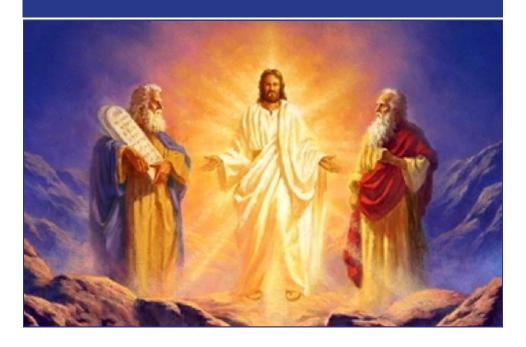


February 11, 2024, 9:30am

Transformation Sunday



"Something Special About Jesus"

Worship with us In-person and Live-stream



https://www.fairfieldstmarks.com/live-stream/

Streaming worship on Facebook and YouTube at www.facebook.com/fairfieldstmarks

WELCOME! We are glad you are here.

<u>Please complete the Attendance Pad</u> 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!

<u>Have a prayer request?</u> 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

The Lord, the God of gods has spoken; he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.

The Lord is king; he is enthroned upon the cherubim.

The Lord is great in Zion; he is high above all peoples.

Let me announce the decree of the Lord:
"I myself have set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.
"You are my son; this day have I begotten you."

Let them confess his name, which is great and awesome.

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

UMH 103

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

*OPENING PRAYER

This is my chosen Son; listen to him.

You are God's chosen Son, O Lord. Please help us listen to you. Help us open our hearts to your grace. Help us believe, help us love. We are small and we become afraid.

Show us your dazzling glory hidden in the hum-drum of our wondrous, everyday lives.

Though we are sinners, make us one with you, and let us bring your life, death and resurrection to all people. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Peggy Smith

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS PASTORAL PRAYER THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING MOMENT Offertory Doxology Prayer of Thanksgiving

CHOIR ANTHEM "With All My Heart: A Medley"

*HYMN "The Gift of Love" **UMH 408**

"Mark 9:2-9" SCRIPTURE:

"Something Special About Jesus" Pastor Mark SERMON

*CLOSING HYMN **UMH 64** "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING SONG "Let There Be Peace On Earth" UMH 431

*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."

- 02/04 Pastor Mark's mother receiving Hospice care.
- 02/04 Elaine Shreve's grandson is having personal problems.
- 02/04 Helen Bowman is recovering from an injured eye.
- 02/04 Gene & Dee's neighbors who need comfort after losing a lot of items in a fire.
- 02/04 Carly Resendey for a successful surgery.
- 02/04 Susan Bunte's friends 24 yr old son was diagnosed with a terminal illness.
- 02/04 Tomie's family in prayer after the death of her grandson. May you all receive peace, comfort and support.
- 02/04 Wade Lewis results after bone marrow biopsy:
 He has Myelodysplastic syndrome. It's considered a low level cancer. He will receive weekly injections of a synthetic hormone to help his body make platelets. The family thanks everyone for the cards and prayers.
- 01/28 Belinda Peters' former co-worker family member passed away. Prayers to all the family and friends and our condolences.
- 01/28 Belinda Peters' friend with Melanoma and a neighbor.
- 01/28 Mike Fitzpatrick as he continues to recover.
- 01/28 Pray for Donna Williams, Kallie Theiss' teacher's mom is having health issues.
- 01/28 Brooke Becker's dad as he recovers from heart surgery. Prayers as we mourn the loss of a close family friend.
- 01/21 For a friends nephew, Gill as he battles a rare form of Leukemia.
- 01/21 Mark & Sue Luken's daughter Katie, continued healthy pregnancy. She is due in July.
- 01/21 Joy! Lyn Bucalo is going to be a Grandma for second time! Pray for a healthy pregnancy for Michelle Bucalo.
- 01/21 Joy! Bud Aydlett hit 90, Happy Birthday! —his loving wife.
- 01/14 Marlis' great, great nephew (4yr old) Axel, who is in hospital for serious medical issues and fighting for his life. Please keep family in prayers too while they navigate through it.
- 01/14 Denny Mullen recovering from back surgery Jan 19.
- 01/14 Pat Weedman is back in the hospital.
- 01/14 Prayers for a friends 13 year old granddaughter who is having heart problems.
- 01/14 Those looking for next step in their career to continue working or to retire.
- 01/14 Iris Jones is home and doing in home therapy.
- 01/07 Janice Chaney who is working through health issues.
- 01/07 Ruth Stanifer's cousin's daughter, Ella. Her MRI showed that her tumor is gradually growing again.
- 01/07 Elaine Shreve for relief of reoccurring back pain.

