

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.**

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT: 4/30/2023

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,483,188.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD	\$457,119.00
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD	\$467,668.00
OFFERING FOR 4/30/2023	\$56,268.00

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St. Mark's UMC Ministries!**



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Warren Coile..... Senior Pastor
Jeff Nesbit.....Associate Pastor
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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, MAY 7

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
(Livestream on St. Mark' FB or Saintmarksum.org)
9:30 am Newcomers / Methodism Class (2- w107)
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)
12:15 pm Childrens Council Meeting (3 – A209)
1:00 pm Youth – A Day @ Timber Creek Camp (bus departs)
5:30 pm Tween Night (3+5)
8:00 pm Youth –Timber Creek Camp (bus returns)

Monday, MAY 8

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

TUESDAY, MAY 9

7:00 am Trendsetters Trip (bus departs)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm.)
6:00 pm Bible Study (2+3+4)
6:00 pm 11th Hr. Praise Team Practice (5-CLC)
6:30 pm Generate Camper / Parent Meeting (4-SWH-100)
7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)
7:10 pm Youth Council Meeting (4 + Zoom)
7:00 pm Trendsetters Trip (bus returns)

THURSDAY, MAY 11

7:00 pm AA (2)

FRIDAY, MAY 12

9:15 am Walking with Joy (5-CLC)

SATURDAY, MAY 13

SUNDAY, MAY 14 – *Mother's Day*

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)
(Livestream on St. Mark' FB or Saintmarksum.org)
9:30 am Newcomers / Methodism Class (2- w107)
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)
No Evening Youth Activities

St. Mark's UMC - Newcomers / Methodism Class

Come and learn more about the Methodist Church and find your place!

Spring Session Adult Methodism Class:

Begins: Sunday, April 16th Ends: Sunday, May 21st

9:30 am in the Wesley Center (w107)

Taught by: Rev. Warren Coile

All Welcome!

**To reserve your spot contact: Katherine Long at Katherine@saintmarksum.org
or call the Church office at 601-992-2131 (ext. 102)**

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, MAY 7

am Acts 7:54-8:1
pm Isaiah 41:17-20

MONDAY, MAY 8

Acts 8:1-8, 14-17
John 14:15-24
Psalm 66:8-20

TUESDAY, MAY 9

Acts 9:1-22
John 14:25-31

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

Acts 17:14-34
John 15:1-8

THURSDAY, MAY 11

1 Peter 3:8-12
John 15:9-17

FRIDAY, MAY 12

1 Peter 3:13-17
John 15:18--16:4

SATURDAY, MAY 13

1 Peter 3:18-22
John 16:16-24

SUNDAY, MAY 14

am John 16:25-33
pm 1 Peter 4:1-6

Upper Room (May-June 2023),
publications are available to pick up!

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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Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 7, 2023

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

Acknowledging the light of Christ in our midst

+Hymn *From All That Dwell Below the Skies* # 101

+Opening Prayer

+Act of Praise *He Is Lord* # 177

Holy Baptism (8:20) *Baptismal Covenant I* # 33
Thelma H. Lorentz

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Anthem *At This Table* Choir
Ann Pittman, flute

+Hymn *Take Time to Be Holy* # 395

Sermon *Whose Time Is It Anyway?* Rev. Coile
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Morning Prayer

Confession and Pardon # 12

Offertory

+Doxology # 95

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

+The Great Thanksgiving # 15

The Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion

Communion Music Bettye Payne, piano

DEPARTING TO SERVE

+Hymn *Only Trust Him* # 337
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...

In Sympathy to Family & Friends of:

Jean Gunnell, on her passing, April 25th (Member Crusader SS Class)

Jackie Donahoe, of Crystal Springs, on her passing, May 2nd (Sister-in-law of Carla Smelko)

Bearden Family on the loss of their Mother (Mother of Robby & Mother-in-law of Michele)

Members Needing Prayers:

Mike Blackwell	Linda Finley	Lois Landry	Ann Saucier
Trish Champney	Randy & Jane Honnet	Robert Lott	Brad Sessums
Bill & Dell Ewing	Sherry Johnston	Sara Meeks	Merriam Smiley
Howe Family	Pat Kelley	Garner Peacock	JeanAnn Suggs
		Fred Price	Ron Tisdale

Family & Friends:

