



Wishing You All a Happy & Safe  
Independence Day!



Notes:

#### THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT: 6/25/2023

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	<b>\$1,483,188.00</b>
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD	\$637,135.00
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD	\$711,596.00
OFFERING FOR 6/25/2023	\$19,438.00

**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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Warren Coile..... Senior Pastor  
Jeff Nesbit.....Associate Pastor  
Sandra Thomas .....Pastor for Worship & Music Arts  
Stephen Craig ..... 11<sup>th</sup> hour Worship Leader  
Jeanne Chapman.....Director of Youth Ministries  
Anna McGough .....Director 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, JULY 2

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)  
No Evening Youth Activities

##### Monday, JULY 3

10:00 am Women's Bible Study (1-Choir Rm.)  
6:00 pm Caregiver Group (1-Robe Rm.)  
7:00 pm AA (2)

##### TUESDAY, JULY 4

**Independence Day – Church Office Closed**

##### WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm.)  
10:00 am Adult Bible Study (1-Choir Rm.)  
11:00 am Trendsetters @ Movie (bus departs)  
6:00 pm Weds. Night Bible Studies (2)  
6:00 pm 11<sup>th</sup> Hr. Praise Team Practice (5)  
7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)

##### THURSDAY, JULY 6

5:00 pm HS Great Escape Trip (departs)  
6:00 pm Special Music Rehearsal (1-Choir Rm.)  
7:00 pm AA (2)

##### FRIDAY, JULY 7

9:15 am Walking with Joy (5-CLC)  
5:00 pm HS Great Escape Trip (returns)

##### SATURDAY, JULY 8

##### SUNDAY, JULY 9

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)  
4:00 pm Finance Com. Meeting (1-Robe Rm.)  
6:30 pm Youth SumMERGE (4-SWH)

#### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

##### SUNDAY, JULY 2

am Romans 7:1-6  
pm Romans 7:7-13

##### MONDAY, JULY 3

Romans 7:14-25  
Matthew 11:16-19  
Psalm 72

##### TUESDAY, JULY 4

Genesis 24:1-9  
Matthew 11:25-27

##### WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

Genesis 24:10-27  
Matthew 11:28-30

##### THURSDAY, JULY 6

Genesis 24:28-51  
Matthew 11:28-30

##### FRIDAY, JULY 7

Genesis 24:52-67  
Matthew 12:1-8

##### SATURDAY, JULY 8

Song of Solomon 2:8-13  
Matthew 12:9-14

##### SUNDAY, JULY 9

am Matthew 12:15-21  
pm Matthew 12:22-32

#### KEY:

- 1 - Sanctuary building
- 2 – Wesley – adult education
- 3 – Asbury – children's education
- 4 - SWH – youth building
- 5 – CLC – Christian Life Center

Mark your calendars & join us for a special evening...

**Weds., July 19<sup>th</sup> ~ Night of Worship ~ N.O.W.**

**St. Mark's Sanctuary @ 7 pm**

**Come for a time focused on one thing: Worship!**

The first commandment tells us to love God with all our heart, soul, strength, and mind. Let's join as one church and community, lifting up the King of Kings above all else.

**All Welcome!**

# Saint Mark's

## United Methodist Church

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

*Fifth Sunday after Pentecost*

July 2, 2023

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

*Acknowledging the Light of Christ in our midst*

+Opening Hymn *God of the Ages* # 698

+Opening Prayer

+Act of Praise *Glory Be to the Father* # 70

Epistle Galatians 5:1, 13-15

Anthem *Gathered As One* Choir

+Hymn *America the Beautiful* # 696

Gospel Matthew 11:16-19

Sermon *Greatest Generation* Rev. Coile

Morning Prayer

Offertory

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

+The Great Thanksgiving # 15

The Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion

Communion Music Chelsea Senitko

+Closing Hymn *My Country, 'Tis of Thee* # 697

vv. 1 & 4

*Following the Light of Christ into the world*

+Benediction

*Sanctuary flowers are given in loving memory of Chet Cox by Beth.*

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:

Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class, Jimmy T. Muirhead, on his passing, at 75 yrs. (Father of Curtis Muirhead)

Members Needing Prayers:

