

Wednesday Night Supper begins @ 5:15 pm in our Christian Life Center (CLC). Please Sign Up! Complete, tear off and place this 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 / Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Sign-Up Sheet                      QR Code

Please Print:

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Adults: \_\_\_\_\_

# Children: \_\_\_\_\_



Wednesday Night Supper resumes – Jan. 10, 2024

Menu: Country Fried Steak, Mash Potatoes & Gravy, Purple Hull Peas, Salad & Rolls, Beverage & Dessert

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

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

Volunteers Needed to Help Serve & Assist w/ Cleanup!

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT: 12/31/2023 - Note: #'s NOT FINAL

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,483,188.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD	\$1,305,548.00
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD	\$1,419,801.00
OFFERING FOR 12/31/2023	\$27,998.00

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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St. Mark's Home Page: [www.saintmarksum.org](http://www.saintmarksum.org)

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Warren Coile..... Senior Pastor  
Ryan McGough.....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  
Katherine Long..... Director of Nurture & Outreach  
Darlene Baker..... Music Assistant/Pianist  
Jason Boyd..... Music Assistant/Organist  
Thelma Lorentz..... Administrative Assistant

Mark Your Calendars...

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

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)  
2:00 pm Administrative Council Meeting (3-Parlor)  
4:00 pm DRIVEN Band Practice (5-CLC)  
5:00 pm Parents' Night @ MERGE (4+5-SWH/CLC)

MONDAY, JANUARY 8

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm.)  
10:00 am Adult Bible Study (1-Choir Rm.)  
3:30 pm 5<sup>th</sup> Block (4)  
5:15 pm Wednesday Night Supper (5-CLC)  
6:00 pm Bible Study (2+3+4)  
6:00 pm FUEL (4-SWH)  
7:00 pm 11<sup>th</sup> Hr. Praise Team Practice (5)  
7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)  
7:10 pm Youth Council Mtg (SWH/Zoom)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

7:00 pm AA (2)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

9:15 am Walking with Joy (5-CLC)  
5:00 pm Tween Retreat (bus departs)  
5:30 pm Confirmation Field Trip (Synagogue)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

5:30 pm Tween Retreat (bus returns)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

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 (5-CLC)  
5:30 pm MERGE (4+5-SWH/CLC)

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, JANUARY 7

am Mark 1:4-11  
pm Isaiah 42:10-25

MONDAY, JANUARY 8

1 Samuel 1:1-18  
John 1:35-42  
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

TUES., JANUARY 9

1 Samuel 1:19-28  
John 1:43-51

WEDS., JANUARY 10

1 Samuel 2:1-10  
1 Corinthians 4:14-21

THUR., JANUARY 11

1 Samuel 2:11-21  
1 Corinthians 4

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

1 Samuel 2:22-36  
1 Corinthians 6:1-8

SAT., JANUARY 13

1 Samuel 3  
1 Corinthians 6:9-11

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

am 1 Corinthians 6:12-20  
pm John 2:1-11

# Saint Mark's

## United Methodist Church

[www.saintmarksum.org](http://www.saintmarksum.org)

Baptism of the Lord Sunday

January 7, 2024

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

+Hymn                      *This Is the Spirit's Entry Now*                      # 608

+Prayer

+Act of Praise                      Baptized in Water                      # 2248  
v. 3

Morning Prayer

Anthem                      *The Lord Came Down to the River*                      Choir

Offertory

+Doxology                      # 94

Sermon                      *Gettin' the Holy Ghost*                      Rev. Coile  
Acts 19:1-7

+Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith                      # 50

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion

Communion Music                      Teresa Humphrey and Mac May

Prayer after Communion

+Closing Hymn                      *When Jesus Came to Jordan*                      #252  
*Following the Light of Christ into the world.*

+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 to one of the ministers following the benediction.

*Nursery is available ages up to and including 2 yrs.*

Prayer Concerns...

