



Order of Worship, Prayers and Announcements

October 1, 2023, 9:30 am

## **Communion Sunday**



**“Lessons from Job”**

## **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

Be silent, and know that I am God!  
I will be honored by every nation.  
I will be honored throughout the world.  
**The Lord Almighty is here among us;  
the God of Israel is our fortress. Amen.**

#### \*OPENING HYMN

"My Hope Is Built"

UMH 368

#### \*OPENING PRAYER

May God be gracious to us, and bless us,  
and cover us with the radiance of grace.  
**May your way be known everywhere, God:  
in the hidden places of our hearts;  
in the comfort of our homes;  
in every corner of our world;  
in the farthest reaches of creation.  
You transform us; you heal our lives;  
you renew the earth and every creature:  
Let our praise for you shake the rafters with songs of joy!  
Amen.**

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

CHILDREN'S TIME:

Peggy Smith

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS  
PASTORAL PRAYER  
THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING MOMENT

Offertory

Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*CHOIR ANTHEM            "To God Alone"

SCRIPTURE:                    Job 38: 1-7

SERMON MESSAGE        "Lessons from Job"            Pastor Mark

COMMUNION

\*CLOSING HYMN        "It Is Well With My Soul"        UMH 377

\*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."*

- 9/24 Good News! Pam Brockfield's surgery went well! She is swollen around her eyes and discolored but is thankful for the cards and prayers. "See you soon!"
- 9/24 Patty Coyle's daughter had a successful surgery and is recovering nicely.
- 9/24 Sue Bunte's friend who was recently diagnosed with cancer.
- 9/24 Iris Jones' family in your prayers please.
- 9/24 Diana (DD) Fase is asking for prayers.
- 9/24 Ruth Stanifer is asking for prayers of quick healing. She fell down the steps.
- 9/20 Mark & Sue Luken sister-in-law Bev Luken is recovering from Quintuple (5) Bypass surgery and in a lot of pain.
- 9/20 Patty Coyle's daughter Lori Palmieri recovering from surgery
- 9/19 Jennie & Rick Marshall 1yr old grandchild Theo Hannah had collapsed but is now recovering from virus symptoms & heart rate issues. His mother is 8 months pregnant with signs of pre-eclampsia and exhausted. Keep the entire family in your prayers.
- 9/17 Terrill Broshear is recovering and doing rehab at Liberty Rehab after her ankle surgery that was on 9/07.
- 9/17 Bud Aydlett is getting better each day at home, but having some nose bleeds as doctors adjust the meds. Thank you all so much for all of the prayers and love.
- 9/17 Pam Brockfield healing from eyelid surgery on 9/19.
- 9/17 Iris Jones' daughter and son-in-law.
- 9/17 Cindy Booker's sister, Kristy who will have surgery at the end of September.
- 9/17 Gale Logan had a fall and is in a boot at Otterbein.
- 9/11 Rich Turner and family for the passing of Karen Turner on September 11. With Deepest Sympathy, at this time of loss, may you know His Compassion, His Grace, His Strength, and His Love.
- 9/10 Jenni Hensler's friend & colleague who was in a car accident and had surgery and is recovering from a broken wrist.
- 9/10 JOY! Donna Armstrong is grateful to God for a good recovery from knee surgery and getting better each day.
- 9/06 Lois Hill's neighbor, cancer returned in his lung.
- 9/03 A friend's son who needs a liver transplant.
- 9/03 Mike & Dee Aiken's friend Armando Allejandro is very ill.
- 9/03 Prayers of comfort and healing for Zach's lab mate who was assaulted for being part of the LGBTQ community.
- 8/27 Ken Weedman is recovering at home.
- 8/27 Lois Hill's god-daughter Karen Clendenin fell and fractured her hip. We pray that she has a speedy recovery after having surgery on 8/25.

