

Eyes
Of
Faith



ST. MARK'S
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 24, 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 (Psalm 34)

Linda Payne

Take heart, Christ is calling us.

He beckons us to come . . .

Come near to him.

Stand before Christ.

“What do you want me to do?” he asks.

We have come here;

We're drawn here.

We desire to be here.

To have our sight restored.

*HYMN “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” UMH 57

*OPENING PRAYER (Job 23, Hebrews 4)

Great Triune God,

As we worship you

and celebrate your glorious resurrection,

open our eyes so that we may see —

open the eyes of our mind

to learning and understanding;

open the eyes of our heart,

to love and compassion;

open the eyes of our soul,

to see our spiritual selves

during our time of worship.

Amen.

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*PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE	Mark 10:46-52	
SOLO	"Amazing Grace"	Linda Payne
SERMON	"Eyes of Faith"	
HYMN	"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"	UMH 349
JOYS AND CONCERNS		
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING MOMENT

DISMISSAL

*HYMN	"Be Thou My Vision"	UMH 451
*BLESSING Response	"Take Jesus With You"	
*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."

- 10/17 Jennie Marshall's aunt Mary Kay, is recovering from surgery and is back in nursing home with Hospice. She is having irregular heart beats and doesn't want to eat nor talk much.
- 10/17 Rick Marshall's aunt Kathy Kaczmarek, who passed away unexpectedly this past week. Condolences to the family.
- 10/17 Belinda Peter's daughter, Cynthia is being tested for possible breast cancer.
- 10/17 Bud & Shirley Aydlett's daughter, Sharon has severe vertigo.
- 10/17 Sue Luken's friend, Jason Braxton has Covid and his daughter Caitlyn is having difficulty with this news.
- 10/17 Richard Stracke having pains in thigh.
- 10/17 For anyone who is struggling & feeling lost. May God give you peace and know that you are loved.
- 10/17 Jean Bennett had a stroke. She is now at home receiving Hospice care.
- 10/17 Carl Phillippo for medical issues.
- 10/17 Richard Shaw at Mercy Hospital in Fairfield.
- 10/17 Danny Thomas upcoming surgery.
- 10/17 Prayer Group asks for prayers for Bud Aydlett and Greg Pullem
- 10/17 Brenda Smoot for a successful procedure this week
- 10/17 Americans & Allies trapped in Afghanistan
- 10/17 Mark Hensler's co-worker who has been in ICU for over 21 days with auto-immune disease affecting his lungs.
- 10/17 Pam Brockfield's brother-in-law Jerry Wallace, has renal failure and on dialysis.
- 10/17 Edith Davis' son-in-law Bob Nixon, has a lot of pain in his jaw.
- 10/17 Pam Burbridge for the loss of her daughter Jennifer.
- 10/17 Mike & Dianne Aiken thanks everyone for all of the prayers.
- 10/17 Lois Hills asks for special blessings for all of our loved ones in nursing facilities & those confined to their homes.
- 10/17 Belinda Peters thanks everyone for the prayers for her father Robert McClelland, who was in the hospital for 4 days and is now home and doing better. Praise the Lord!
- 10/10 Long time friends of Aydlett's, Jay & Audrey King living in FL.
- 10/10 Doug & Beth Ewald's daughter, Kristi and children, Jeremiah has been deployed to the Texas border for 440 days.
- 10/10 Paul Schutte recovering and moved to Birchwood.

- 10/10 Sharon Hamp asks for prayers for Joe Listermann who was like a father to her while growing up.
- 10/10 Note of Joy! June Niederman has a new great grandson.
- 10/10 Pat Pitman asks for prayers for Robbin who has been diagnosed with lung cancer.
- 10/10 Pat Pitman's sister-in-law, Carol has Covid19 and she has been vaccinated.
- 10/10 Lois Hill asks for prayers for Elisha and Abi—mother & daughter both gravely ill in Florida.
- 10/10 For the family and friends of Mary Raleigh, who passed away after a short battle with stomach cancer.
- 10/04 Jenna & Bree Sawmiller and the family of Jack Sawmiller, who died on Saturday, October 2nd. Their mother, Heather, also passed away in 2015. Jenna & Bree are the granddaughters of deceased members, Buddy & Lynda Combs. May God provide comfort & guidance to the family in navigating life changing events.
- 10/03 The Aiken family, Mike's brother, Gary Aiken who passed.
- 10/03 Donna Armstrong's neighbor's daughter, Becky Bilby has been diagnosed with Ovarian Cancer.
- 10/03 Barb, who is having an upcoming knee replacement surgery.

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 call the office (513) 844-1818).

