



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

June 4, 2023
Worship Bulletin

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CENTERING PRAYER

God, who labored creation into being, we give thanks for this day and the privilege to work in your world. We pray this day for those for whom this Lord's Day is not a day of rest but of toil, for those who cannot afford to take Sabbath, and for those who believe they cannot afford to take Sabbath. Grant us the strength to labor for what is right, just, and fair as well as the wisdom to speak out for those who are enslaved, oppressed, and exploited. Bless us the ability to break the chains of injustice, to hear the voices of people long silenced, and for the privilege to work in your world; may we make it better. Amen.

PRELUDE (Sunday Worship)

Now Let Us Rejoice

Franklin D. Ashdown

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing praises to the Lord, for God has done gloriously;

let us sing God's praises throughout all the earth.

Shout aloud and sing for joy, from the highest peaks, to the deepest caverns.

Shout aloud and sing for joy, from the tiniest creatures, to the greatest herds.

Shout aloud and sing for joy, in the midst of our joys and our sorrows.

Shout aloud and sing for joy, as we come to worship the God of all creation!

† HYMN

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

Hymnal #761

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of peace, we confess we are a people of fear. We have let anxiety rule our days and worry our nights. We have been distracted by nerves and focused on tension.

We confess we have ignored your command not to be afraid. Forgive us, O God.

Calm our hearts, settle our stomachs, and renew in us the ability to find our comfort in you. (Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† **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)

Rev. Carol Devaughan

SCRIPTURE

Luke 21:5-19

SERMON

"When Change is Normal"

Rev. Ryan Landino

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**Westminster Confession of Faith,
Shorter Catechism Question One**

Q. What is our chief end?

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

† HYMN

"Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah"

Hymnal #65

OFFERTORY

Special Music by Alan Naylor

† THE DOXOLOGY

Hymnal #606

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread & Cup

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Chancel Bells

Prayer After Communion

Brian Doerksen
arr. Douglas Wagner

† HYMN

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

Hymnal #610

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

We are One in the Spirit

Hymnal #300

(Sunday Worship)

Verse 1

POSTLUDE (Sunday Worship)

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr

Johann S. Bach

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

WELCOME REV. RYAN LANDINO!

Rev. Ryan Landino (he) is the presbytery leader of the Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy! Ryan previously served Great Rivers Presbytery in Illinois as the Lead Presbyter for Transformation. Before that, he had ten years of pastoral ministry experience, including rural Illinois, two ethnic congregations in New Jersey: as pastor of a Slovak immigrant church, and as director of an English-speaking Taiwanese-American ministry. He has served on the national church level as twice as General Assembly commissioner, as Vice-Chair of Bills of Overtures Committee, and as a member of the Special Committee on Racism Truth and Reconciliation, for which he was a lead writer on the final report. He lives in north St. Louis County with his fellow Pennsylvanian-born spouse Danielle, and also their 1 ½ year-old puppy Yuna.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June

5	Prayer Circle, 9:30 am	11-17	Youth Mission Trip
6	Yoga, 6:30 pm	18	Equal Exchange/Fairly Traded in the Narthex
8	Chair Exercise, 10 am	24	Rise Against Hunger, 10 am
9	Food Truck Friday, 5:30 pm	28	Book Club, 9:30 am
13	Go Getter Luncheon, 12 pm		

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 in the Sanctuary are donated by Martin Gabbert "In memory of his wife".

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.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE SEEKING CANDIDATES!

The Nominating Committee is seeking candidates for the next class of elders, deacons, endowment and next year's Nominating Committee. We have a lot of talent in our church community and what better way is there to join in, make a difference and expand your circle of friends than participating in the work of the church! The forms are available at the Welcome Desk to suggest candidates, even yourself. Please leave at the Welcome Desk or the Nominating Committee mailbox in the church office. Your energy and talents are needed, please prayerfully consider.

MAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

	Saturday	Sunday	Sunday	Total Attendance
		In Person	Online	
May 7	--	140	66	206
May 13 & 14	15	137	52	204
May 20 & 21	13	153	101	267
May 27 & 28	10	114	57	181

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT ST. MARK

FRIDAY BIBLE STUDY

Friday Bible Study is taking a break for the summer and will resume in the fall.

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH YOUTH

YOUTH



Youth Wednesdays will be taking break for summer. We will meet several times over the summer months for Sunday Youth Hangouts and will be participating in church-wide St. Mark activities such as VBS and the ABC sale. Watch for more information. Also, keep an eye open for rehearsal dates for our brand new youth music ensemble! See you soon Pastor MP.



YOUTH MISSION TRIP, JUNE 11-17

Please pray for the youth mission team, our on the ground TEAMEffort leaders, and the people and communities in Puerto Rico that we will be stepping alongside. Our team consists of one pastor, 5 other adult leaders, and 8 youth! We plan to give our mission report later this summer. We thank you all for your continued support of this ministry! God is good! they bring Christian service to an area desperately in need of help.

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

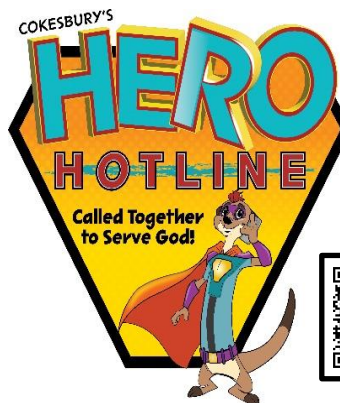
CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school for children PreK - 5th grade takes place during Sunday worship, immediately following the Children's Message.

