

Notes:

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT: 7/16/2023

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,483,188.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD	\$726,924.00
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD	\$781,453.00
OFFERING FOR 7/16/2023	\$23,245.00

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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 23

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)  
6:30 pm Youth SumMERGE (4+5 – SWH / CLC)

Monday, JULY 24

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

TUESDAY, JULY 25

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

7:00 am Men’s Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm.)  
10:00 am Adult Bible Study (1-Choir Rm.)  
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 27

7:00 am Trendsetter Day Trip – Oxford, MS (bus departs)  
7:00 pm AA (2)  
6:00 pm Special Music Rehearsal (1-Choir Rm.)

FRIDAY, JULY 28

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

SATURDAY, JULY 29

SUNDAY, JULY 30

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 Kids 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Sendoff Breakfast (3-Parlor)  
10:45 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)  
10:45 am 11th Hour Worship (5) (Greeters)  
(Livestream on St. Mark’s FB page)  
5:30 pm Kids @ Rez YMCA – Pool Party  
6:30 pm Youth SumMERGE (4+5 – SWH / CLC)  
**6:30 pm 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Night Sing (3-Parlor- A201)**



5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY NIGHT

Hymn Sing & Hum Along

July 30th at 6:30 PM

St. Mark’s  
Asbury Hall ~ Parlor (A201)  
All Welcome!

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, JULY 23

am Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43  
pm Romans 8:26-27

MONDAY, JULY 24

Romans 8:28-30  
Matthew 13:31-32  
Psalm 105:1-11,45

TUESDAY, JULY 25

Romans 8:31-34  
Matthew 13:33-35

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

Romans 8:35-39  
Matthew 13:44

THURSDAY, JULY 27

Genesis 29:1-20  
Matthew 13:45-46

FRIDAY, JULY 28

Song of Solomon 6:4-10; 7:1-9  
Matthew 13:47-53

SATURDAY, JULY 29

Genesis 29:21-30  
Matthew 13:54-58

SUNDAY, JULY 30

am Romans 8:26-39  
pm Romans 29:31-35

KEY:

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

# Saint Mark’s

## United Methodist Church

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

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 23, 2023

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

+Opening Hymn Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing # 400

+Affirmation of Faith from Romans 8 # 887

+Act of Praise Spirit of the Living God # 393

Special Music Land of Rest Handbells

Psalter Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24 # 854

Morning Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Anthem The Majesty and Glory of Your Name Choir

Offertory

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

+Hymn Come, Ye Thankful People, Come # 694

Sermon Weeding the Garden Rev. Coile  
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Closing Hymn Forth in Thy Name, O Lord # 438

Benediction

Postlude

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:

Katheryn Iannelli, on her passing, (Mother of Damon & Mother-in-law of Lisa Iannelli)

George N. Davis, on his passing, July 18<sup>th</sup>, (Father of Julie Green)

Dr. William D. Stephens, on his passing, July 17<sup>th</sup> (Husband of Melissa, Friends of Jo-Anna Ray)

Members Needing Prayers:

Mike Blackwell	Russ Griffith	Garner Peacock	Adrian Sturdivant
Bill Ewing	Keith Jenkins	Ann Saucier	JeanAnn Suggs
Howe Family	Jean Lancaster	Brad Sessums	Ron Tisdale
Linda Finley	Robert Lott	Merriam Smiley	Gerald White

Family & Friends --- May - July 2023:

Nora Antaeus (David Allard)	Rick Latiolais (Priscilla Phipps)
Sharon Bailey (Dennis & Kay O’Neal)	Austin Lee (Pete Williams)
Paul Barnett (Ann Pittman)	John Marble (Gary & Sandy Cazier)
Jay Brantley (Bob & Carol Grigsby)	Olivia Mann (Branigin, Nguyen, Lapiere)
Thomas Broome (Dana Grant)	Larry Marguez (Karen Reed)
Hunter Burkhalter & Family (Amanda Doby)	Rev. Roger McGrew (Chip & Christy Jones)
Sam Darnell (Rick Darnell)	Larry Miller (Serendipity SS Class)
Renae Griffith (Griffith Family)	Vickie Nettles (Shelly & Imogene Nicholas)
Barbara Herring (Eric Carpenter)	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)	Effie May Smith (Josh & Lauren Allen)
Nelson Karnowski (Jeanne Chapman)	Rachel Springer & Baby (Katie Baker)
Tammy Karnowski (Jeanne Chapman)	Nancy Stribling (Becka Shields)
Casey Keith (Carleen Driver)	Heather Trotter (D.W. & Katherine Long)
Anna Marie Pauli (Marisa O. Martin)	

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)	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)	Martha Munsey (Jimmie Ray Gordon)
Russell Gaines (Linda Jennings)	Lori Parker (April & Seth Hall Richards)
Ruby Galmore (Beverly McClure)	Tommy Pittman (Hewitt Pittman)
Leon Elzey (Sandra Bates)	Kerri Puckett (Cindy & Tim Puckett)
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)	Luke Shappley & Family (Sara & Rodney Meeks)
James Walker Hodge (Charlinda Hall)	Emily Grace Shields (Becka & Richard Shields)
Cindy Horton (Jo-Anna Ray)	Will Sorey (Dennis O’Neal)
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)
Martin Levitt (McGinnis)	

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.*

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

- Canned salmon and tuna
- Canned chicken
- Vienna sausages / Canned Meats
- Canned fruit
- Canned Vegetables (no corn)
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Creamed Soups
- Dry Pinto Beans
- Canned Spaghetti Sauce
- Ramen Noodles
- Crackers
- Boxed Cereal, oatmeal and grits
- Instant Coffee
- Condiments (salt & pepper, ketchup, mustard, mayo)

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...

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



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.

SumMERGE Sun., July 23 ~ 6:30-8:30 pm ~ SWH/CLC Bible Study ~ Snack ~ MEGA RELAY - Please wear tennis shoes for this event!

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.

Sunday School (Rush Hour) Promotion ~ Sun., August 6 ~ 9:30 am  
Join us for promotion Sunday! MS & HS Bible studies! Free cereal buffet provided.

Save the date! Family Fest @ Millcreek Pool & Clubhouse! Sun., August 6 ~ 1-4 pm  
Swimming, Food, Fun! Join us as we say farewell to summer with our DRIVEN Family! Please bring: side dish/dessert to share & your own drinks.  
For all students entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade-graduated seniors & THEIR FAMILIES!  
RSVP thru August 3: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0448A5AC2DA7FA7-family1>

..... 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 23, 2023

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

Kids Sunday School Teacher Sign Ups ~ All Classes are on a Teacher Rotation of Even / Odd Months. 20 Teachers NEEDED TOTAL (10 per month) ~ please email Anna McGough with interest and/or with any questions at: [Anna@saintmarksum.org](mailto:Anna@saintmarksum.org)

July 30th - 6th Grade SENDOFF Breakfast during the Sunday School Hour 9:30 AM with a special program.

July 30<sup>th</sup> – St. Mark’s Kids will be heading to Reservoir YMCA Pool for an end of summer pool party @ 5:30 pm Email Anna McGough to sign up to attend. Sign ups by July 27<sup>th</sup>.

August 6<sup>th</sup> ~ Promotion Sunday & Blessing of the Back Packs during worship!

August 13<sup>th</sup> – Acolyte Training – During Sunday School 9:30 AM entering 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade.

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

