



Geared Up for Life

WORSHIP SERIES



Giving Thanks

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ST. MARK'S
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 15, 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

Linda Payne

Give thanks to God!

**We thank God for joy, for laughter,
for abundant blessings of every kind.**

Give thanks to God

at all times and for everything!

**We thank God, when we can and as we can,
for struggles, for solitude, for fears.**

Give thanks to God

at all times and for everything

in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**We thank God that, in Christ,
our joys as well as our pain,
our losses as well as our laughter,
are in God's heart and hands.**

Written by Thom Shuman and posted on Lectionary Liturgies. <http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca>. Also posted: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/08/call-to-worship-ephesians-5-20.html>.

*HYMN "For the Beauty of the Earth"

UMH 92

*OPENING AFFIRMATION

**In a world with much evil, God continues to work
for good. In a culture which worships foolishness,
God still offers wisdom as a gift. In a time filled
with lies, God's promises are true. In a society
obsessed with "reality," God's love is constant.**

**Let us come to the One who offers the Bread of
Life, the promise of redemption,
and the grace of forgiveness.**

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*PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

SCRIPTURE Ephesians 5:15-20

SERMON "Giving Thanks"

SONG "Give Thanks" words on wall

PRAYING WITH AND FOR ONE ANOTHER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING MOMENT

DISMISSAL

*HYMN "To God Be the Glory" UMH 98

*BLESSING
Response "Take Jesus With You" words on screen
Words & Music by Gary Weaver

*POSTLUDE

(*Please stand, if able.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys/Concerns

If updates are unknown, these items are listed for four weeks. Extended concerns are listed under "Continuing Prayers."

- 8/08 Continue prayers for Dee Aiken's step mother, Norma, who is Battling Leukemia.
- 8/08 A Note of JOY! Steve and Kym Nguyen is proud to announce That their son, Jack got engaged to Marissa Schubert
- 8/05 Prayers for Eleanor McCollum who has a fractured hip. The surgery was on 8/4 and she is now recovering at Berkley Square in Hamilton.
- 8/01 Prayers for Freida's son, Don, he has tested positive for Covid
- 8/01 Diane Aiken's nephew, Drew, is getting better each day after his surgery and has a brand new shoulder. Thank the Lord!
- 8/01 Pray for Travis Franks who is only 30 yrs. old and has Covid and it's attacking his brain.
- 8/01 Please pray for my brother who has dementia and his wife that is caring for him.
- 8/01 Bud and Shirley Aydlett's nephew, Tom Aydlett suffered a serious stroke and is in the Virginia hospital.
- 8/01 Prayers for Randie Starkie who is having shoulder replacement surgery on Friday August 6th.
- 8/01 Prayers for our members who are in nursing facilities.
- 8/01 An early "Happy Birthday" wish to Lois Hill
- 8/01 Sue Luken gives praise and thanks to God for the perfect day on Friday for the wedding of Katie and Mike. Blessings on their commitment to each other.
- 7/25 For Brenda Smoot, continued prayers. Had an echogram and cardiac stress test.
- 7/25 Prayers for Karmen Lang, Patty Coyle's sister who has kidney stones and surgery.
- 7/25 Many well wishes and love to Brenda Smoot.
- 7/25 For Wilma Lucken's, brother-in-law Jack Gill. Pray for comfort as he is terribly ill.
- 7/18 Lois Hill asks for sympathy for the Farrell family in the loss of Bobby who has passed away a few days ago.
- 7/18 For Debbie Flannery's sister-in-law, Karen, who passed away on July 19th. Prayers for Karen's daughter and her family.
- 7/18 For Becky Mendenhall, Knee Surgery.

Continuing Prayers

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

All service Men & Women
Our Country
First Responders
United Methodist Church
Prayer & Bible Study Groups
Jean Stivers
Mitch Thomas

Lori Palmieri (Pat Coyle's daughter)
Merianne Cardas
Dick Brewer
Gina Hollinger
Sharon Hamp
Brenda Smoot

St. Mark's Homebound

Phyllis Tunning - Triplecreek
Dale Shreve - Birchwood, 409
Byron Jones—Majestic Care of
Fairfield

AT HOME
Greg Pullem
Sue Webster
Virginia Shaw
Eleanor McCollum
Bob Netherland—home Hospice
Paul Schutte

Altar Flowers

Given by Edith Davis in honor of husband Dick's 92nd birthday on August 14th. Happy Birthday!

In honor of Devin and Gale Goodman's 30th Wedding Anniversary on August 11th.

The rose on the altar is in honor of the birth of Tatum Hayes Howard on August 13, 2021 at 6lbs 3oz, 19" to Jacob and Camry Howard and big sister Millie. Grandparents are Jennie and Rick Marshall. Congratulations to all!

ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check out our updated online calendar:

www.fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar

Today, 8/15

9:30 am Worship, sanctuary and livestreamed. (G.L.O.W.)
Nursery open for infants—age 3.

After Wor. Membership Exploration Class

MONDAY, 8/16

10:00 am Crafter Group

TUESDAY, 8/17

10:00 am Dessert & Discussion, Room at the Table, "An Act of Love"

7:00 pm Boy Scouts, Tr. 960

7:00 pm Administrative Board

WEDNESDAY, 8/18

7:30 am Men's Prayer Group.

6:30 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY, 8/19

6:30 pm St. Mark's Cares

7:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY, 8/20

6:00 pm Youth Group Fun Night

SATURDAY, 8/21

1:00 pm Diana Griffith Memorial Service

SUNDAY, 8/22

9:30 am Worship, sanctuary and livestreamed. (G.L.O.W.)
Nursery open for infants—age 3.

6:00 pm Youth Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMBERSHIP EXPLORATION CLASS AUGUST 15

The last class is today, after worship. New members will be received on August 22.

DESSERT & DISCUSSION AUGUST 17, 10:00—NOON The Room at the Table group will be re-viewing the 2 documentaries we've already shared during the day for those who might not have been free to come in the evenings! **We will watch and discuss and "An Act of Love"**. There will be a sweet treat to enjoy. Please sign the back of the welcome card to join us. See you there.

FAITHFUL and INCLUSIVE SEPTEMBER 12:

New 6-week class begins September 12 after worship. Join Pastor Joe as we look deeply into the scriptures and grow closer to Christ. So far, 42 folks have taken the class. Sign up on the back of your 'Welcome Page'.

"TASTE THE BREAD" CLASS SEPT. 26, 10:45-NOON

The class is for families with children under 12 yrs. old. It's a fun and meaningful way to learn and celebrate Holy Communion and what it means to us as a family of Christ.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please submit your announcements to the office by Wednesday each week. Please put in Lyn's mailbox, by the church office or send to L.bucalo@fairfieldstmarks.com

SIGN UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS

Please sign up on the calendar: Name, Email/Phone located in the Narthex. The cost per bouquet is \$15.00 each. Needs to be submitted to the office by Wednesday.

St. Mark's United Methodist Church

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

STAFF

Pastor	Joe Payne
Administrative Assistant	Lyn Bucalo
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

Liturgist	Linda Payne
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