



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. 15th

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: 9/18/2022

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,430,906.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD	\$926,426.00
AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD	\$953,783.00
OFFERING FOR 9/18/2022	\$ 16,648.00

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
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Stephen Craig 11th hour Worship Leader
Jeanne Chapman.....Director of Youth Ministries
Anna McGoughDirector of Children & Family Ministries
Janet Langley.....Director of Nurture & Outreach
Darlene Baker..... Music Assistant/Pianist
Jason Boyd..... Music Assistant/Organist
Thelma Lorentz..... Administrative Assistant

Mark Your Calendars...

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 Newcomer / Methodism Class (1-Choir Rm)
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)
4:45 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)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

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

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

7:00 am Men’s Prayer Group (3-Parlor)
11:45 am Noonday Hour of Prayer (1)
3:30 pm 5th Block (4-SWH)
5:00 pm Wednesday Night Supper (5-CLC)
6:00 pm Fuel (4-SWH)
6:00 pm 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 29

7:00 pm AA (2)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

9:00 am Walking with Joy (5)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

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DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, SEPT. 25

am Luke 16:19-31
pm Jeremiah 33

MONDAY, SEPT. 26

Jeremiah 39:1-40:6
Luke 17:5-6
Psalm 137

TUESDAY, SEPT. 27

Jeremiah 52:1-16
Luke 17:7-10

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 28

Lamentations 1:1-6, 11-12
2 Timothy 1:1-7

THURSDAY, SEPT. 29

Lamentations 2:11-20
2 Timothy 1:8-15

FRIDAY, SEPT. 30

Lamentations 3:1-24
2 Timothy 1:15-2:7

SATURDAY, OCT. 1

Lamentations 3:25-36
2 Timothy 1:1-14

SUNDAY, OCT. 2

am Luke 17:5-10
pm Lamentations 4:2-4, 9-10; 5:9-22

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

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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 25, 2022

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

Acknowledging the Light of Christ in our midst

+Hymn *Blessed Assurance* # 369

+Affirmation of Faith *Apostles’ Creed* # 881

+Act of Praise *Surely the Presence* # 328

Special Music *How Firm a Foundation* Jeannie Melton

Psalter *Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16* # 810

Prayer Concerns

Morning Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

Anthem *Praise the God of Our Salvation* 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 *It Is Well with My Soul* # 377

Sermon *Trading Places* Rev. Coile
Luke 16:19-31

+Closing Hymn *Children of the Heavenly Father* # 141
Following the Light of Christ into the world

+Benediction

Flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today by Sue Beth Shurtleff in loving memory of husband, Ralph Shurtleff and grandson Christian DeBlasio.

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:

Larry Sullivan, on his passing, Sept. 16th, (Husband of Brenda Sullivan)
Mary Ellen Stanley, on her passing, Sept. 15th, (Aunt of Connie Thompson)



Members Needing Prayers:

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

Family & Friends:

September 2022

Rocco Abessinco (Karen Reed)	Wayne Perry Nelson
Malachi Adams (Eddie Adams)	Marsha Potts (Chuck Jeffcoat)
Don Jacks (Cyndi Morgan)	Kia Riley & Baby (Tonda Riley)
Brent Lowry (Darlene Baker)	Shirley Skinner (Jean Vaughn)

August

Mary Jo Adams (Les Malottki)	Tom Horn (Chuck Jeffcoat)
Danielle (Susan Weatherholt)	Bud Lambert (Susan Watson)
Bill Darnell (Rick Darnell)	Baby Morgan & Family (Gary & Martha Hand)
Robert Ghoston (St. Mark’s Staff)	Rebecca Stoval (Les Malottki)
Bill Heins (Linda Breedlove)	Sadie Tatum (Ashley May)

July

Perry Cliburn (Vicky Rohr)	LaVerne Carter Malone (Ted Carter)
Peggy Jo Dumas	John Marble (Gary & Sandra Cazier)
Christine French (Michael French)	Ed Welbourn
Anelese Holt (Jane Mapp)	Cynthia Wilkinson (Jeannie Melton)
Theresa Keys	Jaxon Williams (Jack Williams)

Long Term Prayers:

