



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

July 29 & 30, 2023
Worship Bulletin

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CENTERING PRAYER

I awake this day eager to receive divine instruction and to enact your word. As the day unfolds, may I step more deeply into your heavenly realm through loving you and serving your world.
Amen.

PRELUDE (Sunday Worship)

In Praise of the King

Gene Clarke

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be God whose word gives hope and shapes our dreams,
whose love has conquered death.

Blessed be God who orders our way and guides our steps,
who leads us into life.

† HYMN

“God of Great and God of Small”

Hymnal #19

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess that we have turned away from you; and have not lived with upright hearts. Forgive us for failing to follow you. Guide our feet to walk in your ways and serve your world to the glory of your name. (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 29:15-28

SERMON

“God, in the Waiting”

Rev. MP Panco

† HYMN

“O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go”

Hymnal #833

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**WCF, Shorter Catechism
Question One**

Q. What is our chief end?

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

OFFERTORY

I Will Sing of Thy Great Mercies
Soloist: Chris Polak & Piano: Jee-Hye Lee

Felix Mendelssohn

† 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**

“What Is the World Like”

Hymnal #771

Verses 1, 3, 4, and 5

† **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

† **BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Shout to the North

Hymnal #319

(Sunday Worship)

Refrain only, Sing twice

POSTLUDE (Sunday Worship)

Recessionary on “Lass tuns erfreuen”

Douglas E. Wagner

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

August

3	Chair Exercise	20	Presentation of Bibles, during worship
4-5	ABC Sale	20	Blessing of Backpacks, during worship
9	Youth Ensemble Rehearsal, 6 pm	20	Celebrating our Pastors, following worship
11	Food Truck Friday, 5:30 pm		
20	Blood Drive, 8:30 am	20	Youth Hangout – Ballwin Days, 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.

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.



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 Music Ensemble

Rehearsals in progress!

Next Rehearsal August 9th 6-7pm

Contact Pastor MP

mpanco@discoverstmark.org



FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY AT BALLWIN DAYS

Sunday, August 20, 12 - 5:30 pm

Youth will be working a booth selling water, soda, and Gatorade. With each sale there is an opportunity to earn tips for youth activities such as future mission trips and retreats. Please let Pastor MP know if you can come for all or part of the day!

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 – 2 yrs, is available Sunday mornings from 8:30 am - 11:00 am.



BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS & BIBLE SUNDAY!

All children entering 3rd grade will receive a bible on August 20. Please notify the Children's Ministries

Committee if you are new to the community and wish to have your child receive a bible. All students are encouraged to bring their school backpacks and we will pray over them and the year ahead!

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

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Hang Out with Presbyterian Women!



*PW Fall Brunch
September 9th
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 20th 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 20th will get a \$10 e-gift card to a movie merchant of your choice.

FOOD TRUCK

AUGUST 11

Friday

5:30 PM



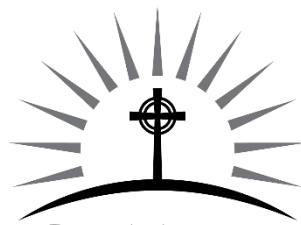


PROPERTY COMMITTEE IS RECRUITING!

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: Chris Polak & Jee-Hye Lee
Sunday Liturgist: Liz Oglesby