

2023 – St. Mark’s Administrative Council

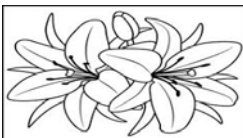
Re: UMC Disaffiliation Discussions

For any further questions and/concerns please email the council at saintmarks.admcouncil@gmail.com

Heather Achord Bryan
Chair

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Time to Order your Easter Lilies!
Pick up order forms in church office &
please place your order by April 2nd.



THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT: 3/26/2023

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,483,188.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD	\$290,676.00
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD	\$293,968.00
OFFERING FOR 3/26/2023	\$17,725.00

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!



St. Mark’s United Methodist Church
400 Grant’s Ferry Road
Brandon, Mississippi 39047

Main Office: (601) 992-2131 Ext. 101
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St. Mark’s Home Page: www.saintmarksum.org
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Warren Coile..... Senior Pastor
Jeff Nesbit.....Associate Pastor
Sandra ThomasPastor for Worship & Music Arts
Stephen Craig 11th hour Worship Leader
Jeanne Chapman.....Director of Youth Ministries
Anna McGoughDirector 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, APRIL 2 – PALM SUNDAY
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 Joint Worship Service (5-CLC) (Greeters)
(Livestream on St. Mark’s FB page)
4:30 pm Sacred Sessions - Cantata (1-Sanctuary)
5:30 pm MERGE (4+5)

MONDAY, APRIL 3
10:00 am Women’s Bible Study (1-Choir Rm)
7:00 pm AA (2)
7:00 pm Disciple Fast Track Workshop (1-Robe Rm)

TUESDAY, APRIL 4
6:00 pm Caregiver Group Mtg (1)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5
7:00 am Men’s Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm.)
3:30 pm 5th Block (4-SWH)
4:00 pm Youth Go M.A.D. – Snack Pack (2-WWF)
5:00 pm Wednesday Night Supper (5-CLC)
6:00 pm Bible Study (2+3+4)
6:00 pm 11th Hr. Praise Team Practice (5-CLC)
7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)

THURSDAY, APRIL 6
7:00 pm AA (2)
7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service (1)

FRIDAY, APRIL 7 – GOOD FRIDAY
9:15 am Walking with Joy (5-CLC)
10:00 am Good Friday – Rehearsal
7:00 pm Good Friday Service (5-CLC)

SATURDAY, APRIL 8 – Holy Saturday
8:00 am Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser (5-CLC)
9:30 am Easter Egg Hunt (5-CLC)
6:00 pm Flowering of the Cross (2-outside Wesley Ctr.)

SUNDAY, APRIL 9 – EASTER DAY
8:20*, 9:30 & 10:45 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
(*Livestream on St. Mark’ FB or Saintmarksum.org)
No Sunday School
10:45* am 11th Hour Service (5-CLC) (Greeters)
(*Livestream on St. Mark’s FB page)
No Evening Youth Activities

Monday, APRIL 10 – EASTER MONDAY
Church Office Closed
10:00 am Women’s Bible Study (1-Choir Rm)
7:00 pm AA (2)
7:00 pm Disciple Fast Track Workshop (1-Robe Rm)

Sacred Sessions ~ @ 4:30 pm
Be Holy for I am Holy
2/26 – Seder Meal Experience (5-CLC)
3/5 – Doubting Thomas Clay Hands (5-CLC)
3/12 – Words Matter Prayer Stations (5-CLC)
3/19 – Holy Hymns with Stacy Douglas (1)
3/26 – Be still and know: Performance Art (1)
4/2 – Once Upon A Tree Choir Cantata (1)

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, APR. 2
am Matthew 27:57-66
pm John 12:12-19

MONDAY, APR. 3
Isaiah 42:1-9
Psalms 36:5-11
Hebrews 9:11-15
John 12:1-11

TUESDAY, APR. 4
Isaiah 49:1-7
Psalms 71:1-14
1 Corinthians 1:18-31
John 12:20-36

WEDNESDAY, APR. 5
Isaiah 50:4-9, Psalm 70,
Hebrews 12:1-3, John 13:21-32

THURSDAY, APR. 6
Exodus 12:1-14,
Psalms 116:1-4, 12-19
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-17, 31-35

FRIDAY, APR. 7
Isaiah 52:13-53:12, Psalm 22
Hebrews 10:16-25
John 18:1—19:42

SATURDAY, APR. 8
Genesis 1:1-2:4, Psalm 33
Psalms 46, Matthew 28:1-10

SUNDAY, APR. 9
Acts 10:34-43
Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-18

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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Palm Sunday

April 2, 2023
8:20 am

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Gathering and Announcements

Collect and Thanksgiving

+The Entry into Jerusalem Matthew 21:1-11

+The People’s Response Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

+Hymn Hosanna, Loud Hosanna # 278
Acknowledging the Light of Christ in our midst

+Opening Prayer

+Act of Praise All Hail King Jesus

Anthem Blessed Is He Choir

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Epistle Philippians 2:5-11

Sermon Christopher Rev. Coile

+Affirmation of Faith The Apostles’ Creed # 881

Morning Prayer

Offertory

+Doxology

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

+The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer

Communion Music Hannah Smith-Phillips

Prayer after Communion

Meditation When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Handbells

DEPARTING TO SERVE

+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...

