \$60 - tour, lunch and bus

Mon. Dec. 18 "Magic of Lights" Driving Tour of Magic of Lights at Brandon Amphitheater @ 5pm

For further opportunities & a complete list contact or stop by the church office...

Sign Up in Church Office Contact Rev. Sandra Thomas or call Church Office for more details regarding Trendsetter & trip opportunities! 601-992-2131
or email Sandra@saintmarksum.org

Youth Ministry...

DRIVEN Youth
- For all students in 6th-12th grades



Fall Youth Calendars are available in the Hub, CLC & the main church office.

Sunday School (Rush Hour) ~ every Sunday @ 9:30 am in SWH
MS Guys/Girls & HS Bible studies! Free cereal buffet provided.

Sun., Oct. 15 ~ Jeremy Camp Concert @ MS State Fair
We are leaving St. Mark’s at 1:00 pm and will return approximately 8 pm.
Concert is @ 4p @ the Coliseum. Drop off and pick up is at St. Mark’s.

5th Block ~ Wednesdays ~ 3:30 – 5:00 pm After school hang time in the Hub...
Wed. Night Supper is available from 5-5:45 in CLC. Reservations are required by Tues. Noon.

FUEL (high octane for your soul midweek) ~ **Wednesdays ~ 6-7p ~ SWH**
Join us for MS/HS Bible study, games & prayer. New study: *Dangerous Jesus*

MERGE resumes, Sunday, Oct. 22 ~ 5:30-7:30 pm Free Dinner ~ Games ~
Worship ~ Life Groups Menu: tacos Theme: *Throw/Back – 00’s*

SHOES Collection Fundraiser! The youth ministry is collecting gently worn/new shoes to help those living in impoverished nations thru Funds2Orgs. Bins are set up around the church & at the youth building. The youth are paid by the pound! Shoe collection goes through October 31.

Confirmation 2024 ~ Fall retreat is Saturday, Oct. 28.

SAVE THE DATE! Taste of Italy Pasta Dinner & Silent Auction ~ Sun., Nov. 12 @ 5 pm ~ CLC Tickets go on sale next week! All proceeds benefit our youth ministry!

... Stay in the know!!! Please contact **Jeanne Chapman** at ...
jeanne@saintmarksum.org for more info!

Children & Family Ministries...

All activities are for PreK through 5th Grade

Sunday School @ 9:30 AM
(3 - A102/A104

Sunday, October 15, 2023

Acolytes @ Traditional & 11th Hr. Services
&
Children’s Church
(Does not meet on Communion Sundays.)

Save these dates...

Wednesday Night Workshops! Join us Oct. 18th ~ we are practicing our singing!

Children’s Sabbath – October 22nd Kids Choir practice meets on Sundays at 9:30 am. We will be performing on Kids Sabbath during Worship.

Fall Fest 2023 – 50th Anniversary Family Reunion! Join us Sunday, Oct. 29th on church grounds begins @ 12 pm ~ Join us for lunch on the grounds, Cake Walk, Games & celebrate 50 years of Ministry at St. Mark’s UMC!

Contact **Anna McGough** office #: 601-992-2131 (Ext.109)
email Anna@saintmarksum.org for more info.