- 8/27 Kym Nguyen's mother Nancy Lewis is recovering from surgery on 8/29 to remove scar tissue from her knee.
- 8/23 Lora Gugala's brother passed away on Aug. 22. We send our prayers of comfort and condolences to the family and friends during this sorrowful time. Know that we are thinking of you.
- 8/20 Pam Brockfield's sister Judi Morress is having difficult health issues.
- 8/20 Jenni Hensler niece Jessica, who is having a challenging pregnancy.
- 8/20 Please pray for the family of Linda Prohaska's brother in law Jimmy Holloman who passed away Friday 8/18 after a long battle, following open heart surgery. He was one of the good guys and will be sorely missed. We send our prayers of peace, strength and our sympathies.

### **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  
 Bud & Shirley Aydlett  
 Terrill Broshear  
 Patty Coyle  
 Dick & Edith Davis  
 Sam Davis (congestive heart)  
 Sharon Hamp

Charlene Miller (Berkeley Square)  
 Lori Palmieri (P. Coyle's daughter)  
 Linda Prohaska  
 Eugene Campbell—lung cancer  
 (Linda Prohaska's brother)  
 Parkside Residents  
 Loretta Poe (Kaden & Kallie grandma)  
 Virginia Shaw's son Richard  
 Brenda Smoot  
 Rich Turner and family  
 Peggie Wyatt

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

Jean Cottrill  
 Freida Hawkins  
 Gale Logan—Otterbein Community  
 Nancy & Wade Lewis  
 Eleanor McCollum  
 Zedith Pottenger

Greg Pullem—Parkside  
 Jean Stivers  
 Virginia Shaw  
 Paul Schutte  
 Betty Stover (NY in home hospice)  
 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, 10/01 Holy Communion**

- 9:30 am Holy Communion/Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed  
NO GLOW, nursery open for infants—age 3
- 10:30 am Safe Sanctuary Training (Fellowship Hall)
- 11:30 am New Covenant Church Worship in sanctuary

### **MONDAY, 10/02**

- 10:00 am Ladies Craft Group
- 6:00 pm Ladies Monday Group Study (IN PERSON)

### **TUESDAY, 10/03**

- 12:30 pm Shared Harvest
- 6:30 pm CYF Meeting
- 7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 960
- 7:00 pm Trustees

### **WEDNESDAY, 10/04**

- 7:30 am Men's Prayer group
- 2:00 pm Bible study group
- 6:30 pm Bell Choir Practice
- 6:30 pm City of Fairfield Neighborhood Driveway Dialogue (Shelter)
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice

### **THURSDAY, 10/05**

- 10:00 am Small Group Bible Study
- 7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

### **FRIDAY, 10/06**

- 7:00 pm New Covenant Prayer Sessions (Sanctuary)

### **SATURDAY, 10/07**

- 9:00 am All Church Workday "Helping Hands"

### **SUNDAY, 10/08**

- 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**

### **OCTOBER MISSION PROJECT: St. Mark's Pantry and FFFP**

*The Fairfield Food Pantry (FFFP) only needs soups and canned veggies.* The St. Mark's mini-pantry has been depleted as soon as items are placed within it so we know the need is high.

***St. Mark's Mini-pantry LIST:*** *Peanut butter, canned proteins (Tuna, Chicken, Hash, etc), Soups, Canned Pasta, Boxed pasta, spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, canned veggies, cereal, instant oatmeal, Hamburger & Tuna Helper, and paper goods.*

### **OCTOBER 1, PRAYER PARTNERS, FEW MORE NAMES TO PICK UP**

We continue to offer Prayer Partners at the Welcome Center. Consider taking part of this very meaningful and important ministry! For those of you who worship online and would like to participate, please contact Sue Luken at: [suzluken@hotmail.com](mailto:suzluken@hotmail.com).

### **OCTOBER 2, 6:00PM, LADIES MONDAY GROUP STUDY (IN PERSON)**

The ladies Monday group study will meet in person on October 2 in Fellowship Hall.