In Sympathy to Family & Friends of:

Tornado victims – S.Delta, Rolling Fork, Silver City, Amory, Sharkey County, MS

Jeff Nesbit and Family on the passing of Jeff’s Cousin.

Members Needing Prayers:

Mike Blackwell	Howe Family	Robert Lott	Tim Puckett
Warren Coile	Russ Griffith	Garner Peacock	Ann Saucier
Trish Champney	Randy & Jane Honnet	Hewitt Pittman	Brad Sessums
Cindy Edwards	Sherry Johnston	Fred Price	Merriam Smiley
Bill & Dell Ewing	Lois Landry		JeanAnn Suggs

Family & Friends:

January – March 2023

Sharon Bailey (Dennis & Kay O’Neal)	Casey Keith (Carleen Driver)
Francis McGough Bigby (Ryan McGough)	Connie Keenum (Karen Reed)
Jay Brantley (Bob & Carol Grigsby)	Mr. Tommie Pittman (Hewitt Pittman)
Amber Bullard (A.R. & Pete Williams)	Kerri Puckett (Cindy & Tim Puckett)
Sam Darnell (Rick Darnell)	Christopher Roberts (Kathy Roberts)
Tyler Douthit (Betty Wheat)	Sandra Rogers (Mayita Price)
Russell Gains (Linda Jennings)	Emily Grace Shields (Becka & Richard Shields)
Bethany Graham (Jimmie Ray Gordon)	Effie May Smith (Josh & Lauren Allen)
George Haydu (Linda Finley)	Will Sorey
Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)	Nancy Stribling (Becka Shields)
Marsha Hobson (Sara Meeks)	Dan Twaddle (Janet Langley)
Cindy Horton (JoAnna Ray)	David Vaughan (June Bragg)
Debbie Jefcoat (Janice Larson)	Wayne & Rose Wicker (Ryan McGough)
Ollie Johnson (Robin Sessums)	

Long Term Prayers:

Tinker Colwell	Bill Hutto	Fred Price
Martha Gower	Jerry Klomprens	Janette Thomas
Jean Gunnell	Dixie Miller	Frances Upchurch
Joanne Humphries	June Miracle	Mike & Connie Weaver
	Jonnie Norton	
Gay Ann Abraham (Jean Lancaster)	Martin Levitt (McGinnis)	
Robby Bearden (Bates & Lancaster)	Tanya Lofton (Megan Howe)	
Amanda Hearn Biek (Karen Williams)	Marie Nichols (Gwen Robertson)	
Maxine Creel (Becky Stevenson)	Oscar McGough (Ryan McGough)	
Danielle (Susan Weatherholt)	Lori McLendon Parker (Charlinda & Raymond Hall)	
Gina McGraw Duffy (Vicki Phillips)	Joan Melchiors (Cynthia Morgan)	
Ruby Galmore (Beverly McClure)	Martha Munsey (Jimmie Ray Gordon)	
Leon Elzey (Sandra Bates)	Lori Parker (April & Seth Hall Richards)	
Victoria Farr (Carolyn Farr)	Russ Robbins (Beth Robbins)	
Jason Heins (Linda Breedlove)	Jeannette Rodriguez (Vicky & Kim Rohr)	
Luanne Hitselberger (Chris Zachow)	Robert Sanford (Misty Simmons)	
Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)	Mrs. Renae Tatum (Sadie & Sophie Tatum)	
James Walker Hodge (Charlinda Hall)	Lovie Thomas (Cynthia Morgan)	
Don Jacks (Cyndi Morgan)	Jim Woodson (Bob & Lois Landry)	
Bud Lambert (Suzan Watson)	Hubert & Vicki Wright (Linda Finley)	
Gale Landry (Vicky & Kim Rohr)		

Serving our Country:

Jason Attaway, Ethan Avent, Cameron Barr, 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

Upcoming Events, Mission & Volunteer Opportunities...

Holy Week Services at St. Mark’s UMC

April 2 – Palm Sunday – Worship Services:
8:20 am – Traditional in Sanctuary,
10:45 am – Joint Service in Christian Life Center (CLC)

“Once Upon a Tree” a Musical Drama
with St. Mark’s Sanctuary Choir / Cantata

Sunday, April 2nd @ 4:30 pm
In Sanctuary ~ All Welcome!

