Mark your calendars...

Wednesday Night Supper resumes on Sept. 4th @ 5:00 pm in CLC

Volunteers are Needed and All Are Welcome! Please contact Thelma in Church Office to be added to our weekly volunteer schedule.

* Pre-Registration is Encouraged!

Please scan the QR Code provided to Register for our Wednesday Night Supper:



-\$10 Adult Meals (6 grade & up); -\$7 Child Meals

*In lieu of Family pricing we have introduced a new option to Pre-Purchase for a Semester of Meals at a discount Adults \$120 & Child \$84. Please sign up early to get this special offer! We have an excellent weekly menu planned and look forward to see y'all in September.

Further details & menu info will be forthcoming!

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT: 7/30/2024	Yr. 2024
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$ 1,573,165.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD	\$706,815.46
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD	-\$829,386.62
Revenue Over/Under Expense	(\$122,571.16)

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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Jon Kaufman	Senior Pastor
Ryan McGough	Associate Pastor
Sandra Thomas	Pastor for Worship & Music Arts
Anna McGough	Director of Children & Family Ministries
Darlene Baker	
Jason Boyd	Music Assistant/Organist
-	Administrative Assistant

Mark Your Calendars...

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

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) 4:30 pm Driven Praise Team Practice (4) 5:00 pm Handbells (1-Robe Rm.) 5:30 pm Youth MERGE (4)

MONDAY. AUGUST 26

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

11:00 am Trendsetters @ Movie (board bus)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm.) 6:00 pm Bible Study (2+4) 6:00 pm Youth FUEL (4) 6:00 pm Handbells (1-Robe Rm.) 7:00 pm 11th Hr. Praise Team Practice (5) 7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

7:00 pm AA (2)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

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

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

8:00 am Trendsetters @ Prairie Arts Festival (board bus)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

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

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...

New Adult Study – Fall 2024

The Right Order of Things...Theology for Everyone!

Taught by: Rev. Jon Kaufman

Begins: Sept. 4th Wednesdays at: 10 AM in St. Mark's Choir Rm. and 6 PM in Wesley Center, Serendipity SS Class Rm.

Contact Rev. Jon Kaufman or call Church Office for more details at: 601-992-2131 (ext.103) or email Jon@saintmarksum.org

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

am 1 Kings 8:1-11,22-30,41-43 pm John 6:56-69

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

1 Kings 5:13-18 Ephesians 5:21--6:9

TUES.. AUGUST 27

1 Kings 6:1-14 Ephesians 6:21-24

WEDS., AUGUST 28

1 Kings 6:15-38 John 15:16-25

THURS., AUGUST 29

Song of Solomon 1:1-17 James 1:1-8

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

Song of Solomon 2:1-7 James 1:9-16

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

Hosea 3:1-5 John 18:28-32

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

am Song of Solomon 2:8-13 pm Psalm 45:1-2.6-9

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Fourteenth Sunday of Pentecost August 25, 2024

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

Acknowledging the Light of Christ in our midst

+Opening Hymn Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah # 127

+Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed #881

+Act of Praise Jesus Name Above All Names # 2071

Musical Offering Shout to the North

Hannah Phillips & Handbells

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Anthem It's Me, It's Me, O Lord "Y'all Come 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 Fill My Cup Lord # 641

Sermon Bread of Life Rev. Kaufman

John 6:1-21, 24, 32-35

Hymn All Who Hunger # 2126

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:

Linda Hodges, on her passing, August 22^{nd} (Wife of Phillip Hodges & Member of Ways & Means SS Class)

Members Needing Prayers:

Camille Dumas Joel Melton Ron Tisdale
Sandra McGee Merriam Smilley Johnnie Yakstis

Family & Friends --- June – Aug. 2024:

Dorothy Ashby (Clyde Payne)
Larry & Margie Case (Lynette Conklin)
Baby Rainer Clark (Karen Reed)
Zach Cooley (Gary & Nancy Ladd)

Zach Cooley (Gary & Nancy Lac Kristen Cox (Beth Cox) Bill Darnell (Rick Darnell)

Debbie Fesmire (MaryBeth Fesmire)

Bryanna Frisbee (Beth Cox)

Beth Hall (Karen Reed) Donna Hill (Sandra McGee)

Jerry Kirkland (Lois Minchew)

Haley & Jessica McIngvale (Jane Mapp)
Tommie Pittman (Hewitt & Ann Pittman)

Anna Maria Price (Mayita Price)

Kate (Zachow) Stina (Chris & Steve Zachow)

Long Term Prayers:

