



St. Mark's Video Christmas Card ~ 2022

St. Mark's is extending a call out to all who love Christmas music. Whether you sing in the shower or play an instrument for fun or whatever, we want you to be part of our video Christmas card.

We need your submission by Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>

Be creative...families make a video, or Sunday School classes, youth groups, children's ensembles, bands, instrumentalists, solos, piano, choirs, praise music, traditional music, etc.

Submissions can be made on digital cameras or Apple devices. Please be aware of lighting and be sure your microphone is loud enough to hear. If anyone wants to make a submission, but needs help with recording we will set up a time to make some of the videos at church.

Email to [sandra@saintmarksum.org](mailto:sandra@saintmarksum.org) or by message to 601-940-5120. Questions can be directed to Darlene Baker, George Kendrick or Sandra Thomas

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT: 10/9/2022

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,430,906.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD	\$1,007,339.00
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD	\$1,049,185.00
OFFERING FOR 10/9/2022	\$33,980.00

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 Thomas .....Pastor for Worship & Music Arts  
Stephen Craig ..... 11<sup>th</sup> hour Worship Leader  
Jeanne Chapman.....Director of Youth Ministries  
Anna McGough .....Director of Children & Family Ministries  
Janet Langley.....Director of Nurture & Outreach  
Darlene Baker..... Music Assistant/Pianist  
Jason Boyd..... Music Assistant/Organist  
Thelma Lorentz..... Administrative Assistant

Mark Your Calendars...

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16 – *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+4)  
9:30 am Newcomer / Methodism Class (1-Choir Rm)  
9:30 am Kid's Worship (3 - A102/A104)  
9:30 am Youth SS / Rush Hour (4-SWH)  
10:45 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)  
10:45 am 11th Hour Worship (5) (Greeters)  
(Livestream on St. Mark' FB or Saintmarksum.org)  
2:00 pm Music Rehearsal (1)  
4:00 pm Admin. Council Meeting (3-Parlor)  
4:45 pm Driven Praise Team Practice (4)  
5:00 pm Sunday Handbells (1)  
5:30 pm MERGE Youth (4+5)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

10:00 am Women's Bible Study (1-Choir Rm.)  
7:00 pm AA (2)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

9:30 pm Tabitha Circle (1-Robe Rm.)  
6:30 pm Ruth Circle (1-Robe Rm.)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm.)  
11:45 am Noonday Hour of Prayer (1)  
3:30 pm 5<sup>th</sup> Block (4-SWH)  
5:00 pm Music Rehearsal (1)  
5:00 pm Wednesday Night Supper (5-CLC)  
6:00 pm Fuel (4-SWH)  
6:00 pm Kids Weds. Workshops (3-Big Rm./A201)  
6:00 pm Adult Bible Study (2)  
6:00 pm Men's Bible Study (2)  
6:00 pm Women's Bible Study (2)  
6:00 pm 11<sup>th</sup> Hr. Praise Team Practice (5-CLC)  
7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

7:00 pm AA (2)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

9:00 am Walking with Joy (5)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)  
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DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, OCT. 16

am Luke 18:1-8  
pm Ezra 7

MONDAY, OCT. 17

2 Timothy 4:6-22  
Luke 18:9-14  
Psalm 65

TUESDAY, OCT. 18

Joel 1:1-7; 2:1-2, 12-17  
Luke 18:15-17

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 19

Joel 2:23-32  
Luke 18:18-27

THURSDAY, OCT. 20

Nehemiah 1  
Luke 18:28-30

FRIDAY, OCT. 21

Nehemiah 2  
Luke 18:31-34

SATURDAY, OCT. 22

Nehemiah 4  
Luke 18:35-43

SUNDAY, OCT. 23

am Luke 18:9-14  
pm Nehemiah 5

KEY:

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

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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 16, 2022  
10:45 am

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

*Acknowledging the Light of Christ in our midst*

+Opening Hymn                    *O, How I Love Jesus*                    # 170

+Affirmation of Faith            *The Apostles' Creed*                    # 881

+Act of Praise                    *Gloria Patri*                    # 70

Special Music                    *Leave It There*                    Jason Boyd

Prayer Concerns

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Anthem                    *Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord*                    Choir

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

+Doxology                    *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*                    # 94

+Hymn                    *Wonderful Words of Life*                    # 600

Sermon                    *The Hardest Answer*                    Rev. Coile  
Habakkuk 1:1-3, 2:1-4; Luke 18:1-8

+Closing Hymn                    *My Jesus, I Love Thee*                    # 172  
*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...

