

Wednesday Night Supper @ 5:00 pm in CLC ~ All Welcome!

Supper resumes January 15th!!! Here's our Menu:

**Gumbo, Rice, Corn, Salad, Cornbread,
Beverage & Tonda's Yummy Dessert!**

Please scan the QR Code to the right to Register
for Wednesday Night Supper or just call the office:
-\$10 Adult Meals (6 grade & up), - \$7 Child Meals



* Please consider Pre-Registering for the semester at a discount!

*In lieu of Family pricing we have introduced a new option to
Pre-Purchase for a Semester of Meals at a discount Adults \$150 & Child \$105.
Please sign up early to get this special offer! We have excellent weekly menus!

Volunteers are Needed and All Are Welcome! Please contact Thelma in
Church Office to be added to our weekly volunteer schedule.

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT: 11/30/2024		Yr. 2024
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET		\$ 1,573,165.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD		\$ 1,064,111.00
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD		-\$ 1,156,396.00
Revenue Over/Under Expense		(\$92,285.00)

St. Mark's Shelby Giving

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Jon Kaufman..... Senior Pastor
Ryan McGough..... Associate Pastor
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Will & Amanda Lawson Directors Youth Ministry
Anna McGough Director of Children & Family Ministries
Darlene Baker..... Music Assistant/Pianist
Jason Boyd..... Music Assistant/Organist
Thelma Lorentz..... Administrative Assistant

Mark Your Calendars...

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
(Livestream on St. Mark's 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 or Saintmarksum.org)
11:30 am Children's Council (3)
5:00 pm Youth Sunday Eve. (4)

MONDAY, JANUARY 13

8:00 am Walking with Joy (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, JANUARY 14

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
10:00 am Adult Study (1-Robe Rm)
5:00 pm Weds. Night Supper (5-CLC)
6:00 pm Bible Study (2+3+4)
6:00 pm Kids Workshops (3)
6:00 pm Youth Weds. Eve. (4)
7:00 pm 11th Hr. Praise Team Practice (5)
7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
7:00 pm AA (2)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
5:00 pm Youth Winter Retreat (bus departs)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

8:00 am Kids Winter Retreat (bus departs)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

Kids & Youth – Winter Retreat(s) (return trip)
8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
(Livestream on St. Mark's 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 or Saintmarksum.org)
3:00 pm Honduras Team Meeting (2-Sonrise w104)
3:30 pm Grief Recovery Group (2-WWF w105)

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, JAN. 12

Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29
Acts 8:14-17
Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

MONDAY, JAN. 13

Psalm 106:1-12
Judges 4:1-16
Ephesians 6:10-17

TUES., JAN. 14

Psalm 106
Judges 5:12-21
1 John 5:13-21

WEDS., JAN. 15

Psalm 106:1-12
Numbers 27:1-12
Luke 11:33-36

THURS., JAN. 16

Psalm 36:5-10
Jeremiah 3:1-5
Acts 8:18-24

FRIDAY, JAN. 17

Psalm 36:5-10
Jeremiah 3:19-25
1 Corinthians 7:1-7

SAT. JAN. 18

Psalm 36:5-10
Jeremiah 4:1-4
Luke 11:14-23

SUNDAY, JAN. 19

Isaiah 62:1-5
Psalm 36:5-10
1 Corinthians 12:1-11
John 2:1-11

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Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2025

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

Acknowledging the Light of Christ in our midst

+Call to Worship

+Opening Hymn

Down by the Jordan

3045

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

O'er the River Jordan

Sanctuary Choir

Hazel Townsend, solo

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

Jason Boyd

+Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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Children ages 3K through 5K are dismissed to Children's Church

Passing of the Peace

Hymn

Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

605

Gospel Reading

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Sermon

Remember Who You Are

Rev. Kaufman

Invitation to Discipleship

Renewal of Baptism

Musical Offering

Down to the River to Pray

Hannah Smith-Phillips

Closing Hymn

Oh, How He Loves You and Me

2108

+Benediction

The flowers placed in the Sanctuary today are given in loving memory
of my husband, W.A. "Dub" Womack by Anita Womack.

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 with one of the ministers following the benediction.

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

Prayer Concerns...

