



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

September 23 & 24, 2023  
Worship Bulletin

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## CENTERING PRAYER

O God, who knows our every need before we can even ask, who provides everything we need, and who blesses us all. Make us truly thankful and empower us to bless others from the gifts you so freely give. We pray this for the glory of your name. Amen.

PRELUDE (Sunday Worship)

*Triptych: I. Prelude-Processional*

John G. Barr

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CALL TO WORSHIP

O give thanks to the Lord!  
The Lord hears the cries of the people.  
**Give thanks to the Lord.**  
The works of the Lord are great.  
Remember what God has done.  
**Give thanks to the Lord.**  
God has done miracles,  
and the Lord always remembers God's covenant.  
**Give thanks to the Lord**  
**and praise God's holy name.**

† HYMN

**“When Morning Gilds the Skies”**

**Hymnal #667**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious God, we seek after many things, but we fail to seek your presence. We expect generosity, but we do not share it with others. We are neither gracious nor grateful. We fail to remember all you have done for us. Forgive us and fill our hearts with gratitude. Help us to share our gifts and strengthen our legs so we can run after you, O God. In Jesus' name we pray.** (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)

† HYMN

**“I Love You, Lord”**  
Sing Twice

**Hymnal #627**

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 20:1-16

SERMON

**“Work and Worth”**

Rev. Dr. 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**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name  
Chancel Bells

Oliver Holden  
arr. Loiacono

**† 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****"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"****Hymnal #546****†CHARGE AND BLESSING****†BENEDICTION RESPONSE****We Will Walk with God****Hymnal #742**

(Sunday Worship)

**POSTLUDE (Sunday Worship)***To God Be the Glory*

Jason W. Krug

*† You are invited to stand, as you are able***UPCOMING EVENTS****September**

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| <b>24</b> | Congregational Meeting, immediately following worship | <b>27</b> | PW Book Club, 9:30 am    |
| <b>25</b> | Prayer Circle, 9:30 am                                | <b>28</b> | Chair Exercise, 10 am    |
| <b>26</b> | Men's Bible Study, 7:30 am                            | <b>29</b> | Friday Bible Study, 9 am |
| <b>26</b> | Yoga, 6:30 pm   |           |                          |
| <b>27</b> | Children & Youth Activities, 5 & 6 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 Nancy Dunn. "In memory of Richard Dunn".

**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).



## PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING

Special Offering and St. Mark Helping with Peace Meal

This year the portion of the Peace and Global Witness offering that St. Mark retains is shared with St. Martin Episcopal Church in St. Louis for the Peace Meal Program. Every Saturday the church doors open to serve a free meal to anyone who comes. St. Mark members also assist in preparing the meal and serving it to the numerous people who arrive. Be part of that witness with your donation to the Special Offering.

The midweek potluck meal resumes on Wednesday, September 20 at 5pm. Bring your favorite potluck dish for food, fellowship, and a program about the youth mission trip to Puerto Rico.

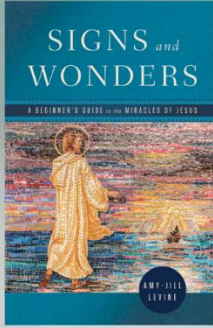
## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a Congregational Meeting on September 24 following the 10:00 am service. A slate of nominees to serve as deacons and elders will be presented for election. Plan to stay after the worship service to participate in this important election. A Zoom link will be sent prior to the meeting for those who wish to participate virtually.

## MEMBERSHIP EXPLORATION CLASS



## ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT ST. MARK



### Bible Study Fridays 9:00 am



#### FRIDAY BIBLE STUDY

Join us Friday mornings as we take a closer look at some of Jesus' miracles. We will be using the book and accompanying videos to Amy-Jill Levine's study "Signs and Wonders". You can buy the book if you desire but it is not necessary though we will be drawing from the reading for parts of the discussion. If you have any questions, contact pastor MP [mpanco@discoverstmark.org](mailto:mpanco@discoverstmark.org) or call the church office

#### ST. MARK MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The men's bible study meets in room 102 every Tuesday at 7:30 am. We are currently studying the Lord's Prayer using Adam Hamilton's book, "The Lord's Prayer, The Meaning and Prayer Jesus Taught". All men are welcome! You may contact Bruce Cranston for more information.

