



Heart of the Matter

a worship series for the
Season of Easter

May 10: "Hymns for a Troubled Heart"



ST. MARK'S
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 10, 2020, 9:30 am
Live Streamed on YouTube and Facebook
www.facebook.com/fairfieldstmarks

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

CENTERING

Quiet your minds and hearts, centering on God's presence with anticipation.

PRELUDE

Light your candle at home

GREETING

HYMN

"How Firm a Foundation"

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PRAYER

**God, Our Host,
We gather in your name,
Invited by Jesus,
bound together with your Spirit,
and in union with each other.**

**Feed our bodies and our spirits...
with your comforting presence...
so that we might be your comfort to others...**

**Break open our hearts
and pour out your love.
Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Peggy Smith

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chris Beiser

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURES

Kayla Goodman
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16; John 14:1-13

SERMON IN SONG

"Hymns that Ease a Troubled Heart"
Chris Beiser & Sue Combs

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

CONCERNS AND PRAYER

Peggy Smith

THE 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.

WE TAKE THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

HYMN

"I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

BENEDICTION (based on Psalm 16)

As we close this time together, remember:

God is always with you. No matter what you face,

no matter what trials or hardships come your way,

God is right beside you, always filling your cup to overflowing,

guiding and directing your path.

So, acknowledge your fear and your worry

and know it is as true and holy as any feeling,

including joy and hope and love.

Take heart! This is the heart of the matter.

Amen.

CLOSING SONG

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 you life be filled with joy!

And may the road you travel always lead you home.

"See" you next week!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Worship Services through at least Phase 3 will be live streamed on Facebook Live at 9:30 am every Sunday.

Tune in to facebook.com/fairfieldstmarks.

Staying connected during this Corona Virus Crisis

Julie Mislansky (chair of St. Mark's Cares), Pam Guynes (Chair of Nurture and Care), and Sue Luken (Lay Leader) have organized our congregation into groups, with approximately ten households in each group.

The purpose of these groupings is to aid in communication.

A caller is assigned to each group to keep in touch with everyone.

Tired of sitting in your house and staring at the same 4 walls? Well, then get outside and take a walk, and at the same time, help support the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Butler County!

St. Mark's Cares is excited to share that we have started a St. Mark's Team to participate in the BBBS virtual 5K walk/run! Due to Covid-19, the scheduled walk on April 26th has become a virtual one. **Any movement counts - walk, run, ride a bike, take a scenic drive in your convertible, walk your dog, walk laps around your house! Any distance counts - 1 mile, 5K, marathon, one time around the block! Any amount of time you commit counts - one day, every day, once a week!** Anything you do between now and May 16th counts to quality as your "race".

To register: <https://amplify.netdonor.net/.../st.-marks-united-methodist>
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Registration is \$25.



COMING JUNE 14-18*



See or call Jennie Marshall, 515-1224, or Peggy Smith, 307-4509, for the many ways you can become involved in this exciting summer ministry for and with our kids.

***dates subject to change, depending on the status of the Covid-19 pandemic.**

IN NEED OF KITCHEN TOWELS: Since the kitchen has been repainted, cleaned and organized, it would be nice to have some new kitchen towels. If you would like to donate some towels, please put them in the kitchen, on the table, next to the oven. Thank you!

Employment Opportunity:

Part -Time Administrative Assistant / Bookkeeper

As sad as this makes us (especially Pastor Joe), Brenda is retiring. The Staff/Parish Relations Committee is in search of her replacement. SPRC is making this announcement first "in house" in order to allow an opportunity for St. Mark's family and friends to respond. We anticipate the hours required for this combined Admin. Assistant and Bookkeeper position to be approximately 25 hours per week. Please see Kym Nguyen, chair of SPRC. (sknewy@aol.com), with your questions or to apply.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

People who have lost jobs.

Friend trying to have a child but found out she must have a hysterectomy. (Julie Dichtl)

Bring new foster son into their home. (Tim Dutey)

Friend who list her job. (Lois Hill)

Those in nursing homes. (Elaine Shreve)

Prayers for Jeff Gering who has Bronchitis. Has had medication reactions and had to go to ER.

Prayers for Elle Nguyen who wedding celebration had to be cancelled. Calvin hasn't seen his family in 18 months.

Susan McDaniel's mom, Evelyn Peter, will celebrate her 100th birthday Friday.

Happy 90th birthday to Wanda Hounshell, Jenni Hensler's mom.

Daughter, Morgan, Graduating from college this week. (Jenni Marshall)

Prayers for Tom Cox with Bladder cancer and Jon Fox, 22 yrs. old, friend of Jack, with Hodgkin's Lymphoma. (Kym Nguyen)

Joys / Concerns *(listed in the order received, and kept for four weeks unless requested to remain on our "Continuing Prayers" list.)*

Linda P's nephew 4/19
Susan Olivia Evan Wade 4/19
Mande Roach 4/19
Julie's sisters 4/19
Depressed friend 4/19
Health Care community 4/19
Aydlett's daughter-in-law 4/19
Penny's cousin 4/26

Neil Humes 4/26
Ryan 4/26
Marianne 4/26
Rachel 4/26
Bob's cousin's family 4/26
Candance's family 4/26
Mark's brother 4/26
Front line workers 4/26

St. Mark's Homebound / Shut-ins

Phyllis Tunning - Triplecreek
Virginia Shaw
Nancy & Bob Miracle
Dale Shreve - Birchwood, Rm.
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Sue Webster
Sandy Ronningen -
Chesterwood
Betsy Jones - Golden Yrs.
Nursing Home
Eleanor McCollum

Continuing Prayers

*(Help us keep this list current. Email or call the church office .)
(b.smoot@fairfieldstmarks.com / 844-1818) with any updates.)*

All service Men &
Women
Country
First Responders
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Church

Prayer & Bible St.
Groups
Mitch Thomas
Lori Palmieri (Pat
Coyle's daughter)
Byron Jones

Jean Stivers
Merianne Cardas
Kristy Theiss
Dick Brewer
Chet Hard

St. Mark's United Methodist Church

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	Kayla Goodman
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