

April 14, 2024, 9:30am



Sermon Title: "Breaking Bread"

Worship with us In-person and Live-stream

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WELCOME! We are glad you are here.

Please sign the Attendance Pad in your pew and pass it along. Return it to its original place when finished, noting those present with you. Greet one another after the worship service! Please offer a warm welcome to those who are visitors.

For prayer requests, find Prayer Cards in the pew racks. Completed 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 Gathered in the name of Jesus Christ, inspired by the Holy Spirit, and blessed by God, we come to worship one, holy God.

O God, our own God, how wonderful is your name in all the earth. Your majesty is the music of the starry skies. yet even children of dust can sing your praises.

In the name of the Healer, the Provider and the Enabler let your gratitude and joy be made known. O God, our own God, how wonderful is your name in all the earth! Amen.

*OPENING HYMN "The Strife is O'er the Battle Won "UMH 306

*OPENING PRAYER Meet us, Lord, on the road to Emmaus, Guide us on the path toward our destination, and renew our strength as we continue to walk and commune with you. Open our eyes, so we see the signs of your presence around us; Open our hearts, so we may receive your peace and love; and empower us to pass on to others the grace you have shared with us so freely. **Amen.**

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

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS PASTORAL PRAYER THE LORD'S PRAYER		
OFFERING MOMENT Offertory S Doxology Prayer of Thanksgiving		Sue Combs
CHOIR ANTHEM	"Is He Worthy?"	
*HYMN	"My Faith Looks Up to Thee "	UMH 452 (vs. 1&2)
SCRIPTURE:	Luke 24:13-35	
SERMON	"Breaking Bread" P	astor Mark
*CLOSING HYMN	"Open My Eyes, That I May See"	UMH 454
*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."

- 04/07 Donna Armstrong's neighbor, Steve Hogue, his cancer returned and is receiving treatment.
- 03/31 Patty Coyle was in a little car accident but is doing well with minor bumps and bruises.
- 03/31 Ruth Stanifer's cousin, Matthew's daughter, Ella. She had an MRI on April 1 to see if the tumor is shrinking.
- 03/27 Patty Coyle's son, Tim, is now home but still not doing well. They could only treat the nose bleed, and none of the other things. He did have a CT scan and the result was okay. Please continue to pray. He is dealing with A-Fib and a kidney stone.
- 03/27 Iris Jones, Thank the good Lord that no surgery is required! She will wear an arm brace and do occupational therapy.
- 03/24 Tonya & Pablo Leguina's son's brother-in-law, who is dealing with severe and debilitating depression and other mental health related issues. He has left the US and is currently being treated in India.
- 03/24 Virginia Shaw is located at Trustwell Living at Fairfield Place located at 2357 Mack Rd, Fairfield, OH 45014.
- 03/24 Don & Cheryl Kemen mother, Billie Ingel, is located at Trustwell Living at Fairfield Place, located at 2357 Mack Rd, Fairfield, OH 45014, Room #120.
- 03/24 Pray for a broken family from Lois Hill.
- 03/24 Travel mercies for the Fairfield Show Choirs traveling from Nashville, TN.-Jennie Marshall.
- 03/24 Jennie Marshall's dad, Glen Mason, who has the flu and a spot on his lung. CT scan this week.
- 03/20 Ann Brabbs is recovering from surgery and is now located at Huntington Court, 350 Hancock Ave., Hamilton, OH 45011
- 03/17 A good friend dealing with alcoholism.
- 03/17 Jennie Marshall's 59-year-old cousin, Tammy Goble, who passed away unexpectedly on March 11. Please pray for the family and friends as we send our sympathies, peace, and God's comfort.
- 03/17 Nicole Specht's friend had twins at 22 weeks; one of the baby twins passed away. Please pray for their family and baby, Henry, for strength.
- 03/17 Tim Beltz is now at Jamestown for rehab after having surgery. The family is in need of a lot of prayers.
- 03/13 Jean Cottrill has been moved to Trustwell and has been living there for a short while. Please continue to keep her in your prayers as she is recovering from a broken hip.
- 03/07 Gale Goodman's dad, Bob, was back in the ER with several medical issues. Please continue to pray for him.

03/05 Please pray for Kristy Theiss's friend's mother who had breast cancer surgery.

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 Tim Beltz (Iris Jones's son-in-law) Helen Bowman Ann Brabbs

St. Mark's Homebound:

Jean Cottrill Freida Hawkins Gale Logan—Otterbein Community Nancy & Wade Lewis Flo Moore (Berkeley Square) Eleanor McCollum Patty Coyle Sharon Hamp Iris Jones Cliff Klug Wade Lewis Lori Palmieri (P. Coyle's daughter) Linda Prohaska Eugene Campbell—lung cancer (Linda Prohaska's brother) Parkside Residents Brenda Smoot

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, 04/14

- 9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed G.L.O.W. Nursery open for infants—age 3
- 11:30 am New Covenant Church Worship in sanctuary

MONDAY, 04/15 (May newsletter articles due)