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH YOUTH

### YOUTH WEDNESDAYS

Youth 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up meet Wednesdays from 6:00 – 7:00 pm for food, fun, fellowship, and faith! If you have any questions, contact pastor MP [mpanco@discoverstmark.org](mailto:mpanco@discoverstmark.org) or call the church office.



### St. Mark Youth Music Ensemble

#### Upcoming Schedule



Aug. 30th

Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Sep. 6th

Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Sep. 10th

Perform in 10:00am worship  
Discover Sunday

Sep. 24th

Rehearsal 11:15am - 12:15pm

Oct. 1st

Rehearsal 11:15am - 12:15pm

Oct. 8th

Rehearsal 11:15am - 12:15pm

Oct. 22

Rehearsal 11:15am - 12:15pm



We will make our debut on Discover Sunday!  
Celebrating our church ministries and  
welcoming Pastor Dave back from Sabbatical

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

##### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

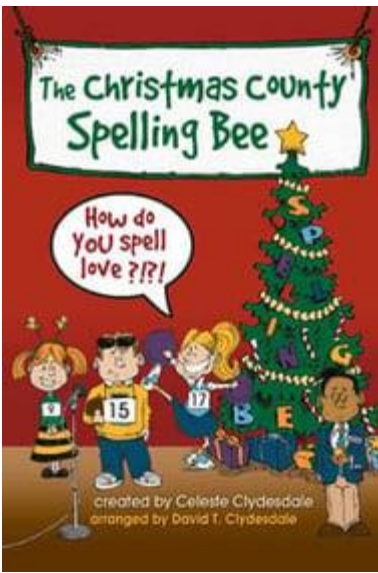
Sunday school for children PreK - 5<sup>th</sup> grade takes place during Sunday worship, immediately following the Children's Message.

##### NURSERY

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

##### SUNDAY SCHOOL SIGN IN!

Please be sure to sign in your student(s) for Sunday School! Parents will receive a card after Time With Children with a QR code for access to the sign in. We ask that you have your student(s) registered so that we can contact you via text in the event that you are needed.



## WEDNESDAY CHILDREN'S CHOIR!

Join us for Pre-K choir (5:00 -5:25 pm) and Elementary choir (5:30-6:30 pm)! 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 December 3 @ 4 pm. For more information, contact [lgilliland@discoverstmark.org](mailto:lgilliland@discoverstmark.org).



## MISSION AT ST. MARK

### SEPTEMBER SPECIAL REQUEST BY ISAIAH 58

- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Canned Hearty Soup
- Canned Spinach
- Canned Sardines
- Cereal
- Underpants – youth and adults
  - Female – hipsters
  - Male – boxers



Please place donations on the table in the Pastors' hallway

## WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



PW Book Club will meet on September 27 at 9:30 am in room 102. A link to join virtually on Zoom is also available by contacting Judy Richardson. Books will be selected for the coming year.



### 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.**





Claymont Preschool at St. Mark  
601 Claymont Drive, Ballwin 63011

We are Hiring...

## **Music and Movement Teacher**

### Seeking applicants who:

- love children
- have strong vocal singing skills
- play an instrument – piano or guitar preferred
- have knowledge of a wide variety of children's songs
- confidently lead children in learning and performing songs
- have organizational and planning skills

### Position Information:

- 9-month (school year) position
- Monday through Friday
- lead 3 to 4 groups of young children
- 2 hours each morning
- begins immediately

### Interested? Contact:

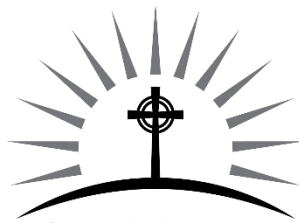
Susan Talley, Preschool Director  
STalley@DiscoverStMark.org  
636-386-5437

# **Go Getters Luncheon October 10 @ 12 pm**

THE LUNCHEON WILL BE HELD AT EL SALTO MEXICAN  
RESTAURANT, 955 CHESTERFIELD CENTER (NEAR THE  
CHESTERFIELD MALL).

PLEASE INVITE A FRIEND AND PLAN TO JOIN US!  
LET JAN GRAVES OR JUDY RICHARDSON KNOW OF YOUR PLANS  
TO ATTEND.

*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*  
*Sunday Liturgist: Jan Boehme*