



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

October 7 & 8, 2023  
Worship Bulletin

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## CENTERING PRAYER

Creator God, the heavens radiate your glory! You set a tent for the sun which comes out like a joyful bridegroom from his wedding canopy. May we emerge from the night's waiting with such rampant joy that we too radiate your glory throughout this day. In the name of the Son of Righteousness who has risen with healing in his wings. Amen.

PRELUDE (Sunday Worship)

*Badinage*

Anthony Giamanco

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION

## CALL TO WORSHIP

The heavens declare the glory of God!

**The skies proclaim God's handiwork.**

The day pronounces God's glory without a sound,

**the night expounds God's knowledge without a word,**

and yet their voice goes out through all the earth.

**Let us join our voices with the voice of creation  
in declaring God's glory!**

† HYMN

**"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"**

**Hymnal #475**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Rescuing God, you brought us out of the land of captivity, out of the house of slavery. Forgive us when we willingly return to these former bonds, making divine the machine of production, and crafting idols from the excess of consumption. Forgive us when we consider ourselves so grand that we do not rest and enjoy your presence. Forgive us for believing the lie that our worth is in what we create as opposed to claiming our identity as your beloved children. Forgive us through Christ, who redeems us from the brokenness of slavery that we might enjoy your presence, creation, and community. (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**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

TIME WITH CHILDREN (Sunday Worship)

† HYMN

**"Baptized in Water"**

**Hymnal #482**

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 21:33-46

SERMON

**"When the Bill Comes Due"**

Rev. Dr. Dave Burgess

† **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.**

† 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

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

Hymnal #353

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

We Will Walk with God

Hymnal #742

(Sunday Worship)

POSTLUDE (Sunday Worship)

Song for All Saints

Mary McDonald

† In body or in spirit, please rise.

THE BAPTISM OF JORDAN ROJESKI

Jordan Rojas, the son of Rob and Amanda Rojas, will be baptized during today’s worship. The baptismal gown used by Jordan today was originally worn by his great-great grandmother Leola Hinton James, born in 1910. For over 100 years this 48" long, gauze-like cotton and lace gown has been used in multiple infant baptisms, including four here at St. Mark! It is a treasured generational heirloom and we are proud to share it with you today.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October			
8	New Member Exploration Class, 8:50	15	Equal Exchange/Fairly Traded
8	Confirmation Class, 9 am	15	Fall Festival, 11 am
9	Prayer Circle, 9:30 am	18	Potluck Dinner & Program, 5 pm
10	Men’s Bible Study, 7:30 am	22	Blood Drive, 8:30 am
10	Yoga, 6:30 pm	25	PW Book Club, 9:30 am
10	Go Getter Luncheon, 12 pm	25	PW Outing, 11:30 am
11	Children & Youth Activities, 5 & 6 pm	29	Anniversary Celebration for Pastors Dave & MP, following worship
12	Chair Exercise, 10 am	29	Youth & Children’s Fall Outing, 11:15 am
13	Friday Bible Study, 9 am		

## 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 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).



## ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT ST. MARK



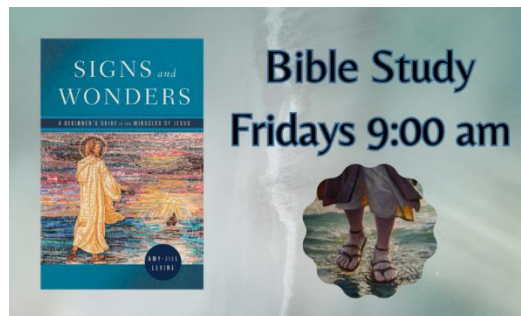
Classes will be October 7, 15, & 22 at 8:50 am.

### 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.

### FRIDAY BIBLE STUDY

Join us Friday mornings, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, & 27<sup>th</sup> as we continue taking 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 or [mpanco@discoverstmark.org](mailto:mpanco@discoverstmark.org) or call the church office.



