

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

Join us for Supper **February 26th** Here's our Menu:

**BBQ Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Peas, Roll,
Salad, 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
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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, FEBRUARY 23

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

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, FEBRUARY 25

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
5:00 pm Cursillo Activity (3-Parlor)
6:00 pm SPRC Meeting (1-Choir Rm.)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

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, FEBRUARY 27

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
2:00 pm Trendsetters-Afternoon-Bingo (5-CLC)
7:00 pm AA (2)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)

SATURDAY, MARCH 1

8:30 am Administrative Council Treat (3-Parlor)

SUNDAY, MARCH 2

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
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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)
12:00 pm Children's Council Meeting (3-Parlor)
3:00 pm Grief Recovery Group (2-WWF w105)
3:30 pm Handbells & Music Rehearsals (1)
5:30 pm Tween Night (3-Parlor / Big Room)
5:30 pm Youth Sunday Nite (4)



Reminder
Daylight Savings Time
begins Sunday, March 9th
spring ahead 1 hour.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, FEB. 23

Genesis 45:3-11, 15
Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40
1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50
Luke 6:27-38

MONDAY, FEB. 24

Psalm 38
Genesis 33:1-17
1 Corinthians 11:2-16

TUES., FEB. 25

Psalm 38
1 Samuel 24:1-22
2 Corinthians 11:17-22, 27-33

WEDS., FEB. 26

Psalm 38
Leviticus 5:1-13
Luke 17:1-4

THURS., FEB. 27

Psalm 99
Deuteronomy 9:1-5
Acts 3:11-16

FRIDAY, FEB. 28

Psalm 99
Deuteronomy 9:6-14
Acts 10:1-8

SAT, MAR. 1

Psalm 99
Deuteronomy 9:15-24
Luke 10:21-24

SUNDAY, MAR. 2

Exodus 34:29-35
Luke 6:27-38
2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2
Luke 9:28-36



Reminder
Time to return your
Palms by March 2nd ~

**Ash Wednesday is
March 5th.**

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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7th Sunday after the Epiphany

February 23, 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 *Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive* # 390
(Sung to O God Our Help in Ages Past 117)

+Affirmation of Faith # 881
Apostle's Creed

+Response # 70
Gloria Patri

St. Mark's Prayer Garden Video

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Anthem Sanctuary Choir
Hear Me, Redeemer
Jason Boyd, solo

Offertory Prayer

+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 # 2226
Bind Us Together

Gospel Reading Luke 6:27-38

Sermon Rev. Kaufman
Love Without Limits: The Jesus Way

+Closing Hymn # 572
Pass It On

+Benediction

Flowers placed in the Sanctuary today are given
in loving memory of Joanne M. Humphries by her family;
Joanne M. Humphries was a founding member of St. Mark's UMC in 1973.

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:

Chuck Jeffcoat	Gwen Robertson	Bill & Lanelle Weems	Johnnie Yakstis
Jean Lancaster	Merriam Smalley	Pat White	
Gene Reynolds	Glenn Thomas	Cindy Wilkins	

Family & Friends --- February 2025:

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

Long Term Prayers:

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

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
James Walker Hodge (Charlinda Hall)	Lane West (Betty Wheat)
Jerry Kirkland (Lois Minchew)	Hubert & Vicki Wright (Linda Finley)

Serving our Country:

Justin Cox, Cody Howrigan, Donna Phillips, Casey Powell, Eric Spellman, Brad Suggs, TJ Riley.

Notes:

Upcoming Events, Mission & Volunteer Opportunities...

Grief Recovery Group - Sunday's at 3:00 pm Jan. 19 – Feb. 23 in the Wesley Center at St. Mark's UMC. Join us for a 6-week journey from mourning to joy as we explore the good aspects of grief. Please call 601-992-2131 or stop by office to Sign Up.

Our Weds. Night Adult Studies @ 6 pm All Welcome!
Men's, Women's & Co-Ed Groups ~ Meet in Wesley Center

Coming soon...mark your calendar to join our newest Adult Study
Lenten Prayer Study with/ Prayer Beads Led by Rev. Jon Kaufman
Begins: March 19 through Weds. April 16 @ 10 AM in Robe Room and at 6 PM in Wesley Center – Serendipity Classroom. The first week we will make the prayer beads. No craft experience needed. The cost is \$10 for the beads. You may bring your own cross or purchase a cross for \$5. Please plan to join us for this interactive study!

RACE for GRACE PLACE Fundraiser

When: Saturday, March 29, 2025

Where: Galloway UMC, (Downtown Jackson, MS)

What: 5K AND FUN RUN (please register to join the race!)

Grace Place serves the needs of people who are food insecure and provides breakfast 4 days a week, a clothing closet, worship opportunities, and celebrations. **For more info please email spbranson@gmail.com**

Mark your calendars... Honduras trip is May 26-June 2, 2025!

For details, please contact - Angie Maxwell 601-934-2243 or Chuck McNeil 601-616-9363

Trendsetter Opportunities - for anyone 50+

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

Thurs. Feb. 27—Afternoon-BINGO at 2 pm in CLC—Coffee & Desserts
— Please bring a \$5 Bingo prize “white elephant” wrap or unwrapped.

Tues., March 4 @ Movie: “The Unbreakable Boy” Time: TBA

Tues., March 11 Please join us for “Game Day” In CLC—bring your favorite board games to share then out for Lunch.

Thurs., March 27—9 am Bus from Church to Natural Science Museum for the Mindbender Mansion then Lunch at Lou's.

Thurs., April 10 - BINGO Night at 5 pm in CLC—Join us for Bingo & Dinner
— Please bring a \$5 Bingo prize “white elephant” wrap or unwrapped.

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!

Join us for Youth Sunday Nite activities (5:30 – 8 pm) in SWH

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

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

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

St. Mark's Preschool News...



St.Mark's UMC Preschool is currently enrolling students for the 2025-2026 school year. Please contact Lisa Iannelli, Director for a registration form. smpreschool@saintmarksum.org or 601-992-2244.

Children & Family Ministries...

Sunday, February 23, 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.

Wednesday Night Workshops for kids at 6pm in Asbury for kids. We will be learning the Apostles Creed over the next two months!

Sun. Mar. 2 - Children's Council Mtg. at 12 noon Asbury Hall - Big Rm / Parlor

Sun. Mar. 2 – Tween Night at 5:30 - 7:30 pm in Asbury Hall – Big Rm. / Parlor

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