

Becoming a Church of Faith



ST. MARK'S
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 11, 2021, 9:30 am

In-Person & Live Streamed on YouTube and Facebook
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GATHER

PRELUDE

Sue Combs

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Joe Payne

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING HYMN

Fear hung over the disciples as a dark cloud.

**Huddled in the upper room, they spoke in soft whispers,
afraid of the sound of their own voices.**

Chris Beiser: *singing verse 1 of "You Are Mine"*

Lightning flashed in their souls.

**Christ, the Risen Lord, was standing with them, eating
with them, talking with them.**

Where doubt had reigned, hope now grew.

**Where fear and panic had laid claim, faith was again
planted.**

Chris: *singing verse 2 of "You Are Mine"*

Come, let us worship the God of great miracles.

Let us lift our voices in praise to God! AMEN.

All: singing

Refrain: Do not be afraid, I am with you.

I have called you each by name.

Come and follow me, I will bring you home;

I love you and you are mine.

I am strength for all the despairing.

Healing for the ones who dwell in shame.

All the blind will see, the lame will all run free,

And all will know my name.

Refrain

I am the Word that leads all to freedom,

I am the peace the world cannot give.

I will call your name, embracing all your pain,

Stand up, now walk, and live!

Refrain

OPENING PRAYER

Lord of Light and Mercy, be with us this day as we again hear the stories of faith and sight. Help us to believe in your abiding presence with us, both in our darkness and in the light which you bring. Give us courage and strength to witness to your resurrection. For we offer this in Jesus' Name, AMEN.

PEACE The Peace of Christ is with you. **And also with you.**

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Peggy Smith

MUSICAL PROCLAMATION "Ring Jubilee" Bell Choir

SCRIPTURE Acts 3:12-19

SERMON " Becoming a Church of Faith"
 Bishop Gregory V. Palmer

THANKSGIVING

HYMN "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" UMH 452

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/ THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING MOMENT

DISMISSAL

CLOSING HYMN "He Lives" UMH 310

BLESSING
Singing— "Take Jesus With You"
 words & Music Gary Weaver
 (words on screen)

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys/Concerns (*kept for four weeks unless requested to be removed or to remain on our "Continuing Prayers."*)

4/4 Joy - Owen Myles Kiefer, born 3/29, grandson of Rick & Janis Kiefer, son of Rich & Nicole Kiefer.

4/4 family of Robert Hill, who passed away.

4/4 All first responders.

4/4 Wes Flannery, another skin cancer removal

4/4 Pam Drake, sister of Tomie O'Sullivan

4/4 Mike Rossmann , son-in-law of Tomie O'Sullivan

4/4 Terry Colman, son of Tomie O'Sullivan

3/28 Paul Jewett, in ICU with Covid, by Lois Hill

3/28 Family of Linda Creach, who passed on March 26, by Cheryl Creach.

3/21 Marta Hollinger's daughter, Gina

3/21 Debbie Flannery's g'daughter, Anna 3/21

3/21 Phyllis Tunning

3/21 Lois Boden

3/14 Jenni's sister-in-law, Kelly

3/14 Cheryl Creach's sister-in-law, Linda

3/7 Dale Shreve (L3 vertebrae fracture

3/7 Willa Ramsey's school friend

3/7 Beverly, Mike Jones' fiancé

3/7 Jim Jones's grandson, Steven's wife for new job

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
Prayer & Bible Study Groups
All shut-ins and Homebound
Jean Stivers
Mitch Thomas
Lori Palmieri (Pat Coyle's
daughter)

Merianne Cardas
Dick Brewer
Diana Griffith
Gina Hollinger
Sharon Hamp

St. Mark's Homebound / Shut-ins

Phyllis Tunning - Triplecreek
Virginia Shaw
Dale Shreve - Birchwood, 201
Bob Netherland in Hospice Care
Byron Jones

Sandy Ronningen -Chesterwood
Eleanor McCollum
Paul Schutte
Greg Pullem
Sue Webster

ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

TODAY

- 9:30 am Worship (sanctuary and online)
- 2:00 pm Youth

MONDAY

- 10:00 am Craft Group (Rm. 104)

TUESDAY

- 7:00 pm Ad Council on Zoom
- 7:00 pm Scouts (picnic shelter)

WEDNESDAY

- 7:30 am Prayer Group (F. Hall and by phone)
- 6:00 pm Bell Choir (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY

- 6:30 pm Faithful *and* Inclusive class on Zoom

FRIDAY

- 4:00 Youth worship rehearsal (sanctuary)

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

- 9:30 am Worship (sanctuary and online)
- 2:00 pm Youth (Youth Room)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH SERVICE APRIL 18

Our youth are bringing all of their many gifts and graces together to plan an extra special service of worship. Please support them by attending in person or watching the livestream! Thank you!

GLOW RESTARTING!

We are happy to announce that we have a Restart date for both the Nursery and our GLOW Sunday mornings for our children. Our launch date is May 16th. However we NEED you! Anyone interested in stepping up as a Servant Leader should contact Peggy Smith. Maybe you can give one Sunday per month, a whole month, or possibly even an entire quarter to help us fill these positions. We will be offering some training for this as well with two different sessions; one on April 28th @ 7pm, the other on May 2nd immediately following our worship. We cannot be faithful to serving our children without your help! Hope to hear from some of you soon.

CRAFT SALE IN NARTHEX: handmade by our Craft Ladies
Proceeds: parking lot Lighting.

PRAYER PARTNERS!: This ministry pairs an adult with one of our children, youth or young adults to pray for one another. When you pray for someone, you begin to care for someone and we want our kids and young people to know that their church family cares for them! Interested adults may contact Peggy at p.smith@fairfieldstmarks.com or Julie Mislansky at knauffj@icloud.com.

Indicate your preference, if you have one, for a child, youth, or young adult (post high school years). Our goal is to have everyone in the church participate! We could all use some extra prayer, right?!

APRIL MISSION PROJECT:

St. Mark's Cares Mission Team is collecting hygiene kits for the students at Butler County Juvenile Justice Center. All items should be placed in a large Ziploc bag. Only the items asked for should be in the bag, and please make sure the items are alcohol-free. Deadline for the bags is Sunday, April 18th. Place items in collection bins in the Narthex and the Fellowship Hall. Questions Contact Julie at knauffjj@icloud.com or 505-4061.

Bags should contain:

Toothbrush (non-battery operated)	Shampoo
Toothpaste (no alcohol)	Conditioner
Mouthwash (no alcohol)	Hair gel
Stick of deodorant (non-aerosol)	Comb
Bar of soap or bottle or body wash	Brush

SPRING HAS SPRUNG AND FLAMINGOS ARE FLOCKING!

Fill someone's yard with flamingos! Or, pay insurance NOT to have your yard filled with flamingos! This April youth fundraiser will be for future youth projects and mission. The cost to flock a yard is \$10. Insurance is \$15. Request forms are at the Welcome Center in the Narthex. Contact Julie Mislansky (knauffjj@icloud.com, ph 505-4061) or one of the youth for more info.

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
Director of Youth Ministries	Julie Mislansky
Pastor Emeritus	Bob Klingel

OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Sound	Rick Kiefer
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