Members Needing Prayers:

Mary Jo Antee	Keith Jenkins	Pequita Lattimer	Will Rogers
Trish Champney	Lynda Jolly	Robert Lott	Emily Grace Shields
Dan Denman	George Kendrick	Garner Peacock	JeanAnn Suggs
Carol Grigsby			

Family & Friends --- Aug. – Dec. 2023:

Carol Baker (Katie Heard)	Detrick Macnair (Susan Weatherholt)
Tara Blessinger (Coile Family)	Olivia Mann (Branigin, Nguyen, Lapiere)
Billy Boyd (Betty Wheat)	Larry Marguez (Karen Reed)
Briggs Family (Samantha ‘Briggs’ Nguyen)	Susan Menchoral
Larry Case (Lyn Smith)	Mericlare Paxton (Betty Wheat)
Baby Chet (Corrine & Eric Carpenter)	Sandra Rogers (Mayita Price)
Ed Coile (Warren Coile)	Darrell Sartin (Louise Sartin)
Sam Darnell (Rick Darnell)	Beckett Sharpe (Anna McGough)
Davis Fox (Kathy Roberts)	Effie May Smith (Josh & Lauren Allen)
Jan Frady (Charlie Crenshaw)	Addie Terrell (Kay & Dennis O’Neal)
Gary Golden (Joey Hibbert)	Ben & Leslie Toombs (Robby Toombs)
George Haydu (Linda Finley)	Heather Trotter (D.W. & Katherine Long)
Cindy Hooks. (Carla Cascio)	Kay Warren (Anna McGough)
Cindy Horton (Dick & Susan Weatherholt)	Ike Watkins (Susan Weatherholt)
Austin Lee (Pete Williams)	David & Mimi Watts (Melissa Bolland)
Temple Tynnbaris (Clarene Reynolds)	

Long Term Prayers:

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

Upcoming Events, Mission & Volunteer Opportunities...

Dear Friends,

June 6-13, 2024 Honduras trip!

Mark your calendars.

Our first Honduras Team Meeting

Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> @ 2 pm

In St. Mark’s Asbury Hall – Parlor (A201)

Looking forward to serving with all of you this summer. Please reach out to Bobby or Julie for additional application forms for this year. Please bring them completed to the meeting.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Your brother & sister in Christ,  
Bobby & Julie Blake  
601-317-8881 Bobby  
601-397-8880 Julie

Trendsetter Opportunities *for anyone 50+* Join our St. Mark’s  
UMC Senior Adults! .... *Stay tuned!*

*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](mailto:Sandra@saintmarksum.org)*

Prayer Concerns... (continued)

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

Youth Ministry...

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



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

TONIGHT! PARENTS’ NIGHT @ MERGE ~ Sun., Jan. 7 ~ 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm ~ CLC  
All youth in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades are invited for an incredible night together celebrating all God has done in 2023 and looking forward to 2024! Free dinner, Game, Youth/Parent Meeting, Worship & Life Groups! Childcare is available for younger siblings thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

5<sup>th</sup> 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 Guys/Girls Bible studies, games & prayer

Newsboys Concert ~ Sun. Feb. 4 @ FBC Madison ~ \$25  
Drop off & return at STM. Sign up and pay by Jan. 28. Limited tickets.

DNOW WKND ~ Feb. 16-18, 2024 We will be joining teenagers from across Rankin County for a weekend of worship, service, discipleship, fellowship, and fun! Watch for more information and deadline to sign up!

GENERATE Summer Camp ~ May 27-31, 2024 ~ Bryan College, Dayton, TN Cost: \$350. \$80 non-refundable deposit is due by January 29<sup>th</sup> for guaranteed spot! *Don’t miss the best week of your summer! Sign up today!*

... Stay in the know!!! Please contact Jeanne Chapman at ...  
[jeanne@saintmarksum.org](mailto: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, January 7, 2024

Acolytes @ Traditional & 11<sup>th</sup> Hr. Services  
&

No Children’s Church  
(Does not meet on Communion Sundays.)

Wednesday Night Supper & Kids Workshops will resume – Jan. 10, 2024

[January 12-13 - Tween Retreat - 3rd - 5th Grade](#) are welcome to sign up for Tween Retreat at Camp Wesley Pines overnight. We will leave St. Mark's UMC at 5PM on Friday and return 5:30 PM on Saturday.

For all Sign Ups - reach out to Anna McGough, [anna@saintmarksum.org](mailto:anna@saintmarksum.org)

*Sunday Nursery is available ages up to and including 2 yrs.*

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

