

The People of God
A Four-Week Series

#BeUMC

Week 1:
The People of God Who Do No Harm
Resilient, Diverse, Justice-seeking



ST. MARK'S
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 16, 2022, 9:30 am
In-Person and Live-Streamed
www.fairfieldstmarks.com

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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 Based on Isaiah 11:1-10

Linda Payne

We come to worship the coming King. The One who was and is and is to come!

**Robed in Justice, carrying equity in his heart,
Righteousness is a belt around his waist, faithfulness is the
clasps of his sandals.**

We have prepared ourselves for worship.

**We intend to do no harm; to love our neighbors and to stay
in love with God!**

We look forward to the Reign of the coming King!

**The wolves will walk with the lambs; the leopards skip with
the kids; and the calves will be friends with the lion cubs.**

**Peace will come through the root of Jesse, and we will abide
with the King!**

*HYMN

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

UMH 57

*OPENING PRAYER

**For the love you have offered to us; for the patience you
have with us; for your presence that will never fail, we give
you thanks, O Lord. Bring our hearts and spirits to you that
we may grow in our faith and service to you by serving
others. We ask this in Jesus' Name. 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*

**Note: Beginning November 6, the Offering will be received
during worship (as pre-Covid).**

*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 "I Am Not Alone" Chancel Choir
Penny Dole, Soloist

SCRIPTURE Proverbs 3:1-2,29-30

MESSAGE "The People of God Who Do No Harm" Pastor Joe
Worship Series—#BeUMC: The People of God

*HYMN "Be Thou My Vision" UMH 451

*BENEDICTION

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

- 10/12 Ann Brabbs is having surgery on Oct 20 and asks for special prayers this day and the days following.
- 10/12 Iris Jones' son-in-law Tim Beltz as he continues tests.
- 10/10 Pam Brockfield who is recovering from cataract surgery.
- 10/09 For those expecting test results. Also continue prayers for Florida friends having problems finding food.
- 10/09 Mark Hensler's brother; has chicken pox and other side effects from cancer medication. Showing improvement.
- 10/09 Sue Beckett's great grandson, Vinny.
- 10/09 Isaac & James blind at Parkside (special prayers).
- 10/09 Belinda Peters tested positive for Covid.
- 10/09 Linda Prohaska's brother Eugene Campbell with lung cancer, it has been very difficult.
- 10/09 Richard & Cindy Mischell. Richard is very ill and hopes for a lung transplant.
- 10/09 Phyllis Tunning passed away on October 8, 2022. Our prayers & condolences for the family and so many friends. Her legacy is sure to live on through the many lives she touched!
- 10/04 Carol Smallwood passed away on October 1, 2022. Our prayers and condolences for the Smallwood family and friends during this time.
- 10/02 A Joy! Steve & Kym Nguyen thank everyone for all the prayers for their son, Jack. He received an interview at Miami University and they offered him a spot into Miami's Inaugural Physicians Assistant program starting 5/15/23.
- 10/02 Steve & Kym Nguyen's dear friend, Lisa who lives in Ft. Myers for supplies.
- 10/02 Prayers for all of the families and friends affected by Hurricane Ian.
- 10/02 Joyce Zugelter thanks St. Mark's Family for all the lovely cards, good wishes, and love sent to her. Everyone has been such a blessing. May God bless you all!
- 10/02 Jennie Marshall's aunt Cindy Meredith and her family have survived Hurricane Ian with few possessions. Their home and vehicles are destroyed.
- 10/02 Tari Wolf recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- 9/29 The Hamblin family, Becky's 47 year old nephew passed away suddenly after having a heart attack. We send our prayer of comfort and condolence's to family and friends.
- 9/29 Debbie Hill's granddaughter Kylie Alcorn having medical issues.
- 9/25 Bud & Shirley Aydlett's grandson living in Florida.
- 9/25 Jeff Gering's friend, Del Burfitt's wife, Pat in Hospice care.

- 9/25 Greg Pullem's friend who has Stage 4 prostate cancer.
- 9/25 For Bud, Greg and Jeff with some health issues.
- 9/25 Rick Dunavent has cancer in jaw bone.
- 9/25 Patty Coyle's neighbor.
- 9/25 Roy Brown's brother diagnosed with Stage 4 Liver Cancer.
- 9/25 Susan Bunte's friends, Zoe and John are having difficult medical situations.
- 9/25 Ruth Stanifer's Aunt Wilma, mom's youngest sister passed away. We send our condolences and prayers to the family & friends.
- 9/25 Debi Brewer's brother John recovering from a major operation.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Phyllis Tunning
October 16, 2022 at Avance Funeral Home
Visitation: 2-4pm
Memorial Service: 4pm

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)

Ewald's son-in-law, Jeremiah (76)
 Eugene Campbell—lung cancer (Linda Prohaska's brother)
 Peggy Wyatt (Sanctuary Pointe)
 Residents at Parkside
 Virginia Shaw
 Virginia Shaw's son Richard

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
 Richard Shaw
 Phyllis Tunning—Triplecreek
 Paul Schutte—Mt. Pleasant, Monroe
 Sue Webster
 Betty Winkler
 Joyce Zugelter (In home health care)

ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check out our online calendar: fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar
TODAY, 10/16

