



September 12, 2021, 9:30 am In-Person & Live-Streamed on YouTube and Facebook www.facebook.com/fairfieldstmarks

## **GATHER**

PRELUDE Sue Combs

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Joe Payne

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Linda Payne

We come here today not because we are clever but because God welcomes the slow learners.

We come here not because we are wise, but because God loves us in spite of our folly.

We come knowing that the greatest persons will be found among those who humbly serve like Jesus did, and that the brightest ideas and the deepest truth will come from those who see themselves as little children in Christ's school.

O Lord, open up our mind and our hearts and enable our lives to declare your praise.

Written by Bruce Prewer and posted on Bruce Prewer's Home Page, © B D Prewer 2006, http://www.bruceprewer.com.

\*HYMN "God of Grace and God of Glory" UMH 577

### \*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.

Written by Thom Shuman, and posted on Lectionary Liturgies, http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca/. Also posted: https://reworship.blogspot.com/2012/07/confession-proper-15-b.html

### \*PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

# PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "No Greater Love" Sue Luken

SCRIPTURE James 3:1-12

SERMON "Taming the Tongue"

SONG "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

PRAYING WITH AND FOR ONE ANOTHER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

## **THANKSGIVING**

OFFERING MOMENT

### **DISMISSAL**

\*HYMN "Lord Speak to Me, That I May Speak" UMH 463

\*BLESSING

Response "Take Jesus With You"

Words & Music by Gary Weaver

\*POSTLUDE

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## Joys/Concerns

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

- 9/05 Ruth Rittenbaugh and family for loss of her brother.
- 9/05 Jennie Marshall's father Glenn Mason is ill with Covid19 in SC.
- 9/05 Mikal Marshall, great uncle of Gunnar Marshall, is currently receiving radiation and chemo for throat cancer.
- 9/05 Nisha is having a difficult pregnancy.
- 9/05 Tari Randall's son Chad and four grandchildren.
- 9/05 Dee Aiken, step mother Norma is in very bad condition; she sleeps all day and doesn't eat. She wants to stop the chemo.
- 9/05 Dee Aiken's nephew, Drew, is home cooking and still doing PT. Thank you for the prayers.
- 9/05 Susan Bunte's friend Cheryl, who has stage 4 colon cancer.
- 9/05 Debbie and Wes Flannery ask for continued prayers for Jeremy, Sheena and the family. The funeral for Sheena's mother, Mary Remus, is Saturday in Long Island, Bahamas.
- 9/02 Freida Hawkins is at Ft. Hamilton Hospital
- 8/30 Kathie Kemp's friend, MaryKay Bowling is hospitalized after complications, heart issues & pneumonia after surgery.
- 8/29 Karen Turner ankle fusion surgery on Sept. 9th
- 8/29 Bud & Shirley Aydlett's cousin Leatha has Covid19.
- 8/29 The Aydlett's give Birthday wishes to Nicole & Joey Specht.
- 8/29 Sue Luken's family in Mississippi and to those who where in the storm's path.
- 8/29 Kathleen Lang's friend as he and his family go through the end of life process.
- 8/29 A good friend in Florida who's name is Diane.
- 8/29 Clinton Ntigamu and his family.
- 8/29 To the families of the 12 Marines & 1 Navy Corpsman that lost their lives in Kabul.
- 8/29 To all of the lost men and women.
- 8/29 To all of the soldiers and their families of all branches of the military as well as those in the Middle East.
- 8/22 Belinda Peters brother-in-law, John Peters, who passed away on August 9th. Keep the family and friends in your prayers.
- 8/22 All of our college students as they begin a new school year.

- 8/22 Linda Thomas' daughter, her fiancé, Dustin Fogle has been diagnosed with progressive Multiple Sclerosis.
- 8/22 Dee Aiken's husband, Mike, who fell & hurt his knee and it is difficult to get around. He has seen the doctor.
- 8/22 Elaine Shreve asks for prayers for Julie Shreve, she fell off her horse and had a concussion.
- 8/22 Brenda Smoot has been diagnosed with a rotator cuff injury and waiting to hear back from doctor. She asks for no phone calls and visits at this time as she is on strong medication. Please feel free to text her and she will call you back when able. Since being in the ER, she is doing better but still in a lot of pain.
- 8/17 Rick Broshear has been diagnosed with lung cancer.
- 8/15 Gale Goodman, for a successful knee replacement. UPDATE: Surgery was successful and she is recuperating at home.
- 8/15 Mark Hensler's friend was in hospital for dizziness & headache.
- 8/15 Travel mercies for Maddie Hensler who is in Italy studying and traveling abroad.

