

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

Join us for Supper **March 5th** Here's our Menu:

Pulled Pork, Baked Beans, Bun, Coleslaw, Chips, Beverage & Coconut Cake for 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: 1/31/2025 | | Yr. 2025 |
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| TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET | | \$ 1,271,083.00 |
| AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD | | \$ 76,976.00 |
| AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD | | -\$ 83,411.00 |
| Revenue Over/Under Expense | | (\$6,435.00) |

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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Jon Kaufman..... Senior Pastor
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Darlene Baker..... Music Assistant/Pianist
Jason Boyd..... Music Assistant/Organist
Thelma Lorentz..... Administrative Assistant

Mark Your Calendars...

SUNDAY, MARCH 2

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)
12:00 pm Children's Council Meeting (3-Parlor)
3:30 pm Handbells & Music Rehearsals (1)
5:30 pm Tween Night (3-Parlor / Big Room)
5:30 pm Youth Sunday Nite (4)

MONDAY, MARCH 3

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, MARCH 4 – Shrove Tuesday

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
Trendsetters @ the Movies
5:00 pm Pancake Supper Fundraiser (5-CLC)
6:00 pm Caregiver Support Group (1-Robe Rm)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5 – Ash Wednesday

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm)
8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)
5:00 pm Weds. Night Supper (5-CLC)
6:00 pm Adult Bible Studies (2)
6:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service (1)
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, MARCH 6

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

FRIDAY, MARCH 7

8:00 am Walking with Joy (5)

SATURDAY, MARCH 8

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

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 Handbells & Music Rehearsals (1-Robe Rm)
4:00 pm Finance Com. Meeting (1-Choir Rm)
No Youth Activities – due to Spring Break week

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, MARCH 2

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

MON., MAR. 3

Psalm 35:11-28
Exodus 35:1-29
Acts 10:9-23

TUES., MAR. 4

Ezekiel 1:1;2:1
Acts 10:9-23

WEDS., MAR. 5

Joel 2:1-2,12-17
Psalm 51:1-17
2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10

THURS., MAR. 6

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16
Exodus 5:10-23
Acts 7:30-34

FRI., MAR. 7

Exodus 6:1-13
Acts 7:35-42

SAT. MAR. 8

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8
John 12:27-36

SUNDAY, MAR. 9

Deuteronomy 26:1-11
Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16
Romans 10:8-13
Luke 4:1-13

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

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Transfiguration Sunday

March 2, 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 *Be Thou My Vision* # 451

+Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed # 881

Gloria Patri # 70

Anthem *Son of Heaven, Shine* Sanctuary Choir

Prayer of Confession

Passing of the Peace

Hymn *O Wonderous Sight! O Vision Fair* # 258
Sung to: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Scripture Luke 9:28-36

Sermon *Embracing Change* Rev. Kaufman

Morning and Offertory Prayer

Offertory

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

Great Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion

Communion Music Hazel Townsend

Closing Hymn *Come, Let Us Dream* # 3157
vv. 1,2,3

+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:

Morris Currie, on his sudden passing February 25th, (Father of Lisa Peacock and Father-in-law of Ken Peacock)

Members Needing Prayers:

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

Family & Friends --- February 2025:

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|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 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) | Karen McCullough (Karen Reed) |
| Baby Henry Connor (Jim & Becky Stevenson) | 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) |
| | Chris Whitlock (Karen Reed) |

Long Term Prayers:

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| 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 | |

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| 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.

Upcoming Events, Mission Opportunities...

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!)

For more info please email spbranson@gmail.com

Come Join Me! "Teach Us How to Pray"

March 29, 2025 (10 am – 3 pm)

Central UMC, 1004 23rd Ave., Meridian

Bishop Sharma D. Lewis Logan

Upcoming Events, Mission & Volunteer Opportunities...

Pancake Supper Fundraiser ~ Tues., March 4th (5-7 pm) in our CLC
Please join us in support of our Honduras Salt & Light Ministry Team
in our Christian Life Center for a yummy Pancake Supper!

Reminder... Honduras trip is May 26-June 2, 2025!

For details, please contact - Angie Maxwell 601-934-2243 or

Chuck McNeil 601-616-9363



Ash Wednesday Service
March 5th @ 6 pm in Sanctuary

All Welcome



STATIONS of the CROSS

This Lent, journey through the Stations of the Cross
in our St. Mark's prayer garden March 6--April 19.

Open daily, this self-guided experience through 14 stations invites you to walk with Christ from his arrest to the cross. You can read about and reflect on His sacrifice and spend time in prayer. Come anytime March 6 – April 19 to meditate at your own pace. May this sacred journey deepen your faith and draw you closer to Christ.

Coming soon...join our newest Adult Study

Lenten Prayer Study with/ Prayer Beads Led by Rev. Jon Kaufman
Begins: March 19 thru 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!

Trendsetter Opportunities - for anyone 50+

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

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!

No Youth Sunday Nite activities on March 9 due to Spring Break
– we will resume our Sunday Nite Youth on March 16
for a special Dinner & Game night (5:00 – 7 pm,) in SWH

No Youth Wednesday Nite March 12 due to Spring Break
– we will resume our Weds. Nite Youth Activities on March 19 from (6 -7 pm),
& 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, March 2, 2025

All activities are for PreK
through 5th Grade

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

Acolytes @ Traditional & 11th Hr. Services
&
No 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.