January – May 2023

Jim Allard (David Allard)	Jennifer McBeth Payne (Sharon Womack)
Sharon Bailey (Dennis & Kay O’Neal)	Matthew & Stacey Murphy (Imogen Nicholas)
Bearden Family (Ed & Jean Lancaster)	Vickie Nettles (Shelly & Imogene Nicholas)
Jay Brantley (Bob & Carol Grigsby)	Frank Polanski (Sandra Thomas)
Thomas Broome (Dana Grant)	Kerri Puckett (Cindy & Tim Puckett)
Sam Darnell (Rick Darnell)	Sandra Rogers (Mayita Price)
Tyler Douthit (Betty Wheat)	Emily Grace Shields (Becka & Richard Shields)
Russell Gaines (Linda Jennings)	Effie May Smith (Josh & Lauren Allen)
Renae Griffith	Will Sorey (Dennis O’Neal)
Ricky Griffith (Russ Griffith)	Rachel Springer & Baby (Katie Baker)
Sue Helmick (Joey Hibbert)	Danny & Melissa Stephens (Jo-Anna Ray)
Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)	Nancy Stribling (Becka Shields)
Cindy Horton (Jo-Anna Ray)	Dan Twaddle (Janet Langley)
Casey Keith (Carleen Driver)	David Vaughan (June Bragg)
Grandmother Martin (Marisa O. Martin)	Wayne Wicker (Ryan McGough)
Olivia Mann (Branigin, Nguyen, Lapiere)	Annette Willis & Family (Warren & Linus Coile)

Long Term Prayers:

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

Upcoming Events, Mission & Volunteer Opportunities...

Caregiver Group – Monthly 1st Tues. @ 6 pm in Sanctuary / Robe Room

If you find yourself being overwhelmed with taking care of an elderly relative or friend, **you are not alone**. Join us in a small group to share victories, triumphs, struggles and more. Study topic: The Peaceful Caregiver. If you know of anyone that would benefit from a time apart with others that are helping loved ones through caregiving, please invite them to join us. We meet the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6pm. **For more info contact Rev. Sandra Thomas.**

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St. Mark’s UMC Ready, Set, Go! Vacation Bible School (VBS)

June 12 – June 15, 2023 (5:45 pm – 8:15 pm)

Sign up today for Ready, Set, Go!

You can register your kids or sign up to volunteer.

All Nursery & Preschool age children must have a volunteer on site to attend.

Contact: Anna McGough for details on how to register at:

Anna@saintmarksum.org

Trendsetter Opportunities for anyone 50+

Join our St. Mark’s UMC Senior Adults on these upcoming events...

Tues. + Weds., May 9 + 10 (overnight) Trip to Oak Alley Plantation, LA –
Bus will depart St. Mark’s church lot at 7 am on Tues., May 9th

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

Prayer Concerns...(continued)

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, TJ Riley

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.

TODAY, Sun., May 7 ~ A DAY AWAY @ Timber Creek Camp 1:00 pm – 8:00 pm ~
Cost: \$20 Rain or Shine! Wear old closed toed shoes! Drop off and pick up is at St. Mark’s. *Eat lunch before you arrive at St. Mark’s.*

Graduate Recognition Sunday ~ May 21 ~ all 3 services/brunch @ 9:30 am
We want to honor and celebrate all of St. Mark’s high school, college & grad school graduates! If you are graduating and wish to be included in the recognition, please contact Jeanne by May 7th to receive grad info & invitation. **Deadline for all submissions is Sun., May 14.**

FINAL MERGE Sun., May 21 ~ 5:30-7:30 pm Free Dinner ~ ESCAPE ROOM! ~
Worship ~ Life Groups Menu: Pizza Join us as we wrap up another school year of MERGE! Prize Drawing will be held this night too!

GENERATE Summer Camp! Covenant College ~ Lookout Mountain, GA
May 29 – June 2 (Mon-Fri) leaving early on Memorial Day
Cost: \$350 See Jeanne asap if you want to go!

CAMPER/PARENT/LEADER Meeting ~ Wed., May 10 ~ 6:30 pm ~ in the Station
This meeting is for all campers and at least one parent. Important paperwork and information will be shared. All final balances are due at the meeting. See Jeanne if you have questions.
..... Stay in the know!!! Please contact **Jeanne Chapman at**
jeanne@saintmarksum.org for more info!

Children & Family Ministries...	Sunday, May 7, 2023
All activities are for PreK through 5th Grade	Acolytes @ 8:20 & 10:45 am & No Children’s Church Today (Does not meet on Communion Sundays.)
Sunday School @ 9:30 AM (3 - A102/A104)	

May 7th - Children’s Council will meet at 12:15 PM. Please notify Lisa Iannelli if you need nursery and Anna will be reaching out with Menu Items for Lunch. (Asbury Hall – A209)

May 7th - TWEEN NIGHT at 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM our tweens will be doing a mission project, playing games & learning how to BE A LEADER! (Check-In Asbury Hall / Big Rm.)

May 14th - All our women are encouraged to stop by the Prayer Garden from 9:00 - 11:00 AM on May 14th, for coffee, tea & Muffins for Moms and encouraging prayers to receive or take to your mothers.

May 24th - Family Night @ the Braves - Mark your calendars and sign ups will be released next week for a St. Mark’s Families night at the Mississippi Braves game.

Camp Wesley Pines - Summer Camp (July 10-15) –contact Anna M. for further details

June 12-15 ~ St. Mark’s Vacation Bible School – contact Anna McGough to register!

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

