

**Sunday Mornings in August...**

**“Y’ALL COME CHOIR”**

**Do you want to be a part of a choir?**

Join us on Sunday mornings in August and sing. Simply come to church about 15 minutes early and we will have a place ready for you. Our anthems will be familiar hymns and you will be able to join in singing. No rehearsals, no robes. Just come and sing, y’all.

**TRY US OUT IN AUGUST**

**SEE WHAT IT’S LIKE TO SIT UP IN**

**THE CHOIR LOFT & SING!**

**WE THINK YOU’LL LIKE IT!!!**

**Contact Sandra Thomas with questions.**

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT: 6/30/2024		Yr. 2024
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET		\$ 1,573,165.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD		\$616,176.39
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD		-\$717,661.83
Revenue Over/Under Expense		(\$101,485.44)

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Thelma Lorentz..... Administrative Assistant

**Mark Your Calendars...**

**SUNDAY, JULY 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)  
**9:30 am Appreciation/ Farewell Breakfast for Jeanne Chapman (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 Trendsetters – Two MS Museums (bus)**  
5:00 pm Handbells (1-Robe Rm.)  
**6-8 pm Youth Goodbye to Jeanne Chapman (5)**

**MONDAY, JULY 15**

10:00 am Women’s Bible Study (1-Choir Rm)  
5:30 pm Youth Council Meeting (4)  
7:00 pm AA (2)

**TUESDAY, JULY 16**

9:30 am Tabitha Circle (1-Robe Rm.)  
6:30 pm Ruth Circle (1-Robe Rm.)

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 17**

7:00 am Men’s Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm.)  
6:00 pm Bible Study (2)  
6:00 pm Handbells (1-Robe Rm.)  
6:00 pm 11<sup>th</sup> Hr. Praise Team Practice (5)  
7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)

**THURSDAY, JULY 18**

7:00 pm AA (2)

**FRIDAY, JULY 19**

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

**SATURDAY, JULY 20**

8:00 am Trendsetters – Peach Festival (bus)

**SUNDAY, JULY 21**

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)  
12:00 pm Tween Adventure Day (bus)  
3:00 pm 11<sup>th</sup> Hour Leadership Meeting (5)  
4:00 pm Finance Council Meeting (1-Choir Rm.)  
5:00 pm Handbells (1-Robe Rm.)  
6:00 pm SumMERGE (5)

**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, JULY 14**

am 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12-19  
pm Mark 6:14-29

**MONDAY, JULY 15**

2 Samuel 6:6-12  
Acts 21:27-39

**TUES., JULY 16**

2 Samuel 3:12-16  
Acts 23:12-35

**WEDS., JULY 17**

2 Samuel 6:16-23  
Luke 7:31-35

**THURS., JULY 18**

Chronicles 11:15-19  
Colossians 1:15-23

**FRIDAY, JULY 19**

Chronicles 14:1-2  
Acts 17:16-31

**SATURDAY, JULY 20**

Chronicles 15:1-2, 16:4-13  
Luke 18:35-43

**SUNDAY, JULY 21**

am 2 Samuel 7:1-14  
pm Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

# Saint Mark’s

## United Methodist Church

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

*Eighth Sunday after Pentecost*

July 14, 2024

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

*Acknowledging the Light of Christ in our midst*

+Opening Hymn “Immortal Invisible, God Only Wise” # 103

+Affirmation of Faith “The Apostle’s Creed” # 881

+Act of Praise “Gloria Patri” # 70

Special Music “Change My Heart, O God” Ben Thomas

Morning Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Anthem “Be Still My Soul” Sanctuary Choir

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

+Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* # 94  
*Children ages 3K through 5K are dismissed to Children’s Church*

+Hymn “Are Ye Able Said the Master” # 530

Sermon *Don’t Lose Your Head* Rev. McGough  
Mark 6:14-29

+Closing Hymn “Have Thine Own Way, Lord” # 382  
*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:

Sam Darnell on his passing, July 8<sup>th</sup> (Brother of Rick and Brother-in-law of Karen Darnell)  
Roy Rock on his passing, July 8<sup>th</sup> (Father of Lacey (Daughter-in-law), of Beth Cox)

### Members Needing Prayers:

Margie & Dunbar Bell	Paquita Latimer	Ann Saucier
Trish Champney	Watson Martin	Merriam Smilley
Dan Denman	Sandra McGee	Jim Thomas
Raymond Hall	Jim Readel	Hazel Townsend
Linda Hodges	Clarene Reynolds	Marlys Vaughn
Chuck Jeffcoat		Johnnie Yakstis

### Family & Friends --- May - June 2024:

Dorothy Ashby (Clyde Payne)	Bryanna Frisbee (Beth Cox)
Mally & Ian (Katie Baker)	Mrs. Godfrey (Steve Godfrey)
Asley Butler	Margene Malley (Stephen Craig)
Larry & Margie Case (Lynette Conklin)	David Morrow III (Larry & Linda Swales)
Baby Rainer Clark (Karen Reed)	Hannah Hayes (Sandra Bates)
Zach Cooley (Gary & Nancy Ladd)	Jerry Kirkland (Lois Minchew)
Kristen Cox (Beth Cox)	Tommie Pittman (Hewitt Pittman)
Vergie Daniels (Darlene Baker)	Abby Porter (Stephen Craig)
Debbie Fesmire (MaryBeth Fesmire)	Ron Walters (Cindy & George Edwards)
	Lane West (Betty Wheat)

### Long Term Prayers:

Tinker Colwell	Sara Meeks	Janette Thomas
Bernie Drowne	Dixie Miller	Linda Thomas
Martha Gower	June Miracle	Ron Tisdale
Joanne Humphries	Jonnie Norton	Frances Upchurch
Sherry Johnston	Ann Saucier	Mike & Connie Weaver
Jerry Klomparens	Brad Sessums	

