

Angels Among Us



FLYING IN THE FACE OF FEAR AT ADVENT

*Advent 2:
"Nothing is Impossible: #morepeace"*



ST. MARK'S
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

December 4, 2022, 9:30 am
In-Person and Live-Streamed
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WE CARE AND PRAY

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY (Tune: O Come, O Come Emmanuel)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God, all Spirit messengers below.

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of peace and possibility,

**we offer these gifts so that they may be transformed
into your good news for the sake of the world. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE Luke 1:5-25, 57-80

Narrator: Tonya; Mary: Ali Leguina;

Messenger: Chris; Elizabeth: Sue

MESSAGE "Nothing is Impossible: #morepeace" Pastor Joe
Week Two of the Advent/Christmas Worship Series
Angels Among Us

SPECIAL MUSIC "Mary, Did You Know?" Chris Beisler

THE LORD'S SUPPER

All are welcome to receive the sacrament.

*HYMN "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" UMH 218

*THE MISSION TO THE MESSENGERS

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING SONG

**Star-Child, earth-Child, go-between of God
Love Child, Christ Child, heaven's lightning rod,**

**This year, this year, let the day arrive
When Christmas comes for everyone, everyone alive!**

*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."*

- 11/27 Rich & Karen Turner thanks everyone for all of the love and prayers.
- 11/27 Friends of the Schumacker's, the Demois family in the passing of Mary on November 26.
- 11/27 Betty Jones' granddaughter, Kayla Bates, who is had major surgery on Nov 29.
- 11/27 The Klug's sister, Karen Kolde who had knee replacement surgery on Nov 28.
- 11/27 Sue Rumley's friends daughter who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.
- 11/27 Julie Dichtl's brother-in-law, Jim Nickens who is in the hospital with a blocked bowel.
- 11/27 Bill Dichtl's mother, Camille who is having serious health issues.
- 11/27 Ron Hamblin is in the hospital with bleeding ulcers.
- 11/27 Pat Fassnacht's long time friends, Kay & Paul Peterson dealing with a painful life transition.
- 11/27 Hattie Halcomb (our cleaning lady) mother unexpectedly passed away on Nov 22. It has devastated the entire family and we send them peace & comfort during this time
- 11/27 Addy Moxley has had the flu since Nov 26.
- 11/27 Ron Hamilton, Royce Butler, and Rich Mischell, may they be healthier very soon.
- 11/27 Debi Brewer and her father, Chuck Murray with the flu.
- 11/27 Gil & Penny Dole are home with the flu.
- 11/20 JOY! Thanking God for our friend, Rich Mischell's lung transplant surgery. He is recovering now.
- 11/20 JOY! Jennie & Rick Marshall's birth of their granddaughter, Belle Morgan Howard on 11/16. Daughter of Jack and Camry joins sisters Millie and Tatum. We are overjoyed!
- 11/20 Aydlett's neighbor Ann Weaver as she is regaining strength and good health.
- 11/18 A JOY! Jeff & Carol Gering's daughter, Stephanie gave birth to a baby girl this morning, Sophie Madeline Paige. She weighed in at 8lbs 10oz. We congratulate and are thrilled for the entire family and filled with joy!
- 11/18 Lois Hill's neighbor who is having health issue and recently discovered that he has tumor on bladder & thyroid cancer.
- 11/13 Bud Aydlett's friend, Gary Roberts who is recovering from back surgery.
- 11/13 James who lives at Parkside and is blind. He has a great sense of humor and brightens everyone's day.
- 11/13 Dianne Aiken's daughter Missy & her husband Dave are traveling from Portugal back to Columbus.

- 11/13 David & Pam Brockfield's daughter-in-law Traci & grandson Tyler recovering from Covid. Also, Traci's father Kyle Kennedy fell & fractured his back recovering in rehab.
- 11/13 Iris Jones' son-in-law Tim Beltz as he continues tests.
- 11/13 Jeff Gering is going through some health issues. The CT scan revealed an aneurism in the brain and will be seeing several doctors in the coming weeks. Jeff is still dealing with neck & shoulder issues and may be getting neck fused if other treatments fail.
- 11/13 Karen Clendenin is recovering from rotator cuff surgery.
- 11/09 Charlene Miller is moving to Berkeley Square (permanent address) and receiving therapy after breaking femur.
- 11/06 Susan Hendrickson who is recovering after spinal surgery.
- 11/06 Mark Hensler's niece, Rene and her husband who both passed away from pneumonia.
- 11/06 Jenni Hensler's friend and colleague, Kristine who unexpectedly lost her 17 year old daughter on 11/04.
- 11/06 Don Kemen's mother for health issues.
- 11/06 Ginny O'Dell's son, Charles is suffering from severe rheumatoid arthritis.
- 11/06 Pat Fassnaucht having some health issues.
- 11/06 Betty Jones' son, Martin loss of his wife and is struggling.
- 11/06 Dave Brockfield's brother, Bob Brockfield loss of his wife, Kathleen on November 2.

