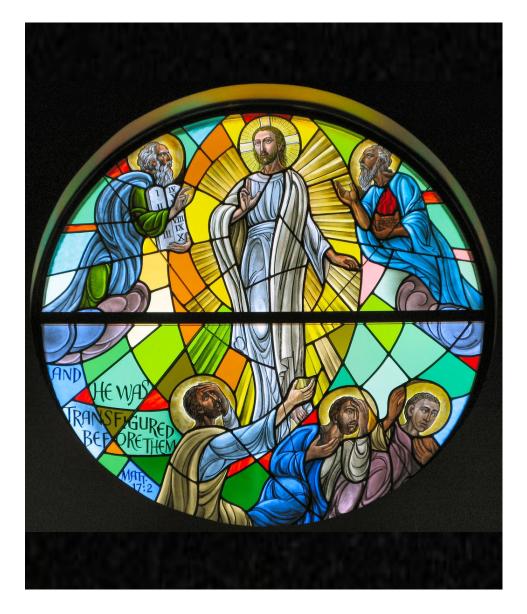


Order of Worship, Prayers and Announcements

February 19, 2023, 9:30 am



# WELCOME! We are glad you are here.

Please complete the Attendance Pad located in each pew. Pass it to the next person. When the last person completes it, return the pad to its original place, looking at the names of persons in your pew. Greet one another at the conclusion of our worship.

Have a prayer request? Prayer Cards are located in the pew racks. Completed prayer cards will be collected during the opening hymn and shared during our prayer time.

CENTERING

Quiet your hearts and minds, focusing on God's presence with anticipation.

PRELUDE Sue Combs

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Joe

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Joe

In the midst of our darkness, Jesus brings holy light!

Pierce our darkness; scatter the shadows of doubt and fear! Bring us your light, O Lord.

We seek the light but have long lived in the darkness. Bring your light, O Lord.

Help us be ready to receive that light!

Come to the shining presence of Jesus. Receive healing and hope.

Lord, our lives are ablaze with your love and healing power. Praise be to you, O Christ! AMEN.

\*HYMN

"Christ Is the World's Light"

**UMH 188** 

#### OPENING PRAYER

The darkness of winter has been our companion, Lord. Now the days are lengthening. Bring your light to us, that we might see your glory and may work for you, offering hope and peace to this world. We ask this, in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

WE PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER AND THE NEEDS OF THE WORLD

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING Offertory

#### \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

\*OFFERING PRAYER (Psalm 29, Acts 8)

As we lay before you our financial offering, we give you all that we are and everything that you have entrusted to us. Come bless these gifts for the sake of your Kingdom and glory. Amen.

ANTHEM "Be Still My Soul" Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE Matthew 17:1-8

SERMON "Glory in a Glimpse" Alfred Arthur

\*HYMN "Open My Eyes, That I May See" UMH 454

\*BENEDICTION

\*CLOSING SONG "Take Jesus With You: Gary Weaver

\*POSTLUDE

(\*Please rise in body or spirit)

