



Order of Worship, Prayers and Announcements

April 2, 2023, 9:30 am

# *Palm Sunday*

*Cantata*

IS HE

*Worthy*

*Chancel Choir*

# **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.*

*An \* invites you to rise as you are able, in body and/or spirit. Congregation responses are in **bold print** and projected.*

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PRELUDE Sue Combs

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

WELCOME Pastor Joe

INTROIT "Show Us How to Love" Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 [adapted]

PROCESSIONAL "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" UMH 278

THE PEACE

The love and peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

CHILDREN'S TIME Peggy Smith

PRAYER

*Gathering of joys, concerns...*

**Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison  
Grant to us your peace, Lord.**

*Prayers for the world, community, our congregation, ourselves...*

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Grant to us your peace, Lord.**

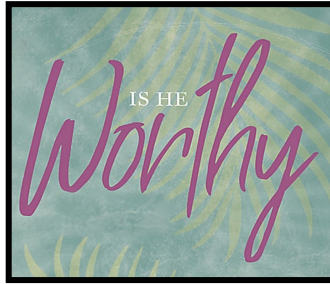
OFFERING

Offertory  
Doxology  
Prayer

**All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you,  
O God. 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. By your Holy Spirit make us one with**

**Christ one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

CANTATA



By Russell Mauldin  
Narrator: Sue Combs  
Sound Operator: Rick Kiefer  
Director of Music: Chris Beiser  
Assistant Director/Accompanist: Sue Combs

"Hallelujah to the Lamb" medley  
"Journey to the Cross"  
"Written in Red"  
"Christ is Risen" medley  
"Is He Worthy?"  
"Revelation Song" medley  
"Build My Life" medley

*A very special thank you to the Dresden Tennessee Baptist Church for the use of their Is He Worthy? accompaniment CD.*

*I want to also thank the Chancel Choir (and the Handbell choir) for their faithfulness in keeping the Music Ministry thriving at St. Mark's. What a special blessing to share time together on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings in fellowship and song.*

*A very happy Easter from all of us in the Music Ministry to each of you!  
Chris Beiser*

CLOSING HYMN "How Great Thou Art" vv. 1, 3, 4

UMH 77

\*BENEDICTION

Go forth into the world, looking for love in all the RIGHT places!  
**We will look for signs of Unexpected Love,  
keeping watch for God's love where we least expect it.**

\*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."*

- 03/29 Thank you Everyone from Karen Turner. Thank you so much for the cards, thoughts and prayers sent to me during my recent health issues.
- 03/26 Sharon Hamp's dear friend, Bill Renz has been in ICU at Christ hospital for 3 weeks. He has been like a father to her.
- 03/26 Ruth Stanifer's cousin Matthew's daughter Ella (3 yrs old), began chemo last week for optic tumor.
- 03/19 Janis Kiefer, cancer and recovering from ulcers. In Mercy Fairfield.
- 03/19 Charles Kemp Sr. admitted to hospital during his cancer treatments. Vitals are stabilized.
- 03/19 Goodman's family friend Kylie Hake is recovering from pneumonia after two surgeries.
- 03/19 Prayers for Terrill Broshear's friend, grieving the recent loss of her husband.
- 03/19 Terrill Broshear's sister Leah Menninger as she continues chemo treatments.
- 03/12 Sharon Hamp's friend Jean Richardson who was recently diagnosed with Metastatic Lung Cancer. This is very serious so please pray that the treatments work.
- 03/12 Elaine Shreve who is experiencing increasing back pain.
- 03/12 Karen Turner as she continues radiation treatments.
- 03/12 Donna Hughes having some medical issues.
- 03/09 Greg Pullem is at Parkside and continues to have medical issues. We thought it would be nice to not only shower him with our prayers but with cards as well. Please send card to c/o Parkside, 908 Symmes Rd, Fairfield, OH 45014. We know has enjoyed receiving them! :)
- 03/09 Helen Brown had a terrible fall with broken nose in (2) places, lost (7) teeth and sprained wrist, she is home recovering. She will have upcoming orthodontic work and fix her nose.
- 03/09 Pam Guynes' sister-in-law Wanda Spurlock is having some medical challenges.
- 03/08 Terrill Broshear as she recovers from chemical burns and infection on her leg from an auto accident in Florida.
- 03/05 Praise! Thank you for your prayers! Sam Davis is doing much better.
- 03/05 Joy! Debbie Hill is Eternally grateful for my mom's (Lois Hill) 100% successful cardioversion on Feb 28.
- 03/05 Tomie O'Sullivan friend, Dot Kemper and Arlene Landi diagnosed with cancer.
- 03/05 Nancy & Wade Lewis, members since 1974, are moving in to the condos at Berkeley Square in June, prayers for a safe & easy transition.
- 03/05 Linda Prohaska's brother-in-law, Jimmy Holloman had open

heart surgery, was placed on respirator, and has low blood pressure issues.

03/05 Linda Prohaska's brother.

03/05 David Brockfield's friend Paul Himes at home hospice.

03/01 Lois Hill recovering very well from Cardioversion procedure that happened on 2/28. She thanks everyone for praying and keeping her in your thoughts.

