# HOLD FIRMLY

*Love Never Ends* Worship Series Learning From Paul's Letters to the Corinthians Now through Transfiguration Sunday, February 27



February 6, 2022, 9:30 am In-Person & Live-Streamed on YouTube and Facebook www.facebook.com/fairfieldstmarks

# PRELUDE

Sue Combs

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Joe Payne
CALL TO WORSHIP Lynne Schumacker As followers of Jesus Christ, living in this world which some seek to control, but which others view with despair-we declare with joy and trust: <b>Our world belongs to God!</b> From the beginning, through all the crises of our times, until his kingdom fully comes, <b>God keeps covenant forever.</b> <b>Our world belongs to him!</b> God is King! Let the earth be glad! <b>Christ is Victor; his rule has begun. Hallelujah!</b> The Spirit is at work, renewing the creation. Praise the Lord! <b>Come, Lord Jesus! Our world belongs to you.</b> Calvin Institute of Christian Worship, https:// worship.calvin.edu/resources/resource-library/it-takes-grace -1-corinthians-15.		
*HYMN	"Christ for the World We Sing"	UMH 568
*PEACE The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.		
SCRIPTURE	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	
MESSAGE	"Hold Firmly"	Pastor Joe
HYMN	"Let Us Break Bread Together"	UMH 618
JOYS AND CONCERNS / PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE The Lord's Prayer		
OFFERING MOMENT		
SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION UMH 13 Christ our Lord invites to His table all who love him, who		

Christ our Lord invites to His table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. All are welcome. "Because He Lives"

UMH 364

\*BLESSING Response

"Take Jesus With You"

\*POSTLUDE (\*Please stand, if able)

# GOOD COMPETITION

The Cincinnati area is rallying behind the Bengals (Well, much of Cincinnati. I know there are fans of other teams out there!) as they prepare to play the Los Angeles Rams for Super Bowl LVI.

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United Methodists in both cities are rallying for a little friendly and good competition to address hunger insecurity.

How St. Mark's can participate: <u>Give proportionally based on your Super Bowl</u> <u>activities.</u> (<u>All donations collected by St. Mark's will go to</u> Fairfield Food Pantry. )

- Spending \$50 on a Super Bowl party? Give \$10 (or more!) in food or funds .
- Spending thousands of dollars on a Super Bowl ticket? Give a tithe.
- -Hosting a Super Bowl Party? Ask all of your guests to bring a snack to share at the party and foods of equal value for the host to give to the Youth Souper Bowl Soup/Can Food Drive. (see next page).
- Going to a Super Bowl Party? Ask your host to let you sponsor a GOOD Competition as part of the festivities to collect food and funds for the Pantry
- Doing a betting pool? Ask organizers to designate all or part of the winning pool. If not and you win, donate it all!
- Going to a local restaurant, bar, public space, or theatre for a watch party? Keep an envelope for funds to donate. Everytime you order food or beverage, tip the GOOD Competition envelope
- Not a Super Bowl or football fan give food and funds anyway!

Give all funds to St. Mark's and designate it to Good Competition. Our offering total will be included in the Ohio River Valley District offering. Meanwhile the district in California will be collecting. Let's see which district collects the most. Who DEY! Go Cincinnati! Beat the Rams! Go United Methodists! Go St. Mark's! Beat hunger!

