UMCOR SUNDAY COMPELLED BY CHRIST TO OFFER SIGNS OF EXTRAVAGANT GRACE AND HOPE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.



July 26, 2020, 9:30 am Live Streamed on YouTube and Facebook www.facebook.com/fairfieldstmarks

ST. MARK'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Chris Beiser Chelsey Cavender

Sleeper, awake! Open your eyes to the suffering in God's world.

Christ, shine on us. Awaken us to the needs of your people.

Sleeper, awake! Open your ears to the cries of God's people.

Christ, shine on us. Awaken us to the transformational power found through you.

Sleeper, awake! Open your heart to respond with a generous spirit.

Christ, shine on us. Awaken us to celebrate your extravagant grace.

OPENING HYMN OPENING PRAYER

Holy healing God, who shines extravagant grace into our lives, thank you for sending Jesus to show us how to shine extravagant grace into the lives of our neighbors through ministries like the United Methodist Committee on Relief. As we worship and praise you today, move us to live in ways that shine brightly with your extravagant grace, illuminating all that is good and right and true.

"Amazing Grace"

OFFERING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Peace be with you

And also with you!

Turn to the people around you and share "Peace be with you."

If you are alone in your home, share "Peace be with you in the Facebook comments.

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS HYMN "Open My Eyes That I May See" UMH 454

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 5:8-14

UMH 378

MESSAGE

Julie Mislansky

SOLO

"Thank You"

Chris Beiser

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

CONCERNS AND PRAYER THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "**sins**" and "those who **sin** against us.")

OFFERING MOMENT

Thank you for giving to St. Mark's UMC. Thank you for giving to UMCOR. Thank you!

OFFERING DEDICATION

Gracious God,

Receive these gifts with thanksgiving.

Bless them and multiply them

to relieve the suffering of your people,

to train and equip UMCOR staff and volunteers,

to create wholeness instead of brokenness. Amen

WE TAKE THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

HYMN

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

UMH 399

BENEDICTION

Go into the world and shine with God's extravagant grace. Filled with the Holy Spirit, expose the systems that contribute to suffering.

And in the name of Jesus, illuminate all that is good and right and true

BENEDICTION 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 your life be filled with joy!

And may the road you travel always lead you home.

"See" you next week!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. MARK'S CARES: TODAY IS UMCOR SUNDAY.

UMCOR, is the United Methodist Committee on Relief. Gifts to the special UMCOR offering covers the costs of doing business. This helps UMCOR keep the promise that 100 percent of any gift to a specific UMCOR project will go toward that project, not administrative costs. UMCOR'S work of alleviating human suffering around the world includes disaster relief and supplies, disaster risk reduction, health, and humanitarian development.

Pastor Joe will be on vacation from July 24—August 2).

On August 2, Chris Beiser and Sue Combs will lead a special Music Sunday Service, featuring some of the talented and gifted musicians here at St. Mark's.

Since the pastor will be away, Holy Communion will not be celebrated on August 2. The Sacrament will instead be served the following Sunday, August 9. You may gather your communion elements and receive the Sacrament at home *In Extremis*.

You may also receive the Sacrament in your vehicle after worship on August 9 between 11:30 and 12:00.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sunday Requests and Updates:

Friend diagnosed with Pancreatic cancer. (Gay Kubik) Dan Payne and all others with the virus.

Prayers for Pat Coyle, Lori Palmieri, Terry Betscher and Doug Geisz. (Lois Hill)

Pat Coyle will be having a procedure on July 23rd. Pray for healing.

Donna Newton who is still in the hospital with Covid-19.

Update - Donna passed on Mon., July 20th.

Prayers for Amy Jones, Kylie Alcorn & Austin.

Debbie Flannery is home after her surgery but still having pain. Healing prayers for Debbie.

Former student, Austin. (Jennifer Hensler)

Mike Sharp, Joy's husband, is in the hospital. Needs to have surgery for Ulcers but has complications.

God's healing touch on my son's eye surgery. (Lois Hill)

Praise! I get to see Dale Thursday with plexiglass between us. (Elaine Shreve)

New requests from last Sunday:

Prayers for Antonio Falcon in Ft. Hamilton hospital ICU with Covid-19. (Jody Cooper)

Ann McWilliam will be having a Heart Value Replacement on Monday, July 27th.

Sympathy and prayers for John Smith and family in the death of his mother on Monday, July 20th.

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 Our Country First Responders United Methodist Church Jean Stivers Prayer & Bible Study Groups Mitch Thomas Lori Palmieri (Pat Coyle's daughter) Byron Jones Merianne Cardas Kristy Theiss Dick Brewer

St. Mark's Homebound / Shut-ins

Phyllis Tunning - Triplecreek Virginia Shaw Nancy & Bob Miracle Dale Shreve - Birchwood, 201 Sue Webster Sandy Ronningen -Chesterwood Betsy Jones - Golden Yrs. Nursing Home Eleanor McCollum

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

Padgett family 6/28 Mike Dick 6/28 Rich Zugelter 6/28 Judy Gross 6/28 Paul Schutte 6/28 John Smith 6/28 State, governor, schools, nation and the world 6/28 Family of Brenda Harman 6/28 Aunt Etta's family 7/5 Lucille 7/5 Young girl struggling 7/5 World Peace & peace throughout our land 7/5 Pray for our nation 7/5 Brian George 7/5 Aydlett's nephew 7/12 Elick Family 7/12 Eddie Drake 7/12 Jack Anderson 7/12 Family of Linda Kimble 7/12 Those fighting addictions 7/12

St. Mark's United Methodist Church

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

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