



ST. MARK'S

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 3, 2026 - 9:30AM
Holy Communion



"Knowing What You Got"

Worship with us in-person or online. Live-Streaming on Facebook at
www.facebook.com/fairfieldstmarks and on YouTube
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Welcome! We're so glad you're here!

To help us stay connected, please complete the Attendance Pad located in each pew and pass it along. When it reaches the end, kindly return it to its place and take a moment to greet those around you.

Do you have a prayer request?

Prayer Cards can be found in the pew racks. If you would like your request shared during our prayer time, please complete a card and place it in the collection during the opening hymn.

A few helpful notes for worship today:

An (*) invites you to rise as you are able, in body and/or spirit. Congregational responses are printed in **BOLD** and projected. Our ushers are here to assist you with any questions.

We are blessed to worship together today!

WELCOME/GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: Surely the Presence

UMH 328

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

We gather together as hungry eaters to be nourished by the food that you offer us.

God of sustenance, give us this day our daily bread.

As you care for the wheat fields that turn into bread and the vineyards that labor to produce sweet wine, tend to our bodies by feeding us what we need for healthy growth.

God of abundance, give us this day our daily bread.

The rich crops that you have prepared are now ready to be harvested by our hands and our hearts.

Holy Spirit, come! Give us this day our daily bread.

Amen.

***OPENING HYMN: "Holy, Holy, Holy"**

UMH 64

***OPENING PRAYER**

People tremble and a tremor runs through the whole earth when confronted with the great and majestic power of God. We praise God's great and holy name. God's love for the world is revealed in acts of justice and righteousness. We bow down before God's holy presence.

God heard and answered the cries of Moses and Aaron and Samuel, who experienced God's righteousness as both judgment and grace. God's word of judgment and grace comes to us still, not in a pillar of cloud, but through the person of Jesus Christ. We praise God for the Word made flesh present among us, full of grace and truth. 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

CHOIR ANTHEM: "King of Kings"

HYMN: "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood" UMH 622

SCRIPTURE: I Peter 1:10-12
SERMON TITLE: "Knowing What You Got"

COMMUNION

*CLOSING HYMN: "Here I Am, Lord" UMH 593

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING SONG: "Take Jesus With You" (Words are below)

When you leave this place, Take Jesus with you. Share His love with others every day. Share His promises and all the hope it gives you. Share His joy with those you meet along the way.

Use the strength He gives in pain or sorrow. Learn to forgive as He forgives your sins. In your quiet time give thanks in prayers and praise His holy name and He will bless you and He will keep you until we meet you here again.

*POSTLUDE Sue Combs

PRAYER CONCERNS & JOYS

Prayers and joys are listed for up to four weeks. After that time, ongoing concerns will be included in the "Continued Prayers" section.

- 04/29 Anne Hennen has been moved to Sanctuary Point (Hamilton Ave) for follow-up nursing care and rehab.
- 04/26 Sharon Hamp is home recovering
- 04/26 Shirley Aydlett is now back home, after being in hospital.
- 04/26 Pray for a family member who has been diagnosed with lung cancer.
- 04/26 Kym Nguyen thanks everyone for all of the cards, texts, flowers, calls and prayers in the passing of my dad. It truly meant so much to my family.
- 04/21 Bruce Armstrong is now located at Sanctuary Point. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.
- 04/19 Cindy & Gary Miller's daughter-in-law, Laura Grossman who ran in the Boston Marathon under God's protection, strength and stamina. Thank you.
- 04/19 Cindy Miller's friend, Heather Miekley having breast cancer surgery Tuesday, April 22.
- 04/19 Gerri Anderson will be having a heart valve procedure on April 29. Pray everything goes very well and that she recovers quickly.
- 04/19 Sharon Hamp fell and broke 2 ribs on Friday, April 17. She is out of the hospital now 4/21 and recovering.
- 04/19 JOY! Linda Thomas is proud to announce that her granddaughter Kayla Carr will be graduating from Good Samaritan School of Nursing on April 21.
- 04/19 Cindy Ditmyer's dad, Teddy McCullum who has Alzheimer's and in Hospice care.
- 04/15 Please keep the Nguyen and Lewis families in prayer on the passing of Kym's father, Wade Lewis Wed.- 4/15. May God's presence bring comfort, His love bring warmth, and His peace surround them in the days ahead.
- 04/12 Prayers for a successful surgery and quick recovery (*Wednesday*)
- 04/12 Please keep Pat Sena in your prayers following a recent fall. Pray for healing, strength, and a smooth recovery.
- 03/29 Beth Zimmerman's cousin, facing medical concerns. Prayers for God's healing presence, wisdom for the medical team, and comfort and peace for them and their family.
- 03/29 Mike & Dee Aiken's and Sue, a good friend who passed away from a stroke.
- 03/23 JOY! Congratulations to the Nguyen Family on a healthy baby boy. Asher James Duc Nguyen was born on March 23 at 8:14pm, weighing 8lbs, 5oz and 20.8 inches.