Amanda Hearn Biek (Karen Williams)	Gale Landry (Vicky & Kim Rohr)
Hunter Burkhalter (Amanda Doby)	Tanya Lofton (Megan Howe)
Larry Case (Lyn Smith)	Larry Marquez (Karen Reed)
Ed Coile (Warren Coile)	Marie Nichols (Gwen Robertson)
Monica Craig (Stephen Craig)	Anna Marie Pauli (Marisa O. Martin)
Danielle (Susan Weatherholt)	Jennifer McBeth Payne (Sharon Womack)
Gina McGraw Duffy (Vicki Phillips)	Garner Peacock
Leon Elzey (Sandra Bates)	Tommy Pittman (Hewitt Pittman)
Victoria Farr (Carolyn Farr)	Kerri Puckett (Cindy & Tim Puckett)
Davis Fox (Kathy Roberts)	Russ Robbins (Beth Robbins)
Russell Gaines (Linda Jennings)	Jeannette Rodriguez (Vicky & Kim Rohr)
Ruby Galmore (Beverly McClure)	Darrell Sartin (Louise Sartin)
Renea Griffith (Russ & Beth Griffith)	Luke Shappley & Family (Sara & Rodney Meeks)
Jason Heins (Linda Breedlove)	Emily Grace Shields (Becka & Richard Shields)
Luanne Hitselberger (Chris Zachow)	Will & Marti Sorey (Dennis O'Neal)
Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)	Lovie Thomas (Cynthia Morgan)
James Walker Hodge (Charlinda Hall)	Leslie Toombs (Robby Toombs)
Don Jacks (Cyndi Morgan)	Temple Tynnbaris (Clarene Reynolds)
Karnowski Family (Jeanne Chapman)	David & Mimi Watts (Melissa Bolland)
Bud Lambert (Suzan Watson)	Hubert & Vicki Wright (Linda Finley)

### Serving our Country:

Jason Attaway, Ethan Avent, Cameron Barr, Justin Cox, Leon Davis, Noah Duncan, Jay Ellzey, 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

## Upcoming Events, Mission & Volunteer Opportunities...

Please join us for a come & go  
**Appreciation / Farewell Breakfast for**  
*Jeanne Chapman*  
**Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 – 10:30 am in the Youth Building**

Your RSVP is requested but not required to  
Mac May 601-668-9777 or [may@hotmail.com](mailto:may@hotmail.com) )

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**Habitat for Humanity ~ Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, St. Mark's UMC will be participating in the Faith Build, with Habitat for Humanity.**

We have signed up for the 7:45am-12pm time-frame where we will be painting inside and helping with landscaping outside.  
We are looking for 12 people to create our team.

Please contact Leslie McGinnis or email Rev. Ryan McGough at [Ryan@saintmarksum.org](mailto:Ryan@saintmarksum.org) for further info and to sign up!

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**Disciple Fast Track – will start our (12 week) Exodus Study beginning: Monday, August 12 – November 4 at 6 pm in Robe Rm.**

Please sign up in Church Office or  
contact Katherine Long or Joey Hibbert for more info at:  
[Info@saintmarksum.org](mailto:Info@saintmarksum.org)

## **Trendsetter Opportunities for anyone 50+**

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

**Sun., July 14 – Flags from Mississippi: Emblems Through Time @ 2 MS Museums**

**Sat., July 20 – MS Festival Series – Cherry Creek Orchards Peach Festival, Pontotoc, MS**

**Mon., July 22 – BINGO in the CLC – Hot Dogs, Fellowship & Prizes & more!**

**Thurs., Aug. 15 – A Day in Vicksburg – Historic Church, Military Park Tours & Lunch**

**Sat., Aug. 17 – Laura Daigle in Concert at Brandon Amphitheater @ 7 pm**

**Tues., Aug. 27 – Move: "The Forge" and Ice Cream**

**Sat., Aug. 31 – MS Festival Series – Prairie Arts Festival, West Point, MS**

**November 18-21 – Branson, Missouri Trip ~ Christmas Lights Tour**

Some of the shows included are "The Ultimate Elvis Christmas," "Texas Tenors Christmas," "A Country Christmas," and the highlight will be "Miracle of Christmas" at the Sight and Sound Theatre. We will also visit College of the Ozarks, enjoy the drive thru "Lights of Joy".

*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)

## Youth Ministry... DRIVEN Youth

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



**Printed summer calendars are available in the Hub, the main office & CLC.**

*\*\*\*Note: We need adults for each of these events to make them possible.  
Please contact Jeanne if you are available and willing to serve!*

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

**Appreciation/Farewell Breakfast for Jeanne Chapman ~ SWH ~ 9:30-10:30 am**

**Tonight! July 14 ~ Farewell Celebration ~ 6-8p ~ CLC**

From Youth Council: *Youth are invited to celebrate and bid farewell to our beloved Youth Director, Jeanne Chapman. Dinner provided.*

## Children & Family Ministries...

Sunday, July 14, 2024



*All activities are for PreK through 5th Grade*

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

**Acolytes @ Traditional & 11<sup>th</sup> Hr. Services & Children's Church**  
(Does not meet on Communion Sundays.)

**July 21st - TWEEN NIGHT - ADVENTURE DAY - Leave St. Mark's UMC at 12 PM after worship - and get back around 8 PM. Sign Ups coming soon!**

**July 28th - 5th Grade Send-Off Breakfast in the Parlor for St. Mark's Kids! We will meet in the Parlor with parents to give a big hug and a nod to their years in Children's Ministry as the next week, they will be traveling across the parking lot to the YOUTH BUILDING!**

**Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup> – Promotion Sunday and Blessing of the Back Packs!!!**

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