



**REFORMATION  
SUNDAY**

LIVING FAITH IN THE EVERYDAY

**St. Mark's United Methodist Church**  
October 27, 2019, 9:30 a.m.

# ST. MARK'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*You are invited to read aloud the **bold text**.*

*\* Please stand as you are able.*

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

CENTERING

Chris Beiser

*Quiet your mind and hearts, focusing on God's presence with anticipation.*

PRELUDE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rich Turner

Praise is due to you, O God, O you who answer prayer.

**Happy are those who live in your courts—  
those who are satisfied with the goodness  
of your house and your holy temple.**

You are the hope of all things, Holy One,  
from the ends of the earth to the farthest seas.

**You make the gateways of the evening  
and the morning shout for joy.**

Rejoice in God, O people, and be glad.

**Let us sing together for joy.**

\*OPENING HYMN

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Hymnal 110

\*SONG

“Open Our Eyes”

**Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,**

**To reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.**

**Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.**

**Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.**

WELCOME

Pastor Joe

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SONG

“God Is Here Today”

**God is here today;**

**As certain as the air I breathe,**

**As certain as the morning sun that rises,**

**as certain when I sing you'll hear my song.**

ANTHEM

“Let the Church Rise”

Chancel Choir

## WE HEAR THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Joel 2:23-32

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Re-Form”

## WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

JOYS, CONCERNS AND PRAYERS

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever,**

**AMEN.**

SOLO

“The Altar”

Chris Beiser

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

Offertory

Enjoy photos from Good Neighbor Sunday, 09/29/2019

\*Doxology:

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**praise Him all creatures here below;**

**praise Him above ye heavenly host;**

**praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

\*Offertory Prayer

## WE TAKE THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*CLOSING HYMN

“Because He Lives”

Hymnal 364

\*BENEDICTION

Sung Response

**May you run and not be weary,**

**May your heart be filled with song,**

**And may the love of God continue to give you hope  
and keep you strong.**

**And may you run and not be weary,**

**May your life be filled with joy!**

**And may the road you travel always lead you home.**

\*POSTLUDE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **FALL FESTIVAL/TRUNK OR TREAT: TODAY FROM 4 - 7 PM**

If you are participating in Trunk or Treat, set-up in the parking lot will be at 3:30. Bring candy and participate even if you don't decorate your car trunk. Additional activities include games, crafts, a movie and hot dogs! Questions, see or call Jennie Marshall, 515-1224.

**OCTOBER COAT DRIVE:** Today is the last day to bring in your new or gently used coats, jackets, sweatshirts & hoodies. We are collecting any size and will take donations for men, women or children. Donations given to the Broken Bus, Serve City, Hope's Closet & Dougie and Ray's. Thank you for keeping our neighbors warm this winter!

**NEED NAMES OF OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS:** We would like the name & email address of our college students so we can add them to the "Adopt a College Student Ministry". If you or your child are already signed up and have received a note from us, you do not need to re-register. The sign up list is on the Welcome Center desk. If you have questions, please see or contact Pam Guynes (513-779-9162) or Sue Beckett (513-856-9973).

**SHARED HARVEST FOOD BANK ([sharedharvest.org](http://sharedharvest.org)):** Our next scheduled time to volunteer will be **November 5th from 1-3 pm**. We need a group of ten people to help us pack food boxes, assembly-line style. Sign-up on the St. Mark's Cares bulletin board. See or call Debbie Bryant (673-0412) with questions.

### **SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, November 17th at 6:00 pm.**

This is the day of our Annual Charge Conference and we will have a Pot-Luck Dinner before. Please make plans to attend this very important night for St. Mark's. We will be voting on 2020 officers and other items. You must be a member to vote but everyone is welcome to attend and participate.

**SCOUT TROOP POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER:** St. Mark's Cub Scout Pack 969 is selling Poinsettias to be delivered at church on December 7th so you can have them in your home the Christmas season. Information and price list is at the Welcome Center. Payment must be with order. Cash or make checks to Cub Scout Pack 969. Orders are due November 5th. Put order form and payment in envelope and leave in designated basket at Welcome Center.

**THANKSGIVING MEAL GIVING PROJECT:** We will be collecting money for **Fairfield Food Pantry** ([www.fairfieldfoodpantry.org](http://www.fairfieldfoodpantry.org)) to help provide meals to families in need this Thanksgiving. The display in the Narthex will show you exactly what items they will get for their meal. If you'd like to contribute, write "Fairfield Food Pantry" on the memo line of your check or on your offering envelope and place it in the offering plate. Reaching our goal of \$500 will help serve 20 families. We can be a blessing by sharing our blessings this Thanksgiving season!