Carole Bell Joanne Humphries Ann Saucier Tinker Colwell Jerry Klomparens Janette Thomas Bernie Drowne Sara Meeks Linda Thomas Martha Gower Dixie Miller Frances Upchurch Linda Hodges June Miracle Mike & Connie Weaver Jonnie Norton

Mally & Ian (Katie Baker)
Amanda Hearn Biek (Karen Williams)

Hunter Burkhalter (Amanda Doby) Larry Case (Lyn Smith)

Danielle (Susan Weatherholt)

Gina McGraw Duffy (Vicki Phillips) Leon Elzey (Sandra Bates) Victoria Farr (Carolyn Farr)

Davis Fox (Kathy Roberts) Russell Gaines (Linda Jennings) Ruby Galmore (Beverly McClure)

Renea Griffith (Russ & Beth Griffith) Jason Heins (Linda Breedlove) Luanne Hitselberger (Chris Zachow) Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)

James Walker Hodge (Charlinda Hall) Don Jacks (Cyndi Morgan) Bud Lambert (Suzan Watson) Gale Landry (Vicky & Kim Rohr) Tanya Lofton (Megan Howe) Larry Marquez (Karen Reed)

Marie Nichols (Gwen Robertson)
Jennifer McBeth Payne (Sharon Womack)

Garner Peacock

Tommy Pittman (Hewitt Pittman) Kerri Puckett (Cindy & Tim Puckett)

Russ Robbins (Beth Robbins)

Jeannette Rodriguez (Vicky & Kim Rohr)
Darrell Sartin (Louise Sartin)

Luke Shappley & Family (Sara & Rodney Meeks) Emily Grace Shields (Becka & Richard Shields)

Will & Marti Sorey (Dennis O'Neal) Lovie Thomas (Cynthia Morgan) Leslie Toombs (Robby Toombs) Temple Tynnbaris (Clarene Reynolds) David & Mimi Watts (Melissa Bolland)

Lane West (Betty Wheat)

Ron Wolters (Cindy & George Edwards) 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...

Sunday Mornings in August..."Y'ALL COME CHOIR"

Do you want to be a part of a choir? TRY US OUT IN AUGUST!!!

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. Please contact Sandra Thomas with questions.

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Stewpot Mission August ~ Needs List

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

- Canned salmon, tuna and chicken
- Canned greens (collard, turnip and spinach)
- Canned pork and beans
- · Canned ravioli and spaghetti
- · Spaghetti sauce and pasta
- Canned fruit
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Crackers
- Condiments (salt & pepper, ketchup, mustard, mayo)
- Tea bags
- Boxed Cereal, oatmeal and grits

The final week for us to serve in the pantry in 2024 is November 4-8.

Please see Newsletter for details on how you can help! In Service to Christ, Jane Brown (601-940-7762), or Email: Info@saintmarksum.org

Many thanks for your continued support!

Trendsetter Opportunities for anyone 50+

Join our St. Mark's UMC Senior Adults!

Tues., Aug. 27 – Movie: "The Forge" and Ice Cream – (board bus at: 11:00 am)

Sat., Aug. 31 – MS Festival Series – Prairie Arts Festival, West Point, MS (board bus at 8:00 am)

Thurs., Oct. 10 – Gladys Knight in Concert at the Riley Center, Meridian Leave church at 4 pm, Dinner then Concert at 7 pm

November 18-21 – Branson, Missouri Trip ~ Christmas Lights Tour Deposit due by Sept. 1.

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

St. Mark's

Youth Ministry... DRIVEN Youth

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



***Note: We need adults for each of these events to make them possible.

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

Sunday, August 25th MERGE Join us from 5:30 – 7:30 pm in our Youth Building (SWH). Dinner Provided!

FUEL resumes Weds., August 28th (6 pm – 7 pm) in SWH – The Station

Our Youth Council and St. Mark's staff continue to meet regularly to make sure the Youth have excellent programming and opportunities to worship together. Additional information about a fundraiser and youth trips will be coming your way soon.

Sincerely, Youth Council

Children & Family Ministries...



All activities are for PreK through 5th Grade

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

Sunday, August 25, 2024

Acolytes @ Traditional & 11th Hr. Services &

Children's Church
(Does not meet on Communion Sundays.)

Aug 25th - St. Mark's UMC will host Acolyte Training during the Sunday School Hour 9:30 am - 10:30 am. If you are 3rd - 6th Grade, you will be encouraged to attend. New schedule will be sent out post training.

Please Contact **Anna McGough** for all Sign Ups at: 601-992-2131 (Ext.109)

Or email **Anna@saintmarksum.org** for more info.