

#### St. Mark's Video Christmas Card ~ 2022

St. Mark's is extending a call out to all who love Christmas music. Whether you sing in the shower or play an instrument for fun or whatever, we want you to be part of our video Christmas card.

## We need your submission by Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>

Be creative...families make a video, or Sunday School classes, youth groups, children's ensembles, bands, instrumentalists, solos, piano, choirs, praise music, traditional music, etc.

Submissions can be made on digital cameras or Apple devices. Please be aware of lighting and be sure your microphone is loud enough to hear. If anyone wants to make a submission, but needs help with recording we will set up a time to make some of the videos at church.

Email to sandra@saintmarksum.org or by message to 601-940-5120. Questions can be directed to Darlene Baker, George Kendrick or Sandra Thomas

#### THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT:9/11/2022

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TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,430,906.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD	\$909,778.00
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD	\$944,893.00
OFFERING FOR 9/11/2022	\$ 31,906.00

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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	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
3	Director of Children & Family Ministries
<u> </u>	Director of Nurture & Outreach
	Music Assistant/Pianist
•	Music Assistant/Organist
Thelma Lorentz	Administrative Assistant

#### Mark Your Calendars...

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters) (Livestream on St. Mark' FB or Saintmarksum.org) 9:30 am Sunday School (1+2+4) 9:30 am Kid's Worship (3 - A102/A104)

9:30 am Youth SS / Rush Hour (4-SWH) 10:45 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)

10:45 am 11th Hour Worship (5) (Greeters)

(Livestream on St. Mark' FB or Saintmarksum.org)

11:20 am Choir Rehearsal Luncheon (3-Parlor) 12:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (1-Choir Rm)

3:00 pm Marta Szlubowska Ensemble in CONCERT (1)

4:30 pm Driven Praise Team Practice (4)

5:00 pm Sunday Handbells (1)

5:00 pm Parents' Night @ MERGE Youth (4+5)

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**

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

#### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

9:30 am Tabitha Circle (1-Robe Rm.) 1:00 pm Ladies Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm.) 4:30 pm Trendsetters @ Theater (Bus departs) 6:30 pm Ruth Circle (1-Robe Rm.)

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group (3-Parlor) 11:45 am Noonday Hour of Prayer (1) No - 5th Block or Fuel 5:00 pm Wednesday Night Supper (5-CLC) 5:00 pm Youth Tent @ NWR Homecoming Parade

No - Kids Weds. Workshops (3-Big Rm./A201) 6:00 pm Adult Bible Study (2)

6:00 pm Men's Bible Study (2)

6:00 pm Women's Bible Study (2)

6:00 pm 11th Hr. Praise Team Practice (5-CLC)

7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

6:00 pm Operation Gratitude (2-WWF) 7:00 pm AA (2)

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

9:00 am Walking with Joy (5)

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

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

(Livestream on St. Mark' FB or Saintmarksum.org)

9:30 am Sunday School (1+2+4)

9:30 am Kid's Worship (3 - A102/A104)

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4:30 pm Driven Praise Team Practice (4)

5:00 pm Sunday Handbells (1)

5:30 pm MERGE Youth (4+5) 5:30 pm Tween Youth Night (3 & Outdoors)

#### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

#### SUNDAY, SEPT. 18

am Luke 16:1-13 pm 1 Timothy 3:1-7

#### MONDAY, SEPT. 19

1 Timothy 3:8-16 Luke 16:19-31 Psalm 91:1-6,14-16

#### **TUESDAY, SEPT. 20**

1 Timothy 4:1-5 Luke 17:1-2

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 21

1 Timothy 4:6-16 Luke 17:3-4

#### THURSDAY, SEPT. 22

Jeremiah 32:1-3,6-15 1 Timothy 5:1-16

#### FRIDAY, SEPT. 23

Jeremiah 32:16-25 1 Timothy 5:17-6:2

#### SATURDAY, SEPT. 24

Jeremiah 32:26-44 1 Timothy 6:3-21

#### SUNDAY, SEPT. 25

am Luke 16:19-31 pm Jeremiah 33

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

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 18, 2022

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

#### Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

#### Acknowledging the Light of Christ in our midst

+Opening Hymn To God Be the Glory #98 +Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed #881 +Act of Praise Mv Tribute # 99

Take My Life

Kit LaCour

# 467

Rev. Coile

**Prayer Concerns** 

Morning Prayer

Special Music

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name Anthem Choir

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

+Doxology

Trust and Obey +Hymn

Sermon More Than Meets the Eye

Luke 16:1-13

+Closing Hymn Jesus Calls Us #398

vv. 1. 3 & 5

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...