PLEASE HELP DELIVER GOODIE BAGS TO SHUT-IN's

The Craft Ladies created Hand-made Goodie Bags for the Homebound people. The bags are located at the Narthex; Welcome Counter. We are looking for some folks to help deliver these to the people who are listed. Please sign your name when delivered. Thank you so much for your help!

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

Terrill Broshear Helen Bowman Patty Coyle Sharon Hamp Iris Jones and her son Tim

Cliff Klug Wade Lewis

Lori Palmieri (P. Coyle's daughter)

Linda Prohaska

Eugene Campbell—lung cancer (Linda Prohaska's brother)

Parkside Residents Brenda Smoot

St. Mark's Homebound:

Jean Cottrill Freida Hawkins

Gale Logan—Otterbein Community

Nancy & Wade Lewis

Flo Moore (Berkeley Square)

Eleanor McCollum

Charlene Miller (Berkeley Square)

Zedith Pottenger Jean Stivers Virginia Shaw Paul Schutte

Betty Stover (NY in home hospice)

Betty Winkler

ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check out our online calendar: fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar TODAY, 02/11 SOUPER-BOWL FOOD DRIVE COLLECTION

9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed

G.L.O.W. Preschool—5th grade, Nursery open for infants—age 3

11:30 am New Covenant Church Worship in sanctuary

MONDAY, 02/12

10:00 am Ladies Craft Group

6:30 pm Ladies Evening Bible Study (ZOOM)

TUESDAY, 02/13

5:00 pm Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

7:00 pm Administrative Board

7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troup 960 (Youth room)

WEDNESDAY, 02/14

7:30 am Men's Prayer 2:00 pm Bible Study Group 6:00 pm GLOW at Night

7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service

THURSDAY, 02/15

11:00 am Nurture & Care meeting 7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY, 02/16

1:00 pm Ruth Circle

7:00 pm New Covenant Prayer sessions

SATURDAY, 02/17

5:00 pm New Covenant (Reserving Fellowship Hall 5-11PM)

SUNDAY, 02/18 CHILI COOK-OFF SUNDAY

9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed

G.L.O.W. Preschool—5th grade, Nursery open for infants—age 3

11:30 am New Covenant Church Worship in sanctuary

6:00 pm Chili Cook-Off (Fellowship Hall)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEBRUARY 11, SUNDAY, 6:00-7:30PM, "SOUPER—BOWL" FOOD DRIVE TODAY

Today, is the last day for Souper-Bowl Food Drive but we will continue to collect food for St. Mark's Lil food pantry. Thank you to everyone who gave!

FEBRUARY 11-25, EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORMS AVAILABLE NOW!

Go to the Welcome Counter for the Easter Order Forms, fill out with money included in envelope, and drop at the church office or in offering plate. The deadline to order is February 25. Contact Lyn Bucalo at church office for questions.

FEBRUARY 12, MONDAY, 6:30-8PM, LADIES EVENING BIBLE STUDY (ZOOM

We welcome you to join us in our bible study through Joshua in February! We meet every Monday either In-person or Zoom. Reminder that this is an ongoing bible study, and you can join in at any time. No requirements; participate however it suits you. Weekly bible study questions are provided, fostering discussion and shared learning. Contact Kym Nguyen.