Mike Blackwell	Russ Griffith	Ann Saucier	JeanAnn Suggs
Bill Ewing	Randy & Jane Honnet	Brad Sessums	Ron Tisdale
Howe Family	Robert Lott	Merriam Smiley	Gerald White
Linda Finley	Garner Peacock	Adrian Sturdivant	

Family & Friends --- May - June 2023:

Sharon Bailey (Dennis & Kay O’Neal)	Olivia Mann (Branigin, Nguyen, Lapiere)
Jay Brantley (Bob & Carol Grigsby)	Larry Marguez (Karen Reed)
Thomas Broome (Dana Grant)	Rev. Roger McGrew (Chip & Christy Jones)
Hunter Burkhalter & Family (Amanda Doby)	Chris Menhard (Katherine Long)
Sam Darnell (Rick Darnell)	Larry Miller (Serendipity SS Class)
Tyler Douthit (Betty Wheat)	Vickie Nettles (Shelly & Imogene Nicholas)
Renae Griffith	Keigan Norwood (Corrine Carpenter)
Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)	Tommy Ott (Martha Hand)
Cindy Hooks & Harry Hooks, Jr. (Carla Cascio)	Jennifer McBeth Payne (Sharon Womack)
Whitney Horton (Dick & Susan Weatherholt)	Sandra Rogers (Mayita Price)
Parents / Jeffcoat Family (Chuck Jeffcoat)	The Simpson Family (Thelma Lorentz)
Nelson Karnowski (Jeanne Chapman)	Effie May Smith (Josh & Lauren Allen)
Casey Keith (Carleen Driver)	Will & Marti Sorey (Dennis O’Neal)
Anna Marie Pauli (Marisa O. Martin)	Rachel Springer & Baby (Katie Baker)
Rick Latiolais (Priscilla Phipps)	Nancy Stribling (Becka Shields)
Austin Lee (Pete Williams)	Tice Wagner (Corrine Carpenter)

Long Term Prayers:

Tinker Colwell	Jerry Klomparens	Janette Thomas
Martha Gower	Dixie Miller	Linda Thomas
Joanne Humphries	June Miracle	Frances Upchurch
Sherry Johnston	Jonnie Norton	Mike & Connie Weaver
Jim Allard (David Allard)	Martin Levitt (McGinnis)	
Amanda Hearn Biek (Karen Williams)	Tanya Lofton (Megan Howe)	
Maxine Creel (Becky Stevenson)	Marie Nichols (Gwen Robertson)	
Danielle (Susan Weatherholt)	Oscar McGough (Ryan McGough)	
Gina McGraw Duffy (Vicki Phillips)	Lori McLendon Parker (Charlinda & Raymond Hall)	
Russell Gaines (Linda Jennings)	Martha Munsey (Jimmie Ray Gordon)	
Ruby Galmore (Beverly McClure)	Lori Parker (April & Seth Hall Richards)	
Leon Elzey (Sandra Bates)	Tommy Pittman (Hewitt Pittman)	
Victoria Farr (Carolyn Farr)	Kerri Puckett (Cindy & Tim Puckett)	
Jason Heins (Linda Breedlove)	Russ Robbins (Beth Robbins)	
Luanne Hitselberger (Chris Zachow)	Jeannette Rodriguez (Vicky & Kim Rohr)	
Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)	Robert Sanford (Misty Simmons)	
James Walker Hodge (Charlinda Hall)	Luke Shapple & Family (Sara & Rodney Meeks)	
Cindy Horton (Jo-Anna Ray)	Emily Grace Shields (Becka & Richard Shields)	
Don Jacks (Cyndi Morgan)	Danny & Melissa Stephens (Jo-Anna Ray)	
Debbie Jefcoat (Janice Larson)	Lovie Thomas (Cynthia Morgan)	
Bud Lambert (Suzan Watson)	Jim Woodson (Bob & Lois Landry)	
Gale Landry (Vicky & Kim Rohr)	Hubert & Vicki Wright (Linda Finley)	

Upcoming Events, Mission & Volunteer Opportunities...

To our St. Mark’s Stewpot Volunteers:

Hope you are well and you are having a good summer.  
Stewpot is still serving the community and is in need.

