



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

January 28 & 29
Worship Bulletin

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CENTERING PRAYER

Almighty God, ruler of all things seen and unseen, through your Son, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, you show your power and mercy. You cast out evil, tear down walls of division, comfort and challenge your people, and show signs of your kingdom coming into the world. Grant that we may lift up the discouraged, strengthen the doubting, and join with all who seek to thank you for your goodness. Glory be to you, O God, who, with the Holy Spirit and the Holy Son, together is worshiped and praised; One God forever. Amen.

PRELUDE (Sunday Worship)

Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him

Anna Laura Page

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

When forces in the world threaten us,
when our bodies and spirits turn against us,
there is One who seeks us,
One who heals us,
One whose love washes over us
and sets us free for joy.
This One is the Lord.
We come to worship God together.

† HYMN

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

Hymnal #65

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy One, God Most High, grant us faith to confess our sins and seek your mercy. There are barren places in our lives where we wander far from you. We listen to voices who distract us from your call. We do not take your helping hand. Savior, forgive us, quench our thirst for you, and let your love well up in us unto eternal life. Speak tenderly to us of your presence, and deliver us from evil so we might serve you. We pray this by the power of the Holy Spirit, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. (Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

† **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

† **GLORIA PATRI**

Hymnal #581

TIME WITH CHILDREN (Sunday Worship)

† HYMN

“This Is My Song”

Hymnal #340

SCRIPTURE

Mark 5:1-20

SERMON

“On Your Mark: The Other Side”

Dr. Rev. 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.

OFFERTORY

Echo Carol
Chancel Bells

Traditional German Hymn

† THE DOXOLOGY

Hymnal #609

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

"Come! Live in the Light"

Hymnal #749

† CHARGE AND BLESSING**† BENEDICTION RESPONSE**
(Sunday Worship)

"He Came Down"

Hymnal #137

POSTLUDE (Sunday Worship)

Entrée

Charles Callahan

† You are invited to stand, as you are able

UPCOMING EVENTS**January****30** Prayer Circle, 9:30 am**31** Yoga, 6:30 pm**February****2** Chair Exercise, 10 am**5** Scout Sunday**10-11** Presbyterian Women Retreat**11-12** Souper Bowl of Caring**12** Congregational Meeting, immediately following worship**12** Super Bowl Party, 5 – 9 pm**14** Go Getters February Luncheon, 12 pm**21** Presbyterian Women's Tea, 1 pm & 7 pm**22** Book Club, 9:30 am**25** Supper Club, 6:30 pm**26** Discover Mission Sunday

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.

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

Devotional Booklets, *These Days* are available 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 Gary and Sherry Naylor in celebration of 43 years of marriage.

TO MEMBERS: 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.

WAYS TO GIVE: There are several convenient and easy ways to contribute to St. Mark:

In-person: During Sunday 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.



ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT ST. MARK



Weekly Questions and Thoughts

Chapter Five: We're going "there and back again" in this week's readings. Jesus crosses the Sea of Galilee at the beginning of the chapter and returns after that work is done. Here are a few questions to consider as you read through Chapter Five.

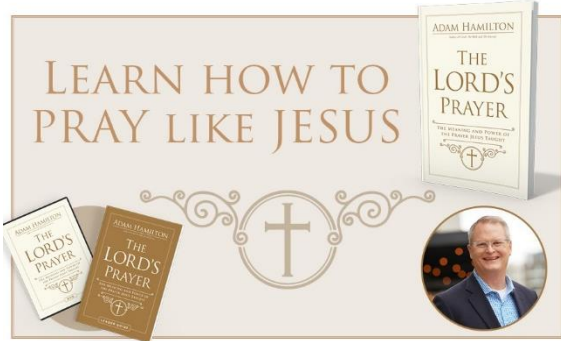
- Have you ever considered how much Jesus travels in the gospels? Why do you think he's always on the move? Do you believe God is still moving? Where do you see the Lord at work this week?
- The good religious folks did their best to steer clear of the Gentiles. They were considered unclean after all. Why do you believe Jesus made a beeline to these areas and these people? What does this example say to us and leaving our comfort zones?
- The legion of unclean spirits clearly knew about Jesus and his power over them? Why do you think Mark emphasized the demons understanding this while the disciples were largely clueless?
- Jesus comes back to a more familiar setting for the second half of this chapter. He restores a girl to life and heals a woman. Many of Jesus' miracles occur while he is on his way to do something else. What does this truth say to you today? Is God ever too busy to heal, comfort, lead you?
- At the end of the chapter, the mourners laugh at Jesus' words this seemingly deceased girl is not dead but sleeping. How would you react if you were present in the story and heard these words? How would you react in the present day?

