



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

July 22 & 23, 2023  
Worship Bulletin

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## CENTERING PRAYER

Rock of Israel and cornerstone of our common life, you are not bound by our visions, our structures, our doctrine. We cannot predict your coming or going, yet you have given us your story, your family, your work to do. Meet us here. Shape us for service in your world, for we carry the name of Jesus and live by the power of your breath. Amen.

PRELUDE (Sunday Worship)

*The God of Abraham Praise*

arr. Mark Hayes

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Give ear, O Lord, as your people come to worship you.

**All you have made will come to worship you, O God, and glorify your name.**

You are great; you do wondrous things; you alone are God.

**Teach us your ways, O Lord, and we will walk in your truth.**

You are gracious and full of compassion.

**We come to worship, rejoicing in your love and cherishing your truth.**

† HYMN

**“The God of Abraham Praise”**

**Hymnal #49**

Verses 1, 2, 4

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you come to us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. (Silent Confession)**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† 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)

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 28:10-22

SERMON

“Divine In-Breaking”

Rev. Carol DeV Vaughan

† HYMN

**“Precious Lord”**

**Hymnal #834**

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**from A Brief Statement of Faith**

**We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all the families of the earth. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying “Come, Lord Jesus!”**

OFFERTORY

Open My Eyes  
Joyce Blackwell & Terry Smith

Clara H. Scott  
arr. by Victor L. Gumma

† **THE DOXOLOGY**

**Hymnal #606**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Loving and ever-present **God**, receive these tithes and offerings, our worship, and our lives to your service; in **Jesus’ name. Amen.**

**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**

**“Blessed Assurance”**

**Hymnal #839**

† **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

† **BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

**Amen**

**Hymnal #600**

(Sunday Worship)

Sing 3 times

**POSTLUDE (Sunday Worship)**

*March Romaine*

Charles Gounod

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

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**July**

- 23** Youth & Family Picnic, 2 pm
- 24** Prayer Circle, 9:30 am
- 26** Youth Ensemble Rehearsal, 6 pm
- 27** Chair Exercise

**August**

- 4-5** ABC Sale
- 20** Celebrating our Pastors,  
Immediately following service.

## 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 Pat Eisenberg "To the glory of God".

**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](http://discoverstmark.org).



## DO YOU NEED A NAME TAG?

If you need a new nametag, an order will be placed soon. The cost is \$10. Please complete a name tag form, found in the church mailbox marked Name Tags and give a check to office staff or place in the drop box in the Pastors' Hallway.

## RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP PADS

Ritual of Friendship pads are located at the end of each pew in the sanctuary. Please sign your name and pass to the person sitting next to you during worship. Attendance is important so please sign in to help keep our records up to date.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH YOUTH



Youth and families are invited to join us for a picnic at Simpson Park. Youth Committee will provide the meat, buns, drink, plates, cups, etc. Please bring a side dish, snack, or dessert to share. The lake allows fishing, and has paddle boats, canoes, and kayaks available for individual rental. To R.S.V.P (so we know how much food to purchase) contact Pastor MP at [mpanco@discoverstmark.org](mailto:mpanco@discoverstmark.org) to sign up.

## Youth Music Ensemble

Rehearsals in progress!

Next Rehearsal July 26th 6-7pm

Contact Pastor MP

[mpanco@discoverstmark.org](mailto:mpanco@discoverstmark.org)

## WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

### NURSERY

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



### THANK YOU TO OUR VBS TEAM!

Here's a SUPER "thank you" to all who participated, planned, set-up, and decorated for this past week's Hero Hotline VBS! We couldn't

have done it without you. Also, your donations were over-the-top - you are amazing! TODAY, if you can stay for a few minutes after church, we have a few things left from this week's fun to CLEAN UP. We would so appreciate it if you could help us. Please see Latisha immediately after the church service.