NURSERY

Nursery Care, for ages 0 - 2yrs, is available Sunday mornings from 8:30 am - 11:00 am.

VBS AT ST. MARK, JULY 17-21



Join us for a **full week** of VBS fun as we are all called together to serve God at Hero Hotline!

Online Registration is now open for VBS! Go to

discoverstmark.org or use this QR code to register your family today!!



VBS LEADER AND VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Training will take place on the following dates in Fellowship Hall immediately following worship today and June 25. Use the QR code or go to discoverstmark.org to register as a volunteer!



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES!

We are looking for volunteers for VBS preparation! We kick off with a VBS potluck and training on July 7. Please use this SignUpGenius link to sign up for the potluck and other VBS prep volunteer opportunities. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4DA4AD2FAAF94-vbsprep2>

We also need volunteers for Summer Sundays! Please sign up to help with Sunday School for one Sunday this summer. The sign-up sheet is on the VBS table in the Mark entry.

MISSION AT ST. MARK

MAY FOOD PANTRY MOST WANTED

- Boxed potato mixes & rice mixes
- Jelly & peanut butter
- Canned diced tomatoes
- Dry beans
- Kid friendly cereal
- Size 6 diapers*



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 cannot be purchased with food stamps.



You are invited to join a Meal Packaging Experience with St. Mark Presbyterian Church in the movement to end hunger on Saturday, June 24, from 10 am – 12 pm in Gleason Hall. Come join us as we partner with Rise Against Hunger to pack 10,000 meals that will be sent to feed people around the world. The event is for all ages and abilities. Go to discoverstmark.org or use this QR code to register to participate and/or to donate to this event.



ABC BLOCK YOUR CALENDARS – 2023 ABC SALE!

Workdays are July 29 – August 3 & Sale days are August 4 and 5

Start saving your treasures! As always, the sale is a great opportunity for fellowship and outreach to the community. This is our largest fundraiser of the year to support our local mission partners. Co-Chairs: Glenn Knopf, Joyce Blackwell, Pam Ladley

EQUAL EXCHANGE / FAIRLY TRADED (YUM!)



In the Narthex on June 18th

Who grows your coffee?

Small family indigenous producers in Guatemala

With farms of 2.4 acres in size. These

farmers specialize in five disease resistant varieties and use no pesticides. Their environmental stewardship includes shade canopy, water, and soil management.

St. Mark supports this mission to build long-term trade partnerships that are economically just, environmentally sustainable, and to foster mutually beneficial relationships between small farmers and consumers -- that's us!

Credit, Debit, (swipe or tap) accepted

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



PW Book Club will meet on June 28 at 9:30 am in room 102 and virtually. The book is Sunflower Sisters by Martha Hall Kelly. Please contact Judy Richardson if you wish to receive a Zoom invitation.



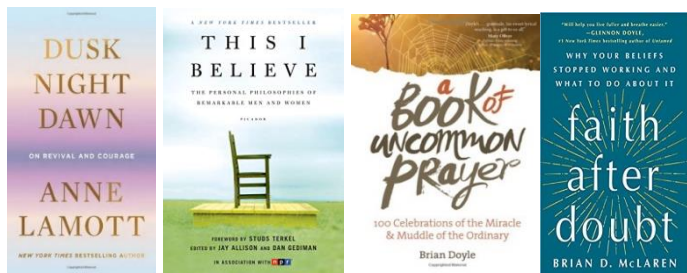
GO GETTER LUNCHEON, JUNE 13

The last Go Getter luncheon before a summer break will be held at Candicci's Restaurant, 100 Holloway Rd., Ballwin, MO at 12 pm.

Go Getter luncheons will resume September 12.

Let Jan Graves or Judy Richardson know of your plans to attend.





HOW DO WE UNCOVER OUR FAITH STORIES?

Be ready to speak up and tell anyone who asks why you're living the way you are, and always with the utmost courtesy.

1 Peter 3:15 (The Message)

Seek examples of other writers and their faith.

Discover how you can write about your faith experience.

Share writing for yourself / for people you trust/ for people you don't know.

Sign up to read one of these four books (above) and be part of a book group reading to understand and write faith stories that answer "why you're living the way you are."

See the display of books and sign-up list in the Narthex or contact Bill Tucker. The groups will start meeting in June, but you can start reading now!

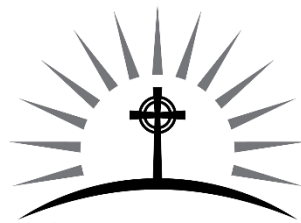
FLOWERS NEEDED!

Donating flowers is a great way to celebrate or commemorate a person, milestone, event or to simply share some of God's gifts of beauty in the sanctuary.

Thank you to those who have signed up to donate. We still have open dates throughout the summer and fall. The flower chart is located in the lobby of the main entrance. If you are interested in providing flowers for our worship service, please sign the flower chart, complete the form provided and place the form along with a check in the "Drop Box" in the Pastor's Hallway. Your flowers can either be taken home or donated to be delivered to a homebound church member.



Pastor: Rev. Dr. J. David Burgess
Associate Pastor: Rev. MP Panco
Parish Associate: Rev. Carol DeVaughan
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 Bells, Alan Naylor
Sunday Liturgist: Emme Douglas