

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

Join us for Supper January 22nd Here's our Menu:

Hamburger Steak, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Butter Beans, Salad, Rolls, 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 welcome! Please contact Thelma in Church Office to be added to our weekly volunteer schedule.

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT: 12/31/2024		Yr. 2024
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET		\$ 1,573,165.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD		\$ 1,198,376.16
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD		-\$ 1,280,154.11
Revenue Over/Under Expense		(\$81,777.95)

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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Jon Kaufman..... Senior 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 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)
No Evening Youth Activities Tonight

MONDAY, JANUARY 20

Church Office Closed in Observance of Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday
8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
No Women's Bible Study today
6:00 pm Disciple Fast Track (1-Robe Rm)
7:00 pm AA (2)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
9:30 am Tabitha Circle (1-Robe Rm)
6:30 pm Ruth Circle (1-Robe Rm)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm)
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 Adult Bible Studies (2)
6:00 pm Kids Workshops (3)
6:00 pm Youth Weds. Nite. (4)
7:00 pm 11th Hr. Praise Team Practice (5)
7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

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

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

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)
3:30 pm Grief Recovery Group (2-WWF w105)
5:30 pm Youth Sunday Nite (4)

We need Greeters for the 8:20 and 10:45 am Traditional Worship services in the Sanctuary building. If you are interested in this important part of our ministry please contact Ann Pittman at apittman1960@gmail.com or 601-506-4986.

"Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it". --- Hebrews 13:2

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, JAN. 19

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

MONDAY, JAN. 13

Psalm 145
Isaiah 54:1-8
Romans 12:9-21

TUES., JAN. 21

Psalm 145
Song of Solomon 4:1-8
1 Corinthians 1:3-17

WEDS., JAN. 22

Psalm 145
Song of Solomon 4:9—5:1
Luke 5:33-39

THURS., JAN. 23

Psalm 19
Isaiah 61:1-7
Romans 7:1-6

FRIDAY, JAN. 24

Psalm 19
Nehemiah 2:1-10
Romans 12:1-8

SAT. JAN. 25

Psalm 19
Nehemiah 5:1-13
Luke 2:39-52

SUNDAY, JAN. 26

Psalm 19
Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,8-10
1 Corinthians 12:12-31
Luke 4:14-21

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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2nd Sunday after the Epiphany
January 19, 2025

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

- Gathering and Announcements
- Prelude Jason Boyd
Acknowledging the Light of Christ in our midst
- +Call to Worship
- +Opening Hymn *Lord, You Give the Great Commission* # 584
- +Affirmation of Faith Apostle's Creed # 881
- +Response *Shine, Jesus, Shine* # 2173
- Musical Offering *Waymaker* Josh Smith
- Morning Prayer
- The Lord's Prayer
- Anthem *Come, All Christians, Be Committed* Sanctuary Choir
- Offertory Prayer
- Offertory Jason Boyd
- +Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* # 94
Children ages 3K through 5K are dismissed to Children's Church
- Passing of the Peace
- +Hymn *Freely, Freely* # 389
- Gospel Reading Matthew 28:16-20
- Sermon The CHRISTIAN Church Rev. McGough
- Invitation to Discipleship
- +Closing Hymn *The Spirit Sends Us Forth To Serve* # 2241
- +Benediction

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...

In Sympathy to Family & Friends of:

Sally Guyton, on her passing last week, please keep her family in prayer,
(Friend of Betty Wheat)

Members Needing Prayers:

Bob Grigsby	Merriam Smilley	Bill & Lanelle Weems	Johnnie Yakstis
Gwen Robertson	Glenn Thomas	Cindy Wilkens	

Family & Friends --- January 2025:

Chris Allard (brother David Allard)	Mary Ann Curry (Skip Kuzel)
James Allard (father David Allard)	Bryanna Frisbee (Beth Cox)
Dorothy Ashby (Clyde Payne)	Julie Hebert (Michael & Jo Hebert)
Linda Ball (Kyle Ball, Melanie D. Ball)	David Leach (Lance Wilson)
David Brewer (Arlene Pettus)	Mac Lofton (Skip Kuzel)
Baby Rainer Clark (Karen Reed)	Jessica McIngvale (Jane Mapp)
Robert Ghoston (Charlie Crenshaw)	Shani Meck (Mike & Linda Kennedy)
Kristin Cox (Beth Cox)	

Long Term Prayers:

Carole Bell	Joanne Humphries	Jonnie Norton
Tinker Colwell	Jerry Klomparens	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)	Janet Lawing (Jo Hebert)
Amanda Hearn Biek (Karen Williams)	Marie Nichols (Gwen Robertson)
Larry Case (Lyn Smith)	Garner Peacock
Leon Elzey (Sandra Bates)	Tommie Pittman (Hewitt Pittman)
Victoria Farr (Carolyn Farr)	Russ Robbins (Beth Robbins)
Mrs. Lou Fomby (Sandra Haskett)	Luke Shappley & Family (Sara & Rodney Meeks)
Russell Gaines (Linda Jennings)	Will & Marti Sorey (Dennis O'Neal)
Renea Griffith (Russ & Beth Griffith)	Lovie Thomas (Cynthia Morgan)
Beth Haggerty (Beth Griffith)	Leslie Toombs (Robby Toombs)
Jason Heins (Linda Breedlove)	Temple Tynnbaris (Clarene Reynolds)
Luanne Hitzelberger (Chris Zachow)	Mimi Watts
Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)	Lane West (Betty Wheat)
James Walker Hodge (Charlinda Hall)	Hubert & Vicki Wright (Linda Finley)
Jerry Kirkland (Lois Minchew)	

Serving our Country:

Justin Cox, Jay Ellzey, Donna Phillips, Casey Powell, Eric Spellman, Brad Suggs, TJ Riley.

Notes:

Upcoming Events, Mission & Volunteer Opportunities...

Disciple Fast Track (12-week) study
Mondays @ 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 – Sonrise Class (W104)
For details, please contact - Angie Maxwell 601-934-2243 or
Chuck McNeil 601-616-9363

Our Weds. Night Adult Studies have resumed
Men's, Women's & Co-Ed Groups ~ Meet in Wesley Center
All Welcome!

Join our Epiphany Bible Study ~ Core Truths of God Revealed by Jesus
Weds. January 15 – February 26 @ 10 am (1-Robe Rm)
and @ 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. Email Rev. Jon Kaufman for details
Jon@saintmarksum.org

Grief Recovery Group - 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 ~ 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 Hibbert 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

Youth Ministry...
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!

Reminder No Youth Sunday Evening – Jan. 19th – we will resume
Youth Sunday Nite activities on January 26th (5:30 – 8 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!

Will and Amanda Lawson
St. Mark's Youth Directors
Will@saintmarksum.org or Amanda@saintmarksum.org

Youth is back Wednesday Nites 6-7pm, & hangout in SWH till 8:00 pm.

On the 30th of January, we have a fundraiser and McAlister's, where the youth
receive a portion of the profits for the day! We invite everyone to participate
and eat something yummy at McAlister's that day!

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 19, 2025

All activities are for PreK
through 5th Grade

Acolytes @ Traditional & 11th Hr. Services
&

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

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.

Wednesday Night Supper and Wednesday Night Workshops for kids
are back 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!

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