As part of our daily prayers, we want to include our future blessings and their parents.  
Please remember the following couples in your prayers:

Katie & Blair Baker



In Sympathy to Family & Friends of:

Bill Heins, on his passing October 9th (Father of Linda Breedlove)

Rev. James ‘Jimmy’ M. Harrison, on his passing in AZ, former Pastor St. Mark’s UMC.

Members Needing Prayers:

Mike Blackwell	Janice Larson	Carolyn Phillips	Mary Rogers
Rev. Warren Coile	Betty Mabry	Charles Phipps	Will Rogers
Minnie Franklin	Myrna Myrick	Fred Price	Brad Sessums
Sherry Johnston	Garner Peacock		Jeanann Suggs

Family & Friends:

October 2022

Katy Howell (Preschool)	Jennie Kidder (Preschool)
Nelson Karnowski (Jeanne Chapman)	Pam Tree (Preschool)

September

Rocco Abessinco (Karen Reed)	Brent Lowry (Darlene Baker)
Malachi Adams (Eddie Adams)	Wayne Perry Nelson
Rebecca & Vic Hutto (Jeanne Chapman)	Marsha Potts (Chuck Jeffcoat)
Don Jacks (Cyndi Morgan)	Kia Riley & Baby (Tonda Riley)
Great Nephew (Jean Lancaster)	Shirley Skinner (Jean Vaughn)

August

Mary Jo Adams (Les Malottki)	Tom Horn (Chuck Jeffcoat)
Danielle (Susan Weatherholt)	Bud Lambert (Susan Watson)
Bill Darnell (Rick Darnell)	Baby Morgan & Family (Gary & Martha Hand)
Robert Ghoston (St. Mark’s Staff)	Rebecca Stoval (Les Malottki)
	Sadie Tatum (Ashley May)

Long Term Prayers:

John Adair	Joanne Humphries	Janette Thomas
Eva Brown	Bill Hutto	Linda Thomas
Tinker Colwell	Dixie Miller	Frances Upchurch
Minnie Franklin	June Miracle	Mike & Connie Weaver
Martha Gower	Jonnie Norton	Jane Wilkerson
Jean Gunnell	Fred Price	
Gay Ann Abraham (Jean Lancaster)	Tanya Lofton (Megan Howe)	
Amanda Hearn Biek (Karen Williams)	Marie Nichols (Gwen Robertson)	
Maxine Creel (Becky Stevenson)	Oscar McGough (Ryan McGough)	
Ruby Galmore (Beverly McClure)	Lori McLendon Parker (Charlinda & Raymond Hall)	
Leon Elzey (Sandra Bates)	Joan Melchiors (Cynthia Morgan)	
Victoria Farr (Carolyn Farr)	Martha Munsey (Jimmie Ray Gordon)	
Jason Heins (Linda Breedlove)	Lori Parker (April & Seth Hall Richards)	
Luanne Hitselberger (Chris Zachow)	Russ Robbins (Beth Robbins)	
Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)	Jeannette Rodriguez (Vicky & Kim Rohr)	
James Walker Hodge (Charlinda Hall)	Mrs. Renae Tatum (Sadie & Sophie Tatum)	
Gale Landry (Vicky & Kim Rohr)	Lovie Thomas (Cynthia Morgan)	
Martin Levitt (McGinnis)	Jaxon Williams (Jack Williams)	
	Hubert & Vicki Wright (Linda Finley)	

Serving our Country:

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

Upcoming Events & Opportunities...

TASTE OF ITALY  
(Pasta Dinner & SILENT AUCTION Fundraiser)  
SUN., NOV. 13 ~ 5-7 pm ~ CLC

Catering by Lost Pizza Flowood. Make plans to join us for a great night of food, fellowship & fundraising! Lots of great items to bid on: gift cards/certificates to restaurants, shops, golf & services, condos, artwork & more!  
Tickets on sale Oct. 23 – Nov. 6. Adults \$10/Kids \$5/Family rate \$30. (Kids 2 & under free).  
All proceeds benefit St. Mark’s DRIVEN Youth.

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2022 Winter Coat Drive

Please bring your gently used or new adult & kids winter coat / jacket donations to our church office thru January 2023.

