



ST. MARK
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
PC(USA) · BALLWIN, MO

August 27 & 28, 2022
Worship Bulletin

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CENTERING PRAYER

Holy God, you alone are worthy of honor and praise. Open our eyes to see the world as you see it. Give us the wisdom to witness your presence in all people. Transform us in love, grow us in our faith, call us to love with a full heart and to share your promises with all people. Amen.

PRELUDE (Sunday Worship)

Abide With Me

arr by Lawrence Grant

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

God calls us to service,
rather than honor.

God calls us to love the unknown,
rather than the familiar.

We come to this time of worship,
trusting in the grace of Jesus Christ,
who is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

† HYMN

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

HYMN #610

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, forgive us for we exalt ourselves and mock the humble. We choose to believe we are self-sufficient rather than trust in your strength. Open us to your Spirit, that we might serve all people without regard to the outcome, devoting ourselves to your honor alone. We continue to pray in Jesus' name. (Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

† **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

† **GLORY TO GOD**

Hymnal #582

TIME WITH CHILDREN (Sunday Worship)

(Children 5th grade and younger may leave to attend Sunday School)

SCRIPTURE

Luke 14:1, 7-14

SERMON

“Cheap Seats”

Rev. Dr. Dave Burgess

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

To God Be the Glory

arr by Karen Kuehmann

† **THE DOXOLOGY**

Hymnal #606

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, forever. Amen.

† **HYMN**

"Rejoice, the Lord is King"

Hymnal #363

† **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

† **BENEDICTION**

(Sunday Worship)

"May the God of Hope Go with Us"

Hymnal #765

POSTLUDE (Sunday Worship)

When the Lord redeems the Very Least

arr by Evelyn Simpson-Cureton

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug. 30** Yoga Class, 6:30 pm
- Aug. 31** Practice for Chancel & Bell Choirs begin
- Sept. 1** Chair Exercise, 10 am
- Sept. 2** Friday Morning Bible Study, 9 am
- Sept. 11** Discover Sunday
- Sept. 14** Children & Youth Wednesday activities begin
- Sept. 18** Saints & Siblings at Swing Around Fun Town, 12 – 2 pm
- Sept. 24** Youth Lock-In, 4 pm - midnight
- Sept. 25** Congregational Meeting immediately following worship

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 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 here at St. Mark.

To Our Guests. We hope you enjoy your visit today. Whether this is your first visit, or you have been coming to St. Mark and are considering joining the church and you would like to know more about St. Mark, we would be happy to talk with you. For more information, please contact the church office, 636-394-2233.

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

Listening devices are also available and may be picked up from the sound technician in the booth at the back of the sanctuary.

July/August/September *These Days* devotional booklets are in the lobby at the 'Mark' entrance.

Please be aware that, as St. Mark works to increase safety and security, all doors to the building are locked Sunday morning once worship has begun. Those who arrive late should approach the 'Mark' door and will be admitted by a member of the Security Team.

Flowers for the Sanctuary are donated by Mike & Vicky Chabot "In celebration of our 37th wedding anniversary on August 31st."

SEPTEMBER 25 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a Congregational Meeting on September 25 following the 10:00 a.m. service. A slate of nominees to serve as deacons and elders will be presented for election and some changes to the Bylaws need congregation approval. Plan to stay after the worship service to participate in these important votes.

WAYS TO GIVE

If you would like to make a monetary donation to St. Mark, we have several convenient and easy ways to do this:

In-person: An offering plate is available in the Narthex after the worship service.

Mail: Please make check out to St. Mark Presbyterian Church and send to:

St. Mark Presbyterian Church
601 Claymont Drive
Ballwin, MO 63011

Online: To donate, use the **QR Code** here to be



directed to our giving page on discoverstmark.org, **OR** go to:

www.discoverstmark.org/giving/make-an-on-line-donation-to-st-mark/



EXPLORE MEMBERSHIP AT ST. MARK

This is an exciting time in the life and ministry of St. Mark, and we encourage all our guests to learn more about the Christian faith, the Reformed Tradition, and our Presbyterian Church. Pastor Dave will help facilitate a three-week **Membership Exploration Class** beginning on **September 18** from 8:50-9:45 am, in Room 102. We are thankful you *discovered* St. Mark, and we believe now is the time to explore the mission and ministry of our congregation. Please contact the church office for more information.



CHOIR PRACTICE STARTING WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31!

Both choirs will meet in the Sanctuary. Handbell choir practice begins at 6 pm and Chancel Choir practice begins at 7 pm.

MEET OUR NEW OFFICE MANAGER!

Mary Kim Baker comes to us with many years of administrative support experience. Some of which includes several years of commercial property management. She is looking forward to providing well-rounded support wherever she is needed. In the past, as a member of another church, she had directed a youth group for junior and senior high kids; secretary to the council on ministries; treasurer of the women's group; taught Sunday school to 5-12 year olds for 5 years; member of the choir as a tenor; and provided snow plow services. Because she had been involved as a volunteer, she understands volunteering is of the utmost importance to provide a warm and inviting support for the church and the community. She is also a huge dog lover, and was lucky enough to inherit two dogs named Arrow and Tally Ho from a cousin that she was very close to two years ago that passed away unexpectedly.