**BROKEN BUS MINISTRY ([brokenbusministry.org](http://brokenbusministry.org)):** Here's your next chance to ride the bus and serve the homeless of greater Cincinnati! Our next ride and meal will be **Saturday, November 9th: 10:30-1:30.** If you don't want to ride, but still want to help, we need food! Sign-up sheet on the St. Mark's Cares bulletin board. See or call Julie Mislansky (505-4061) with questions.

**ST. MARK'S POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS SUNDAY.** Forms will be available next Sunday to place your order. Price is \$10 each.

**RUTH CIRCLE:** The November Prayer calendars are in the Narthex for members, in alphabetic order, that missed the October meeting.

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS** need to be submitted to the office by Wednesday each week. Send to [b.smoot@fairfieldstmarks.com](mailto:b.smoot@fairfieldstmarks.com)

**UPPER ROOMS:** The November/December Upper Rooms are now available in the Narthex literature rack. The booklets provide a daily meditation and are available for everyone. Please take one home for your devotional reading.

## ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

### TODAY

- 8:30 am Fellowship, Donuts, Coffee, Juice and Milk. (Fellowship Hall and the Narthex)
- 9:30 am Worship Celebration
- 3:30 pm Set-up in parking lot for Trunk or Treat
- 4:00 pm Fall Festival / Trunk or Treat

### MONDAY

- 10:00 am Craft Group (Rm. 104)
- 7:00 pm Three Simple Rules Book Study (Heritage Rm.)  
November Newsletter Deadline

### TUESDAY

- 10:30 am Bible Study (Heritage Rm.)
- 7:00 pm Scouts (F. Hall)

### WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 am Prayer Group (Heritage Rm.)
- 1:00 pm Three Simple Rules Book Study (Heritage Rm.)
- 6:00 pm Bell Choir (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 pm Bible Study (F. Hall)
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)

### THURSDAY

- 6:15 pm NA Meeting (F. Hall)

### FRIDAY

- Wedding Rehearsal

### SATURDAY

- Wedding of Jade Boggs

### SUNDAY

- 8:30 am Fellowship, Donuts, Coffee, Juice and Milk. (Fellowship Hall and the Narthex)
- 9:30 am Worship Celebration
- 6:00 pm Youth

# PRAYER REQUESTS

## 10/20 Requests & Updates

Max Stover is at Tri County Extended Care for therapy,  
Continued prayers for 14 yrs. old Lyla Brink. She has made progress  
and is awake. Very long road ahead as she recovers from extensive  
Brain trauma. Hoping that now she is improving, she can be moved  
to Cincinnati Children's Hospital.

Friend Karin with Breast cancer & having surgery Wed. (Tari Randall)  
Charlene Pullem with Upper Respiratory infection.  
Nicole having Thyroid cancer surgery.  
Betsy Jones had surgery for her broken leg.

**New since last Sunday:** John Best in Fairfield Mercy Hospital with  
health complications. Going to Sanctuary Pointe for therapy.  
Betsy Jones is now at UC Westchester Hospital for therapy.

## St. Mark's Shut-ins / Homebound

John Best	Virginia Shaw
Nancy Miracle	Sue Webster
Phyllis Tunning - Triplecreek	
Evelyn Rewerts (Hospice) -Triple Creek	
Dale Shreve - Birchwood, Rm. 201	

## Continuing Prayers for St. Mark's Family

Merianne Cardas	Byron Jones	Jean Stivers
John McWilliam	Sandy Ronningen	Nancy Bumpus
Betsy Jones	Laura Spahn	Prayer & Bible St. Groups
Dick Brewer	Kristy Theiss	Pastor Joe & Linda

## Continuing Friends of St. Mark's & Week of Special Request

All service Men & Women	Karen Clendenin 10/6
Our Country UM Church	Charlie Bryant 10/6
Mitch Thomas	Suzan Stracke 10/6
Jack Cook	Nephew 10/6
Missy Jones	Judy Gross 10/6
Kathy & Tim Bletz	John Tellep 10/13
Riley Hughes 9/29	Co-workers 10/13
Tommy Holloran 9/29	Rickie Stracke 1013
Karen Clendenin 10/6	Jennifer Rinker's Dad 10/20
Family of Richard Fassnacht 1020	

# WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S!

Our Mission is to make Disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world.

## STAFF

Pastor	Joe Payne
Administrative Assistant	Brenda Smoot
Director of Music	Chris Beiser
Organist	Sue Combs
Director of Children & Family Ministries	Peggy Smith
Youth Director	Erin Theodor
Nursery Director	Lauren Dichtl
Pastor Emeritus	Bob Klingel

## OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Liturgist	Rich Turner
Head Usher	Steve Nguyen
Ushers	Debbie Bryant, Russ Carr Carol & Jeff Gering
Greeter	Russ Carr
Prayer Room	Greg Pullem

## THE ALTAR FLOWER BOUQUETS

... in memory of Carl & Margaret Frazier by Sheila Boggs

... are given to the Glory of God.

**ATTENDANCE:** 10/20 - 115

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