Members Needing Prayers:

Sandra McGee Glenn Thomas Bill & Lanelle Weems Johnnie Yakstis
Merriam Smiley Dave Thompson Cindy Wilkens

Family & Friends --- June – Dec. 2024:

Chris Allard (brother David Allard)	Sally Guyton (Betty Wheat)
James Allard (father David Allard)	Beth Haggerty (Beth Griffith)
Anthony (Darlene Baker)	Beth Hall (Karen Reed)
Dorothy Ashby (Clyde Payne)	Julie Hebert (Michael & Jo Hebert)
Linda Ball (Kyle Ball, Melanie D. Ball)	Donna Hill (Sandra McGee)
Denise Bigoney (Gary & Nancy Ladd)	Carolyn Hughes (David Thompson)
Mary (Linda Breedlove's mother)	Jerry Kirkland (Lois Minchew)
David Brewer (Arlene Pettus)	Nate & Sondra Kraak (Tonda Riley)
Mary Charles Britt (DeeDee Long)	Janet Lawing (Jo Hebert)
Larry & Margie Case (Lynette Conklin)	David Leach (Lance Wilson)
Baby Rainer Clark (Karen Reed)	Mac Lofton (Skip Kuzel)
Eva Clawson (Jean & Ed Lancaster)	Haley & Jessica McIngvale (Jane Mapp)
Elizabeth Cloud (Arlene Pettus)	Shani Meck (Mike & Linda Kennedy)
Zach Cooley (Gary & Nancy Ladd)	Josef Pettus (Arlene Pettus)
Kristen Cox (Beth Cox)	Tommie Pittman (Hewitt & Ann Pittman)
Mary Ann Curry (Skip Kuzel)	Ana Maria Price (Mayita Price)
Debbie Fesmire (MaryBeth Fesmire)	Alaina Reed & Family (Karen Reed)
Ashley Freeman (Ann Pittman)	Sabrina Roberts (Ann Pittman)
Bryanna Frisbee (Beth Cox)	Mally & Ian Seale (Katie & Blair Baker)
Mrs. Fomby (Sandra Haskett)	Kate (Zachow) Stina (Chris & Steve Zachow)
Cecil Givens (Misty Simmons)	

Long Term Prayers:

Carole Bell	Joanne Humphries	Jonnie Norton
Tinker Colwell	Jerry Klomprens	Carolyn Phillips
Bernie Drowne	Sara Meeks	Janette Thomas
Camille Dumas	Joel Melton	Linda Thomas
Barbara Glasscock	Dixie Miller	Frances Upchurch
Martha Gower	June Miracle	Mike & Connie Weaver

Mally & Ian (Katie Baker)	Tanya Lofton (Megan Howe)
Amanda Hearn Biek (Karen Williams)	Larry Marquez (Karen Reed)
Hunter Burkhalter (Amanda Doby)	Marie Nichols (Gwen Robertson)
Larry Case (Lyn Smith)	Jennifer McBeth Payne (Sharon Womack)
Danielle (Susan Weatherholt)	Garner Peacock
Gina McGraw Duffy (Vicki Phillips)	Tommy Pittman (Hewitt Pittman)
Leon Elzey (Sandra Bates)	Kerri Puckett (Cindy & Tim Puckett)
Victoria Farr (Carolyn Farr)	Russ Robbins (Beth Robbins)
Davis Fox (Kathy Roberts)	Jeannette Rodriguez (Vicky & Kim Rohr)
Russell Gaines (Linda Jennings)	Luke Shappley & Family (Sara & Rodney Meeks)
Ruby Galmore (Beverly McClure)	Emily Grace Shields (Becka & Richard Shields)
Renea Griffith (Russ & Beth Griffith)	Will & Marti Sorey (Dennis O'Neal)
Jason Heins (Linda Breedlove)	Lovie Thomas (Cynthia Morgan)
Luanne Hitzelberger (Chris Zachow)	Leslie Toombs (Robby Toombs)
Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)	Temple Tynnbaris (Clarene Reynolds)
James Walker Hodge (Charlinda Hall)	Mimi Watts (Melissa Bolland)
Don Jacks (Cyndi Morgan)	Lane West (Betty Wheat)
Bud Lambert (Suzan Watson)	Hubert & Vicki Wright (Linda Finley)
Gale Landry (Vicky & Kim Rohr)	

Serving our Country:

Jason Attaway, Ethan Avent, Cameron Barr, Justin Cox, Leon Davis, Noah Duncan, Jay Ellzey, Cody Howrigan, 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...