02/26 Betty Jones' friend Sharon Revel diagnosed with Stage 4 Cancer.

02/26 Mark Huffman is battling Stage 4 Desmoplastic Melanoma

02/26 Dee Aiken's friend Nancy Compton is having kidney removed and a tumor.

02/26 Linda Prohaska's brother Eugene Campbell update, he feels good at times and prays when it's challenging. He is looking forward to his daughter having her first child in April, named William Matthes which will be Eugene's 3rd grandchild.

## **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](mailto:L.bucalo@fairfieldstmarks.com) or call the office (513) 844-1818.

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

Zediith 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](http://fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar)  
**TODAY, 4/02 (Palm Sunday/Cantata/Easter Egg Hunt)**

9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed  
(Children's Palm procession and then children's moment)  
NO G.L.O.W. Nursery open for infants—age 3

After worship Lenten Bible Study w/Alfred Arthur

### MONDAY, 4/03

10:00 am Ladies Craft Group

### TUESDAY, 4/04

6:30 pm CYF Meeting  
7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 960  
7:00 pm Trustees

### WEDNESDAY, 4/05

7:30 am Men's Prayer group  
2:00 pm Wednesday Bible Study Group  
6:30 pm Hand Bell Practice  
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, 4/06

10:00 am Small Group Bible Study  
7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service  
7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

### FRIDAY, 4/07 (Good Friday)

### SATURDAY, 4/08

### SUNDAY, 4/09 (Easter Sunday)

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TODAY LENTEN BIBLE STUDY LED BY ALFRED ARTHUR:

A 45-60 minute Lenten Bible study in Fellowship Hall, led by Alfred Arthur that is In-person Only follows our worship service. Today is the last day.

### TODAY, 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.

### *This is the Easter Egg Event Timeline:*

10:45—Craft in Fellowship Hall;  
11:30—Easter story in the Sanctuary;  
11:45—Easter Egg Hunt by Age Groups;  
12-ish—Lunch served in the Picnic shelter area. See you there!

### APRIL 9, EASTER SUNDAY

"He is Risen!" We will have Holy Communion today and a reminder to pick up your Easter Flowers after service.

### APRIL 21, FRIDAY, 1PM RUTH CIRCLE, FELLOWSHIP HALL

Brenda Smoot will be doing the program titled: "*The Cross and Easter isn't over...ever!*" 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.

**APRIL 23, SUNDAY, 6:00-7:30PM, GLOW at NIGHT (grades 1-5)**

The Children & Family Ministry will have G.L.O.W. at Night on April 23, at 6:00—7:30pm. Contact Peggy Smith for details.

**APRIL 25, TUESDAY, 12PM, LUNCH BUNCH at RIB CITY (Hamilton)**

This month we will meet at Rib City, 746 N.W. Washington Blvd., Hamilton, OH 45013. **Reservation for this event is April 23.** Contact Brenda Smoot at (513) 316-1807.

**APRIL 30, SPECIAL SUNDAY SERVICE!**

Mark your calendars for a Special Sunday Service with the St. Mark's Music Ministry and Linda Payne's poetry.

**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. The cost is your donation. Contact Alethea LaMar at (319) 750-1323.

**MAY 4, THURSDAY 11AM, ANNUAL SALAD LUNCHEON & CRAFTS**

Mark your calendars for the popular and well attended Annual Salad Luncheon and Crafts/Book Sale this year for May 4, 11am-2pm. Contact Tomie O'Sullivan for more details.

**MAY 6, SATURDAY 9AM, ALL CHURCH WORK DAY—HELPING HANDS**

Helping Hands 2023: There is an opportunity to serve with an All Church Work Day. *Tonya Leguina is Trustee coordinator this month.* We will clean up areas across the church, replace light bulbs, wipe down seats and windows, weed the flower beds or any area that you've seen that needs attention. We all can join in to help keep St. Mark's beautiful!

**MAY 6, BROKEN BUS MINISTRY**

We have an opportunity to volunteer at the Broken Bus by cooking a meal and/or helping serve that day. Contact Tari Randall.

**MAY 12, SERVE CITY MEAL, SOUP THEME AND SERVE**

**MAY 14 MOTHER'S DAY SUNDAY AND HAT DAY**

Mark your calendars and wear your favorite hat on Mother's Day.

**MAY 21, GRADUATE SUNDAY**

If you are a 2023 high school or college graduate, please contact the church office with this info: Name, graduation date, degree, future plans and i(4-5) mages. We want to create "through the years"

**JULY 9—13, SAVE THE DATE: VBS "HERO HOTLINE"**

# **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
Pianist	Julie Mislansky
Pastor Emeritus	Bob Klingel
Seminary Intern	Alfred Arthur

## **OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

Sound	Rick Kiefer
Camera	Mark Hensler
Screen	Jennie Marshall

## **DEADLINE FOR MAY NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS**

Contact Lyn Bucalo at [L.bucalo@fairfieldstmarks.com](mailto:L.bucalo@fairfieldstmarks.com) to submit content for monthly newsletters on the 3rd Monday each month.

**April Newsletter deadline is April 17**

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