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 excellent weekly menus!

Supper Menu – Oct. 2 : Jambalaya, Fried Okra, Squash, Salad, Corn Bread / 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 29

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) 12:00 pm Children's Council (4-Parlor) 4:30 pm Driven Praise Team Practice (4) 5:00 pm Handbells (1-Robe Rm) 5:30 pm Youth MERGE (4, 5-Kitchen) 6:00 pm 5th Sunday Hymn Sing & Celebrate! (1)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

10:00 am Women's Bible Study (1-Choir Rm) 6:00 pm Disciple Fast Track (1-Robe Rm.) 6:30 pm Nom. Com.& Lay Leadership Mtg. (3-Parlor 7:00 pm AA (2)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

6:00 pm Caregiver Support Group (1-Robe Rm)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

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, OCTOBER 3

7:00 pm AA (2)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

9:15 am Walking with Joy (5)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

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) 2:00 pm Cursillo Secretariate Meeting (1-Robe Rm) 4:30 pm Driven Praise Team Practice (4) 5:00 pm Handbells (1-Robe Rm) No Youth MERGE tonight

KEY:

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

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Psalm 124; Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; Esther 9:20-22

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Ps 140; Ester 4:1-17; Peter 1:3-9

TUES., OCTOBER 1

Ps 140; Esther 5:1-14 4:9-16 1 John 2:18-25

WEDS., OCTOBER 2

Ps 140; Esther 8:1-17; Matthew 18:6-9

THURS., OCTOBER 3

Ps 26; Job 2:11—3:26 Galatians 3:23-29

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

Ps 26; Job 4:1-21 Romans 8:1-11

SATURDAY, OCT. 5

Ps 26; Job 7:1-21; Luke 16:14-18

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

Psalm 26; Job 1:1; 2:1-10

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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 29, 2024

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude

Acknowledging the Light of Christ in our midst

+ Call to Worship

+Opening Hymn Christ the Lord is Risen Today

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Musical Offering Blessed Assurance Ladies Ensemble

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Anthem When Will He Come Sanctuary Choir

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

+Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Children ages 3K through 5K are dismissed to Children's Church.

+Hymn Crown Him with Many Crowns # 327

Sermon 1 Corinthians 15:3-11,20-22

The Apostles' Creed – Risen On the Third Day Rev. Kaufman

+Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed #881

+Hymn Hymn of Promise # 707

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 with one of the ministers following the benediction.

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

Prayer Concerns...

In Sympathy to Family & Friends of:

Baby Casey, on his passing, at 10 months (Friends & Neighbors of Ann & Hewitt Pittman)

Chris Menhard on his passing (Father of Katherine Long)

Ron Wolters on his passing (Family of Cindy & George Edwards)

Members Needing Prayers:

Trish Champney Camille Dumas

Sandra McGee Merriam Smilley Joel Melton Ron Tisdale

Dick Weatherholt Johnnie Yakstis

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

Dorothy Ashby (Clyde Payne) David Brewer (Arlene Pettus) Allen Brown (David Allard)

Larry & Margie Case (Lynette Conklin) Baby Rainer Clark (Karen Reed) Elizabeth Cloud (Arlene Pettus)

Zach Cooley (Gary & Nancy Ladd) Kristen Cox (Beth Cox)

Bill Darnell (Rick Darnell) Debbie Fesmire (MaryBeth Fesmire)

Harold Gardner (Chuck Jefcoat)

Beth Haggerty (Beth Griffith)

Bryanna Frisbee (Beth Cox)

Jerry Kirkland (Lois Minchew) Janet Lawing (Jo Hebert) Haley & Jessica McIngvale (Jane Mapp) Josef Pettus (Arlene Pettus)

Beth Hall (Karen Reed)

Donna Hill (Sandra McGee)

Tommie Pittman (Hewitt & Ann Pittman)

Ana Maria Price (Mayita Price) Reed Family (Karen Reed) Stanley Salter (Ryan McGough)

Sara M. Smith & Martha J. Smith (Martha Toombs) 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 Dixie Miller Bernie Drowne Linda Thomas June Miracle Frances Upchurch Martha Gower Joanne Humphries Jonnie Norton Mike & Connie Weaver

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) 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)

Mimi Watts (Melissa Bolland) Lane West (Betty Wheat)

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...