Words & Music by: Pepper Choplin

April 6 – Maundy Thursday Service: 7:00 pm in Sanctuary

April 7 – Good Friday Service: 7:00 pm in CLC

April 8 – Youth-Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser @ 8:00 am (CLC);
Easter Egg Hunt @ 9:30 am (CLC);
Flowering of the Cross @ 7 pm
(outside garden @ front Wesley Ctr.)

April 9 – Easter Sunday – Worship Services:
8:20*, 9:30 and 10:45 am – Traditional (Sanctuary),
10:45* am – Contemporary/11th Hour (CLC)
Note: No Sunday School Classes on EASTER SUNDAY
* Livestream on St. Mark’s FB page or Saintmarksum.org

Holy Land 2024

St. Mark's will be hosting a group to go to the Holy Land. **The Holy Land trip is scheduled for February 27-March 7, 2024.** The brochures to register for the trip are available in the church office. If you have any questions concerning the trip, please see me. Come travel with us as we walked in the places where Jesus walked. **Looking forward - Holy Land 2024. Sandra T.**

Trendsetter Opportunities for anyone 50+ ... Join our St. Mark’s UMC Senior Adults on these Upcoming Events...

Tues., April 18 – MS Braves Baseball Game – no cost but pls sign up –
- bus departs @ 5 pm

Sat., May 6—MS Swing Band @ Belhaven Center for Arts - bus departs @ 4:15 pm

May (dates TBA) – (overnight) Trip to Oak Alley Plantation, LA –
Please sign up in church office if Interested & contact Sandra Thomas for details.

Tues., May 30—Ring of Fire—Music of Johnny Cash @ New Stage Theatre, JXN
—bus departs @ 4:15 pm

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...

DRIVEN Youth
- For all students in 6th-12th grades.



SUNDAY SCHOOL: every Sunday morning 9:30-10:30 am
Separate Bible studies for MS & HS students. Cereal buffet provided each week.

MERGE TONIGHT, Sun., April 2 ~ 5:30-7:30 pm
Free Dinner ~ Games ~ Worship ~ Life Groups Menu: Baked potato bar
Theme: At Your Table Week 2

5Th Block (after school hang time) Wednesdays ~ 3:30-5:00
Ping Pong, Foos ball, do homework, play games, hang out, build relationships

FUEL High Octane for Your Soul Midweek! ~ Wednesdays 6 – 7 pm
Join us for Bible study, games & prayer. Current study: **Life Revealed Episode 9**

Good Friday Service ~ April 7 ~ 7 p m Youth will be leading this special service. Youth are needed to participate as greeters, readers, special music & more. We need you! **Dress Rehearsal is Friday, April 7 @ 10 am with lunch following.**

PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER! Sat., April 8 ~ 8am – 11am ~ CLC Everyone is invited to join us for pancakes, sausage, juice & coffee before or during the Egg Hunt! All proceeds will help send our youth to camp this summer! Tickets are not required. **Youth must work a shift** to earn funds from the fundraiser. Shifts are available 7:45-11:45 am. Sign up is on the youth bulletin board. Contact Jeanne for more info.

Go M.A.D. @ the Kid’s Egg Hunt! Sat., April 8 ~ CLC Youth are needed to help with the egg hunts. Space is limited. Sign up on the bulletin board.

GENERATE Summer Camp! Covenant College ~ Lookout Mountain, GA **May 29 – June 2** (Mon-Fri) leaving early on Memorial Day Cost: \$350 **\$80 non-refundable deposit is due upon registration.** **We have 2 spots remaining.** See Jeanne asap if you want to go!

..... Stay in the know!!! Please contact **Jeanne Chapman** at jeanne@saintmarksum.org for more info!

Children & Family Ministries... <i>All activities are for PreK through 5th Grade</i> Sunday School @ 9:30 AM (3 - A102/A104)	Sunday, Apr. 2, 2023 Acolytes @ 8:20 & 10:45 am & NO - Children’s Church (Does not meet on Communion Sundays.)
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April 2023 Schedule
Candy Donations Needed please bring to church by: Sun., April 2nd
Sat., April 8th - Easter Egg Hunt @ 9:30 am in CLC
Camp Wesley Pines - Summer Camp (July 10-15) – Please contact Anna M. for further details and to sign up!

Tues., April 18 – CBG Parents Info Meeting @ 6:30 pm in Asbury Hall / Big Room

April 21 + 22 - Created by God Workshop, for 4th – 6th Grade students

Contact **Anna McGough** office #: 601-992-2131 (Ext.109)
or email Anna@saintmarksum.org for more info!

