Mark your calendars...

Wednesday Night Supper @ 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 to the right 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.

Supper Menu – Sept. 18th: Hamburger Steak, Rice & Gravy, Corn, Salad, Rolls, Dessert & Beverage

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT: 8/31/2024	Yr. 2024
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$ 1,573,165.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD	\$791,848.05
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD	-\$904,945.49
Revenue Over/Under Expense	(\$113,097.44)

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.**



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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	Music Assistant/Pianist
Jason Boyd	Music Assistant/Organist
Thelma Lorentz	Administrative Assistant

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters) (Livestream on St. Mark's 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 Committee (1-Robe Rm)

4:00 pm Ladies Ensemble Practice (1-Choir Rm)

4:30 pm Driven Praise Team Practice (4)

5:00 pm Handbells (1-Robe Rm)

5:30 pm Youth MERGE (4,5-Kitchen)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

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, SEPTEMBER 17

9:30 am Tabitha Circle (1-Robe Rm) 6:30 pm Ruth Circle (1-Robe Rm) 6:30 pm Nom. Com. Meeting (3-Parlor)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm) 10:00 am Adult Study (1-Robe Rm)

5:00 pm Wed Night Supper (5)

6:00 pm Bible Study (2+3+4)

6:00 pm Kids Workshops (3)

6:00 pm Youth FUEL (4)

7:00 pm 11th Hr. Praise Team Practice (5) 7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

10:00 am Prayer & Bead Group (1-Robe Rm) 7:00 pm AA (2)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

9:15 am Walking with Joy (5)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)

(Livestream on St. Mark's 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)

2:30 pm Prayer MS Trip to Anderson UMC (Board Bus)

4:00 pm Ladies Ensemble Practice (1-Choir Rm)

4:30 pm Driven Praise Team Practice (4)

5:00 pm Handbells (1-Robe Rm)

5:30 pm Youth MERGE (4, 5-Kitchen)

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Psalm 19

Proverbs 1:20-33

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Ps 73:21-28; Prov 22:1-21; Romans 3:9-20

TUES., SEPTEMBER 17

Ps 73:21-28; Prov 25:1-28; Colossians 3:1-11

WEDS., SEPTEMBER 18

Ps 73:21-28; Prov 29:1-27; John 7:25-36

THURS., SEPTEMBER 19

Ps 1; Prov 30:1-10; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Ps 1; Prov 30:18-33; Romans 11:25-32

SATURDAY, SEPT. 21

Ps 1; Ecclesiastes 1:1-18; Matthew 23:29-39

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Ps 1; Prov 31:10-31 James 3:13,4:3; Mark 9:30-37

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Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost September 15, 2024

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

Acknowledging the Light of Christ in our midst

How Great Thou Art

+Call to Worship

+Opening Hymn Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above

Aiden Curry,

#96

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2008

French Horn

Prayer Concerns

Musical Offering

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Anthem For the Beauty of the Earth 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 This Is My Father's World

Sermon God is Real Rev. Thomas

Genesis 1:1-5

+Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed # 881

+Closing Hymn Let All Things Now Living

Following the Light of Christ into the world

+Benediction

Holy Communion

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 with one of the ministers following the benediction.

Nursery is available ages up to and including two (2) years of age.

KEY:

1 - Sanctuary building

2 - Wesley - adult education

3 – Asbury – children's education

4 – SWH – youth building

5 – CLC – Christian Life Center

Prayer Concerns...

Members Needing Prayers:

Trish Champney **Camille Dumas**

Sandra McGee Joel Melton

Ron Tisdale Johnnie Yakstis

Merriam Smilley

Family & Friends --- June - Sept. 2024:

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

Kristen Cox (Beth Cox) Bill Darnell (Rick Darnell)

Debbie Fesmire (MaryBeth Fesmire) Bryanna Frisbee (Beth Cox) Harold Gardner (Chuck Jefcoat)

Beth Haggerty (Beth Griffith)

Beth Hall (Karen Reed) Donna Hill (Sandra McGee) Jerry Kirkland (Lois Minchew) Janet Lawing (Jo Hebert)

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

Ana Maria Price (Mayita Price) Reed Family (Karen Reed)

Kate (Zachow) Stina (Chris & Steve Zachow)

Paul Young (Betty Wheat)

Long Term Prayers:

Carole Bell Jerry Klomparens Ann Saucier Tinker Colwell Sara Meeks Janette Thomas Bernie Drowne Dixie Miller Linda Thomas Martha Gower June Miracle Frances Upchurch Joanne Humphries 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, Cody Howrigon, 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...

New Adult Study – Fall 2024

The Right Order of Things...Theology for Everyone! Taught by: Rev. Jon Kaufman Wednesdays at: 10 AM in Sanctuary, Robe Rm and repeats at 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

> New Women's Group Study begins: Sept 18th Wednesdays at: 6 pm in Wesley Center Hidden: Finding Delight in you Life with Christ By: Allison Allen

Pray Mississippi at Anderson UMC Sunday, Sept. 22nd (3:00-5:00 pm) For details contact Rev. Jon Kaufman If you would like to attend and ride together

Call: 601-992-2131 (ext. 103) or email Jon@saintmarksum.org

5th Sunday Hymn ~ Sing & Celebrate! Sept. 29 at 6:00 pm. In Sanctuary ~ All Welcome!

Trendsetter Opportunities - for anyone 50+

Join our St. Mark's UMC Senior Adults!

Thurs., Sept. 26 – 5:30 pm – Bingo & more! (5-CLC)

Wed., Oct. 9 - Senior American Day - Leave church at 9:30 am. Sign up in the church office to attend seniors' day at the MS State Fair. Visit free health & biscuit booths; hear from the featured-entertainer Ronnie McDowell: eat at the fair: ride rides. & so much more!

Thurs.. Oct. 10 - Gladys Knight in Concert at the Riley Center in **Meridian.** Leave church at 4 pm: Dinner then Concert at 7 pm. Call Sandra for ticket availability.

Mon., Oct 21 – Movie: Queen Bee in our CLC at 2:00 pm

Nov. 18-21 - Branson, Missouri Trip ~ Christmas Lights Tour Call Sandra for ticket availability.

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/Gals & HS Bible studies!

MERGE - Sunday - Join us (5:30 – 7:30 pm) in the Youth Building (SWH). Dinner is provided!

FUEL – Wednesday Nights (6 pm – 7 pm) in SWH – The Station

Go Make a Difference "Go M.A.D."---

Tuesday, October 8th – Working at Church on Various Projects Thursday, October 10th – Wesley House in Meridian

- * Save the Date ---
- * Sunday, October 27th Volunteer for Children's Fall Fest
- * Sunday, November 10th Youth Fundraiser

Children & Family Ministries..

All activities are for PreK

through 5th Grade

Acolytes @ Traditional & 11th Hr. Services

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

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

Sunday, September 15, 2024

Wednesday Night Supper & Bible Studies. You can sign up to eat here and even prepay if you would like for the meal or the semester.

Wednesday Night Kids - let me know if you would like to volunteer to lead a small group on Weds., Nights. Looking for five (5) volunteers to lead monthy!

Sat., Sept 28th Parents Night Out ~ Asbury Hall begins at: 5:00 pm Sun., Oct. 27th Fall Festival ~ Warrors of Faith at 3:00 pm

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