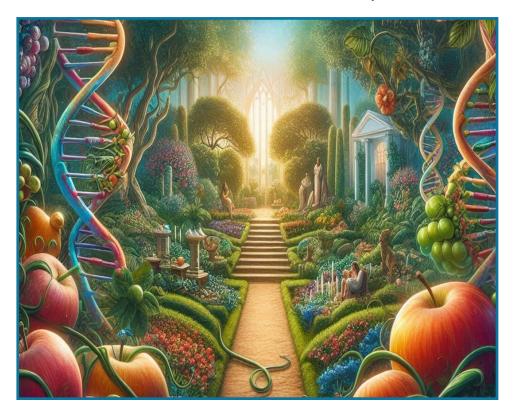


July 7, 2024, 9:30am

COMMUNION SUNDAY

Sermon Title: "In the Garden: Temptation"



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.

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

Let us start this service well, by reminding ourselves:
That it is not we who chose Christ,
but Christ who chose us,
That we are not here because of our goodness
but because of Christ's grace,
That we are not here to enlighten ourselves,
but to allow Christ to enlighten us,
That we have not come to be entertained
but to worship God with heart, soul, mind and strength.
Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

"God of the Ages"

UMH 698

*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, and 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 peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.** SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS PASTORAL PRAYER THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING MOMENT
Offertory
Doxology
Prayer of Thanksgiving

SPECIAL MUSIC CHRIS BEISER

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 3:1-7

SERMON: "In the Garden: Temptation" Pastor Mark

COMMUNION

*CLOSING HYMN "Battle Hymn of the Republic" UMH 717

*BENEDICTION:

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

*POSTLUDE Sue Combs

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys/Concerns

If updates are unknown, these items are listed for four weeks. Extended concerns are listed under "Continuing Prayers."

- 07/03 Julie Dichtl in hospital from a stroke and is recovering from surgery. She will be in therapy for the next few weeks.
- 06/30 Pam Brockfield's sister's mother-in-law, Laura Wallace, who passed away this past week at the age of 100 years old.
- 06/30 JOY! The Aydlett's son, Jay in for a visit from Montana.
- 06/30 Pat Fassnacht's friend is having surgery on July 9.
- 06/30 Sue Luken's daughter, Katie in her last month of pregnancy.
- 06/30 Ruth Stanifer's son, Brandon was in the hospital for Sepsis.
- 06/23 <u>Betty Winkler has moved</u> close to her daughter in Georgia. Her new address is in care of Kathy Perry located at 803 Smithbriar Drive, Valdosta, GA 31602
- 06/23 Jenni Hensler's friend, Kristi, who had surgery on 6/13 and is working through complications and went back in today.
- 06/23 Coach Richmond as he undergoes treatment for Leukemia.
- 06/23 For a friend's nephew as he fights cancer.
- 06/23 Sharon Hamp who was in the hospital having breathing problems and has been released, but continue prayers.
- 06/23 Pastor Jim Cattran who was in the hospital last week and is working through several medical issues.
- 06/23 For a family member in a mental health crisis. Pray they get help soon.
- 06/19 Jim Jones was released from the hospital after spending a few days there for an infection in his foot.
- 06/16 Dianne Aiken's niece, Jodi Seeley, in the sudden death of her husband, Brian, who has children who are 18, 16, and 5 years old. They are in need of many prayers.
- 06/16 Bill & Julie Dichtl's son, Zachary, who is having problems with a neighbor.
- 06/16 Julie Dichtl's sister, Lynne, for positive medical tests results.
- 06/16 Debbie Vitale for healing with severe back pain.
- 06/16 Ruth Stanifer's son, Brandon, and daughter, Kristina, are both having health issues.
- 06/09 Gerri Anderson had foot surgery on 6/07 and will have several weeks of recovery.
- 06/05 JOY! Virginia Shaw is back at home and is doing well!
- 06/02 JOY! Paul Schutte is back home.
- 06/02 Family of Kyle Kennedy, who passed away on May 29. Kyle is the father of David and Pam Brockfield's daughter-in-law.
- 06/02 Lauren Leyrer's friend, Shelby; her father has stage 4 cancer.
- 06/02 Elaine Shreve's brother, Richard Beers, who is in Hospice care.
- 05/26 Jeff Gering for a second opinion on his shoulder nerve pain.
- 05/26 For the family members and friends of the US Missionaries in Haiti who were slain.
- 05/26 Mike Aiken with the removal of cancer near his ear.