- 9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed
G.L.O.W. Preschool—5th grade, Nursery open for infants—age 3
7:00 pm Committed, Connected, Community Event

MONDAY, 10/17

- 10:00 am Ladies Craft Group
6:30 pm Women's Monday Night Study (zoom)

TUESDAY, 10/18

- 7:00 pm Finance Committee meeting
7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 960

WEDNESDAY, 10/19

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

THURSDAY, 10/20

- 6:30 pm St. Mark's Cares meeting
7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY, 10/21

- 1:00 pm Ruth's Circle

SATURDAY, 10/22

SUNDAY, 10/23

- 9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed
G.L.O.W. Preschool—5th grade, Nursery open for infants—age 3
4:30 pm Fall Fest/Trunk or Treat (*Rain date October 30*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCTOBER MISSION PROJECT—ANNUAL COAT DRIVE

We are collecting new and gently used coats, jackets, sweatshirts, hats, gloves, and scarves for adults and kids. Donation bins are in Narthex. Share the Warmth!

OCTOBER 17, MONDAY, 7PM, COMMITTED, CONNECTED, COMMUNITY

Please join Bishop Palmer for the "rescheduled" Committed, Connected, Community Event at New Vision UMC, 4400 Reading Rd., Cinti., 45229. All are welcome.

OCTOBER 17, 6:30 - 8:30PM, WOMEN'S MONDAY NIGHT STUDY, (ZOOM)

The book study topic will be "Making Sense of the Bible" by Adam Hamilton. Contact Sue Luken for details at (513)257-8862 or suzluken@hotmail.com

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

We are planning for a bigger & exciting Fall Fest this year! There will be games, trunk or treating, and Halloween Karaoke/Dance party at the picnic shelter! Please consider joining the fun by decorating your car for trunk or treat, dressing up and handing out candy or just hanging out with your friends. If you would like to donate candy, there will be a box in the kitchen marked Fall Fest. *This event is open to everyone, public included.* Rain date is October 30 (*following Sunday*). Also, hot dogs, chips and drinks are provided. For more details contact Peggy Smith for details at (513) 307- 4509 or plsmith307@gmail.com.

OCTOBER 25, TUESDAY, 12PM, LUNCH BUNCH, BERD'S GRILL (Fairfield)

After two years, the popular Lunch Bunch is starting up again. The Lunch Bunch is a "come when you can" monthly group gathering at various restaurants. You need to make a reservation. The first lunch is Oct 25, 12pm at Berd's Grill in Fairfield. Deadline for reservations is October 23. Call Brenda Smoot at (513) 316-1807.

OCTOBER 30, SUNDAY, AFTER WORSHIP, CHURCH CONFERENCE

Our Presiding Elder and guest preacher for the day will be the Rev. Patricia Matthews. 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. All are welcome to attend; voting privileges are granted to professing members of St. Mark's UMC in attendance during meeting.

NOV. 5, SATURDAY, 9AM, HELPING HANDS ALL CHURCH WORK DAY

Come join us for an All Church Workday both inside & outside; cleaning up doing small projects. Pastor Joe will provide the donuts. Please sign the back of welcome sheet or contact Jennie Marshall. Help keep the church beautiful.

NOVEMBER 13, SUNDAY, 6:00 -7:30 PM G.L.O.W. @ NIGHT

Children 4 years — grade 5, we have planned a fun time of fellowship with a Bible based video lesson. For more information, contact Peggy Smith at (513)307-4509 or plsmith307@gmail.com.

NOVEMBER 18, FRIDAY, 1-3PM, RUTH CIRCLE

Ruth's Circle will meet Friday, 11/18 in Fellowship Hall. For more details, contact Pam Guynes at (513)779-9162, email Pamguynes2@gmail.com or contact Charlene Miller (513) 844-6793 or email chardarmiller@gmail.com.

NOVEMBER 19, SATURDAY, 9-11AM, MATTHEW 25 SERVE

There is another volunteer opportunity at Matthew 25 Ministries. All ages and abilities welcomed! We never know what the task will be but it typically involves sorting of items. Contact: Lynne Schumacker or sign up in Narthex.

NOVEMBER 20, SUNDAY, 5PM, "HANGING OF THE GREENS"

We will have our annual "Hanging of the Greens" to decorate the Sanctuary for the Advent Season beginning at 5pm. We will have a pizza party and fellowship to follow. Contact Sue Luken for details at (513)257-8862 or suzluken@hotmail.com

NOVEMBER 27, SUNDAY, 5:30-7PM, ADVENT CELEBRATION

We will have Potluck dinner with program to follow.

HOLIDAY CRAFT ITEMS FOR SALE IN CHOIR ROOM!

Check out the Choir room each week to see what the Monday Craft Ladies have been working on! The craft items and gifts can be purchased now through the Holiday Season. Don't miss out, items get sold quickly! More items for fall season added!

NURTURE & CARE MEAL OPPORTUNITY—MEAL OPPORTUNITY!

We are coordinating meals for those in our congregation, who have recently been discharged from the hospital or very ill. Please consider donating a meal. Contact Pam Guynes at (513) 779-9162 for more details.

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
Pianist	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
Camera	Mark Hensler
Sound	Rick Kiefer
Screen	Jennie Marshall

DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

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

NOVEMBER Newsletter deadline is Monday, Oct. 17

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