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

# Joys/Concerns

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

- 1/30 Marlis Hatton thanks all for prayers and cards for her sister & brother-in-law. They are doing well.
- 1/30 Marta Hollinger is recovering from Covid and feeling better. Prayers do work! Thank you.
- 1/30 Dede Edmundson thanks everyone for all of the prayers.
- 1/30 Susan Bunte's mother continues to struggle with the after effects of her stroke and seizures.
- 1/30 Tomie's great granddaughter is having some pregnancy complications.
- 1/30 Jennifer Rinker's father began treatment for prostate cancer and her father-in-law has been hospitalized with Covid and Pneumonia.
- 1/30 Thank you for the prayers and the love for the youth during their retreat in Hocking Hills.
- 1/30 Sue Webster has returned home safely from Wisconsin. Please keep her in your prayers, she is having some pain.
- 1/30 Belinda Peters' cousin, wife and her son as well as another cousin have Covid. All are doing ok.
- 1/30 Belinda Peters' aunt has carotid artery surgery for blockages.
- 1/30 Doug & Beth Ewald's son-in-law, Jeremiah deployed at Texas border for (*328*) days. Prayers for daughter Kristi & children.
- 1/30 Happy 47th Anniversary to John & Linda Prohaska on 2/1/22!
- 1/23 Rick Broshear is having extra treatments & requests special prayers over the next 2 weeks.
- 1/23 Jeff Gering is recovering from bronchitis.
- 1/23 A JOY! Will Nguyen has received acceptance to 2 Medical schools so far, waiting to hear from 3 more.
- 1/23 Michelle Mix who is recovering with Covid & improving.
- 1/23 Jon Skirvin's, only 44 years old, is awaiting kidney transplant but the kidney donor as Covid. Pray for both of them.
- 1/23 Condolences and prayers for Belinda Peters' family. Her father Robert McClelland passed away 1/21/22
- 1/23 Belinda Peter's cousin, Ted Purdin passed away with Covid.
- 1/23 Belinda Peters' daughter-in-law who lives in Georgia was shot and has passed away.
- 1/23 Elaine Shreve's sister-in-law Elaine Beers has cancer.
- 1/23 Pat Pitman's friend, the Gigandet family, are grieving for their grandfather & granddaughter who have passed away within the last 2 months.
- 1/23 Becky Hamblin's sister, Debbie who has kidney stones.
- 1/23 Linda Prohaska's brother, Eugene Campbell has lung cancer.
- 1/23 Greg Pullem recovering with Covid.

- 1/23 Julie Mislansky asks for traveling mercy for Mary and for prayers for her and all of the college/young people trying to find their way.
- 1/23 Debbie Flannery had a back ablation (1/19/22).
- 1/16 Byron Jones is recovering with Covid.
- 1/16 Tari Randall thanks everyone for prayers. Wayne is feeling better and Tari has been able to return to work.
- 1/16 Penny Dole's cousin, Rebecca Randall has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. Doctors are optimistic for her treatment.
- 1/16 Prayers & comfort for a friend/neighbor who lost their 19 year old son.
- 1/16 Condolences and prayers for Dwight Clendenia family in the passing of his sister Melanie.
- 1/16 Paul Schutte, had a stroke and is in Jamestown facility.
- 1/09 Prayers for Del & Pat Burfitt. Del is having health issues and Pat is in a facility for dementia.
- 1/09 Carl & Beth Phillippo's 2-month old grandson, Tobias, has tested positive for Covid. He is Rose Collett's son.
- 1/09 Brenda Smoot's upcoming procedures & tests in coming days.
- 1/09 (Anon.) asks for prayers for young nieces father, Chris is in his 4th stage of cancer.
- 1/09 The Hensler's neighbor, Darrell had open heart surgery.
- 1/09 Pam Guynes' friend, Pat Anthony has Liver Cancer.

# **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)

# St. Mark's Homebound:

Phyllis Tunning—Triplecreek Dale Shreve—Birchwood, 409 Greg Pullem—Parkside

# <u>St. Mark's Homebound at HOME:</u>

Sue Webster Virginia Shaw Eleanor McCollum Zedith Pottenger Merianne Cardas Gina Hollinger Sharon Hamp Brenda Smoot Freida Hawkins Rick Broshear—lung cancer Iris Jones—rehab at Triplecreek Bud Aydlett—knee rehabilitation Belinda Peters and family

Gale Logan—Otterbein Community Byron Jones—Majestic Care, hospice Paul Schutte—Jamestown