John Adair	Joanne Humphries	Janette Thomas
Eva Brown	Bill Hutto	Linda Thomas
Tinker Colwell	Dixie Miller	Frances Upchurch
Minnie Franklin	June Miracle	Mike & Connie Weaver
Martha Gower	Jonnie Norton	Jane Wilkerson
Jean Gunnell	Fred Price	
Gay Ann Abraham (Jean Lancaster)	Martin Levitt (McGinnis)	
Amanda Hearn Biek (Karen Williams)	Tanya Lofton (Megan Howe)	
Maxine Creel (Becky Stevenson)	Marie Nichols (Gwen Robertson)	
Ruby Galmore (Beverly McClure)	Oscar McGough (Ryan McGough)	
David Glasscock, (Glasscock Family)	Lori McLendon Parker (Charlinda & Raymond Hall)	
Leon Elzey (Sandra Bates)	Joan Melchiors (Cynthia Morgan)	
Victoria Farr (Carolyn Farr)	Martha Munsey (Jimmie Ray Gordon)	
Bill Harris (Suzanne Gural)	Lori Parker (April & Seth Hall Richards)	
Jason Heins (Linda Breedlove)	Russ Robbins (Beth Robbins)	
Luanne Hitselberger (Chris Zachow)	Jeannette Rodriguez (Vicky & Kim Rohr)	
Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)	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...

St. Mark’s UMC Methodism Class

The fall session of our adult Methodism class begins
Sunday, September 25th at 9:30 am in the Choir Rm. (\$116)

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)

Senior Day at the Fair – Weds., Oct. 12th (9:30 am – 12:30 pm)

Bingo night with a Halloween theme – Thurs., Oct. 27 @ 5:30 pm in CLC

* 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!

Please sign up by October 1st

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.

Tonight, Sun., Sept. 25 –MERGE ~ 5:30 – 7:30 pm ~ SWH
Free Dinner ~ Games ~ Worship ~ Life Groups
Theme: DRIVEN – “I” Menu: Breakfast

5th Block (after school hang time) Wednesdays 3:30-5:00 pm in the Hub.
Pool, Ping Pong, Games, Do homework, Gagaball, hang with friends.... Transportation can be arranged from NWRMS/HS. Must be coordinated with parent. Contact Jeanne for more info.

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

Bowling ~ Sun., Oct. 9 ~ 2:00-4:00 pm @ Fannin Lanes ~ \$10 +snacks
Sign up is required by Oct. 6. Drop off & Pick up is at the bowling alley.

Monster Mash Bash Silent Disco! Sun., Oct. 30 ~ 6-8 pm (Free event)
Silent Disco ~ Food ~ Friends ~ Fun ~ Games ~ Costume Contest

SAVE THE DATES (& get signed up)!

ELEVATE Ski Conference ~ Gatlinburg ~ Jan. 13-16, 2023 (MLK Wknd)
\$300 Ski/Non-Ski ~ \$330 Board Cost includes 3 nights hotel lodging, 2 ski sessions, all worship sessions, t-shirt, transportation & all meals (except 2 on the road), \$50 non-refundable deposit to reserve spot. Balance due 12/31.
GENERATE Summer Camp! Covenant College ~ Lookout Mountain, GA
May 29 – June 2 (Mon-Fri) leaving early on Memorial Day - Cost: \$350 (includes trip to Ruby Falls) \$80 non-refundable deposit due to reserve spot.

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Stay in the know!!!
Please contact Jeanne Chapman at jeanne@saintmarksum.org for more info!

Children & Family Ministries...	Sunday, September 25th
All activities are for PreK through 5th Grade	Acolytes @ 8:20 & 10:45 am
Sunday School @ 9:30 AM (3 - A102/A104)	& Children’s Church Today (Does not meet on Communion Sundays.)

September / October Schedule
Kids Weds. Night Workshops – check in 5:45 pm Asbury / Big Room
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.

Sept. 25th (4th & 5th) Tween Youth Night 5:30 - 7 pm – Asbury & Outside CLC

St. Mark's UMC is holding a St. Mark's Kids Drawing Contest!
On Oct. 5th – please contact Anna McGough for details.

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