Continued Prayers: Please help us keep this list current by emailing or calling the church office with updates, L.bucalo@fairfieldstmarks.com or call 513.844.1818.

For Pastor Mark and Diana Gregory
All service Men & Women
Our World, Nation, and Communities
First Responders
United Methodist Church
Prayer & Bible Study Groups
For the sick and/or homeless
Don Ault (Jamestown)
Shirley Aydlett
Ann Brabbs
Arvilla Brinkmeyer
Helen Brown
Kathy Bradley
Patty Coyle
Shirley Grant
Sharon Hamp
Lois Hill
Anne Hennen

Iris Jones & Family
Cliff Klug
Don Kemen
Mary Lou Knau
Tomie O'Sullivan
Belinda Peters
Lori Palmieri (P. Coyle's daughter)
Linda Prohaska
Brenda Smoot
Elaine Shreve
Ken Weedman
Parkside Residents

St. Mark's Homebound:

Janice Chaney
Bob Klingel (Westover)
Nancy Lewis (Berkeley)
Flo Moore (Berkeley Square)
Eleanor McCollum
Pat Pitman (Alois Alzheimer Center)

Zedith Pottenger (Storypoint)
Jean Stivers
Virginia Shaw
Paul Schutte
Peggy Wyatt

ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check out our online calendar: fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar

TODAY, 05/03 Holy Communion

- 9:30 am Holy Communion & Worship in sanctuary and livestreaming
NO GLOW, nursery open for infants—age 3
- 10:30 am St. Mark's Cares Meeting in Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, 05/04

- 10:30 am Salad Luncheon Meeting in Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 pm Ladies Group Study (In person, bring food)

TUESDAY, 05/05

WEDNESDAY, 05/06

- 7:30 am Men's Prayer & Support Group
- 2:00 pm Bible Study Group
- 6:30 pm Bell Choir
- 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, 05/07

- 11:00 am Salad Luncheon, Crafts, and Books Event
- 7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY, 05/08

SATURDAY, 05/09

SUNDAY, 05/10 Mother's Day/Hat Day Service

- 9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreaming
GLOW, nursery open for infants—age 3

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAY 3, SUNDAY, HELP SETTING UP FELLOWSHIP HALL 10:30AM

We are looking for volunteers to meet in the Fellowship Hall after worship to assist with Salad Luncheon setup (Tables and Chairs). For additional information, please contact Sue McDaniel.

MAY 4, MONDAY, SALAD LUNCHEON MEETING, 10:30AM, FELLOWSHIP HALL

Meet in the Fellowship Hall for the planning meeting. Contact Sue McDaniel for more information.

MAY 4, MONDAY, LADIES IN PERSON BIBLE STUDY, 5:30PM, FELLOWSHIP HALL

We will meet in Fellowship Hall for dinner and bible study conversation. Please remember to bring something to eat with you. Contact Kym Nguyen for more information.

MAY 7, THURSDAY, SALAD LUNCHEON, CRAFTS & BOOKS 11:00AM-1:30PM

We are looking for used Books, Cook books, and Puzzles please. Then plan to join us for one of St. Mark's most loved traditions! Our Salad Luncheon, Crafts & used Book Sale will be held on *Thursday, May 7 from 11:00 AM – 1:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. This event is sponsored by the Monday Craft Ladies.* Enjoy a wonderful variety of over 65+ delicious salad selections, including favorites such as chicken salad, hot German potato salad, macaroni salad, spinach and strawberry salad, coleslaws, pineapple or strawberry pretzel Jello salads, dips, and so much more...drinks are included! Browse a delightful selection of handcrafted items and gently used books while spending time in fellowship with friends and neighbors. We look forward to sharing a delicious meal and warm fellowship together! *Price is \$12.00 per person.* Contact Sue McDaniel.

