4-WEEK SERIES

#BeUMC

Week Two: "Do Good"

Missional, Committed, Connected, Generous

The Wesley Covenant Prayer

I am no longer my own, but thine.

Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.

Put me to doing, put me to suffering.

Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,
exalted for thee or brought low for thee.

Let me be full, let me be empty.

Let me have all things, let me have nothing.
I freely and heartily yield all things
to thy pleasure and disposal.

And now, O glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.

And the covenant which I have made on earth,

let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.



October 23, 2022, 9:30 am In-Person and Live-Streamed

www.fairfieldstmarks.com

YouTube: St. Mark's United Methodist Church, Fairfield, OH Facebook: www.facebook.com/fairfieldstmarks

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 Linda Payne
We gather as a community of compassion and hope.

Jesus calls us to care for each other tenderly and willingly.

By this caring and sharing we will be known as followers of Jesus. By our example others may be led to lives of peace.

Lord, open our hearts and minds this day to your word.

Teach us to serve you with all our gifts and talents. Amen.

*HYMN

"Love Divine, All Love's Excelling"

UMH 384

*OPENING PRAYER

From all our life's pathways, you have called us to this place, O Lord. Be with us as we listen for your word and seek your ways. Guide our steps and guard our lives that we may serve you more effectively in this broken world. 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, we will return to the tradition of passing the offering plates during worship.

*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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE Romans 12:9-21

MESSAGE Worship Series—#BeUMC Pastor Joe

Week Two: "The People of God Who Do Good" Missional, Committed, Connected, Generous

*HYMN "The Gift of Love" UMH 408

*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."

- 10/21 Ann Brabbs is doing well after having surgery on Oct 20 and asks for continued prayers as she recovers.
- 10/21 Susan Bunte's mother / Elizabeth's grandmother Judith Gross passed away on October 14. Her memorial service was on 10/19 at Maple Knoll Retirement Community. From Susan and Elizabeth: Thank you so much for the love and support always, but especially during the days preceding and following my mother's passing. We deeply appreciate the prayers and cards. Thank you, too, for the wonderful meal that you provided after her memorial service for our family and for Mom's caregivers. Pastor Joe, we will always remember your kindness at the hospital, during the preparation for the service, and while officiating. Thank you all for loving us. Susan and Elizabeth Bunte
- 10/10 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.
- The Hamblin family, Becky's 47 year old nephew passed 9/29 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.
- Bud & Shirley Aydlett's grandson living in Florida. 9/25
- 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.
- Susan Bunte's friends, Zoe and John are having difficult 9/25 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.

Continuing Prayers

Please help us keep this list current by emailing or calling the church office with updates. Contact Lvn 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)

St. Mark's Homebound:

Vivian Brill Jean Cottrill

Freida Hawkins

Carolyn Janosik—StoryPoint

Zedith Pottenger Greg Pullem—Parkside

Gale Logan—Otterbein Community Eleanor McCollum

Ewald's son-in-law, Jeremiah (69)

Eugene Campbell-lung cancer (Linda

Prohaska's brother)

Peggy Wyatt (Sanctuary Pointe)

Residents at Parkside

Virginia Shaw

Virginia Shaw's son Richard

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, 10/23

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*)

MONDAY, 10/24

10:00 am Ladies Craft Group

6:30 pm Women's Monday Night Study (zoom)

TUESDAY, 10/25

12:00 pm Lunch Bunch at Berd's Grill

6:30 pm SPRC meeting

7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 960

WEDNESDAY, 10/26

7:30 am
2:00 pm
6:30 pm
Wednesday Bible Study
Handbell Choir Practice
Chancel Choir Practice

THURSDAY, 10/27

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY, 10/28 SATURDAY, 10/29 SUNDAY, 10/30

9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed

G.L.O.W. Preschool—5th grade, Nursery open for infants—age 3

10:45 am St. Mark's Church Conference

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 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 24, 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 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; deaning 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.

GORGEOUS FALL/HOLIDAY CRAFT ITEMS FOR SALE IN CHOIR ROOM!

A sample table in the Narthex! Also, check out the Choir room for more items that are being hand made each week. The craft items and gifts can be purchased now through the Holiday Season in the Choir Room.

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.

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Pastor Emeritus

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Lyn Bucalo
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Sue Combs
Peggy Smith
Julie Mislansky
Bob Klingel

OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Liturgist Linda Payne
Camera Mark Hensler
Sound Rick Kiefer
Screen Jennie Marshall

DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Contact Lyn Bucalo at L.bucalo@fairfieldstmarks.com to submit content for monthly newsletters on the <u>MONDAYS</u> each month.

DECEMBER Newsletter deadline is Monday, Nov. 14

ALTAR FLOWERS:

One Floral: In Memory of Gordon Hill's birthday, Love Lois Hill

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