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### Joys/Concerns

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

- 02/14 Steve and Kym Nguyen are thrilled to announce the birth of their new Grandson, Conner Steven Zehler born on Feb. 13, weighing 6lbs, 14oz and 20 inches long. Momma and baby are doing awesome! The proud parents are Elle and Zach Zehler, Great Grandparents are Wade & Nancy Lewis and Thong & Van Nguyen.
- 02/14 Lois Hill during her Cardioversion procedure that is scheduled for February 28. (It was moved to later date).
- 02/14 Virginia Hill update: she called to let us know that she is walking with assistance and is thankful for each day!
- 02/12 Jenni Hensler's friend's husband, Casey who had brain surgery to remove a tumor.
- 02/12 Sam Davis who is in need of new medicine for congestive heart failure to stabilize. He had a few visits to hospital with more visits to come.
- 02/12 Ginger Stephan recovering from surgery on February 16.
- 02/12 Jean Cottrill is at home and progressing with her recovery.
- 02/12 Kayla Goodman as she navigates through tests.
- 02/12 Karen Turner medical issues with tests and cancer therapy.
- 02/08 Julie Mislansky recovering from Covid.
- 02/08 Tari Randall's cousin begins treatment for stage 2 cancer.
- 02/07 Sue Webster in the loss of her sister and also for upcoming medical procedure and for ongoing health problems.
- 02/05 Ann Brabbs' son David, who needs every prayer at this time.
- 02/05 Karen Turner is home and working through health issues.
- 02/05 Larry Miller's sister-in-law Judy Miller. She has pulmonary fibrosis and has a lung infection.
- 02/05 Brenda Smoot continues through tests and is hopeful for good results.
  02/05 Jim Jones is home and recovering from swelled legs.
- 02/05 Ron Hamblin is slowly & steadily improving at home.
- 02/05 Dee Aiken's brother Steve who had back surgery and is in rehab and has a long way to go. He can barely use his hands and can't move his head due to surgery and pain.
- 02/05 Dee Aiken's friend Marianne Lackett's son, Ryan (father of three children) continues to wait for kidney & is on dialysis.
- 02/05 Jeff Gering for health concerns.
- 02/01 Jeff Gering's sister Debbie for inflammation around her heart and other health related concerns.
- 02/01 Don & Carol Ault's daughter with health concerns, having blood clotting in her lung.
- 02/01 Dick Davis is at Sanctuary Pointe & prayers for Edith.
- 01/31 Greg Pullem for back & shoulder pain.
- 01/29 David's Brockfield's brother Jerry & his wife Marian have recovered from Covid. Marion is now under Hospice Care in the Memory Care Unit.

- 01/29 Bud & Shirley Aydlett's friend of family has cancer.
- 01/25 Terrill Broshear's brother, Neal Menninger, passed away on January 23.
- 01/22 Kayla Goodman's high school friend's father passed away.
- 01/22 Kayla Goodman's friend Darren for Cancer treatment.
- 01/22 Susan Bunte's sister, receiving testing for Alzheimer's.
- 01/15 Iris Jones is home and recovering very well.
  01/15 Pat Pitman's son, Jeff Pitman who is recovering from major back surgery.

## **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.

St. Mark's future pastor All service Men & Women

Our Country First Responders United Methodist Church

Prayer & Bible Study Groups For the sick and/or homeless

Merianne Cardas Dick & Edith Davis Sharon Hamp

Iris Jones

Iris Jones (son-in-law, Tim Beltz) Charlene Miller (Berkeley Square) Lori Palmieri (P. Coyle's daughter) Eugene Campbell—lung cancer (Linda Prohaska's brother)

Peggie Wyatt Residents at Parkside

Virginia Shaw

Virginia Shaw's son Richard

Brenda Smoot

Sam Davis (congestive heart)

## 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 Paul Schutte Betty Winkler

Joyce Zugelter (In home health care)

### ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

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

### **TODAY, 2/19** (*Transfiguration Sunday*)

8:45 am Choir Practice

9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed

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

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

### **MONDAY, 2/20**

10:00 am Ladies Craft Group

### **TUESDAY, 2/21**

5:00 pm Shrove Pancake Supper 7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 960

## WEDNESDAY, 2/22 (Ash Wednesday)

7:30 am Men's Prayer group

2:00 pm Wednesday Bible Study Group 6:15 pm GLOW at Night (grades 1-5) 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service

### THURSDAY, 2/23

6:45 pm Lenten Bible Study w/Alfred Arthur (Zoom)

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

## FRIDAY, 2/24 SATURDAY, 2/25

SUNDAY, 2/26

9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed

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

4:30 pm Youth Group

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## REGISTER FOR LENTEN BIBLE STUDY LED BY ALFRED ARTHUR

All are invited to register for a 45-60 minute Lenten Bible study led by Alfred Arthur. <u>There are two meeting options</u>: following our worship service on February 26—April 2, or a Zoom Study on Thursday evenings at 6:45pm, February 23—March 30. Sign up in the Narthex Welcome Center.

## FEBRUARY 21, SHROVE TUESDAY, 5-7PM, PANCAKE SUPPER

The Children & Family Ministries Committee is once again serving a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper! Join us on "Fat Tuesday", in Fellowship Hall for pancakes with a special "Toppings Bar". To help us in our planning, please sign up at the Narthex Welcome Center. Hope you join us, Free will offering.