FRIDAY BIBLE STUDY - 9 AM

Contact Pastor MP to be added to the Friday morning Bible Study group email and to receive your Zoom link. mpanco@discoverstmark.org

A Study on the Lord's Prayer Learn How to Pray Like Jesus - Adam Hamilton

January 6, 13, 20, and February 3, 10, 17



WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH YOUTH



Youth Wednesdays resumes on January 11! If you are a 6th – 12th grader, you are invited to join us for fun, faith, fellowship and FOOD on Wednesdays at 6 pm!

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

SUNDAY SCHOOL SIGN IN!

Use this QR code to sign in your children for Sunday School. Scan the code to access the attendance form and enter the required information.



We ask that you have your student registered before Time With Children so that we can contact you via text in the event that you are needed.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR WEDNESDAYS!



PREK-5PM
ELEM-5:30-6:30

Children's choirs' resume this coming Wednesday with a kick-off party to the New Year and to our new musical "Under God's Sea in 3D" - PreK choir (3–4-year-olds) will

meet from 5-5:30 p. every Wednesday followed by Elementary choir (SMP choir/K-5th) from 5:30-6:30 pm. We will be presenting "Under God's Sea in 3D" on April 23rd at 4:00 pm.

MISSION AT ST. MARK

FOOD PANTRY MOST WANTED

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



- beef stew
- canned spinach
- cereal
- coffee
- lotion*
- baby wipes*



All year long, we collect food and hygiene items for Circle of Concern and Isaiah 58 Ministries. Please place your donations on the table in the pastors' hallway. *Non-food products such as lotion and baby wipes cannot be purchased with food stamps.



LAST FEW DAYS FOR COAT COLLECTION

New and gently used clean winter coats and clothing are needed for men, women, and kids, all sizes, and styles. Many people in our region lack enough warm clothing to stay protected throughout winter. Our mission partners will ensure someone in need receives your gift of warmth!



**SAVE THE DATE!
DISCOVER MISSION SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 26, 2023**



ST. MARK TRIVIA NIGHT IS BACK!

Grab 7 of your closest trivia-loving friends and head to St. Mark on Saturday, March 11! The cost is \$160 per table – that's just \$20 per person!

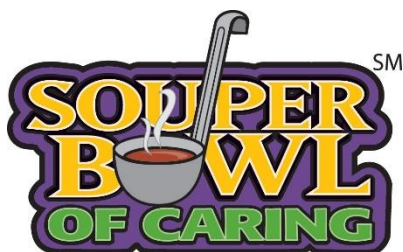
Doors open at 6 pm and trivia starts at 7 pm. There will also be a silent auction, games, and prizes. Participants may bring their own beverage of choice – water and soda will be provided.

Look for the registration forms on the Youth Table in the Narthex and on the St. Mark website.

Registration deadline is February 26.

All proceeds benefit the 2023 St. Mark Youth Group Summer Mission Trip to Puerto Rico.

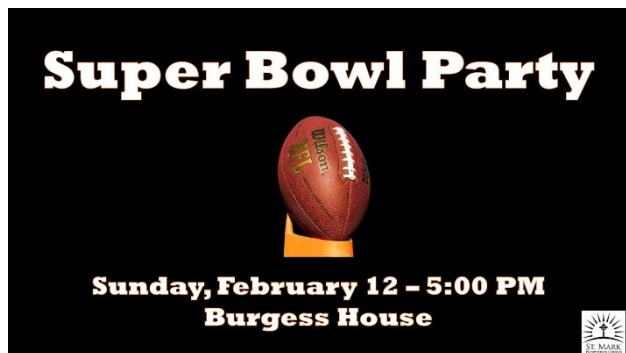
Contact Heather Neal or Ellen Hynes for more information or if you would like to donate items for the silent auction.



YOUTH SPONSORED SOUPER BOWL OF CARING February 11 - 12

Help Tackle Hunger

by bringing your non-perishable food item/s or \$ to church. Vote for your favorite Super Bowl team by dropping your donation on your team's side! All proceeds benefit our local St. Mark mission partners.



The Youth Group and their families are invited to enjoy Super Bowl LVII at the Burgess House on February 12 from 5 - 9 pm. Bring a friend, a favorite appetizer to share, and some football fever as we enjoy the game, the commercials, and this time together. Everyone is welcome to this annual event!

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

St. Mark Women's 26th Annual Retreat
February 10-11, 2023

Woman of God

Wonderfully Made

Reverend MP Panco
Retreat Leader



Please reserve your place at the Retreat by January 29, 2023.