5th Sunday Hymn Sing & Celebrate!

Tonight Sept. 29th at 6:00 pm. In Sanctuary ~ All Welcome!

New Adult Study – Fall 2024

The Right Order of Things...Theology for Everyone Oct. 2nd Topic: *Grace!* 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.

The Right Order of Things is a class on a Theology for everyone that illumines all of life. The Right Order of Things is life with God at the center and with the rest of life receiving meaning and direction from God. We will grow in understanding of God, Jesus, Christ, the Holy Spirit, sin and salvation, law and grace, the resurrection, the church, and the will of God. Contact Rev. Jon Kaufman or call Church Office for more details at: 601-992-2131 (ext. 103) or email Jon@saintmarksum.org

St. Mark's Campus Cleanup Day! Saturday, Oct. 12th (8 am- 12 Noon) Volunteers needed & welcome! Please contact Leslie McGinnis or David Allard to Sign Up! Call: 601-594-6541 or email: dewalt62@protonmail.com to sign up!

MS Blood Services ~ Blood Mobile will be at St. Mark's UMC Campus Sunday, October 13th (12–4 pm)

St. Mark's Kids & Family Fall Festival ~ Sun., Oct. 27th @ 3 pm Warriors of Faith: Jericho's Battle Cake Walk, David v Goliath Sling Shot, Craft Your Crown w/ Esther, Walk thru Red Sea w/ Moses, Obstacle Course Warrior Dash...Costumes Encouraged!

Trendsetter Opportunities - for anyone 50+

Join our St. Mark's UMC Senior Adults! ...

Wed., Oct. 9 - Senior American Day - Leave church at 9:30 am. Sign up in 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.

Sat., Oct. 12 - Celtic Fest @ Lakeshore Park (Rez) 9am-1 pm Cost = \$ 25

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

Thurs., Nov. 7 – 5:30 pm Bingo Night & more! (5-CLC)

Nov. 18-21 - Branson, Missouri Trip ~ Christmas Lights Tour

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! * No MERGE on Sunday, Oct. 6 – due to Fall Break.

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

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

There are sign up sheets in the Hub for: Go MAD for Tuesday, October 8th and Thursday, October 10th, FallFest Volunteers on October 27th and the Talent Show Fundraiser for November 10th. Please make sure you sign up if you plan to attend/participate.

Contact: Ashley May for details and to Sign Up!

Go MAD -- Tues., Oct. 8th - 8:30 am - Working at Church on various projects then Fun Time at Skateland! (Bus).

Go MAD -- Thurs., Oct. 10th - Time TBA - @ Wesley House in Meridian (Bus)

Sunday, October 27th - Volunteer for Kid's & Family Fall Festival

Sunday, November 10th – Youth Talent Show / Fundraiser - please turn in Auction items by Nov. 3rd.

Children & Family Ministries...



All activities are for PreK through 5th Grade

(Does not meet on Communion Sundays.)

Sunday, September 29, 2024

Children's Church

Acolytes @ Traditional & 11th Hr. Services

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

> 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.

Sept 29 - St. Mark's Kids will begin to practice and have sign ups for Kids Sabbath. Children will take over the services on October 20th, be looking out for songs, scriptures and sign ups for that. And St. Mark's Childrens Council will meet Sunday Sept 29th, at 12:15 pm. Contact Donna Phillips for nursery and Anna for dietary restrictions.

October 13 - St. Mark's Tween Night 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

October 20 - Children's Sabbath - 8:20 am service & 11th Hour Service

Sun., Oct. 27th Kids & Family Fall Festival ~ Warriors of Faith ~ 3 pm

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