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| All service Men & Women | Merianne Cardas |
| Our Country | Dick Brewer |
| First Responders | Gina Hollinger |
| United Methodist Church | Sharon Hamp |
| Prayer & Bible Study Groups | Brenda Smoot |
| Jean Stivers | Jean Bennett |
| Mitch Thomas | Freida Hawkins |
| Lori Palmieri (P. Coyle's daughter) | |

St. Mark's Homebound

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| Phyllis Tunning—Triplecreek | <u>AT HOME</u> |
| Dale Shreve—Birchwood, 409 | Sue Webster |
| Bob Netherland—Birchwood | Virginia Shaw |
| Greg Pullem—Parkside | Eleanor McCollum |
| Byron Jones—Majestic Care
(Fairfield) | Paul Schutte |
| | Zenith Pottenger |
| | Jim Beckett |

ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check out our updated online calendar:

www.fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar

TODAY, 10/24

- 9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed (G.L.O.W.)
Nursery open for infants—age 3.
- 10:45 am Faithful & Inclusive Class in Fellowship Hall
- 10:45 am Liturgist Class—Session 3
- 4:00 pm Trunk or Treat
- 6:00 pm Confirmation Class (immediately following Trunk or Treat)

MONDAY, 10/25

- 10:00 am Crafter Group

TUESDAY, 10/26

- 6:30 pm SPRC
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts, Tr. 960

WEDNESDAY, 10/27

- 7:30 am Men's Prayer Group
- 10:00 am Room at the Table: Dessert & Discussion
- 2:00 pm Bible Study (NOTE the Time change)

THURSDAY, 10/28

- 7:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY, 10/29

SATURDAY, 10/30

SUNDAY, 10/31

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGIST CLASSES, OCTOBER 24TH (TODAY), 10:45AM

Linda Payne is leading the class for those becoming liturgists. This is the last class held in the sanctuary after church at 10:45am. Session 3: Participants assigned scriptures to prepare & present to the class. Looking forward to seeing you there!

FALL FEST, TRUNK OR TREAT, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24th, 4-6PM

Decorate your cars, bring your candy and have a fun evening together. **This will be a car to car event. No need to bring your candy for pre-bagging!**

We will also be serving free pre-wrapped hot dogs, chips and drinks.

CONFIRMATION FOLLOWING TRUNK OR TREAT, OCT 24TH, 6PM

Confirmation Class will immediately follow Trunk or Treat.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY, OCTOBER 27TH, 2PM (NEW TIME)

Please note the time change for the Wednesday Bible Study group starting at 2pm on Wednesday, October 27th. We will meet in Fellowship Hall and we will no longer have a meeting in the evening. Thank you.

ROOM AT THE TABLE, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27TH, 10:00AM

Our Reconciling Ministries committee will be hosting another event on Wednesday, October 27th at 10:00am. We are offering a daytime option so that all have the chance to attend. We will be watching a short video followed by a discussion about how to respond when a loved one comes out to us. This is an important discussion for any of us to have. We pray that you will attend if able and be a part of these conversations.

HANDMADE CRAFTS FOR SALE IN CHOIR ROOM, TODAY!

Our Crafting Ladies are busy selling many of their gorgeous crafts for the Fall and Winter holiday season. Be sure to pick up your handmade items this week! The craft items are currently for sale and on display in the Choir Room. The proceeds go to the St. Mark's Missions.

USED BOOK SALE SPONSORED BY RUTH'S CIRCLE

Ruth's Circle is sponsoring a monthly used book sale as part of our fundraising for St. Mark's mission projects. The books are located in the Choir Room on the Mobile book cart and the cost is your donation. If you have questions, contact Alethea LaMar at (319)750-1323 . Thank you for your help with this important mission project!

ANNUAL OCTOBER COAT DRIVE, ALL MONTH

We will continue to collect new or gently used coats, jackets, sweatshirts, and other outerwear until next Sunday, October 31st . They will be donated to Hope's Closet, Serve City and The Broken Bus Ministry. Donation bins are in the Narthex.

FAIRFIELD FOOD PANTRY THRU SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH

The Fairfield Food Pantry is in EXTREME need of:

Canned mixed vegetables, canned green beans, canned kernel corn, canned fruit (any kind) and canned Soup. We will be collecting these items ONLY until Sunday, November 7th. Collection bins are located in the Narthex.

Thank you for your support.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please submit your announcements & prayer requests to the office by Wednesday each week. Contact Lyn at the church office or send to L.bucalo@fairfieldstmarks.com.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Given by...Lois Hill, in loving memory of her husband Gordon Hill.

Given by...Linda Fenzel in memory of her husband's birthday,
Al Fenzel and in memory of her mother's birthday, Elaine Vance.

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
Sound	Rick Kiefer
Camera	Mark Hensler
Screen	Jennie Marshall

DEADLINE FOR DEC/JAN NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Contact Lyn Bucalo at L.bucalo@fairfieldstmarks.com to submit content for monthly newsletters on the 3rd Wednesday each month.

December/January Newsletter deadline is November 17th

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