



Order of Worship, Prayers and Announcements

July 2, 2023, 9:30 am

**Welcome**  
**Pastor Mark Gregory**



**New Beginnings**

## **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.*

---

### GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Sue Combs

WELCOME Pastor Mark

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the LORD!

Praise His name!

Tell the whole world what He has done—

His mighty acts on our behalf.

**Sing to the LORD,**

**for He has done wonderful things for us!**

Raise your hearts and voices!

shout and sing your praise!

For great is the Holy One who lives among us! Amen

\*OPENING HYMN "To God Be The Glory" UMH 98

#### \*OPENING PRAYER

**God, the encourager, God, the compassionate,  
God, the merciful, holy, blessed:**

**Disturb us. Rouse us from our sleep.**

**Lift us into consciousness of your presence.**

**Change us, move us, mold us for the better;**

**so that, at the sound of your voice,**

**at the call of our name,**

**we will never be the same.**

**May our worship do this and so much more,**

**in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The love and peace of Christ be with you!

**And also with you!**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Peggy Smith

SPECIAL MUSIC

Angela Crum

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING MOMENT

Offertory

Angela Crum

Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**You are an abundant God and out of Your great mercy  
You have given us so much. We give You this offering  
today. With it we worship You and give our whole selves  
to You. Please now take it and use it for Your kingdom  
and Your glory. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE:

Joshua 24: 14-15

MESSAGE

"New Beginnings"

Pastor Mark

HOLY COMMUNION: *All are welcome to receive the sacrament.*

Invitation: As we come to the table of God's heavenly feast, let us prepare our hearts anew to be in communion with one another, with our Christian family around the world, and with the risen Christ.

The Great Thanksgiving  
Receiving the Bread and Cup  
Prayer

Responses on UMH 15

\*CLOSING HYMN

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

UMH 140

\*BENEDICTION

\*CLOSING SONG

"Take Jesus With 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."*

- 6/25 Men's prayer group: Thank you to ALBERT (correct name) for being part of the group and we welcome Dave Brockfield who has recently joined our group.
- 6/25 Lauren Leyrer had a mild concussion, pray that she feels better soon.
- 6/22 Lois Hill asks for prayers for a young man who is having some challenging and hard times. Pray for guidance.
- 6/18 Kurt Phillippo who is dealing with heart issues.
- 6/18 Safe traveling to Marlis Hatton and when she returns home.
- 6/18 Belinda Peters' brother-in-law James Hinson, who passed away recently. Please keep the family and friends in your prayers and we send our condolences and sympathy to them during this difficult time.
- 6/18 Safe travels for Pam Brockfield as she travels to Scotland and back home.
- 6/18 Susan Bunte, for recovery from surgical procedure and outcome.
- 6/18 Wade & Nancy Lewis are moved into Berkeley Square Retirement Community and all went well. Thank you for all of the prayers and concerns as everyone prepared them to move. ***This is their new address: 27 Patriot Crescent, Hamilton, OH 45013.***
- 6/11 Joey Specht's girlfriend Sydney after having knee surgery.
- 6/11 Gail Phelps battling cancer.
- 6/11 Doug Ewald as he recovers from knee surgery June 9.
- 6/11 Terrill Broshear's mother-in-law Viola Pater hurt her back.
- 6/11 Andrew Meister, a young man having brain surgery to hopefully reduce his seizures.
- 6/11 For the family, friends, and students of Choral director Jeff Clark who passed away on June 6 after a brief battle with colon cancer.
- 6/11 Debi Brewer recovering from open heart bypass surgery on June 12.
- 6/11 Continued prayers for those grieving the loss of their loved ones and remember in thanksgiving the lives of these persons:  
Charles (Charlie) Kemp Sr. passed away on May 29, services were held on June 10.  
Carolyn Janosik, who passed away on May 29, services were held on June 9.  
Ardean Pitman, who passed away on May 27, services were held on June 15.
- 6/04 Continued prayers and wholeness for John Smith who is recovering from a serious fall and is receiving therapy.
- 6/04 Brockfield's friend, Rob Pohlman who has throat cancer is in hospital for cardiac arrest.

- 6/04 A Joy! Ruth Stanifer's cousin Matthew's 3 year old daughter Ella received her 9th chemo treatment for optic tumor. The joy we share is that it is shrinking! Thank you for your continued prayers.
- 6/04 Praising God! Sue Luken's brother Randy was recently diagnosed with Lymphoma but his doctor says it is treatable as well as curable! Please continue prayers as he begins chemo treatments.
- 6/04 Brenda's sister Linda as she recovers from having facial surgery due to skin cancer.
- 6/04 "Jade", a 14 year old run away.