ALL 6TH-12TH GRADERS are invited to join us for an 8-hour lock from 4pm-midnight on Saturday September 24th. We will have dinner, snacks, and beverages and play lots of games. If you have a favorite snack, drink, or game, feel free to bring it with you! Friends are encouraged so ask someone to come along. A 2022-2023 permission slip is required for each person attending and can be found on the church website. RSVP to Pastor MP at mpanco@discoverstmark.org.

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

SAINTS & SIBLINGS OUTING

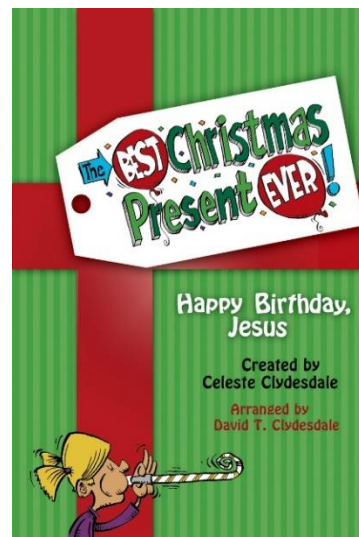
Swing Around Fun Town - Sept. 18
Immediately after Worship Service
12-2pm for all families. 335
Skinker Ln, Fenton, MO 63026 - group cost.



WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH YOUTH



Youth Wednesdays resume September 14th at 6pm. If you are a 6th – 12th grader, you are invited to join us for fun, faith, fellowship and FOOD! If you have any questions, contact Pastor MP at mpanco@discoverstmark.org.



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

Children's musical for K-5 and PreK choir starts on Wednesdays 5-6PM in Fellowship Hall beginning September 14 with a kick-off party and pre-viewing of the musical performance. Sign-up early on Discover Sunday through the month of September.

Coming December 4th!!! Contact lgilliland@discoverstmark.org for more information.

MISSION AT ST. MARK

FOOD PANTRY MOST WANTED

We are collecting the following items for Circle of Concern and Isaiah 58:



- Rice
- Pasta sauce in cans preferred (no glass please)
- Coffee
- Shampoo
- Laundry detergent



Please place your donations on the table in the pastors' hallway. You may also write a check indicating the mission partner(s) on the memo line.

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



PW is collecting baby items for Newborns in Need during the month of September. Newborns in Need is a charity that specializes in the needs of babies local and national nonprofit organization.

New and gently used baby items such as bibs, booties, burp cloths, hats, onsies, socks, sweaters, and undershirts (clothing sizes up to 12 months) are appreciated. Donations of Sleepers, blankets, baby wash, wipes, and diapers are especially needed and maybe placed in the Pack n Play in the Narthex.

Monetary donations are greatly appreciated. Make checks out to Newborns in Need and ask for a tax receipt. Mail to: Newborns in Need c/o Judy Giovanoni, 461 Bluff Meadow Dr., Ellisville, MO 63021

Contact Shirley Boeker or Louise Grothe for more information.

SAVE THE DATE!



St. Mark PW
Annual Brunch
September 10
10:00 a.m.



Go Getters Resumes!

We are excited to let you know our Go Getter outings will resume on Tuesday, September 13. We will enjoy lunch at the Lazy River Grill, 631 Big Bend Road, Manchester, MO 63021, lazyyellow.com, at 12 noon. Invite a friend and meet us there.

Please notify Jan Graves or Judy Richardson of your plans to attend as soon as possible. We look forward to seeing you there!

Discover Sunday



St. Mark will host its fifth annual Discover Sunday on September 11. Various groups will have information tables introducing their ministries and mission. It is a fantastic way to learn more about how St. Mark serves our neighbors both near and far. This is a great Sunday to invite a friend to join you at church. The event will run from 9:00 until 11:15 am.



SCHOOL NIGHT TO JOIN SCOUTING

September 8th at Claymont Elementary 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Please join us to sign up or just to ask questions about scouting with St. Mark's Cub Pack 631.



FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY

We are excited to host the Claymont Neighborhood Food Truck Friday event again on September 9 in our lower parking lot. The event will begin at 5:30 PM. There will be lots of great food, live music, and activities for kids. We hope to see you there!

Pastor: Rev. Dr. J. David Burgess
Associate Pastor: Rev. MP Panco
Dir. of Children's Ministry: Latisha Gilliland
Dir. of Claymont Preschool: Susan Talley



Dir. of Music: Ethan Forte
Saturday Musician: Mark Reynoso
Sunday Choir Accompanist: Jee-Hye Lee
Sunday Liturgist: Pat Eisenberg

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