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 (27)

Eugene Campbell—lung cancer

(Linda Prohaska's brother)

Peggy Wyatt

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 Pullen—Parkside

Jean Stivers

Virginia Shaw

Paul Schutte—Mt. Pleasant, Monroe

Betty Winkler

Joyce Zugelter (In home health care)

ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Check out our online calendar: fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar
TODAY, 12/04 (*Second Sunday of Advent*)**

9:30 am Holy Communion & Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed
NO G.L.O.W. Nursery open for infants—age 3
OPEN St. Mark's Christmas Post Office in Narthex

MONDAY, 12/05

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

TUESDAY, 12/06

6:45 pm CYFM Team
7:00 pm Trustees
7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 960

WEDNESDAY, 12/07

7:30 am Men's Prayer
2:00 pm Wednesday Bible Study Group
4:00 pm Youth Group
6:30 pm Handbell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, 12/08

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous
7:30 pm Special Christmas Concert—Ohio Military Band

FRIDAY, 12/09

5:00 pm Serve City Meal

SATURDAY, 12/10

SUNDAY, 12/11

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARKSIDE CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE-GIFTS DUE BY TODAY, DEC 4

The Christmas giving tree is in the Narthex, please place your already wrapped gifts under the tree for each resident or staff member at Parkside Nursing Center. For details, contact Kym Nguyen.

ST. MARK'S CHRISTMAS POST OFFICE IS IN THE NARTHEX

The youth have set up the traditional "Christmas Card Post Office" in the Narthex and is ready to help with your Christmas cards list. We appreciate all donations as we sort & pass out the cards to our congregation.

DECEMBER, 2PM, WEDNESDAY GROUP BIBLE STUDY

Everyone is welcome to join us who want to learn about the bible. Currently, we are studying the book of Luke. Feel free to attend when you are able, this is a casual bible study. For more information, contact Sue McDaniel at s.mcdaniel13@hotmail.com.

NURTURE & CARE MEAL OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

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. Sign up at welcome desk. For details contact Pam Guynes (513) 779-9162.

DECEMBER 8, THURSDAY, 7:30 PM SPECIAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Please join us at St. Mark's as we welcome the Ohio Military Band for an evening holiday concert. Mark Hensler has been the director of the group for nearly 30 years and will be joined by the Bells of St. Marks and the Choir. Chris Beiser and Richard Roemer will also be performing solos with the band. For more details, contact Mark Hensler. We hope to see you there!

DECEMBER 9, FRIDAY, CALLING ALL COOKS FOR SERVE CITY MEAL

Calling all cooks in our congregation. There is an opportunity to provide a meal for Serve city on December 9. Sign up on the board in the Narthex or contact Charlotte Tierney.

GORGEOUS 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.

DECEMBER 16, FRIDAY, 12PM, RUTH CIRCLE IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

Ruth Circle December Christmas Party is a Potluck Luncheon with entrée and drinks provided. NOTE: This is an earlier start time since it's a luncheon. Bring a covered dish and \$1.00 Grab Bag Gift. For more details, contact Pam Guynes at (513)779-9162, email Pamguynes2@gmail.com. Save the Date: Jan 20, 2023

DECEMBER 17, SATURDAY, 1 PM SENIOR CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Covered Dish Senior Christmas party is Dec. 17 at 1pm in Fellowship Hall. Linda Payne will sing and Sue Combs will play the piano during our party. For details contact Bud & Shirley Aydlett at (513) 894-5209 AND let them know that you plan to attend for accurate head count.

DECEMBER 18, 5-7PM, YOUTH & CHILDREN MINISTRIES PARTY

On Sunday, Dec. 18, the Youth & Children Ministries will have their special Christmas Party in Fellowship Hall 5-7pm. Dinner will be provided. Contact Julie Mislansky and Peggy Smith for more details.

DECEMBER 18, SUNDAY, CHOIR CANTATA "Angels Among Us"

DECEMBER 24—CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES: 6:00PM & 11:00PM

DECEMBER 25—CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE LIVESTREAM ONLY

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	Tonya Leguina
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Sound	Rick Kiefer
Screen	Jennie Marshall

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