Disciple Fast Track (12-week) study
begins: Mon. Jan. 13 @ 6 pm in Robe Room (s126)
For details contact – Joey Hibbett at 601-573-2202

Mark your calendars... Honduras trip is May 26-June 2, 2025!
The first Honduras Team Meeting is Sunday, Jan. 19th @ 3 pm
In St. Mark's Wesley Center – Sunrise Class (W104)
For details, please contact - Angie Maxwell 601-934-2243 or
Chuck McNeil 601-616-9363

Weds. Adult Studies resume – Epiphany Bible Study
Core Truths of God Revealed by Jesus
Weds. January 15 – February 26 @ 10 am (1-Robe Rm)
and again @ 6 pm (2-Serendipity Class Rm)

Jesus came to reveal the nature and mind of God to the World. Join us
for this 7-week study on Wednesdays at 10:00 am and 6:00 pm.
In Christ, Rev. Jon Kaufman Email for details Jon@saintmarksum.org

Grief Recovery Group - With Loss of any kind, we naturally
experience grief. We grieve after the loss of what is important, people,
relationships, jobs, among others. **Join us for a 6-week journey from**
mourning to joy as we explore the good aspects of grief. We will walk
through the patterns of grief and what we can learn from it. **We will meet**
on Sunday's at 3:30 pm beginning January 19 in the Wesley Center at
St. Mark's UMC. Please call 601-992-2131 or stop by office to Sign Up.

Coat Drive 2024 (Extended thru January 2025)

New or Gently Used: Child & Adult Coats & Jackets
Please bring donations to St. Mark's UMC office.
Questions: Contact Karen Reed at 601-940-4022

Save the Date
Rise Against Hunger – will be Saturday, Feb. 8
St. Mark's UMC – CLC (9 am – 12 noon)
Join us for this special Meal Packaging Event! There is a job for
everyone to help pack 25,000 meals for the hungry.

Contact Joseph Hibbett at: 601-573-2202 to join up
& for details on how you can help!
Sign-up sheets in church office.

Trendsetter Opportunities - for anyone 50+

Join our St. Mark's UMC Senior Adults! ...

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

St. Mark's Youth Ministry...

DRIVEN Youth

For all students in 6th-12th grades



***Note: We need adults for each of these events to make them possible.

Sunday School (Rush Hour) every Sunday @ 9:30 am in SWH
MS Guys/Gals & HS Bible studies!

Join us this evening January 12th to kick off Youth Sundays (5 – 7 pm) in SWH

- **Sunday School Lessons**
- **Wednesday Night Small Groups**
- **Sunday Night Messages**

We'll keep you posted as plans develop and any updates or changes are finalized.
Thank you again for your support, and we wish you a very Merry Christmas!

Will and Amanda Lawson

Will@saintmarksum.org or Amanda@saintmarksum.org

Winter Youth Retreat is set & it is going to be AMAZING! This retreat is open to all
Youth (6th to 12th grade) and Tweens (3rd to 5th grade). Anna McGough has put this
together so you know it will be great. **A signup will be up soon.** Cost for Youth will be
\$170 per student. (It costs a little more for the Youth because there is one more activity
for them than the Tweens.) Scholarship funds can be used for the retreat cost. **If you**
have any questions, please do not hesitate to email Anna at anna@saintmarksum.org.

Youth Ministry is welcoming donations of lightly used furniture, to help
revamp our SWH youth rooms. Thank you so much!

Children & Family Ministries...

Sunday, January 12, 2025

All activities are for PreK
through 5th Grade



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

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

[Wednesday Night Supper & Bible Studies.](#)
[You can sign up to eat here](#) and even prepay
if you would like for the meal or the semester.

Sun. Jan. 12th – Children's Council – Asbury Hall / Parlor (11:30 am –1:30 pm)

Jan 15th - Wednesday Night Supper and Wednesday Night Workshops for
kids will return! 5:15 pm for dinner in the CLC and 6pm in Asbury for kids.
We will be learning the Apostles Creed over the next two months!

JANUARY - WINTER RETREAT SIGN UPS:

Jan 18th - 19th - Tween Retreat at CAMP WESLEY PINES. This retreat is open
to all Youth (6th to 12th grade) and Tweens (3rd to 5th grade). reach out to Anna
McGough, anna@saintmarksum.org

Please Contact **Anna McGough** for all Sign Ups at: 601-992-2131 (Ext.109)
Or email Anna@saintmarksum.org for more info.