Registration forms will be available at the PW Table in the Narthex January 1.

Discover a time of sabbath.

Reflect on and study the Word of God.

Vespers and worship with Communion.

Enjoy good food and snacks.

Breathe deeply of the beauty of nature around the Retreat Center.

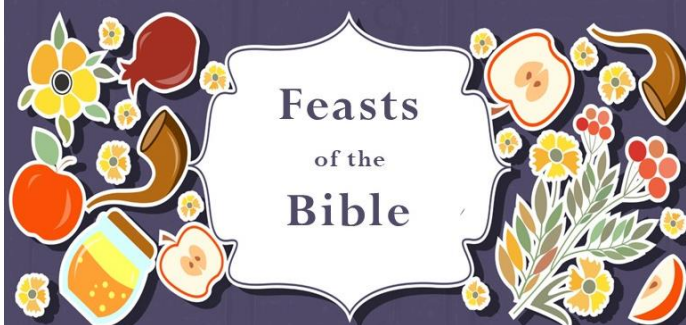
Relax with fellowship and fun.

Smile!

Please reserve your place at the Retreat by January 29, 2023.

Registration forms will be available at the PW Table in the Narthex January 1.

PW Tea Rescheduled!



Feasts
of the
Bible

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

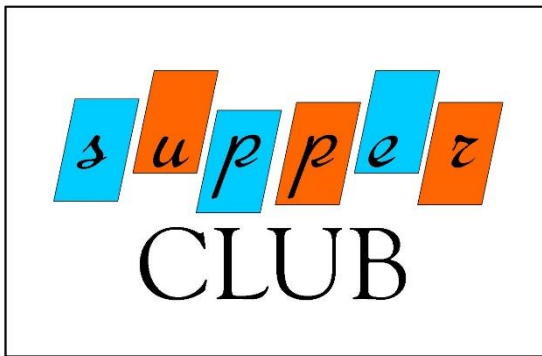
FEBRUARY GO GETTERS LUNCHEON

Go Getters will meet at St. Mark on February 14 at 12 noon for lunch, fun and fellowship. We will have a sandwich lunch with other goodies, and then play Valentine Bingo. The fee for lunch will be \$10.00. Please invite a friend and join us. Let Judy Richardson or Jan Graves know of your plans to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!



NURSERY WORKER POSITION

We are looking for long-term energetic person(s) to love and care for our Sunday morning (and possibly Wednesday choir) children. We care for kids 2 months - 3 years of age. You will work with another employee to provide a safe and loving environment during the Sunday morning church service and possibly on Wednesday evenings during choir time. Sunday hours are 9:15 am until 11:15 am and Wednesday hours are 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. A complete list of responsibilities is available through the church office.



SUPPER CLUB AT DOGWOOD SOCIAL HOUSE

Saturday, February 25 at 6:30 pm
 Parents of preschool and elementary age kids (and anyone else who wants to join) - Join together in fellowship and fun on Saturday, February 25 at 6:30 p.m. Childcare will be provided from 6 – 10 pm. RSVP by February 18 to Shelley Lester.

SCOUT SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 5

Call all Scout, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, Adventure Guides & Princesses, and Adult Scouters of All Ages! If you are participating in scouting or a similar program, Sunday February 5, St. Mark will be celebrating Scout Sunday. Whether your unit is sponsored by St. Mark or not, plan to show off your unit pride by coming to church in your best dress uniform. Come early, between 9:00 and 9:15 am, to serve as an usher or greeter.

UPCOMING 2023 BLOOD DRIVES



St. Mark & the American Red Cross are pleased to

announce the 2023 Blood Drive schedule as follows:

- February 26
- April 23
- August 20
- October 22

For years St. Mark has participated in this very valuable community service. For donors who regularly give blood, please add this schedule to your 2023 calendar. For members & community residents who have been thinking about giving for the first time, let year 2023 be the beginning of a new habit in your life.

A member of your community may be the one who receives your blood because of cancer, transplant surgery, other life-saving surgeries, genetic blood disorders, various illnesses & a multitude of various accidents. **BE THE ONE WHO BRINGS HOPE & HEALING TO THOSE PATIENTS IN NEED.**

The Deacon's Health & Wellness Committee looks forward to seeing our past donors & renewing old friendships & hopefully meeting new donors & making new friendships in this coming new year.

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



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Dir. of Music: Ethan Forte
Saturday Musician: Mark Reynoso
Sunday Accompanist & Organist: Jee-Hye Lee
Special Music: Chancel Choir
Liturgists: Pam Ladley