MAY 10, SUNDAY, MOTHER'S DAY/HAT DAY SERVICE

Wear your favorite hat in celebration of Mother's Day. Flowers will be available to all women at the Sanctuary entrance.

MAY 15, FRIDAY, RUTH CIRCLE LUNCHEON 12:00-2:30PM

Main dish provided, please bring covered or side dish to share. Contact Pam Guynes for more information.

MAY 16, SATURDAY, MATTHEW 25 MINISTRIES 11:30AM-1:30PM

Please NOTE TIME CHANGED from 11—1 to 11:30—1:30 and sign up at the Narthex bulletin board. Contact Lynne Schumacker for more information.

MAY 26, TUESDAY, LUNCH BUNCH 12:00-2:00PM

Enjoy a friendly time of food, conversation, and fellowship where everyone is welcome! We are going to Quaker Lube location: 3737 Stonecreek Reserve your seat by May 24— Sue Beckett

MAY 31, SUNDAY, 5TH SUNDAY POT LUCK LUNCHEON, 10:30AM

We will meet in Fellowship Hall after worship, more details to come.
Contact Kym Nguyen or Pam Guynes.

JUNE MISSIONS

Collect for our Little Pantry and B-day Kits. Contact Jenni Hensler/Tari Randall/Kym Nguyen.

JUNE 13, HEALING CENTER 9AM-12PM

Contact Cindy Miller for details and sign up at the Narthex bulletin board.

JUNE 15–17 and JULY 22–24, CYF—ARTS & CRAFTS AND SCIENCE CAMPS

The Awesome & Creative God that made giraffes, jellyfish and palm trees, made us in his own image. So, let's be creative and have fun at **Art Camp: June 15-17, from 1-4pm, or 6-8pm** (Split age groups 4 -7, and 8 and up.) **Monday** -Making art that reminds us that God is always with us. **Tuesday**- Making art using God's nature around us. **Wednesday**- Making wearable art and Ice cream party. **THEN:** Can we connect the Bible with fun science experiments? Absolutely!
Science Camp: July 22- 24 from 6-8pm (Ages 8 and up): **Wednesday**- Genesis 1:1-2 God's Creation, **Thursday**- Matthew 7:26-28, Jesus gives us a solid foundation, **Friday**- Matthew 4:18-22, Being a Disciple and Water games. **Both camps are free for everyone! Register for Camp by emailing p.smith@fairfieldstmarks.com, contact Peggy Smith/Sue Luken.**

JUNE 19, SERVE CITY PICNIC THEMED MEALS AND SERVING

Contact Tari Randall/Jenni Hensler/Lyn Bucalo

JUNE 28, SUNDAY, ST MARKS CARES MEETING, 10:30AM

We will meet in Fellowship Hall after service.

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS—APRIL 26, 2026

Worship In-Person Attendance: 98
Sunday School Attendance: 2

Weekly Budget Needs	\$6,554.12
Weekly In-Person Giving	\$2,026.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	\$ 762.62
	<u>\$2,788.62</u>

*Special—Designated Giving** \$150.00
Special—Capital Campaign^ \$300.00
 *Designated Giving can not be used for Budget Needs
 ^Campaign for Restroom Improvements



Annual Spring Salad Luncheon & Crafts

Sponsored by the Monday Craft Ladies

May 7, 2026 (Thursday)
11:00 AM – 1:30 PM

\$12
per person



St. Mark's United Methodist Church
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Mother's Day & Hat Day Service

May 10, 2026



2026 WEEKLY GROUPS:

MONDAYS, 6:30PM, LADIES BIBLE GROUP STUDY (ZOOM & IN-PERSON 1st MON)

We are reading a new book titled: *Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World*, by Joanna Weaver. Discussions on Mondays via Zoom. **Our next in-person meeting will be on May 4, with a shared meal at 5:30pm.** Contact Kym Nguyen for more details.

WEDNESDAYS, 7:30AM, MEN'S PRAYER & SUPPORT GROUP

This group is more than just a time of prayer—it's also a space for encouragement, support, and fellowship. Contact Jeff Gering for more information.

WEDNESDAYS, 2-3PM, BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Contact Sue McDaniel for more information.

WEDNESDAYS, MUSIC REHEARSALS:

Handbell Choir at 6:30pm, contact Sue Combs and then Chancel Choir at 7:30pm, contact Chris Beiser for more information.

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