*If anyone is interested in taking over the organizing of these service projects for St. Mark’s, please let me know. After four years, I would like to step down. All it would entail would be sending out emails for folks to sign up and prepare a report at the end of the week.*

**St. Marks is scheduled to work in the pantry the week of July 10-14, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. 3-4 volunteers are needed each day.**

July 10 (Monday) –  
July 11 (Tuesday) –  
July 12 (Wednesday) –  
July 13 (Thursday) – **Serendipity Class**  
July 14 (Friday - Stocking shelves only) –

**Immediate Need:** They are in desperate need for the following items:

- Canned salmon and tuna
- Canned chicken
- Canned greens (collard and turnip)
- Canned spinach
- Canned chili with beans
- Canned pork and beans
- Canned ravioli
- Canned fruit
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Vienna sausages
- Crackers
- Condiments (salt & pepper, ketchup, mustard, mayo)
- Boxed Cereal, oatmeal and grits

**Please contact me if you or someone you know would like to serve or if you have any questions or concerns. Your service to this worthy cause is greatly appreciated. In Service to Christ, Jane Brown (601-940-7762)**

Trendsetter Opportunities *for anyone 50+*

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

Weds., July 5 – Movie: “Indiana Jones – and The Dial of Destiny” bus leaves at 11 am

Tues., July 18 – Bingo Night in CLC w/ hot dogs & chips – meal at 5:00 pm  
then Bingo from 6 – 7 pm in our Christian Life Center ( CLC )

Thurs., July 27 – Day trip to Oxford, MS & tour Rowan Oak – bus departs – early!

**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)*

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 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades**



**DRIVEN Youth**

*Summer Youth Brochures/Calendars are available in the Hub & the main church office.*

**SUNDAY SCHOOL: every Sunday morning 9:30-10:30**

Separate Bible studies for MS & HS students. Cereal buffet provided each week.

**HS Great Escape ~ Overnight @ Lake Tiak-O-K’hata ~ July 6 & 7 (5p-5p) ~ \$60**

**All rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders – graduated freshman invited!**

Games, Lake swimming, water slides, water inflatables, fishing, sand volleyball & more! Cost includes: all activities (except paddle boats), meals, lodging & transportation. **RSVP required! Contact Jeanne if you are still wanting to go!**

**SumMERGE resumes, Sun., July 9 ~ 6:30-8:30 pm ~ SWH ~ Free event**

**Bible Study ~ Snack ~ Spoons Tournament**

**MS Great Escape ~ Overnight @ Lake Tiak-O-K’hata ~ Aug., 3 & 4 (5p-5p) ~ \$60**

**All rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders – rising 8<sup>th</sup> graders invited!**

Games, Lake swimming, water slides, water inflatables, fishing, sand volleyball & more! Cost includes: all activities (except paddle boats), meals, lodging & transportation. **RSVP required by July 27.**

..... Stay in the know!!! Please contact **Jeanne Chapman at** .....  
[jeanne@saintmarksum.org](mailto:jeanne@saintmarksum.org) for more info!

Children & Family Ministries...

*All activities are for PreK through 5th Grade*

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

Sunday, July 2, 2023

**Acolytes @ Traditional & 11<sup>th</sup> Hr. Services  
&**

**No Children’s Church Today**  
(Does not meet on Communion Sundays.)

**Sunday, July 16th** - @ 9:30 am in the Asbury Hall—Big Room —Come & Go breakfast and coffee in honor of Chelsea Senitko who will be moving. Chelsea has taught Sunday School, has been a Wednesday Night Warrior and served on our Children's Council for 3 years. She has three children in our program, Zora, Adam & Teo. We want to wish her and her family all the best in Slovakia and pray they are back next summer for activities and fun.

**6th Grade SENDOFF - July 30th** - 6th Graders will begin rehearsals for the 6th Grade Sendoff this coming Sunday. **Parents** - Please send Anna McGough pictures of your 6th Graders of your child growing up. We will put together a presentation for the 6th Grade Sendoff Breakfast on July 30th.

**CAMP WESLEY PINES** - If your child is planning to ride the CHURCH BUS to camp on July 10th - Please let Anna McGough know by July 5th!

Contact **Anna McGough** office #: 601-992-2131 (Ext.109)  
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