FEBRUARY 13, TUESDAY, 5:00-6:30PM, SHROVE PANCAKE DINNER

Join the fun and fellowship as we begin our Lenten journey. Mouthwatering pancakes made fresh in our kitchen, a delicious toppings bar, sausage, coffee and juice, Gluten free pancakes available as well as Pre-order take outs. All donations benefit our 2024 VBS. Contact: Peggy Smith.

FEBRUARY 14, WEDNESDAY, 2-3PM, GROUP BIBLE STUDY, FELLOWSHIP HALL

As our Wednesday Group Bible Study continues to grow, we always have room for more! Join us from 2-3PM in Fellowship Hall for an enriching journey through the Bible. Contact Sue McDaniel.

FEBRUARY 14, WEDNESDAY, 6:00-7:00PM, GLOW @ NIGHT

Children, come learn about Lent. Then we end early to participate in Ash Wednesday Service.

FEBRUARY 14, ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE 7:00PM

FEBRUARY 16, FRIDAY, 1-2PM, RUTH CIRCLE

At Ruth Circle, we are dedicated to fostering a sense of community and sisterhood, creating a space where women can come together to connect, support and grow. Join us in Fellowship Hall each month where friendships are nurtured, faith is strengthened, and women are encouraged. Contact: Pam Guynes (513)779-9162 or email Pamguynes 2@gmail.com.

FEBRUARY 18, SUNDAY, 6:00—8:00PM, CHILI COOK OFF, FELLOWSHIP HALL

Think you have the best chili around? Let's put that to the test. We will have our first Annual "Chili Cook Off" in Fellowship Hall. More details on back of bulletin.

FEBRUARY 23, FRIDAY, 10AM-5PM, VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LASAGNA LOVE

St. Mark's volunteers are needed to make and deliver lasagnas for families and folks in need. Sign up forms are at the Welcome counter to help and items we are looking to collect. For more information please contact Cindy Miller.

FEBRUARY 27, TUESDAY, 12PM, LUNCH BUNCH

The February Lunch Bunch is Tuesday, February 27 at noon at the Old Spaghetti Factory. <u>Address: 6320 South Gilmore Rd, Fairfield (Old Forest Fair Mall area).</u> Restaurant has a large variety of Appetizers, Sandwiches, Salads as well as Spaghetti lunch items. Reservations need to be made by Sunday, February 25. Contact Brenda Smoot (513) 316-1807.

MARCH 10, UMCOR SUNDAY-SPECIAL COLLECTION

MARCH 23, SATURDAY, 2:00PM, EASTER EGG HUNT

Save the Date for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt. More details coming soon. Contact Peggy Smith

MARCH 24, PALM SUNDAY

MARCH 31, EASTER SUNDAY

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS—FEBRUARY 4, 2024

Worship In-Person Attendance: 110 Sunday School Attendance: 4

Weekly Budget Needs \$6,702.77

Weekly In-Person Giving \$6,472.10
Weekly On-Line Giving \$1,987.70

<u>\$8,459.80</u>

\$500.00

Special—Designated Giving*
*Designated Giving can not be used for Budget Needs

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Happy Birthday Ann Brabbs!

SHROVE PANCAKE DINNER:

February 13, 5:00-6:30PM

ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF:

February 18, 6:00-8:00PM (Fellowship Hall)



Here's how it works: To enter, sign up at the Welcome counter in the Narthex. Prepare your chili, recommended to make 4-6 quarts (large crock pot). If you have specific toppings for your chili, please provide them. Whether you bring chili or not, everyone is welcome to enjoy a bowl of chili and fellowship. Admission is \$5 per person and \$10 for family.

ALL proceeds to support St. Mark's Mission and Outreach projects.

We look forward to seeing you there.

<u>DEADLINE FOR MARCH NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS</u>

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

MARCH 2024 Newsletter deadline is MONDAY, FEB 19!

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