

Order of Worship, Prayers and Announcements
May 21, 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.

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

CENTERING

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

PRELUDE

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Handbells

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 100)

We gather to celebrate and joyfully sing to our God! Together, let us share our praises and thankfulness. **Come, let us enter into this sacred space with praise.**

You O God, are the Holy God always and forever! You are the Eternal One from whom all things come. Come, let us enter into this sacred space with thanks.

O God, we are your children, created by and with your love. Come, let us enter into this sacred space with joy and delight. Amen.

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*OPENING HYMN "We Are Marching in the Light of God"

*GATHERING WORDS AT GRADUATION

~ posted on A Preacher Musing, June, 2016. https://preachermusings.wordpress.com/2016/06/30/graduation-june-26-2016/

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

ACOLYTE RECOGNITION

Peggy Smith

ANTHEM "Someboo

"Somebody's Knockin' at Your Door"

Handbells

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

High School: Jenn Specht, Engelle Arthur College: Maddie Hensler, Autumn Roemer Post Grad: Lauren Dichtl, Zach Dichtl

ANTHEM "It Is Well" Chancel Choir

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

Offertory

Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Holy God and author of our existence; our story is part of a greater story, and your hand is visible on every page and every scene. As we offer gifts this day, we pray they might be used to strengthen the story of faith that will be told by those who will come after we are gone. We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen. (1 Peter 3:13-22)

SCRIPTURE John 14:1-6; 20:19-22

MESSAGE "Living the Jesus Way" Pastor Joe

HYMN "Breathe On Me, Breath of God" UMH 420

RECOGNITION Pastor Joe & Jennifer Rinker,

SPRC chair

Julie Mislansky, Director of Youth Ministries

*CLOSING HYMN "Here I Am, Lord" UMH 593

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION The Lord Bless Your and Keep You"

*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."

- 05/14 Jeff Gering as he works through recent shoulder surgery on May 19 and some other medical issues including heart.
- 05/14 Lois Hill's friend, Rev. Jim Moxley, a former pastor, passed on May 15 at the Ohio Living facility. Comfort and condolences to everyone that knew him.
- 05/14 Roger Roark continues to gradually improve from pneumonia. He is temporarily moving to: Everest Rehab 7810 Bethany Road, Liberty Township, OH 45044
- 05/14 Debbie Hill's cousin, Bob Itill in Mercy hospital with a long road to recovery after being very ill.
- 05/07 Hugh Guyne's sister, Wanda Spurlock passed away. Pray for comfort to the family and friends.
- 05/07 Charlene Miller is working through health issues.
- 05/07 from Lauren Leyrer, pray for Nana's cousin, Bob. In the hospital and not doing well.
- 05/07 Prayers for safety as Sarah Luken and fellow police officers participate in the Police Unity Tour, a 300 mile bike from New Jersey to Washington D.C.
- 04/30 Cheryl Klug had a catheter ablation procedure on May 5.
- 04/23 Elaine Shreve's son, Christopher Shreve having heart symptoms. He recently had Cardiac Catheterization.
- 04/23 Helen Brown had cardioversion on April 27.
- 04/23 Jenni Hensler's friend who is dealing with major health concerns with both of her parents.
- 04/23 Jenni Hensler's sister-in-law, a breast cancer survivor who has a spot on one of her ribs.
- 04/23 Ruth Stanifer's cousin Matthew's 3 year old daughter Ella received her 6th chemo treatment for optic tumor.
- 04/16 Mark Huffman is battling Desmoplastic Melanoma & currently receiving chemo treatments.
- 04/16 Mark Hensler had some tests, pray they are favorable.
- 04/11 JOY! Becky Hamblin's friend, Rich Mischell has made it home 5 months after a lung transplant.
- 04/03 Our sincerest condolences for the family and friends of Vivian Brill who passed away on March 18, 2023.
- 04/02 Pam Guynes' dear friend Pat Anthony who has breast cancer that spread to her bones and liver.
- 04/02 Debbie Elston working through pain in back & leg.
- 04/02 Nancy & Wade Lewis, members since 1974, are moving in to the condos at Berkeley Square in June, prayers for a safe & easy transition.

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.