## MISSION AT ST. MARK



## JULY FOOD PANTRY MOST WANTED

- Pasta sauce (cans preferred)
- Canned greens/spinach
- Fruit (cans preferred)
- Peanut butter & jelly
- Shampoo, bar soap, deodorant\*



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.



### IT'S ALMOST TIME – 2023 ABC SALE!

**Workdays are July 30 – August 3**  
**Sale days are August 4 and 5**

This is our largest fundraiser of the year to support our local mission partners. As always, the sale is a great opportunity for fellowship and outreach to the community.

If you haven't already committed to volunteer – we need you! Contact one of the ABC Co-Chairs and we'll match up your interest and availability to a volunteer opening!

### Donation Guidance

- **YES, please!**
  - items that would typically be sold at a thrift store
  - donation receipts available during donation drop-off hours
- **Sorry, NO thank you!**
  - large furniture, large appliances, TVs (if it doesn't fit in a compact SUV, it's a "NO")
  - encyclopedias or magazines
  - car seats, highchairs, or cribs
  - Christmas trees
  - hazardous waste (even if unopened): such as paint, chemicals, oil, household cleaners

ABC Sale Co-Chairs: Joyce Blackwell, Glenn Knopf, Pam Ladley

## ANOTHER WAY TO HELP WITH THE ABC SALE!

ABC Sale would love to share your home baked cookies, brownies and quick breads with our amazing volunteers! We are also hoping to use up all of the odds and ends paper products in the kitchen and from your home! If you have paper plates, cups or napkins from a party that are leftover, we would love to use them up for you!! Please deliver baked goods and paper products to the kitchen clearly marked "ABC SALE" by Sunday, July 30.

## St. Mark Recycles

### Plastic Lids

Sponsored by St. Mark Deacons

## WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

*Hang Out with Presbyterian Women!*



*PW Fall Brunch  
September 9<sup>th</sup>  
10 a.m.*

Sometimes you just need a different perspective on life.



## CELEBRATING OUR PASTORS!

Please join us in celebrating the ministries of Pastors MP and Carol DeVaughn on Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> immediately following the 10 am service. We are so appreciative of their gifts and service while Pastor Dave is on sabbatical we would like to share a slice of cake, a cup of punch and some well wishes with them! We will have a basket for thank you cards available too if you are not able to stay for the event. We hope to see you while we gather to enjoy these wonderful Pastors!!

## 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 Mark 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.





## **ST. MARK BLOOD DRIVE**

Sunday August 20,  
8:30 am - 1:30 pm

Any month is a good month to celebrate all kinds of affection: for friends, for family & for

community. American Red Cross blood donors have the biggest hearts. Blood donation is a selfless way to communicate love to friends, family & community who may not survive without it. Will you sign up to help the national blood need today? Just one blood donation can help save up to three (3) lives! Make an appointment for August 20th at <http://www.redcrossblood.org/Donate/Blood> and enter: Saintmarkpres.

There is a real need for donors. All who come to give on August 20<sup>th</sup> will get a \$10 e-gift card to a movie merchant of your choice.

## **PROPERTY COMMITTEE IS RECRUITING!**

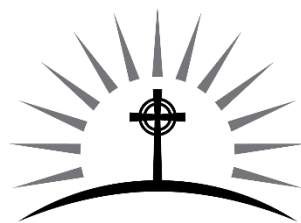
Are you looking for a way to contribute to keeping St. Mark in great shape?

St Mark's Property Committee is actively seeking new members to help us with maintenance of the building, preschool and grounds! Prior

experience is not necessary, as we have the experts who can teach you what you need to know, and you can apply what you learn to maintaining your own home. Whether you're interested in gardening, painting, electrical work or minor construction, we can use your time and talents to keep St Mark welcoming to our current and new members. Feel free to reach out to Keith Monteith, David Sutch, Mike Vroman, Jean Steward or any other Property Committee members to understand how you can help.



*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: Joyce Blackwell & Terry Smith*  
*Sunday Liturgist: Meghan Rouff*