

WELL PLEASED

LOVE NEVER ENDS WORSHIP SERIES



Epiphany/Baptism of the Lord



January 9, 2022, 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

ANTHEM

"Christ the Babe Is Lord of All"

Bell Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Linda Payne

Arise; shine, for your light has come!

We are called out of our darkness into light.

Lift up your eyes and look around.

We rejoice in the gift of light.

Come let us worship the God of light and joy and peace.

**We come to kneel at the cradle of the babe,
the light incarnate.**

*HYMN

"Christ Is the World's Light"

UMH 188

*OPENING PRAYER

God of promise and light, open our eyes this morning, that we may see your light in the darkness. Open our hearts, that we may perceive your promises of justice and righteousness fulfilled in the babe of Bethlehem.

May we, like the Magi, have a star to guide us on our journey quest to find the one who will truly set us free.

May this time of worship bring us closer to you, that the good news of the birth of light and love

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*PEACE

Lift your eyes and look around. The light of the babe of Bethlehem shines from the face of each one here.

Let us now greet that light, rejoice that we are here together, and pass the peace of Christ, our joy and our hope. The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

ANTHEM

"The First Noel/Pachelbel's Canon

Bell Choir

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Hayden John Meyer

HYMN

"Baptized In Water"

**1 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King;
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,
faithfully now God's praises we sing.**

**2 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
dead in the tomb with Christ, our King;
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,
thankfully now God's praises we sing.**

**3 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ, our King;
born of one Father, we are his children,
joyfully now God's praises we sing.**

SCRIPTURE

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

MESSAGE

"Well Pleased"

Pastor Joe

HYMN

"Spirit Song" v. 1

UMH 347

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING MOMENT

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

DISMISSAL

*HYMN

"Silent Night" vv. 1-3

UMH 239

*BLESSING

Response

"Silent Night" v. 4

UMH 239

*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."

- 01/02 Brenda Smoot's upcoming procedures & tests in coming days.
- 01/02 (Anon.) asks for prayers for young nieces father, Chris in his 4th stage of cancer.
- 01/02 (Anon.) for friend's mother flying home Florida to Ohio for medical care.
- 01/02 Dianne Aikin's loved one who is home from the hospital.
- 01/02 Lois Hill's friends who are ill with Covid.
- 01/02 Don McAllister who is in Mercy hospital.
- 01/02 Linda Prohaska's brother, Eugene Campbell has lung cancer.
- 01/02 Pat Sena has pneumonia.
- 01/02 Elaine Shreve's grandson, Caleb Shreve is ill.
- 01/02 Doug & Beth Ewald's son-in-law, Jeremiah deployed at Texas border for (356) days. Prayers for daughter Kristi & children.
- 12/26 Bud Aydlett begins out-patient therapy for his knee replacement. Thank you for your prayers.
- 12/26 Lois Hill's grandson & family who are on the cruise ship that has Covid outbreak.
- 12/26 Marlis Hatton's friend, Dave Meier has blood clots in lung and going through some difficult life challenges.
- 12/26 All of the residents at Parkside Nursing & Rehab. Center
- 12/19 Prayers for male and his family. He is in mid-50s in ICU.
- 12/19 Mrs. Deedee Edmonson recovering from surgery.
- 12/19 The Klug's sister, Karen Kolde, her boyfriend & his 2 son's have Covid.
- 12/19 Patty Coyle's, sister, Karmen who has kidney stones.
- 12/19 Prayers for all those struggling during this time as they work to provide for their families and loved ones.
- 12/19 Susan Bunte's mother is recovering from a stroke & pneumonia.
- 12/19 Pam Guynes' friend, Pat Anthony has Liver Cancer.
- 12/19 Continue prayers for Byron Jones, on Hospice care.
- 12/19 The Hensler's neighbor, Darrell had open heart surgery on December 22.
- 12/19 Belinda Peters' father, Robert McClelland who has heart failure and is now in Hospice care.
- 01/09 Doug & Beth Ewald's son-in-law, Jeremiah deployed at Texas border for (349) days. Prayers for daughter Kristi & children.
- 12/19 Belinda Peters' niece, Megan, her husband passed away. She had just got married this past Spring.
- 12/12 Kathy Bradley's friend, Sandy Cline is in very poor health.
- 12/12 For the staff & students of our local schools dealing with stress & Covid threat.

- 12/12 Tim Dutey's nephew, Gabe had surgery on December 10th and is doing very well.
- 12/12 Gale Logan has moved to Otterbein Lebanon Senior Life Community. Dementia is worsening and she is feeling alone.
- 12/12 Linda Prohaska's brother, Eugene Campbell. Prayers for wisdom in knowing how to treat for lung cancer diagnoses.
- 12/12 Peggy Smith's friend Chris, who has cancer, she recently lost her husband to cancer 18 months ago.
- 12/05 Jennifer Rinker thanks everyone for the prayers for her mother. She continues to improve and her kidney failure has reversed and her dialysis & biopsy cancelled. Praise God!
- 12/05 Jennifer Rinker's father has a growth between his bladder and prostate. He will need a biopsy to determine if it is cancer.
- 11/30 Cindy Miller's co-worker, Sarah Haselden hospitalized in ICU resulting from a car accident. Fractured skull & injured C5 vertebra. Sarah's mother also hospitalized.
- 11/28 Edith & Dick Davis' son-in-law, Bob Nixon awaiting jaw replacement surgery.