We are using this book for our study guide called, "The Bible Recap" by Tara-Leigh Cobble. Contact Kym Nguyen at [kimberlydnguyen1993@gmail.com](mailto:kimberlydnguyen1993@gmail.com).

**OCTOBER 3, TUESDAY, 12:30-2:30 SHARED HARVEST OPPORTUNITY**

There is another fabulous opportunity packing boxes at Shared Harvest. Sign up on the Narthex bulletin board or contact Debbie Bryant.

**OCTOBER 4, WEDNESDAY, 6:30 NEIGHBORHOOD DRIVEWAY DIALOGUE**

The City of Fairfield will have a neighborhood dialogue under the church shelter. All are welcome to join regarding community improvements.

**OCTOBER 4, 2-3PM, WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP, FELLOWSHIP HALL**

We are studying the Gospel of John. Everyone is welcome! Contact: Sue McDaniel.

**OCTOBER 7, SATURDAY 9AM, ALL CHURCH WORK DAY—HELPING HANDS**

There is an opportunity to serve by helping us clean areas around the church; replacing light bulbs, clean windows, seats & other things that may need cleaning. *Kristy Theiss will be lead Trustee this month.* For more details contact Jennie Marshall (513) 515-1224.

**OCTOBER 12, THURSDAY, 11AM, NURTURE & CARE**

Nurture & Care meeting in the Heritage Room. Contact: Pam Guynes.

**OCTOBER 14, SATURDAY, 9AM, NAMI WALKERS/RUNNERS**

Calling ALL Walkers/Runners in our church family for the NAMI walk to support mental health on October 14. Contact Kym Nguyen or Tari Randall for details.

**OCTOBER 15, (During Worship) 3RD GRADE BIBLE SUNDAY**

If there is a child that would like a Bible, please contact Peggy Smith with Name of Child.

**OCTOBER 15, SUNDAY, 5:30-7:00 PM GLOW at NIGHT**

Bible blast with snacks and fun activities. See Peggy Smith for more information.

**OCTOBER 20, FRIDAY, 1:00PM, RUTH CIRCLE , FELLOWSHIP HALL**

All Ladies are welcome to attend this fun time to get together. For more details contact Pam Guynes at Pamguynes2@gmail.com or (513)313-5092.

**OCTOBER 22, SUNDAY, 4:30-6:00PM, TRUNK OR TREAT—PETTING ZOO**

St. Mark's UMC Fall Fest, Trunk or Treat—Petty Zoo with Hot dogs & drinks, crafts and music, Set up after 3pm. Free to Everyone and Community Welcome! Please NO DOGS due to the animals at petting zoo. See Peggy Smith for more information.

**OCTOBER 28, SATURDAY 9-11AM MATTHEW 25 VOLUNTEER**

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

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Lyn Bucalo, Office Admin., will be out of the church office beginning October 16 through 24 and will return to the office on October 25, Wednesday. Upon returning to office, Lyn will respond to all emails. For note-worthy information, news, questions or if your message is urgent, please contact Pastor Mark at (419) 297-2062 or he will be available in office Tues through Friday 9:30am to 12pm.

## **DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER 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.

**November Newsletter deadline is MONDAY, OCT 23!**

(Yep, you have an extra week this month, it's not a typo)

## **YOUTH DIRECTOR NEEDED**

Do you have a passion for connecting with our youth and supporting them in their faith journey? Do you have a vision for what youth ministry could become at St. Mark's? SPRC is seeking a new Youth Director (grades 6—12).

Contact Jennifer Rinker (SPRC Chair) or Pastor Mark if you have an interest in this opportunity

## **BIBLE STUDY LEADER NEEDED AT PARKSIDE**

Do you have a desire to lead a small Bible Study group? Parkside Nursing Home is looking for a volunteer to lead 1 time per week. For more information, contact Charlotte Tierney (513) 795-3010 or Debbie Bryant.

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