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

Don Ault

Tim Beltz (Iris Jones's son-in-law)

Ann Brabbs Patty Coyle

Mike Fitzpatrick

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

St. Mark's Homebound:

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 (Lives in GA 6/30/24)

ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check out our online calendar: fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar TODAY, 07/07 COMMUNION SUNDAY

9:30 am Holy Communion & Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed

NO G.L.O.W. Nursery open for infants—age 3

11:30 am New Covenant Church Worship in sanctuary

MONDAY, 07/08 TUESDAY, 07/09

12:30 pm Shared Harvest 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Tr. 960

7:00 pm Admin Board

WEDNESDAY, 07/10

7:30 am Men's Prayer Group 10:00 am Walk/Exercise Class

THURSDAY, 07/11

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY, 07/12

7:00 pm New Covenant Face-to-Face Prayers (Choir Room)

SATURDAY, 07/13

9:00 am Helping Hands—All Church Work Day

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

SUNDAY, 07/14

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JULY 9, TUESDAY, 12:30-2:3PM, SHARED HARVEST

We are planning another volunteer opportunity at Shared Harvest Foodbank. We will be packing boxes for distribution to those in need within our community. This is a great opportunity to lend a helping hand and make a meaningful impact. A sign-up sheet is available on the Narthex bulletin board. For more information, please contact Debbie Bryant. We look forward to seeing you.

JULY 13, SATURDAY, 9AM, HELPING HANDS-ALL CHURCH WORKDAY

The Helping Hands—Church Workday is scheduled with Matt Snyder as the lead Trustee contact for the church workday. Dates to Note: Sept ember 7 with Penny Dole and November 2 with Kristy Theiss as Trustee Leads.

JULY 17 & AUGUST 14, CHURCH DISCUSSION/MEETING—LEAD TEAM

Join Pastor Mark to discuss options for the organization of a UMC church: one being a traditional structure and the other is a 'Lead Team." This is an opportunity to present information about a lead team structure to the congregation in order to get input. <u>The dates are:</u> July 17 at 7PM (In-person) and August 14 at 7PM (Zoom).

JULY 19, FRIDAY, 1-5PM, LASAGNA LOVE-HELP FEED FAMILIES IN NEED

Help Feed Families in Need with Lasagna Love at St. Mark's Kitchen! Back by popular demand, join us in the church kitchen to make a difference. We will prepare 15 lasagnas to support the Lasagna Love backlog in our area. Please sign up at the Narthex Welcome counter to donate lasagna ingredients, volunteer to help make lasagna's, or to deliver these meals. Your support is invaluable! Thank you from Cindy Miller, St. Mark's Cares, Lasagna Love, and the families we feed.

JULY MISSION PROJECT: SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR FAIRFIELD CITY SCHOOL

We are collecting school supplies for children in the Fairfield City School District. School begins on August 8. Some of the supplies are listed here and ALL are appreciated! Headphones or earbuds (NOT wireless), Standard Crayola Crayons (24 count), Scissors (Fiskars recommended), Glue Sticks, #2 Pencils w/erasers, Dry Erase Markers (Low or no order), 2 pocket Folders w/fasteners in (red, blue, green, yellow, orange). Contact Jenni Hensler for more information.

AUGUST 10 (TIME TO BE TERMINED), LADIES FELLOWSHIP SWAP PARTY

Start rummaging through your closets and drawers, and get ready to join us for an evening of swapping fun! This event is not to be missed! Rules: Bring items to swap and you get to choose the same number of items to take home. For more information, contact Sue Luken. Stay tuned for more details.

AUGUST 11, BACKPACK BLESSINGS—DURING WORSHIP

Join us for our Annual Backpack Blessings on August 11 during Sunday Worship! As the new school year begins, we invite all students to bring their backpacks to church for a special blessing. Contact Peggy Smith for more details.

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS—JUNE 30, 2024

Worship In-Person Attendance: 95 Sunday School Attendance: 3

Weekly Budget Needs \$9,432.20

Weekly In-Person Giving \$9,081.00
Weekly On-Line Giving \$578.29
\$9,659.29

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

\$580.00

ALTAR FLOWERS:

One for: Happy 94th Birthday Viola Pater (July 4), Love her family One for: Happy Birthday Don & Cheryl Kemen (July 7 & 14)



SHARED HARVEST VOLUNTEERING

JULY 9, TUESDAY 12:30-2:30PM

SIGN-UP ON NARTHEX BULLETIN BOARD OR CONTACT DEBBIE BRYANT



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DEADLINE FOR AUGUST NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

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

AUGUST 2024 Newsletter deadline is MONDAY, JULY 15!

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