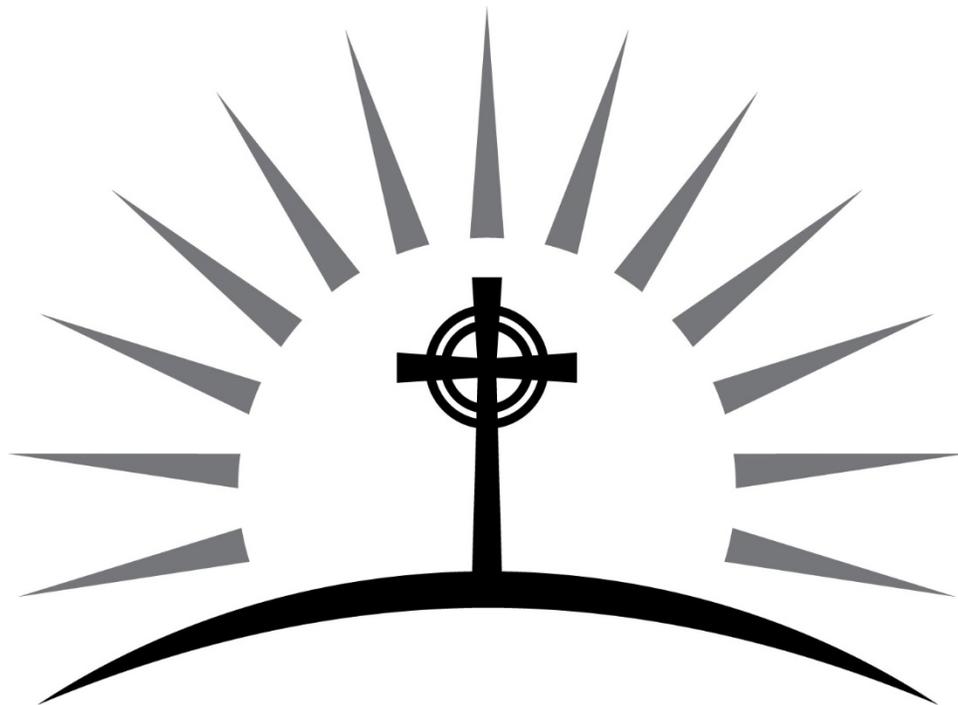


January 5th and 6th, 2019



ST. MARK
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Order of Worship

CENTERING PRAYER Glorious God, each day provides opportunity to awaken to the radiance of your presence, and to welcome your blessing into my life. How often I forget that I am your home! Help me to draw more closely to you, that I may manifest your love more deeply in the world. May every bright place and darkened corner grow ever more luminous as I bear your light this day. Amen.

PRELUDE "Voluntary in D" Croft (1678 – 1727)

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS
[Please sign and pass the Ritual of Friendship pad.]

CALL TO WORSHIP

Arise, shine; for your light has come.

The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.

Come, worship the Lord of glory.

Proclaim God's praise among the nations.

Let us celebrate our Lord together!

† HYMN "We Three Kings of Orient Are" Hymnal #151

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you have given light to the world in Jesus Christ, but we have preferred to live in darkness. Your justice protects the weak and the distressed, yet we seek the shelter of privilege and power. Your righteousness redeems the poor and the needy, yet we seek the status of wealth and possessions. Your peace upholds the oppressed and the defenseless, yet we seek the security of weapons and retribution. Forgive us our sins, and lead us to true repentance, that we may trust you in all things. We continue to pray through Jesus' name.
(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

† SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

† GLORY PATRI Hymnal #581

ANTHEM (10:30) "Seekers of Light" Martin/Angerman
Chancel Choir
Terry Smith, Flute

TIME WITH CHILDREN (10:30)
[Children 3rd grade and older are welcome to remain in church.]

† HYMN (5:00 & 10:30) "Arise Your Light is Come" Hymnal #714

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 2:1-12

SERMON "Home by Another Way"
Dr. Dave Burgess

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** – Westminster Confession of Faith Shorter Catechism Question One

What is our chief end?

Our chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy God forever.

OFFERTORY

Offertory (8:30 & 10:30)

“Canon”

Rathgeber (19th century)

† **THE DOXOLOGY** (5:00 & 10:30)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

[Prayer requests may be given to the pastor before the service.]