- 10:00 am Ladies Craft Group
- 1:00 pm Salad Luncheon meeting (Heritage room)
- 6:30 pm Ladies Evening Bible Study (ZOOM)

TUESDAY, 04/16

- 7:00 pm Finance meeting (Zoom)
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troup 960

WEDNESDAY, 04/17

- 7:30 am Men's Prayer Group
- 10:00 am Walk/Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)
- 2:00 pm Bible Study Group
- 6:30 pm Hand Bell Practice
- 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, 04/18

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY, 04/19

1:00 pm Ruth Circle

SATURDAY, 04/20

7:00 pm New Covenant Choir Meetings (Choir Room)

SUNDAY, 04/21

- 9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed G.L.O.W. Nursery open for infants—age 3
- 11:30 am New Covenant Church Worship in sanctuary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

APRIL 15, 22, 29, MONDAY, 6:30-8PM, LADIES EVENING BIBLE STUDY (ZOOM)

Join us for our ladies' evening Bible study, we will <u>Zoom</u> into the Bible scriptures. We are currently studying the books of Chronicles. Everyone is welcome at any time. There are no requirements; just participate as it suits you. Our weekly study questions encourage discussion and shared learning. For more information, please contact Kym Nguyen.

APRIL 17 & 24, WEDNESDAY, 10AM, WALK/EXERCISE CLASS, FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join us every week at 10 AM in the Fellowship Hall for our Walk/Exercise Class. This class is designed for all levels and includes beginners. You can even sit in a chair and work out, too! We walk, kick, and sidestep our way towards healthier lifestyles together. There's no judgment here; you can go at your own pace. Come and join us and take a step towards better health! For more information, please contact Ruth Ritenbaugh.

APRIL 10, WEDNESDAY, 2-3PM, GROUP BIBLE STUDY, FELLOWSHIP HALL

Pop in any week as we come together to discuss and study the book of Acts. Please note there is no meeting on April 3, but we will resume on April 10. Contact Sue McDaniel.

APRIL, 19 FRIDAY, 1-2:30PM, RUTH CIRCLE, FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join Ruth Circle for a nurturing community where women connect, support, and grow together. Meet in Fellowship Hall monthly to strengthen faith, nurture friendships, and encourage one another. Contact: Pam Guynes (513)779-9162 or email Pamguynes2@gmail.com.

APRIL 23, TUESDAY, 12PM, LUNCH BUNCH AT SNOW'S LAKESIDE TAVERN

This month, the menu offerings include salads, sandwiches, fried, and appetizers. <u>The Address:</u> <u>4344 Dry Ridge Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45252 (Colerain area</u>). Deadline for Reservations by April 21. Contact Brenda Smoot (513) 316-1807.

APRIL 25, THURSDAY, ROOM AT THE TABLE (RATT), 6:30PM

We meet via Zoom on the 2nd & 4th Thursday each month. For more details, text, e-mail, or call Zach Dichtl at (513) 446-5740 or zdichtl@purdue.edu to join in.

APRIL 26, FRIDAY, 7:00PM, LADIES FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

Ladies, we invite you to join us for a "First Person" presentation of Ohioan Annie Oakley by Joyce Browning from nearby Heritage Village. It's sure to be a great and informative time of fellowship together! Dessert is provided. A nominal fee of \$5.00 per person to cover our presenter's fee. Feel free to invite your friends to join us. We would love to have a great turnout for our speaker's time and effort! The sign-up-sheet is at the Welcome Center. (You can pay ahead or on the night of the event, but we would like to have an idea of how many to plan for.)

MAY 2, THURSDAY, 11AM-1:30PM, ANNUAL SALAD LUNCHEON & CRAFTS

Join us for the Annual Salad Luncheon & Crafts sponsored by the Monday Craft Ladies. The price is \$10 per person. Enjoy a variety of mouth-watering selection of all things "Salad." We won't have just the greens, come and sample Chicken and Tuna salad, Pasta salads, Deviled eggs, Slaws, 3,4 and 5 Bean salads, Fruits, Dessert Salads and so much more! Worth every BITE! Homemade crafts will be displayed before and after your meal, stop by the table before you leave.

MAY 4, SATURDAY, 9AM, HELPING HANDS ALL CHURCH WORK DAY

We are beginning the Helping Hands church work day on the first Saturday each month. Here is your opportunity to serve by helping to clean areas around the church. <u>Tonya Leguina will be the lead Trustee in month of May and will provide more details</u>. Dates to Note: July 13, Sept 7, and Nov. 2.

JUNE 1, SATURDAY, 9-11AM, MATTHEW 25 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Another opportunity to volunteer your time at Matthew 25 Ministries. We always have a great time while helping support this amazing ministry. Contact: Lynne Schumacker.

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS—APRIL 7, 2024

Worship In-Person Attendance: 99 Sunday School Attendance: 4

Weekly Budget Needs

Weekly In-Person Giving Weekly On-Line Giving

<u>\$7,366.76</u>

\$5,796.10 <u>\$1,342.97</u> **\$7,139.07**

Special—Designated Giving* *Designated Giving can not be used for Budget Needs <u>\$400.00</u>



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