

Sermon Series

Wrestling
With
the Bible



Science and the Bible:
Conflict or Complement



ST. MARK'S
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 11, 2022, 9:30 am

In-Person and Live-Streamed

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WELCOME! We are glad you are here.

- Please complete the "Welcome to St. Mark's" insert and place it in the stewardship box in the narthex as you leave.
- Have a prayer request? Prayer Cards are located in the pew racks. Cards will be collected during the opening hymn.

PRELUDE Sue Combs

GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Joe

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 34:8) Eric Leyrer

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

Blessed be your glorious name forever, God. May your glory fill the whole earth.

Come, Let us worship God!

*HYMN "Morning Has Broken" UMH 145

*OPENING PRAYER

**We praise you, God almighty,
for the power you have shown in creating the world.
We thank you for your love in redeeming us from sin
and in creating us anew in Christ.**

**Grant us strength in this life to honor you, Lord God,
both in worship and in witness, for Jesus Christ's
sake. Amen.**

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

WE CARE AND PRAY

Concerns & Joys

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

OFFERING MOMENT

*Place offerings in the Stewardship Box in the narthex, or
Mail to 4601 Fairfield Ave., Fairfield, OH 45014, or
Give online at fairfieldstmarks.com/give*

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

All things come from you O God, and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. You created all that is, and with love formed us in your image. And so, in gratitude for all your gifts, we offer you ourselves, and all that we have, in union with Christ's offering for us; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

ANTHEM "God Will Make a Way" Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE Genesis 1: 1-8

MESSAGE Pastor Joe
"Science and the Bible: Conflict or Complement"
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*HYMN "How Great Thou Art" UMH 77

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING SONG "Take Jesus With You" G. Weaver

**When you leave this place take Jesus with you.
Share his love with others every day.
Share his promises and all the joy he gives you.
Share the hope with those you meet along the way,
Share the strength he gives through pain or sorrow.
Learn to forgive as He forgives our sin.
In your quiet time give thanks in prayer and
praise his holy name,
And he will bless you, and he will keep you,
until we meet here in this place.**

*POSTLUDE

PICNIC AFTER WORSHIP. ALL ARE WELCOME!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys/Concerns

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

- 9/04 For the family and friends of Sandy Cline who passed away. Send them peace and strength during this time as we give our condolences.
- 9/04 Greg Pullem's friend at Parkside, Charles.
- 9/04 Willa Ramsey's dear friend with health and family concerns.
- 8/31 Peggy and John Smith were in a minor car accident and doing okay but still having some aches and pains.
- 8/28 Our Youth! St. Mark's put out your yard signs from last year for the youth of Fairfield need to see our love and ALL of them matter!
- 8/28 Joyce Zugelter is receiving in home health care.
- 8/28 Bob & Judy Klingel's son Doug is now home and continues to recuperate and do rehab (3 times a week) at OSU.
- 8/28 Evan Huxsoll, find peace and know I love and miss him!
—Jennifer Specht
- 8/28 For ALL of the families and friends of Evan Huxsoll,
*"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
—Matthew 5:4"* We pray that God wrap his arms around you and provide peace & strength during this difficult time.
- 8/28 Jennifer Specht in the loss of her boyfriend, Evan and his family for strength and comfort. From Mom (Missy).
- 8/28 Elaine Shreve's sister-in-law, Jeannie Shreve passed away last week. Our hearts go out to you and your family and we continue to keep you and your family uplifted in prayers.
- 8/28 Bud & Shirley Aydlett's niece, Bonnie and her family.
- 8/28 Iris Jones' son-in-law Tim Beltz had tests (WCUC).
- 8/28 Hensler's family friend, Jennie Hall recovering from surgery and sepsis.
- 8/28 Greg Pullem's friend Brandy, young lady from Parkside with an unknown illness. Also, for Greg's new friend, Otis.
- 8/28 For the family of Sister Norine Hopkins.
- 8/28 Lois Hill's neighbor, Dale Hanson had a couple more kidney surgeries and is doing very well. He left for a vacation with his wife to Canada. Wow, God is good!
- 8/28 Sue Beckett's neighbor Joyce Bell is doing well and still recuperating from heart surgery a few weeks ago.
- 8/28 Gale Goodman's aunt Dorothy Townsend passed away.
- 8/24 The Goodman family and friends on the passing of Gale's mother, Rose Marie Townsend on 8/23. We send our prayers and heartfelt condolences.
- 8/21 Elaine Shreve and the family in Memorial service for Dale.
- 8/14 Peg Wyatt continues to work through illness and rehab at Sanctuary Pointe.
- 8/14 Sharieda from Parkside may need a heart operation.

- 8/14 Mike & Dee Aiken's relatives that were affected from the floods, they are still struggling in Kentucky.
- 8/14 For all the flood victims and the recovery efforts across the United States as well as around the world!
- 8/14 Prayers for compromise and peace between traditional and reconciling faith at St. Mark's.