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread & Cup

Prayer after Communion

† **HYMN**

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

Hymnal #136

† **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

† **CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Sleeth

“Go Now in Peace” (sing twice)

Go Now in peace, go now in peace

May the Love of God surround you

Everywhere, everywhere you may go

† **POSTLUDE** (8:30 & 10:30)

“Concluding Voluntary”
(Hymnal #111)

Walmisley (1814 – 1856)

Liturgist: Youth

Director of Music and Organist: Marsha Medley

Choir Accompanist: Judy Young

Saturday Musician: Mark Reynoso

† **You are invited to stand, as you are able.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to St. Mark Presbyterian Church! We are pleased to have you join us this morning. Your presence enriches both us and this experience of worship together. It is our prayer that this will be a time of challenge and encouragement. Wherever you may be on your faith journey, there is a place for you to participate in our life together.

Large Print copies of today's hymns are available on the pew beside the sound booth at the rear of our sanctuary. **Listening devices** are also available and may be picked up from the sound technician in the booth.

Flowers are given by Doris' family in loving memory of Doris, who passed away. The family would like to present yellow roses to represent the joy Doris gave during her life and the weekly gift of flowers her husband, Bert, gave her when he was alive.

Sunday Greeters are Jean Steward, Donna Bosenbecker, and Sharon Cardwell.

Communion Servers at 5:00 PM service is Linda Smith and at the 8:30 AM service are Jean Steward and Nikki Douglas and at the 10:30 AM service are Keith Monteith, Scott Collier, Bob Lienemann, Nikki Douglas, Jack Martin, Judy Vroman, Mark Michel and Dick Wallace.

Light & Sound Attendants at 8:30 is Chuck Livesay and at 10:30 are George Schindler and Mark Michel.

Last Week's Worship Attendance: Sunday 10:30: 183 (single service)

October/November/December These Days devotional booklets are in the office hallway. Cost: \$1.

THIS WEEK at ST. MARK

Sunday, January 6

8:30 AM Worship - Sanctuary
8:30 AM Discussion Class in Room 305
9 - 11:30 AM Childcare in Room 301/02
10:00 AM Fellowship & Refreshments

10:30 AM Children's Sunday School
10:30 AM Worship – Sanctuary

Monday, January 7

9:00 AM BBJ – Room 102
9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship – Library
6:30 PM Standing Committees meet

Tuesday, January 8

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study – Room 102
11:30 AM Go-Getters – Rooms 304-305
7:00 PM M & E Committee -- Library

Wednesday, January 9

10:00 AM Chair Exercise - Rooms 17-19
5:00 PM Celebration Ringers - Sanctuary
6:00 PM Chancel Bells – Sanctuary
6:15 P M Children's Choir - MR
6:30 PM Children's Wed. Night Fellowship - FH
7:00 PM Chancel Choir - MR

Thursday, January 10

12:00 Noon Ladies Bridge – Rooms 17-19
7:00 PM Boy Scouts – Rooms 304-305

Friday, January 11

10:30 AM Eve Circle – The Wolf

Saturday, January 12

8:00 AM Basketball - GH
5:00 PM Worship – Fellowship Hall

Next Sunday, January 13

8:30 AM Worship - Sanctuary
8:30 AM Discussion Class in Room 305
9 - 11:30 AM Childcare in Room 301/02
9:30 AM Manger Things - FH
10:00 AM Fellowship & Refreshments
10:30 AM Children's Sunday School
10:30 AM Worship – Sanctuary

LIFE at ST. MARK

It All Started With A Tea Party. So what could be a more appropriate setting to celebrate the women who stuck their necks out to win the right to vote for women than the annual Presbyterian Women's Tea on Wednesday, January 30? This **not-for-women only** event will feature a speaker

presenting the history behind the American Woman's Suffrage Movement. The tea table will get inspiration from the *Suffrage Cookbook*, a major fundraiser for the movement. Colors and symbols for the day will be gold, white, yellow, sunflowers, yellow roses, sashes and parasols. Join the fun and dress for the occasion! The fun begins at 1:00 and again at 6:30 p.m. in Rooms 304/305. **Please make your reservation at the PW Table in the Narthex.** Note: As you read this, remember that 100 years ago today, women did *not* have the right to vote in all elections.

CHRISTMAS CARD TREE. For over four decades, St. Mark family and friends have been invited to put a Christmas card on a tree in the corner of the narthex in lieu of sending cards through the mail to members of our church family. The thought behind this tradition is that each family would offer what they would spend on postage and cards as a donation to our mission partners. This year's participants include the following families: Blackwell, Bosenbecker, Buckhorn, Calkins, Dieckgraefe-Mrazek, Dressel, Johanning, Keely, Larez, Leonard, Magraw, McLuen, McMillen, Naylor, Pierce, Schindler, Steiner. Please let us know if we missed anyone!

