



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

August 26 & 27, 2023  
Worship Bulletin

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## CENTERING PRAYER

Ever-present God, who is at the side of every creature in creation, renew our lives so that we may discern and do your will, what is good and acceptable and perfect. In Jesus' name we pray.  
Amen.

PRELUDE (Sunday Worship)

*Make Me a Channel of Blessings*

Lucy Ann Warriner

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAVORITE HYMNS (See following pages)

## † 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

Epistle – Romans 12:1-8, Gospel – Matthew 16:13-20

SERMON

“Conformed or Transformed?”

Rev. Carol DeVaughan

## † HYMN

**“O God, In Whom All Life Begins”**

**Hymnal #308**

## † AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**Romans 8**

**We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

OFFERTORY

## † THE DOXOLOGY

**Hymnal #606**

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Gracious God, we thank you for the measure of faith you have given to each of us. Increase in us generosity, compassion, and prophetic courage so we may continue to be your body in and for the world. With thanksgiving, we pray in the name of Christ. 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

**“I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”**

**Hymnal #700**

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

†**BENEDICTION RESPONSE**  
(Sunday Worship)

**Shout to the North**  
Refrain only, Sing twice

**Hymnal #319**

POSTLUDE (Sunday Worship)

Fanfare in C Minor

Michael Helman

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

## **HYMN SING**

### **#1 Holy, Holy, Holy**

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

### **#611 Joyful, Joyful**

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!  
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

### **#8 Eternal Father**

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm has bound the restless wave,  
who bade the mighty oceans deep its own appointed limits keep:  
O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

### **#664 Morning Has Broken**

Morning has broken like the first morning; blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

### **#819 Be Still My Soul**

Be still, my soul: The Lord is on thy side.  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.  
Leave to thy God to order and provide,  
who through all changes faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: Thy best, thy heavenly Friend  
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

### **#475 Come Thou Fount**

Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;  
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!

### **#452        Open the Eyes of My Heart**

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart;

I want to see you; I want to see you.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart; I want to see you;

I want to see you high and lifted up,

shining in the light of your glory.

Pour out your power and love as we sing "Holy, holy, holy."

Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy, I want to see you.

### **#837        Leaning on the Everlasting Arms**

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;

what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;

leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

### **#339        Lift Every Voice**

Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring,

ring with the harmonies of liberty.

Let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies;

let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of faith that the dark past has taught us;

sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us.

Facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on, till victory is won.

### **#625        How Great Thou Art**

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder

consider all the worlds thy hands have made,

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,

thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:

How great thou art! How great thou art!

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### **#69        Here I Am**

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them?

Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, If you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### August

**27** ABC Sale Volunteer Potluck, immediately following worship

**28** Prayer Circle, 9:30 am

**29** Yoga, 6:30 pm

**24** Chair Exercise, 10 am

### September

**4** Church Office is closed for Labor Day

**6** Choir Practice Resumes, 7 pm

**8** Food Truck Friday, 5:30 pm

**9** PW Brunch, 10 am

**10** Discover Sunday & Pastor Dave's Welcome Back Celebration

**12** Go Getters Resumes, 12 pm

**13** Bells Practice resumes, 6 pm

**13** Youth Wednesdays Resume, 6 pm

**20** Kick off for Children's Musical Practice, 5 pm

**24** 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.

**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 Luke & Bev Stahlberg

**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).



## DISCOVER SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10

St. Mark will host its sixth annual Discover Sunday on September 10. Various groups will have information tables introducing their ministries and mission and several areas of the church will be highlighted. 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 begin at 9:00 am. to invite a friend to join you at church. T

## WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH YOUTH



Youth Wednesdays resume September 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. If you are a 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:mpanco@discoverstmark.org).

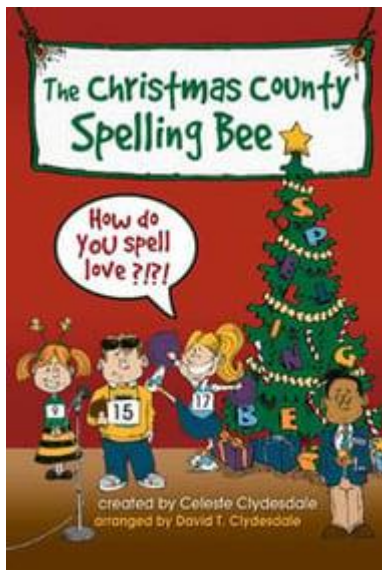
## WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

### 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.



### WEDNESDAY CHILDREN'S CHOIR!

We will kick off on September 20<sup>th</sup> for our Pre-K choir (5:00-5:25pm) and Elementary choirs (5:30-6:30p.m.)-Every week is filled with curriculum-based, music, drama, lessons, choreography, games and snack time! Our

Musical this year is called "Christmas County Spelling Bee" and will be presented on Dec. 3 @ 4 p.m. For more information, contact [lgilliland@discoverstmark.org](mailto:lgilliland@discoverstmark.org).

## MISSION AT ST. MARK

### AUGUST CIRCLE OF CONCERN SPECIAL COLLECTION REQUEST

- Baby Wipes\*
- Pull-ups\*
- Size 4 diapers\*
- Q tips\*
- Razors\*
- Shave gel\*



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.

### MEALS PACKAGED DURING OUR JUNE EVENT ARE HEADED TO UKRAINE!



Located in eastern Europe, Ukraine is the second largest country on the continent.

Millions of people have left the country or are internally displaced.

As food production and supplies are disrupted by the conflict, many people do not have reliable access to sufficient nutritious food.



## 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 facing health or economic crisis in St. Louis. It is a local and national nonprofit organization.

**New and gently used baby items** such as bibs, booties, burp cloths, hats, onesies, 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 may be placed in the Pac n Play in the Church foyer during office hours.

**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, 310 Oxford Ridge Ct, Ellisville, MO 63021

**For more information, contact Shirley Boeker or Louis Grothe.**

## FOOD TRUCK

SEPTEMBER 8

Friday

5:30 PM



Join us Friday, September 8, at 5:30 pm for the Claymont Neighborhood Food Truck Friday. Come and enjoy great food and live music. We hope to see you there!



## Go Getters Resumes!

The September 12 Go Getter outing will be held at Satchmo's Bar and Grill, 13375 Olive Boulevard, at the Northwest corner of Olive and 141 in Woodchase Shopping Center (next to El Maguey). We will meet at the restaurant at 12:00 noon. Please invite a friend and join us and let Judy Richardson or Jan Graves know of your plans to attend.

We look forward to seeing you there!



*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  
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*Sunday Accompanist & Organist:* Jee-Hye Lee  
*Sunday Liturgist:* Victoria Sherman