### **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.

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  
 Sharon Hamp  
 Lois Hill

Iris Jones  
 Iris Jones (son-in-law, Tim Beltz)  
 Charlene Miller (Berkeley Square)  
 Lori Palmieri (P. Coyle's daughter)  
 Linda Prohaska (breast cancer)  
 Eugene Campbell—lung cancer  
 (Linda Prohaska's brother)  
 Peggie Wyatt  
 Parkside Residents  
 Virginia Shaw's son Richard  
 Brenda Smoot  
 John Smith  
 Loretta Poe (Kaden & Kallie grandma)

### **St. Mark's Homebound:**

Jean Cottrill  
 Freida Hawkins  
 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](http://fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar)

### TODAY, 7/02 Pastor Mark Gregory—Welcome

9:30 am Holy Communion & Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed  
NO GLOW, nursery open for infants—age 3

After worship Welcome Pastor Mark & Diana Celebration (Fellowship Hall)

### MONDAY, 7/03

10:00 am Ladies Craft Group

### TUESDAY, 7/04 Happy Independence day! (Offices closed)

7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 960

### WEDNESDAY, 7/05

7:30 am Men's Prayer group

### THURSDAY, 7/06

10:00 am Small group Bible study

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

### FRIDAY, 7/07

### SATURDAY, 7/08

VBS set up

### SUNDAY, 7/09

9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed

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

6:30 pm VBS Begins

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### JULY 2, AFTER WORSHIP, A WELCOME CELEBRATION!

Join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship for a "Welcome Celebration" in honor of Pastor Mark and Diana Gregory.

### JULY 9—13, 6:30-8:30PM, VBS "HERO HOTLINE"

Join us for VBS from 6:30—8:30pm. Sign up using this link:

<https://stmarksunc.mycokeburyvbs.com> or Contact Peggy Smith for details

### JULY MISSION PROJECT:

We are collecting school supplies for the children in the Fairfield School District. A list of supplies needed are on the Narthex bulletin board. The bins are located in the Narthex. For questions, contact Jenni Hensler.

#### *The shopping list:*

Headphones or Earbuds (not wireless), Standard Crayola Crayons (24 count), Fiskars Scissors, Glue sticks, 4oz bottle of White Elmer's Glue, #2 pencils w/ erasers, Yellow Highlighters, Dry Erase markers (low odor), 2 Pocket—Folders w/fasteners in (red, blue, green, yellow, orange)

\*Watch for Back-to--School sales of these items.

### JULY 29, 9-11AM, MATTHEW 25 MINISTRIES

Sign up on the Narthex bulletin board to volunteer at Matthew 25. For more details, contact Lynne Schumacher at [lynneshoe@icloud.com](mailto:lynneshoe@icloud.com).

**JULY 30, After Worship, LADIES FELLOWSHIP-FINDLAY MARKET**

Hey Ladies, we are planning to carpool down to Findlay Market for lunch and shopping on July 30. For more details contact Sue Luken. More details will be coming soon. A sign up sheet will be at the Welcome counter.

**LADIES MONDAY NIGHT ZOOM STUDY**

The ladies Monday night zoom study will reconvene at the end of August. However, we are reading, "The Red Tent" by Anita Diamant over the summer if anyone would like to join, we will discuss this at our first meeting in August. Contact Kym Nguyen for more information. Enjoy the summer!

**AUGUST 5, SATURDAY 9AM, ALL CHURCH WORK DAY—HELPING HANDS**

*Jennie Marshall is Trustee coordinator this month.* Contact Jennie Marshall (513) 515-1224 for details.

**THANK YOU!**

\*A Big Thank you to Rev. Joe Hadley for helping us and being "on call" during our transition period while Pastor Mark Gregory gets moved and settled in. We greatly appreciate you!

# St. Mark's United Methodist Church

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

## STAFF

Pastor	Mark Gregory
Administrative Assistant	Lyn Bucalo
Director of Music	Chris Beiser
Pianist	Sue Combs
Director of Children & Family Ministries	Peggy Smith
Pastor Emeritus	Bob Klingel

## OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Sound	Rick Kiefer
Camera	Mark Hensler
Screen	Jennie Marshall

## ALTAR FLOWERS:

*One floral: Welcome Pastor Mark & Diana Gregory*

*One floral: Happy 72 Anniversary (July 1) to Dick & Edith Davis*

*One floral: Wedding Anniversary of Gordon & Lois Hill, this would have been their 74th.*

## DEADLINE FOR AUGUST 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.

**August Newsletter deadline is July 17!**

## **St. Mark's United Methodist Church**

4601 Fairfield Ave.

Fairfield, OH 45014

513.844.1818

[www.Fairfieldstmarks.com](http://www.Fairfieldstmarks.com)

### SOCIAL MEDIA

[www.Facebook.com/fairfieldstmarks](http://www.Facebook.com/fairfieldstmarks)

[facebook.com/groups/fairfieldstmarks](http://facebook.com/groups/fairfieldstmarks)

[www.Facebook.com/groups/stmarksyouthministries](http://www.Facebook.com/groups/stmarksyouthministries)

[www.facebook.com/groups/stmarkschildrenfamily](http://www.facebook.com/groups/stmarkschildrenfamily)

WIFI: StMarks Guest

PW: HelloFairfield