There is a new way to support Children's Ministry. Do you shop on Amazon? Well if you do, try Amazon Smile. It is simple to use. When you shop on Amazon use this web address <https://smile.amazon.com> and select St. Mark Presbyterian as your charity. Then shop to your heart's content. It is that simple. We automatically get 0.5% back on all qualifying purchases. We will be using the money that we earn toward a family scholarship fund for Mound Ridge.

Please wear your NAMETAG at church! Don't have one? Stop by the office. In the Name Badge mailbox, you will find a form to fill out.

EDUCATION at ST. MARK

The weekly Men's Bible study meets on Tuesdays in Room 102 from 7:00 – 8:00 AM.

We use NT Wrights New Testament For Everyone Bible Study Guide on Romans. Prayer suggestions and useful background and cultural information thoughtful questions will guide us more deeply into God's Word.

The class is very informal and all men are welcome. It is a great way to start your day! Come check it out. For additional information call Glen Corlett.

Adult CE Class. Class is held on Sunday morning, 9:30 - 10:15 in Room 102. Leader is Cliff Schoep.

Come Join the Adult Discussion Class which meets at 9:00 AM in Room 305. Hope to see you all there!

CHILDREN at ST. MARK

Children's Wednesday Night Fellowship meets from 6:30-7:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. All children 3 yrs. – 5th grade are welcome to join us for Holy Moly Bible Study, mission projects, crafts, games, snacks and more! Please encourage your child to join us and bring a friend.

Children's Wednesday Night Fellowship is collecting hygiene products for Presbyterian Children's Home: Shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, etc. A barrel is located by the Children's & Youth Table for donations.

YOUTH at ST. MARK

Youth Bible Study Youth Bible Study held every Wednesday from 6:30-7:30 in the youth lounge. Grab a friend and come for snacks, games, and an exploration of scripture.

MUSIC at ST. MARK

The Celebration Ringers needs a **replacement** ringer during January as one of our members will be unavailable. If you read music at a late beginner/intermediate level and want to help us out, see Marsha. Youth or adults are welcome.

FELLOWSHIP at ST. MARK

Go Getters: We will be having lunch at St. Mark at 11:30 AM in Rooms 304 and 305. Dick Dedham will provide musical entertainment. We hope you can attend. Please RSVP to Jan Graves, Nancy Sutch or Sharon Sharp.

REACHING INWARD & OUTWARD at ST. MARK

Claymont Preschool at St. Mark Fall 2019 Registration It's time for parents and grandparents of St. Mark preschool children to start planning for Fall, 2019. St. Mark families are offered priority registration beginning December 10. Half day classes are available for children who will be 2 years old before October 1, 2019, through pre-kindergarten. Classes meet 9:00 to 12:00 with

extended day until 1:30 for older children most days. Currently there are 77 children attending Claymont Preschool. The Preschool enjoys a wonderful reputation for excellent caring teachers and superb kindergarten readiness, causing some classes to fill quickly, so we hope St. Mark members will take advantage of this early registration period.

Please call Lynne Dauve, 636-386-5437 (KIDS) or stop by the Preschool Office during the week for a tour. Our registration form and other Missouri State required forms are also available at DiscoverStMark.org.

We have a very limited number of openings currently, so if you have a new neighbor or know of someone looking for a fabulous preschool, please recommend us to them!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! St. Mark is pleased to announce that we will be hosting the **15th annual Circle of Concern Charity Golf Tournament**. The tournament is set for Monday, May 20, 2019. Registration brochures and detailed information will be forthcoming in early 2019. We are thrilled to announce that **Orthopedic Specialists** will be our **presenting sponsor** again this year- so fantastic! All proceeds from this wonderful tournament go directly to Circle of Concern Food Pantry. In order to make this event happen, **we need lots of volunteers.**

Please consider helping in one or more of these ways:

1. Participate on the planning & organization committee- meets monthly until closer to tournament time, then weekly. Our first meeting is set for January 22, 2019.
2. Volunteer to help on the day of the tournament- we need lots of hands to help run the event on tournament day.
3. Help with sponsorships. We continue to look for individuals, small businesses or corporate sponsorships to help at the "Orange" premier level. This is a sizeable commitment at \$3,000.00 but helps a tremendous organization and is tax deductible. If that sponsorship is not on the level you were wanting, we have additional sponsorships ranging from \$1,250.00 to \$150.00. If

you are interested in helping provide a sponsorship or know of someone that would, please contact me.

4. Plan to play in the tournament. The event can only be successful if we have players. Save the date and start planning your foursome now!

Last year this event was able to donate over \$20,000 to Circle of Concern. This year we are excited to live up to the challenge of helping even more individuals in our community and have set \$25,000.00 as our goal for this tournament. Please consider helping us meet this goal!

Please contact me to volunteer or to help in any of the above - mentioned ways.
Debbie Brown