## FEBRUARY 22, ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE 7:00PM

# FEBRUARY 22, WEDNESDAY, 6:15-7:00 PM, G.L.O.W. at NITE

The Children & Family Ministry will have G.L.O.W. at Nite for (grades 1-5) on February 22 at 6:15—7:00pm. Note additional dates and times: Next date is Feb 26, March 12 and March 26, 6:00—7:30pm. Contact Peggy Smith for details.

# FEBRUARY 27, 6:30PM, WOMEN'S MONDAY STUDY (ZOOM)

Contact Julie Mislansky (513)505-4061 or Kym Nguyen at SKENEWY@aol.com, if you wish to join the group.

### FEBRUARY 28, TUESDAY, 12PM, LUNCH BUNCH at O'CHARLEY'S

This month we will meet at O'Charley's in (Tri-county area). Reservation for this event is Sunday, February 26. Contact Brenda Smoot at (513) 316-1807.

### MARCH 4, SATURDAY 9AM, ALL CHURCH WORK DAY

Helping Hands 2023. You have an opportunity to serve with an "Indoor" All Church Work Day. Help us clean areas around the church; replacing light bulbs, clean windows, seats & other things that may need cleaning. There will be more Save the Dates in the Newsletter. Contact Marlis Hatton (Trustee Coordinator) for details. **We ALL can join in to help keep St. Mark's Beautiful!** 

## MARCH 16, THURSDAY 7-9PM, LADIES FELLOWSHIP

We have a St. Patrick's Day Ladies Fellowship scheduled for March 16, 7-9pm. <u>Please bring a St. Patrick's Day SNACK to share</u>. Drinks are provided and we are planning a Spring Craft. Contact Peggy for details. <u>If you need a ride</u>, contact Sue Luken.

### MARCH 17, FRIDAY, 1PM RUTH CIRCLE

Join us in Fellowship Hall. Women in today's world need a place to belong and a safe-haven where they can come together, and a setting where they can go to be re-fueled. Join us for Ruth Circle. For details contact Pam Guynes.

### MARCH 25, SATURDAY, 9-11AM, MATTHEW 25 MINISTRIES

We have a volunteer opportunity and all ages & abilities are welcomed. A sign up sheet is in the Narthex (on bulletin board). Contact Lynne Schumacker at (513) 382-0488 for details.

## **APRIL 2, PALM SUNDAY/CANTATA/EASTER EGG HUNT**

All children are invited to open our worship with a Palm procession during worship, followed by our Annual Easter Egg Hunt event with Food, Crafts, Story time. Everyone is Welcome! Contact Peggy Smith for details.

## **DO YOU HAVE CHRISTMAS CARDS YOU COULD DONATE?**

The craft ladies are looking for Christmas cards (FRONT COVER of New, used, old, ugly, etc) to be donated for a project they are working on. Please drop off your cards to any one of the craft ladies or the church office. Thank you.

## **SPRING CRAFT ITEMS ARE AVAILABLE NOW in CHOIR ROOM**

The ladies are hand making the Spring items and the first batch is available in the Choir room! Be sure to look on the doors as well as the table for the cutest Spring crafts. They are adorable and will sell fast! More items will be added each week.

## **USED BOOK SALE SPONSORED BY RUTH'S CIRCLE**

Find good used books in the Narthex, plus many more on a table in the hallway, donated from Pastor Joe's personal library. The cost is your donation. Questions? Contact Alethea LaMar at (319) 750-1323.

## SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL SALAD LUNCHEON/CRAFTS/BOOK SALE

Be sure to mark your calendars for the Annual Salad Luncheon, Crafts and Book Sale this year for <u>MAY 4 (Thursday) 11AM—2PM.</u> Contact Tomie O'Sullivan 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
Administrative Assistant
Director of Music
Pianist
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

Sermon Alfred Arthur Sound Rick Kiefer Camera Mark Hensler Screen Jennie Marshall

### **ALTAR FLOWERS:**

<u>One Floral:</u> Congratulations to Steve & Kym Nguyen on the birth of their grandson, Conner Steven Zehler!

<u>Second Floral:</u> In memory of Linda Thomas' son Andy who passed away on February 19, 2019

## **DEADLINE FOR MARCH NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS**

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

### March Newsletter deadline is February 20

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