As part of our daily prayers, we want to include our future blessings and their parents. Please remember the following couples in your prayers:

Katie & Blair Baker

#### In Sympathy to Family & Friends of:

David Glasscock, of Delaware, on his passing, Sept. 12th due to brain tumor,

(Son of Jim & Barbara Glasscock)

Peggy (Nicholas), of GA, on her passing, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, (Great Aunt of Imogen Nicholas)

#### **Members Needing Prayers:**

Mike Blackwell Sherry Johnston Garner Peacock Will Rogers Carolyn Phillips **Brad Sessums** Rev. Warren Coile Janice Larson **Robb Colson** Betty Mabry **Charles Phipps** Jeanann Suggs Myrna Myrick Fred Price

#### Family & Friends:

## September 2022

Malachi Adams (Eddie Adams) Marsha Potts (Chuck Jeffcoat) Don Jacks (Cyndi Morgan) Kia Riley & Baby (Tonda Riley) Shirley Skinner (Jean Vaughn)

#### August

Mary Jo Adams (Les Malottki) Danielle (Susan Weatherholt) Bill Darnell (Rick Darnell) Rebecca Stoval (Les Malottki)

Robert Ghoston (St. Mark's Staff) Bill Heins (Linda Breedlove)

July

Perry Cliburn (Vicky Rohr)

Peggy Jo Dumas Christine French (Michael French)

Anelese Holt (Jane Mapp)

Theresa Keys

Tom Horn (Chuck Jeffcoat) Bud Lambert (Susan Watson)

Baby Morgan & Family (Gary & Martha Hand)

Sadie Tatum (Ashley May)

LaVerne Carter Malone (Ted Carter) John Marble (Gary & Sandra Cazier)

Ed Welbourn

Martin Levitt (McGinnis)

Tanya Lofton (Megan Howe)

Marie Nichols (Gwen Robertson)

Cynthia Wilkinson (Jeannie Melton) Jaxon Williams (Jack Williams)

## **Long Term Prayers:**

John Adair Joanne Humphries Larry Sullivan Eva Brown Bill Hutto Janette Thomas Dixie Miller Tinker Colwell Linda Thomas Minnie Franklin June Miracle Frances Upchurch Martha Gower Jonnie Norton Mike & Connie Weaver Fred Price Jane Wilkerson Jean Gunnell

Gay Ann Abraham (Jean Lancaster) Amanda Hearn Biek (Karen Williams) Maxine Creel (Becky Stevenson) Ruby Galmore (Beverly McClure)

David Glasscock, (Glasscock Family)

Victoria Farr (Carolyn Farr) Bill Harris (Suzanne Gural) Jason Heins (Linda Breedlove) Luanne Hitselberger (Chris Zachow) Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)

Oscar McGough (Ryan McGough) Lori McLendon Parker (Charlinda & Raymond Hall) Leon Elzey (Sandra Bates) Joan Melchiors (Cynthia Morgan) Martha Munsey (Jimmie Ray Gordon) Lori Parker (April & Seth Hall Richards) Russ Robbins (Beth Robbins) Jeannette Rodriguez (Vicky & Kim Rohr) Mrs. Renae Tatum (Sadie & Sophie Tatum) James Walker Hodge (Charlinda Hall) Lovie Thomas (Cynthia Morgan) Gale Landry (Vicky & Kim Rohr) Hubert & Vicki Wright (Linda Finley)

#### 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, Frank Porter, Casey Powell, Joshua Schmitz, Mark Sills, Brad Suggs

Upcoming Events & Opportunities...

