



**THERE IS
NO GREATER
love
THAN THIS**

John 15:13



May 9, 2021, 9:30 am

In-Person & Live Streamed on YouTube and Facebook

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GATHER

PRELUDE

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Sue Combs
Bell Choir

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Joe Payne

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Linda Payne

Are you looking for the joy that completes your life?

Are you hoping for the love that makes a difference
and gives you a great purpose?

Then welcome to the house of God!

Welcome to the love of God!

Let us worship our God of love!

OPENING HYMN "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" UMH 384

OPENING PRAYER

Let the whole earth praise the Lord! Let the mountains and hills
proclaim God's handiwork! Let the seas roar and the waves
crash in symphonies of praise! Let all creation sing God's new
song of love!

Praise be to God who has created and is creating anew!

**Praise be to God who re-creates God's love in us each
day!**

Loving, creative God, we praise and bless you for your mighty
acts of creation. As we gather here this day we hear your
message of power and love through the witness of Jesus Christ
as he prepared his disciples for his departure. He gave to them
the words of encouragement about living in your love, and
through that love being witnesses to the whole world of your
peace and hope. Be with us this day, Lord. Open our hearts and
minds to receive your word.

Amen.

PEACE

The Peace of Christ is with you.

And also with you.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Julie Mislansky

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| MUSICAL PROCLAMATION | "Jesus Loves Me" | Bell Cho |
| <i>Sue Combs, director</i> | | |
| <i>Judy Scofield</i> | <i>Gale Goodman</i> | |
| <i>Carol Gering</i> | <i>Gay Kubik</i> | |
| <i>Dick Roemer</i> | <i>Chris Beiser</i> | |
| SCRIPTURE | John 15:9-17 | |
| SERMON | "No Greater Love" | |
| HYMN | "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" v.1 | UMH 408 |

THANKSGIVING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING MOMENT

DISMISSAL

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| CLOSING HYMN | "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" | UMH 557 |
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BLESSING

Singing—

"Take Jesus With You"
 Words & Music by Gary Weaver
 (words on screen)

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys/Concerns

(Items are listed for four weeks unless requested to be removed or placed under "Continuing Prayers.")

- 5/2—Pat Ptiman: son Jeff Pitman, back surgery.
5/2—Pat Pitman: Jeff's friend Jeff Shell, cancer.
5/2—Debbie Flannery: friend Phyllis Morris in the loss of her husband, Larry.
5/2—Tomie O'Sullivan: thankful her grandson is home from Kuwait.
5/2—Bud Aydlett: granddaughter Megan high fever.
5/2— Brenda Smoot, infection of heart lining, lymphoma.
4/27—Congratulations to Bud and Shirley Aydlett on the birth of their great-grandson, Elliott Michael George.
4/27—Megan Halloran, granddaughter of the Aydletts, fever, possible urinary infection.
4/25—Lois Hill: for Dwight Clendinin with lymphoma and covid.
4/25—Elick family, on the loss of Ron's father.
4/25—Debbie Flannery: Mariann Savage and family on loss of their doctor and friend, Greg.
4/25—for all communities as they struggle for peace.
4/25—Rev. Benji Sayre, car accident. Critical condition.
4/25—Marlis Hatton's friend, Tom Vetter, hospitalized with Covid
4/25—Diana Griffith terminal cancer
4/25—Knau's son-in-law's father in intensive care.
4/25—Jerry & Gale Hartwig's move to Columbus
4/18—For Ciara Menke
4/18—For Donna Hughes who is having skin cancer removed from her leg.
4/18—For Willa Ramsey's friend Anita Clemons. Anita's daughter, Missy Yauger, passed away.

4/18—For Jon Skirvin, Bill Hansbauer’s dad, Brenda, Dale Shreve, and many others dealing with health problems.

4/18—For Jenni Hensler’s sister-in-law’s brother, Scott, who is battling encephalitis.

4/11— Dave and Cindy Booker as they mourn the loss of Dave’s dad and travel to his funeral on Friday.

4/11 — Susan Bunte: for Kate and Michael, parents of infant son who died earlier this year, and 3 1/2 yr. old daughter who died of cardiac arrest a few days ago.

4/11– Pat Pitman: for husband Ardean’s medical procedure . Also for son Jeff, who will be having his 2nd back surgery soon.

4/11—Linda Prohaska: for brother, Glen Campbell.

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

Continuing Prayers

Please help us keep this list current. Email or call the church office with any updates. (j.payne@fairfieldstmarks.com / 844-1818)

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

Brenda Smoot

St. Mark’s Homebound / Shut-ins

Phyllis Tunning - Triplecreek

Virginia Shaw

Dale Shreve - Birchwood, 201
(fractured vertebrae)

Bob Netherland home Hospice

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)

MONDAY

10:00 am Craft Group (Rm. 104)

TUESDAY

6:30 pm Admin. Board, Zoom

7:00 pm Scouts (picnic shelter)

WEDNESDAY

7:30 am Prayer Group (Fellowship Hall and by phone)

6:00 pm Bell Choir (Sanctuary)

6:30 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

6:30 pm Membership Exploration Class, Zoom

THURSDAY

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

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

9:30 am Worship (sanctuary and online)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NURSERY AND *G.L.O.W. RESTARTING MAY 16 (*GROWING, LOVING, OUTREACH, WORSHIP)

Is God calling You to children's ministry?

We are happy to announce that we have a restart date for both the Nursery and G.L.O.W. on 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 at p.smith@fairfieldstmarks.com. 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 with two different sessions; April 28th @ 7pm, and May 2nd immediately following worship. We cannot be faithful to serving our children without your help! Hope to hear from some of you soon.

CRAFT SALE IN NARTHEX:

Items are handmade by our Craft Ladies. All proceeds go to the parking lot Lighting Fund. Today is the last day of the sale!

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. Please 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?!

THANK YOU FOR FLOCKING THE FLAMINGOS!

Our youth would like to thank all who flocked yards with flamingos, or who paid insurance NOT to flock their yard with flamingos. This April youth fundraiser will go toward future youth projects and mission. **Thank you!**

PART-TIME OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

St. Mark's has an opening for a part-time office administrator. 20 hours per week. A job description is available on request.

Contact Jennifer Rinker (jlrinker1@aol.com, (513) 703-5063).

St. Mark's United Methodist Church

Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.

STAFF

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| 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

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| Liturgist | Linda Payne |
| Sound | Rick Kiefer |
| Camera | Mark Hensler |
| Screen | Jennie Marshall |

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