Jim Beckett Bob Netherland Jean Cottrill Dollie Gallihugh

# ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

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

# **TODAY**, 2/06

9:30 am Holy Communion & Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed G.L.O.W. Preschool—5th grade. Nursery open for infants—age 3

11:00 am Room at the Table

# MONDAY, 2/07

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

# TUESDAY, 2/08

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

# WEDNESDAY, 2/09

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

# THURSDAY, 2/10

30 pm Narcotics Anonymous

### 7:30 pm FRIDAY, 2/11

11:00 am Serve City (meal for residents)

# SATURDAY, 2/12

**SUNDAY**, 2/13

- 9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed G.L.O.W. Preschool—5th grade. Nursery open for infants—age 3 10:45 am Confirmation Class and Lunch 1:00 pm Youth Group
  - "Souper" Bowl Sunday Food Drive Items

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# A SPECIAL "THANK YOU" TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Julie and the youth group would like to send love and thanks to our church family! The youth were blessed with "surprises" all during the retreat weekend; notes, cards, prayers, treat bags, sweets, pizza money, games, notebooks, bookmarks, magnets, and texts to check in on us. THANK YOU. We had a great time with lots of fun, laughs, and good conversation.

# FEBRUARY 11, FRIDAY, SERVE CITY MEAL

St. Mark's will be providing the meal for the residents at Serve City on Friday, February 11th. If you would like to donate to this meal, please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex, look for our post on our Facebook page, or call Charlotte Tierney, (513) 795-3010 or email at catierney13@yahoo.com. All items need to be in the church kitchen that day by 5:15pm.

# FEBRUARY 13, SUNDAY, "SOUPER" BOWL SOUP/CAN FOOD DRIVE

The Youth group will be doing a one-day food drive for the Fairfield Food Pantry on Super Bowl Sunday, February 13th. Our focus will be on canned soup, but any non-perishable food items, hygiene items, cleaning supplies, or pet food are welcome!

# FEBRUARY 13, SUNDAY, MISSION PROJECT: RETURN ITEMS DEADLINE

Fairfield Schools have a special school pantry where students in need can visit. Our mission will be to collect their most needed items at this time, underwear and shoes.

- Packs of NEW underwear: Boys, Girls, Men's or Women's, size ranging from 4T (toddler) through 3X Adult
- NEW or Gently used shoes, Boys, Girls, Men's or Women's, size ranging from 10 Youth through 14 Adult

So that we do not collect an overabundance of one size or age group, <u>TAGS available</u> <u>in the narthex</u>, with various sizes & gender that you can choose from. However, if you find a good deal and are led to buy more, please feel free to do so in addition to what is on your tag. Also, if you are not able to get to the church to choose a tag, please buy whatever items, gender or size, that you find while out shopping. Please return items by Sunday, February 13th.

# 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.

# 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 <u>new winter/spring items</u> are on display today and the 'Monday Crafting Ladies' continue to create beautiful one-of-a-kind items throughout the year 2022.

# MARCH 1, TUESDAY, 6-7PM, SHROVE TUESDAY, PANCAKE SUPPER

Children and Family Ministries invite you to join us on March 1, "Shrove Tuesday" from 6-7PM in the Fellowship Hall for a Pancake Supper. We will offer pancakes, sausage, and a "toppings bar" full of delicious choices for your eating pleasure! Walkins will be welcome, but to help us in preparing we would ask you to let us know if you are planning on attending by either signing up in the "Welcome Center", or indicating so on the back of the attendance sheet found in your bulletin. We will be accepting DONATIONS to go towards our summer VBS Program costs. Hope to see YOU there!

# **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.

# 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 Lay Leader/Camera Sound Screen Lynne Schumacker Mark Hensler Rick Kiefer Jennie Marshall

# **DEADLINE FOR MARCH NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS**

Contact Lyn Bucalo at L.bucalo@fairfieldstmarks.com to submit content for monthly newsletters on the 3rd Wednesday each month. <u>March Newsletter deadline is February 16th</u>

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