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St. Mark’s UMC Methodism Class  
The fall session of our adult Methodism class begins  
Sunday, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> – Nov. 6 at 9:30 am in the Choir Rm. (\$116)

Questions – contact Janet Langley at [Janet@saintmarksum.org](mailto:Janet@saintmarksum.org) or call the Church office at 601-992-2131 (ext. 102)

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Cursillo

Upcoming Cursillo Experience @ Camp Wesley Pines in Gallman, MS:

December 1-4 # 238 Please contact Beth Griffith @ 601-564-3236 or Helen Morrison @ 601-260-4114 or call church office for further details.

TRENDSETTER Opportunities *for anyone 50+ ...*

Join up with our St. Mark’s UMC Senior Adults on these Upcoming Events

Bingo night with a Halloween theme – Thurs., Oct. 27 @ 5:30 pm in CLC

(Louisville, KY Trip - Nov. 14-17 - CANCELED)

A day Trip to Cleveland, MS (w/ Christmas Lights), Mon. Dec. 5  
- NOT OVERNIGHT-

“The Sound of Music” @ New Stage Theater – Tues., Dec. 6  
– tickets are on sale now – please sign up as soon as possible -

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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](mailto:Sandra@saintmarksum.org)

Youth Ministry...

DRIVEN Youth  
- For all students in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades.



SUNDAY SCHOOL: every Sunday morning 9:30-10:30 am  
Separate Bible studies for MS & HS students. Cereal buffet provided each week.

MERGE ~ Tonight, Sun., Oct. 16 ~ 5:30-7:30 pm ~ SWH  
Hang Time ~ Free Dinner ~ Games ~ Worship ~ Life Groups Menu: Taco Bar

5<sup>th</sup> Block (after school hang time) Wednesdays 3:30-5:00 pm in the Hub.

FUEL (MS/HS Bible Study) Weds., 6:00-7:00 pm in SWH.

SAVE THE DATES (& get signed up)!

Monster Mash Bash Silent Disco! Sun., Oct. 30 ~ 6-8 pm (Free event)  
Silent Disco ~ Food ~ Friends ~ Fun ~ Games ~ Costume Contest Sign up by 10/28.

TASTE OF ITALY (Dinner & SILENT AUCTION Fundraiser) ~ Sun., Nov. 13  
Each student in our ministry is asked to contribute at least one (\$20+) item to the auction. Credits given for each item donated. Donations accepted thru Nov. 6. Students are also needed to work the event. Must be signed up to work. Worker hours are 4:30 – 7:30 pm.

ELEVATE Ski Conference ~ Gatlinburg ~ Jan. 13-16, 2023 (MLK Wknd)  
\$300 Ski/Non-Ski ~ \$330. \$100 non-refundable deposit. Balance due 12/31.  
Cost includes 3 nights hotel lodging, 2 ski sessions, all worship sessions, t-shirt, transportation & all meals (except 2 on the road) Tubing session available for \$35. MUST be signed up in advanced. Very limited tickets.

GENERATE Summer Camp! Covenant College ~ Lookout Mountain, GA  
May 29 – June 2 (Mon-Fri) leaving early on Memorial Day - Cost: \$350 (includes trip to Ruby Falls) \$80 non-refundable deposit due to reserve spot.

Stay in the know!!!  
Please contact Jeanne Chapman at [jeanne@saintmarksum.org](mailto:jeanne@saintmarksum.org) for more info!

Children & Family Ministries... <i>All activities are for PreK through 5th Grade</i>  Sunday School @ 9:30 AM (3 - A102/A104)	Children’s Sabbath, October 16 <sup>th</sup>  Acolytes @ 8:20 & 10:45 am  & Children’s Church Today (Does not meet on Communion Sundays.)
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October / November Schedule  
Kids Weds. Night Workshops – check in 5:45 pm Asbury / Big Room  
Kids Choir has BEGUN during the Sunday School Hour every Sunday at St. Mark's as we prepare to serve in worship at Kids Sabbath on October 16th.  
October 16<sup>th</sup> – Kids Sabbath Sunday – Join us for 8:20 or 11<sup>th</sup> hr. Worship  
October 30<sup>th</sup> – Fall Fest Carnival – 3 pm – 5 pm – Candy Donations Needed!  
November 9th - Camp Night @ St. Mark's - special guests Camp Wesley Pines Staff. 6-7 PM at Asbury Hall  
November 13th - OUTDOOR SUNDAY SCHOOL at Flowood Nature Park Amphitheatre at 9:00 AM. Join us for Sunday School off campus and a 1 mile fun run/walk.

Contact Anna McGough office #: 601-992-2131 (Ext.109) or email [Anna@saintmarksum.org](mailto:Anna@saintmarksum.org) for more information!

