

Order of Worship, Prayers and Announcements August 13, 2023, 9:30 am



"Patience..."

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.

WELCOME/GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Sue Combs

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Our help is in the name of the Lord our God, the Maker of heaven and earth, who comes to our aid in times of need, who gives us the courage to do what we know is right, who invites us to turn away from the influences of the world around us

and confess Him alone as Saviour and Lord.

This is our God!

Let's worship together.

*OPENING HYMN

"Take Time to Be Holy"

UMH 395

*OPENING PRAYER

Loving and Gracious God—Holy one of Israel tender one to all who call upon you with repentant and believing hearts:

bless us, we pray, with your presence this day. Teach the little ones who have gathered to learn your

ways,
inspire those who seek your wisdom, energize those who

are exhausted,

comfort those who grieve, and strengthen those who are weak.

Indeed, O God, fill all of our hearts with your praise and lead us in holiness and righteousness in this hour and in the hours to come.

We ask it in Jesus' name. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE
The love and peace of Christ be with you!
And also with you!

CHILDREN'S TIME: Blessing of Backpack's Peggy Smith
Pastor Mark

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS PASTORAL PRAYER THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING MOMENT
Offertory
Doxology
Prayer of Thanksgiving

*HYMN "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" UMH 382

SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 4:2; Romans 5:3-5

SERMON MESSAGE "Patience..." Pastor Mark

*CLOSING HYMN "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" UMH 430

*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."

- 8/08 Pat Sena had a fall breaking her ankle in 3 places. She has had surgery and on the mend in Ft. Hamilton hospital.
- 8/06 Sue Luken's brother Randy was able to visit with the family. He recently received his 3rd round of Chemo and has minimal side affect. Continued prayers as he continues his fight again Lymphoma.
- 8/06 Linda Prohaska, prayers of thanks as she continues to recover. She received great results back from tests. No chemo or radiation is needed. God is Good!
- 8/06 Dee's husband Mike Aiken having some problems with breathing & blood flow.
- 8/06 Cheryl Kemen is continuing to recover from pneumonia & Bronchitis. She is working on her strength.
- 8/06 Helen Bowman continues to get better each day.
- 8/06 The Brockfield's (niece/nephew), Curt & Chris Morress and Cathy O'Keefe on the death of their father. With Sympathy as they traverse through this challenging time.
- 8/06 For the family & friends of Bob Hill who passed away last week.
- 8/06 Pat Coyle's family member Doug Geisz and friend of the family Claudia.
- 8/06 Roy & Helen Brown in your prayers, Roy has covid.
- 8/06 Prayers for staff and students as the new school year begins for Fairfield.
- 8/06 Jennifer Rinker's mom as she recovers nicely from hip replacement surgery on August 7.
- 8/06 Susan Bunte recovering from Covid.
- 8/06 Elaine Shreve fighting through back pain. Received injections but still having pain.
- 7/30 Best wishes to Zachary Dichtl as he heads out to Purdue.
- 7/30 Happy 26th birthday to Zachary Dichtl. We thank God for blessing our family with the gift of Zachary—Mom & Dad.
- 7/30 Patty Coyle is nicely recovering at home from some health issues.
- 7/30 Eric, Michele & Lauren Leyrer and Steve Hill all recovering from the Flu.
- 7/30 Bob Hill who was in Mercy after having a fall last week.
- 7/30 Gerri Anderson is healing from a fractured shoulder.
- 7/30 Betty Stover is in critical care in the hospital (NY). Her son called to inform us of the situation and will continue to keep us posted.
- 7/23 Helen Bowman working through some health problems.
- 7/23 Virginia Shaw's son, Richard was admitted to Ft. Hamilton hospital for a very red and swollen leg.

- 7/09 Ann Brabb's sister in law, Maureen Brabbs and the family and friends of Maureen's husband, Bob who passed away on June 24. Maureen would like to receive some special prayers of God's love and peace at this time.
- Pam Guynes family. 7/09
- Don Kemen's step brother, Joe Engel had brain surgery on 7/09 July 10, pray for an expedited recovery.
- Prayers for a neighbor, Terry's sister who had a bad stroke. 7/02
- Linda Prohaska's brother in law, Jimmy Holliman now has a 7/02 staph infection to add to his 4 month ordeal recovering from open heart surgery.
- Linda Prohaska's brother Eugene Campbell (Update) had his 7/02 final treatment in his battle with lung cancer. Unfortunately, there no more options.
- 7/02 Kurt Phillippo who is dealing with heart issues.
- Gail Phelps battling cancer. 7/02

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)

Sharon Hamp

Lois Hill Iris Jones John Smith

Virginia Shaw's son Richard

Linda Prohaska

Peggie Wyatt

Brenda Smoot

Jean Stivers

Virginia Shaw Paul Schutte

Parkside Residents

Loretta Poe (Kaden & Kallie grandma)

(Linda Prohaska's brother)

Iris Jones (son-in-law, Tim Beltz)

Charlene Miller (Berkéley Squaré) Lori Palmieri (P. Coyle's daughter)

Eugene Campbell—lung cancer

St. Mark's Homebound:

Jean Cottrill Freida Hawkins Gale Logan—Otterbein Community

Eleanor McCollum Zedith Pottenger Greg Pullem—Parkside **Betty Winkler** Joyce Zugelter (In home health care)

ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check out our online calendar: fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar

TODAY, 8/13 Back to School Blessing of Backpacks

9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed

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

After Worship St. Mark's Cares Meeting

11:30 am New Covenant Church Worship in sanctuary

MONDAY, 8/14

10:00 am Ladies Craft Group

TUESDAY, 8/15

7:00 pm Finance Meeting (ZOOM)

7:00 pm Safe Sanctuary w/Peggy Smith (classroom)

7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 960

WEDNESDAY, 8/16

7:30 am Men's Prayer group

THURSDAY, 8/17

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY, 8/18 SATURDAY, 8/19

Broken Bus Riders and Breakfast Meals

SUNDAY, 8/20

9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed

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

11:30 am New Covenant Church Worship in sanctuary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST MISSION PROJECT:

We are collecting school supplies for the children in the Fairfield School District through the middle of August. A list of supplies needed are on the Narthex bulletin board and 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)

SUNDAYS, 11:30-3:30 NEW COVENANT SERVICES IN SANCTUARY

New Covenant Sunday services in sanctuary from 11:30—1:30.

AUGUST 19, SATURDAY, BROKEN BUS RIDERS AND BREAKFAST MEAL

A sign up sheet in located in the Narthex bulletin board for Broken Bus riders and "Breakfast" meals. Contact Tari Randall for more details.

AUGUST 26, SATURDAY 10AM, NEW COVENANT MEMORIAL SERVICE

New Covenant member Dr. John Poley passed away on Friday, July 21. There will be a memorial service in the Sanctuary 10am-2pm. We pray for strength during this time for his family and friends and send our heart-felt condolences.

AUGUST 26, SATURDAY 5PM, WED. BIBLE STUDY PICNIC at STEWART

The Stewart's hosting Wed. Bible Study Picnic on August 26, Saturday at 5pm Please bring a side dish or dessert. Contact Don & Marilyn Stewart for more info.

SEPTEMBER 6, 2-3PM, WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP (Resumes)

Please save the date for Wednesday Bible Study. We will be studying the Gospel of John. Everyone is welcome! For details contact Sue McDaniel.

SEPTEMBER 6, WEDNESDAY, 7:30PM, CHOIR PRACTICE (Resumes)

We are resuming Choir Practice on Wednesday evenings, September 6 at 7:30. Everyone is welcome! The Choir practices is a wonderful time of fellowship and we carry each other through each week in our prayers. There is no audition, but just gather together to make a joyful noise and to sing praises to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. For more details, Contact Chris Beiser.

SEPT. 9, SATURDAY 9AM, ALL CHURCH WORK DAY—HELPING HANDSHelping Hands 2023. You have an opportunity to serve by helping us dean areas around the church; replacing light bulbs, clean windows, seats & other things that may need cleaning. *Rich Tumer is Trustee coordinator this month.* Contact Jennie Marshall (513) 515-1224 for details.

SEPTEMBER 14, THURSDAY, 11AM, NURTURE & CARE (Resumes)Nurture & Care meeting that will resume on September 14, Thursday at 11AM in the Heritage Room. Please save the date. For details contact Pam Guynes.

SEPTEMBER 15, FRIDAY, 1:00PM, RUTH CIRCLE (Resumes)

Please save the date for Ruth Circle monthly meetings (3rd Friday each month) at 1:00PM in Fellowship Hall. All Ladies are welcome! A circle of women may be the most powerful force known to Humanity. If you have one, embrace it. If you need one, seek it. If you find one, LOVE it up and enjoy the Fellowship! For details contact Pam Guynes at Pamguynes2@gmail.com or (513)313-5092.

SEPTEMBER 11, 6:30PM, LADIES ZOOM STUDY (Resumes)

The ladies Monday night zoom study will reconvene on September 11. During the summer, we are reading, "The Red Tent" by Anita Diamant if anyone would like to join. We will discuss this book at our first meeting. Contact Kym Nguyen for more information. Enjoy the summer!

SEPTEMBER 30, SAT., 6:30-10:30PM, KEEPING THE PROMISE GALA The Family Promise, "keeping the promise" Gala is Sept. 30 at 6:30-10:30PM. Located at the Fitton Center, Hamilton with an 80s theme, DJ, and more. Tickets are: \$75 individual; \$120 couples; Table sponsor \$650 (seats 10) For more details contact Kym Nguyen.

MISSING NUTURE & CARE PURPLE FOLDABLE FABRIC WAGON

Nurture & Care purchased a purple foldable fabric wagon and was stored in the kitchen annex. It is not there, if someone borrowed or knows where it is please return to the kitchen annex or contact Pam Guynes at (513)-779-9162.

AUGUST 27, SUN, 5PM, SPRC HOSTING GREGORY'S PICNIC

Join us for an All Church Welcome Picnic for Pastor Mark & Diana Gregory at 5pm under the shelter. Bring a covered dish to share. We are providing meat and beverages.

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 Lvn 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

DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

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

September Newsletter deadline is MONDAY, AUG 21!

ALTAR FLOWERS:

ONE florals: Celebrating the beginning of 30 years of serving St. Mark's as Music Director! Thank you, Chris Beiser!

ONE florals: Happy Birthday Jennifer Specht!

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