A Memorial Service for Jean Bennett

(passed away on 11/17/2021) will be held on
Saturday, January 15, 2022 at 11:00AM in our Sanctuary

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.

All service Men & Women

Our Country

First Responders

United Methodist Church

Prayer & Bible Study Groups

Jean Stivers

Mitch Thomas

Lori Palmieri (P. Coyle's daughter)

Merianne Cardas

Dick Brewer

Gina Hollinger

Sharon Hamp

Brenda Smoot

Freida Hawkins

Rick Broshear—lung cancer

Iris Jones—rehab at Triplecreek

Bud Aydlett—knee replacement

St. Mark's Homebound:

Phyllis Tunning—Triplecreek

Dale Shreve—Birchwood, 409

Greg Pullem—Parkside

Gale Logan—Otterbein Community

Byron Jones—Majestic Care, hospice

St. Mark's Homebound at HOME:

Sue Webster

Virginia Shaw

Eleanor McCollum

Paul Schutte

Zediith Pottenger

Jim Beckett

Bob Netherland

Jean Cottrill

Dollie Gallihue

ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check out our updated online calendar:

www.fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar

TODAY, 1/09

- 9:30 am Epiphany Sunday
Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed
G.L.O.W. Preschool—5th grade. Nursery for infants—age 3
- 10:30 am Liturgist Training (meet front of Sanctuary)
- 5:00 pm Christmas Decoration—Take Down/Pizza Party

MONDAY, 1/10

- 10:00 am Crafter Group
- 6:30 pm ZOOM Bible Study

TUESDAY, 1/11

- 7:00 pm Administrative Board
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts, Tr. 960

WEDNESDAY, 1/12

- 7:30 am Men's Prayer Group
- 2:00 pm Bible Study
- 6:00 pm Handbell Choir

THURSDAY, 1/13

- 11:00 am Nurture & Care Committee
- 6:00 pm St. Mark's Cares
- 7:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY, 1/14

SATURDAY, 1/15

- 11:00 am Jean Bennett Memorial in Sanctuary

SUNDAY, 1/16

- 9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed
(G.L.O.W.) Nursery open for infants—age 3
- 10:30 am Liturgist Class (meet front of Sanctuary)
- 3:30 pm Confirmation Class
- 5:00 pm Dinner for the Youth
- 6:00 pm Youth Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JANUARY TODAY, 16 & 23 AFTER WORSHIP, SUNDAY, LITURGIST CLASS

Linda Payne will be offering another Liturgist class beginning Jan. 9, 16, and 23, 2022. We will meet after worship in the front of the sanctuary. Anyone interested, please join Linda in the sanctuary after worship this morning.

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS DÉCOR REMOVAL NEXT SUNDAY, JAN. 9 @ 5PM.

Join your church family for fun and fellowship while taking down our Advent/Christmas decorations for another year. An Epiphany Pizza Party for the helpers will follow.

OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP IN NARTHEX

Boxes of offering envelopes with unique numbers have been prepared for our church families. Using the envelopes assist our financial secretaries when they count and credit our offerings to the correct households.

SPRING CRAFT ITEMS ARE FOR SALE IN THE CHOIR ROOM!

Visit the Choir room to shop for a variety of unique handmade items and gifts. The new winter/spring items are on display starting today and the 'Monday Crafting Ladies' continue to create beautiful one-of-a-kind items throughout the year 2022.

USED BOOK SALE SPONSORED BY RUTH'S CIRCLE

Ruth's Circle is sponsoring a monthly used book sale to help support St. Mark's mission projects. The books are located in the Choir Room and the cost is your donation. Questions? Contact Alethea LaMar at (319) 750-1323. Thank you for your help with this important mission.

YOUTH GROUP DINNERS 2022 SIGN UP SHEET FOR MEALS

Thanks to all who provided meals for our hungry youth this fall! This is such a huge help to the leaders, and we are very grateful.

The sign-up sheet for meals in 2022 is on the narthex bulletin board.

JANUARY 21, FRIDAY, 1PM, RUTH'S CIRCLE, FELLOWSHIP HALL

Ruth's Circle is open to all women of the church. Come for snacks and fellowship. Questions? Contact Pam Guynes (513)779-9162 or Pamguynes2@gmail.com; or Charlene Miller (513)844-6793 or chardamiller@gmail.com. See you there!

JAN. 21, FRIDAY, 2PM, SALAD LUNCHEON COMMITTEE, FELLOWSHIP HALL

Mark your calendars now for the 2022 Salad Luncheon, scheduled for May 5, 2022. More details are coming soon. The first committee meeting will be immediately following Ruth's circle on January 21 at 2pm.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

NEW 2022 ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UP SHEET IN NARTHEX HALLWAY

The new 'Altar Flower Sign Up' sheet is located in the hallway of the Narthex. Please provide: Name, Email/Phone and type of event. The cost per bouquet is \$15 each. The order should be submitted to the office by Wednesday, thank you.

POSTPONED UNTIL SPRING, MATTHEW 25 MINISTRIES

This event has been cancelled until the Spring. For more information contact Lynne Schumacker at (513) 382-0488 or email at Lynneshoe@icloud.com.

Altar Flowers:

Happy 8th Birthday to Kallie Theiss!

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	Sue Luken
Sound	Rick Kiefer
Lay Leader/Camera	Mark Hensler
Screen	Jennie Marshall

DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

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

February Newsletter deadline is January 19th

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