For Pastor Mark and Diana Gregory 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 Sam Davis (congestive heart) Jeff Gering

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
Parkside Residents
Virginia Shaw
Virginia Shaw's son Richard
Brenda Smoot

St. Mark's Homebound:

Sharon Hamp Lois Hill

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, 5/21 (Graduate Recognition/Julie's Last Day)

9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed

Children Worship with adults, Nursery open for infants—age 3

4:00pm District Spring Celebration

6:00pm GLOW at NIGHT

MONDAY, 5/22

10:00 am Ladies Craft Group

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

TUESDAY, 5/23

12:00 pm Lunch Bunch at Snow's Lakeside

7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 960

WEDNESDAY, 5/24

7:30 am Men's Prayer group

2:00 pm Wednesday Group Bible Study

6:30 pm Hand Bell Practice 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, 5/25

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY, 5/26 SATURDAY, 5/27 SUNDAY, 5/28

9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed

GLOW Preschool—5th grade, nursery open for infants—age 3

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAY 21, TODAY, 4-6PM, DISTRICT SPRING CELEBRATION

The District Spring Celebration is today at St Mark's from 4-6pm. This is an annual event and this year St. Mark's is hosting. We will recognize transitions in ministry: retirements, new appointments, leadership transfers, and recognitions of personal life changes. It's a celebration of our connectional life together.

MAY 21, TODAY, 6:00-7:30PM, GLOW at NIGHT (grade 1-5)

The Children & Family Ministry (CYF) will have GLOW at Night 6:00—7:30pm. Let's have a night of fun & games, bring a friend and a beach towel! Contact Peggy Smith for details. *Save dates*: June 11.

MAY 22-JUNE 12, MONDAY, 6:30PM, WOMEN'S (ZOOM) STUDY

All are welcome! We are discussing the book, "The Women of the Bible Speak" led by Kym Nguyen. For details contact Kym at SKENEWY@aol.com

MAY 23, TUESDAY, 12PM, LUNCH BUNCH at SNOW'S LAKESIDE

4344 Dry Ridge Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45252, **Reservations for this event are due May 21.** Contact Brenda Smoot at (513) 316-1807. This will be the last luncheon before summer break and we will resume in September.

JUNE 1-3, WEST OHIO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Location: DAYTON CONVENTION Center. The theme is committed, connected and community.

JUNE 3, SATURDAY 9AM, ALL CHURCH WORK DAY—HELPING HANDS

Bill Dichtl is Trustee coordinator this month. We have a list of small projects; replace light bulbs, wipe down seats and windows, etc. More details to come. Contact Jennie Marshall (513) 515-1224.

JUNE, BROKEN BUS MINISTRY

Bring a meal or desserts for the Broken Bus. For more details, contact Tari Randall (513)518-2210

JUNE 8, THURSDAY 11AM, SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY

Getting a small group together in the Heritage Room. Contact Pam Guynes for details at (513) 779-9162 or email Pamguynes2@gmail.com

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

Contact Peggy Smith for details

JUNE 10, SATURDAY, FAMILY PROMISE DOT DASH 5K WALK/RUN

More information is coming soon, contact Tari Randall or Kym Nguyen.

JUNE 11, AFTER WORSHIP, RETIREMENT CELEBRATION PICNIC

Pastor Joe's last Sunday at St. Mark's is June 11, and then that week they load the U-Haul and make their big move to Minnesota. Before they depart we'd like to have one more fun gathering. So, following worship services, please join Joe and Linda at the picnic shelter for a grilled hamburgers and hotdogs, plus sign up in the Welcome Center to bring a side or dessert if you wish. The picnic tables will be up, but you are encouraged to bring lawn chairs if you have them in case there is a crowd. The Nurture & Care Committee is hosting this gathering. Y'ALL COME.

LOOKING AHEAD....

Chris and Sue are having a special Music Sunday planned for <u>June 18</u>, and our intern, <u>Alfred Arthur, will preach June 25</u> (this will be his last official day as intern). Also, I have asked the Rev. Joe Hadley, retired clergy, to be on call to officiate any funerals that may possibly occur (we hope not) between my departure and the arrival of Pastor Mark. (—Pastor Joe)

St. Mark's United Methodist Church

Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

STAFF

Pastor Joe Payne Lyn Bucalo Administrative Assistant Director of Music Chris Beiser Sue Combs **Pianist** Director of Children & Family Ministries Peggy Smith **Directory of Youth Ministries** Julie Mislansky Pastor Emeritus Bob Klingel Alfred Arthur Seminary Intern

OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Sound Rick Kiefer
Camera Mark Hensler
Screen Jennie Marshall

DEADLINE FOR JULY NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

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

July Newsletter deadline is June 19

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