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
 Merianne Cardas
 Sharon Hamp

Lori Palmieri (P. Coyle's daughter)
 Virginia Shaw
 Virginia Shaw's son Richard
 Ewald's son-in-law, Jeremiah **(111)**
 Eugene Campbell—lung cancer (Linda Prohaska's brother)
 Peggy Wyatt (Sanctuary Pointe)

St. Mark's Homebound:

Vivian Brill
 Jean Cottrill
 Freida Hawkins
 Carolyn Janosik—StoryPoint
 Gale Logan—Otterbein Community
 Eleanor McCollum
 Zedith Pottenger

Greg Pullem—Parkside
 Jean Stivers
 Virginia Shaw
 Phyllis Tunning—Triplecreek
 Paul Schutte—Triplecreek
 Sue Webster
 Betty Winkler
 Joyce Zugelter (In home health care)

ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check out our online calendar: fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar
TODAY, 9/11

- 9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed
G.L.O.W. Preschool—5th grade, Nursery open for infants—age 3
(Children/Family New Curriculum year begins)
11:00 am All Church Picnic—Youth will meet after picnic
6:00 pm G.L.O.W.@ Night

MONDAY, 9/12

- 10:00 am Craft Group

TUESDAY, 9/13

- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 960
7:00 pm Administrative Board

WEDNESDAY, 9/14

- 7:30 am Men's Prayer Group
2:00 pm Wednesday Bible Study
7:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice

THURSDAY, 9/15

- 7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY, 9/16

SATURDAY, 9/17

- 8:30 am BBBS 5K Walk/Run

SUNDAY, 9/18

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEPTEMBER MISSION PROJECT—THE FAIRFIELD FOOD PANTRY

We are collecting cleaning supplies for the "Fairfield Food Pantry". We are collecting: Laundry detergent, Fabric Softeners and Dishwashing liquid. Contact Debbie Bryant for details. Collection tub is located in the Narthex. Thank you!



TODAY, SUNDAY, AFTER WORSHIP (ALL CHURCH PICNIC)

Hot dogs, Hamburgers, Baked Beans, Pasta Salad, Chips, Dessert and Drinks will be provided. See you there! ***If it's raining, we will go inside church!***
Youth Meeting following Picnic.

TONIGHT, SEPTEMBER 11, 6:00-7:30 PM G.L.O.W. @ NIGHT

For children 4 years old through grade 5, we have planned a fun time of fellowship with a Bible based video lesson. More dates are set for Sept 25, Oct 9, and Nov 13
For more information, contact Peggy Smith.

NOW AVAILABLE! HOLIDAY CRAFT ITEMS FOR SALE IN CHOIR ROOM!

Come into the Choir room to see what the Monday Craft Ladies have been working on all summer! The craft items and gifts can be purchased now for this year's Holiday Season. Be sure to check it out every week as the ladies offer new items. Don't miss out, items get sold quickly.

SEPT 17, BIG BROTHER/BIG SISTER RUN 4 KIDS 5K WALK/RUN, 8:30AM

St. Mark's team is joining the BBBS Run 4 Kids 5K Walk/Run once again. We have a Sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board and/or you can register online at the BBBS (Butler County) The fee is \$30. Check-in and opening ceremony at 8:30 and the 5K Walk/Run begins at 9:30. We will meet at Rentschler Forest Metro Park. Contact Lynne Schumacker (513)382-0488 with details.



The LINK is:

<https://ca-p2p.engagingnetworks.app/24485/run4kids2022/139655/st-mark-s-Methodist-church>

SEPTEMBER 19, WOMEN'S MONDAY NIGHT STUDY, (ZOOM) 6:30PM

The Women's Monday Night Study (zoom) will be "RE-zoom" on September 19 from 6:30—8:30pm. The book study topic will be "Making Sense of the Bible" by Adam Hamilton. Contact Sue Luken for more details.

SEPTEMBER 23, FRIDAY, 1-3PM, RUTH'S CIRCLE MEETING

The Ruth Circle will have our first meeting on Friday, September 23 at 1-3pm in Fellowship Hall. (Note: This meeting is later than usual date and is for this month only). For more information contact Pam Guynes at (513)779-9162 or email Pamguynes2@gmail.com and Charlene Miller (513)844-6793 or email chardarmiller@gmail.com. ****The September calendar is located on the counter in the Narthex.***

SEPTEMBER 23, FRIDAY, SERVE CITY MEAL

We are signing up for Breakfast items such as *Casseroles*. There will be a sign up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board as well as on the Facebook Community page. Please contact Tari Randall for more information.

OCTOBER 8, SATURDAY, NAMI WALK, SAVE THE DATE

More information to come soon!

OCTOBER 23, SUNDAY, FALL FEST/TRUNK or TREAT 4:30-6:00PM

Fall Fest/Trunk or Treat Sunday from 4:30-6:00pm. Food, games, and trunk or treat. Decorate your cars. This event is open to everyone, public included. Rain date is October 30 (*following Sunday*) For more information, contact Peggy Smith.

OCTOBER 30, SUNDAY, AFTER WORSHIP, CHURCH CONFERENCE

The annual Church Conference is Sunday, October 30 (after worship). Our Presiding Elder and guest preacher for the day will be the Rev. Patricia Matthews. We will report and celebrate our previous year, remember our departed saints and receive a membership audit, elect administrative leaders, and approve the pastor's compensation for 2023. Also included on the agenda will be a recommendation from the Trustees that we sell the vacant half-acre lot behind the garages and picnic shelter. More background information and details about this recommendation will be made available soon. All are welcome to attend; voting privileges are granted to professing members of St. Mark's UMC in attendance, during meeting.

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
Director of Children & Family Ministries	Peggy Smith
Director of Youth Ministries	Julie Mislansky
Pastor Emeritus	Bob Klingel

OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pianist	Sue Combs
Liturgist	Eric Leyrer
Camera	Mark Hensler
Sound	Rick Kiefer
Screen	Jennie Marshall

DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

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

OCTOBER Newsletter deadline is Monday, SEPT 19

ALTAR FLOWERS:

One floral: Happy BIG 90th Birthday Edith Davis! (Sept. 12)

One floral: Happy 61st Anniversary to Denny & Sue Mullen (Sept. 16).

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