## Today ~ Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> Marta Szlubowska Classical Music Ensemble in Concert St. Mark's Sanctuary @ 3 pm

All Welcome!

## **Operation Gratitude**

Thursday, September 22, at 6:30 pm Woman with Faith Sunday School class in Wesley Center

**Operation Gratitude** is a nonprofit mission that sends handmade items, wish list items, and personal thank you notes to active-duty soldiers serving in our military around the world. St. Mark's has been supporting this mission for two years, with some interruptions during Covid. We are meeting again to make items, cut out fabric, pick up supplies, and write notes. We would love to welcome any new folks interested in serving in this area. Any questions.... Please contact Pete Williams at 601-259-2650 or Martha Hand at 601-540-5422.

## Coming Soon! St. Mark's UMC Methodism Class

The fall session of our adult Methodism class will begin on Sunday, September 25th at 9:30 am in the Choir Rm. (S116)

This class is for newcomers to our church, or for anyone who desires more information about our Methodist history, heritage, theology and beliefs.

Questions – contact Janet Langley at Janet@saintmarksum.org or call the Church office at 601-992-2131 (ext. 102)

#### Cursillo

Upcoming **Cursillo Experience** @ Camp Wesley Pines in Gallman, MS: December 1-4 # 238 Please contact Beth Griffith @ 601-564-3236 or Helen Morrison @ 601-260-4114 or call church office for further details.

## TRENDSETTER Opportunities for anyone 50+ ...

Travel with St. Mark's UMC Senior Adults

**Upcoming Events (\*Dates not set)** 

Tues., Sept. 20: At New Stage Theater to see: "Clue" Tickets still available!!!

\* Senior Day at the Fair

\*Another Bingo night with a Halloween theme

\* A day (evening) Trip to Cleveland, MS (w/ Christmas Lights) - NOT OVERNIGHT

## Nov. 14-17: Trip to Louisville, KY **Includes: Dancing Lights of Christmas Tour!**

## 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

## Youth Ministry...

**DRIVEN Youth** - For all students in 6th-12th grades.



#### SUNDAY SCHOOL: every Sunday morning 9:30-10:30 am

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

Sun., Sept. 18 - Parents' Night @ MERGE ~ 5:00 - 7:30 pm ~ CLC students 6th-12th grade and their parents are invited to join us for a special night of food, fellowship, worship, life groups & an important Youth/Parent meeting. Childcare provided for younger siblings after dinner together. Please contact Jeanne if you need this service. Please RSVP thru Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> by contacting Jeanne or thru this link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0448A5AC2DA7FA7-parents9

Come see all that God has done this summer & what He has in store for this school year! It's not too late to join us!

5<sup>th</sup> Block (after school hang time) \*\*\*NO 5<sup>th</sup> Block or FUEL this Wed., Sept. 21 due to NWR Homecoming parade. We will have a tent set up on Vine St. Hope to see you there!

FUEL (High octane for your soul midweek!) 6:00-7:00 pm in SWH. RESUMES 9/28 Games ~ Connection ~ Bible Study (ALPHA Youth – Week 4: How can I have faith?)

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Bowling ~ Sun., Oct. 9 ~ 2:00-4:00 pm @ Fannin Lanes ~ \$10 +snacks Sign up is required. Drop off & Pick up is at the bowling alley.

Stay in the know!!!

Please contact Jeanne Chapman at 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, September 18th

Acolytes @ 8:20 & 10:45 am

Children's Church Today

(Does not meet on Communion Sundays.)

## September Schedule

- \* Kids Weds. Night Workshops check in 5:45 pm Asbury / Big Room
- \* September 21st NWR Homecoming Parade No WNW Mrs. Anna will be handing out Fall Fest happy bags at the St Mark's Parade Tent with Mrs. Jeanne.

Kids Choir has BEGUN during the Sunday School Hour every Sunday at St. Mark's as we prepare to serve in worship at Kids Sabbath on October 16th.

September 25th - 4th & 5th - Tween Youth Night 5:30 - 7 pm - Asbury Hall

Contact Anna McGough office #: 601-992-2131 (Ext. 109) or email Anna@saintmarksum.org for more information!