# **Continuing Prayers**

Please help us keep this list current by emailing or calling the church office with updates. Contact Lyn at L.bucalo@fairfieldstmarks.com or phone 513-844-1818)

All service Men & Women

Our Country

First Responders

United Methodist Church

Prayer & Bible Study Groups

Jean Stivers Mitch Thomas Lori Palmieri (Pat Coyle's daugh-

ter)

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

### ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check out our updated online calendar: www.fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar

### **TODAY, 9/12**

9:30 am Worship, sanctuary and livestreamed. (G.L.O.W.)

Nursery open for infants—age 3.

10:45 am Faithful & Inclusive Class

12:00 pm Cavender Wedding Shower

3:30 pm Confirmation Class

5:00 pm Dinner for Youth 6:00 pm Youth Group

**MONDAY**, 9/13

Crafter Group

## **TUESDAY, 9/14**

7:00 pm Administrative Board

7:00 pm Boy Scouts, Tr. 960

## WEDNESDAY, 9/15

7:30 am Men's Prayer Group

6:30 pm Bible Study

### THURSDAY, 9/16

7:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall

### FRIDAY, 9/17

11:00 am Nurture & Care Cmte.

# **SATURDAY, 9/18 SUNDAY, 9/19**

9:30 am Worship, sanctuary and livestreamed. (G.L.O.W.)

Nursery open for infants—age 3.

10:45 am Faithful & Inclusive Class

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **YOUTH GROUP DINNERS & CONFIRMATION SEPTEMBER 12**

We will see all our youth TONIGHT for confirmation and youth group. Reminder that our schedule will be: **3:30-confirmation** class, **5:00 dinner**, **6:00 youth group**. We will be eating dinner together on these nights and asking for volunteers to provide the meal. More information and the dates of our gatherings are on a sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board. Please consider supporting St. Mark's youth with this gesture. Thank you! If any questions, contact Julie Mislansky. **YOUTH—see you in the youth room at 3:30 this afternoon! Please come to the office door (instead of kitchen door) and I will let you in.** 

## CHURCH WORKDAY (outside), SATURDAY, SEPT. 25th

We need YOU! Church (outside) work day from 9am-12pm. We will be trimming bushes, wedding, cleaning up and getting the outside area ready for Fall. Join us by bringing your gloves & garden tools. Contact Jennie Marshall or Jeff Gering with questions.

### FAITHFUL and INCLUSIVE CLASS BEGINS TODAY.

New 6-week class will meet today—10/24 (we will not meet 9/26. The class begins after worship. <u>Join Pastor Joe as we look deeply into the scriptures and grow closer to Christ.</u> Sign up on the back of your 'Welcome Page".

**BROKEN BUS RIDE AND SERVE, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25th** You have an opportunity to serve those experiencing homelessness with the Broken Bus this month. We still need 2 people to ride and serve, and volunteer to provide food. Please see Tari Randall with questions. Sign-up is on the Narthex bulletin board.

### "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.

**SEPTEMBER MISSION PROJECT, THE CARING CLOSET Next Sunday, Sept. 19th is the last day** to bring in your donations to support The Caring Closet. The Caring Closet is a ministry that

helps provide clothing and basic need to at-risk students in Hamilton schools. We are collecting specific toiletries for them:

2n1 shampoo/conditioner, deodorant bar soap, men's and women's stick deodorant, toothpaste, and feminine hygiene pads. Collection bins are in the Narthex. If you haven't shopped yet for this mission, our two "least full" bins are the bar soap & feminine pads. Thank you everyone!

# **RUTH'S CIRCLE, SEPT. 24, 1PM**

We will resume meetings on Friday, September 24 at 1pm in Fellowship Hall. Beginning October, we will meet every 3rd Friday. Ruth Circle is open to all women of the church. Please contact Pam Guynes at (513)-779-9162 or email Pamguynes2@gmail.com. Also, you can contact Charlene Miller at (513)-844-6793 or email her at chardarmiller@gmail.com if any questions.

## NAMI WALK, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9th

This is "save the date" that we plan to have a St. Mark's team participate in the annual NAMI of Butler County walk/fundraiser. Our Ruth's Circle women's group has sponsored this event for many years! More info coming on Facebook and future bulletins and let Tari Randall know if you want to be part of the team.

# St. Mark's United Methodist Church

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

### **STAFF**

Pastor
Administrative Assistant
Director of Music
Organist
Director of Children & Family Ministries
Director of Youth Ministries
Pastor Emeritus

Joe Payne
Lyn Bucalo
Chris Beiser
Sue Combs
Peggy Smith
Julie Mislansky
Bob Klingel

### OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

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

#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Given by...
Dick Davis for Edith Davis' 89th Birthday.
For Denny & Sue Mullen's 60th Wedding Anniversary.

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# **Facebook Private Groups**

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Facebook.com/groups/stmarksyouthministries Children / Family Ministries: facebook.com/groups/stmarkschildrenfamily

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