## 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

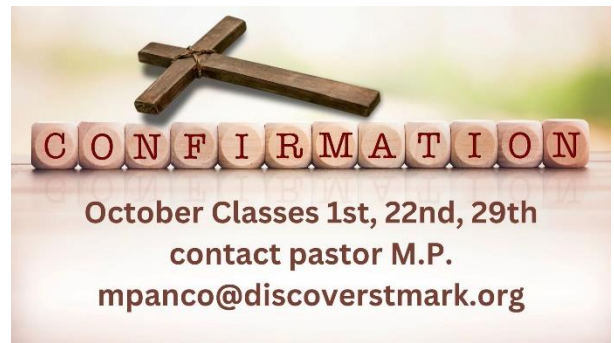
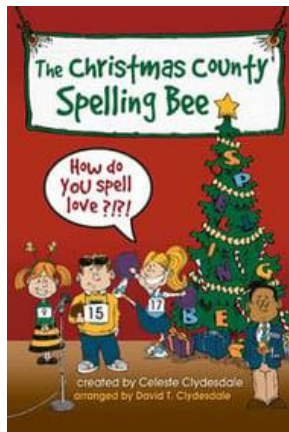
Nursery Care, for ages 0 – 2 years, is available Sunday mornings from 8:30 am - 11:00 am

### 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. Please register your student(s) so that we can contact you via text if 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 "Christmas County Spelling Bee" and will be presented on December 3 @ 4 pm. For more information, contact [lgilliland@discoverstmark.org](mailto:lgilliland@discoverstmark.org).



If you have a youth 7<sup>th</sup> grade or older who would like to explore more about what it means to be a Christian, this is the place! Students will meet weekly along with their mentors and talk about their faith and what they believe about Jesus, religion, the church, and more! Never too late to join in!

### ALL YOUTH • CHILDREN • FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO ECKERT'S FUN



### FARM!

The Youth and Children's Ministries Committees are teaming up for an afternoon of fun at

Eckert's – including apple picking! Lunch will be provided at the church before we leave. We will leave from the church and return to the church. Youth - bring money for anything you want to buy. RSVP to Pastor MP or Latisha Gilliland.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH YOUTH



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.





## MISSION AT ST. MARK

### OCTOBER FOOD PANTRY MOST WANTED



- Dinner “Helpers”
- Fruit
- Baking Mixes
- Baking Items – Sugar, Flour, Oil, Shortening
- Women’s Incontinence Products \*



All year long, we collect food and hygiene items for Circle of Concern and Isaiah 58 Ministries

\*Non-food products cannot be purchased with food stamps. Please place donations on the table in the Pastors’ hallway.

### EQUAL EXCHANGE / FAIRLY TRADED IN THE NARTHEX



Check out the products available for purchase on Sunday October 15th. Let us know if there are any items that you would like to see more of or less of in our offerings.

St. Mark supports this mission to build long-term trade partnerships that are economically just and environmentally sustainable, and to foster mutually beneficial relationships between small farmers and consumers (that’s us!). *Cash, Credit, Debit, Tap accepted.*



### Presbyterian Children’s Homes and Services<sup>SM</sup>

The Presbyterian Children’s Homes and Services annual fundraising luncheon is Thursday October 26<sup>th</sup> at Noon at Piazza Messina in Cottleville. Please contact Pam Ladley if you would like to join other St. Mark members at the “Hope Grows Here” event for this longstanding mission partner.



New and gently used clean winter coats and clothing are needed for men, women, and kids, all sizes, and styles. Many people in our region lack

enough warm clothing to stay protected throughout winter. Our mission partners will ensure someone in need receives your gift of warmth!

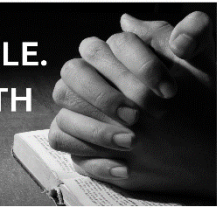
### St. Mark Prayer Circle

Mondays at 9:30 am, Room 104

Everyone is Welcome

If you can’t join us, please pick up a Prayer List at the Welcome Center on Sunday or the Prayer Circle mailbox in the church office

LIFE IS FRAGILE.  
HANDLE WITH  
PRAYER



We pray for our congregants, their family & friends, the community, our nation, and the world.

### 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.

### POTLUCK DINNER & PROGRAM, OCTOBER 18

Featuring Jed Koball, PCUSA Mission Co-Worker.

Rev. Jed Koball

assists the Peru Joining Hands Network (Red Uniendo Manos Peru), which is focused on environmental contamination from the mining industry, the growing water crisis due to global warming, and trade policies that disadvantage many Peruvians. To learn more, go to [Presbyterian Mission Agency A Letter from Jed and Jenny Koball, serving in Peru Fall 2023 | Presbyterian Mission Agency](#). St. Mark supports several PCUSA mission co-workers in Peru through Christmas Alternatives. (Jed & Jenny Koball, and Chenoa Stock).





## AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

**Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023** 8:30 am to 1:30 pm  
Visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) & enter: Saintmarkpres to schedule an appointment.

## CELEBRATING PASTORS DAVE & MP

Let's celebrate the combined anniversaries of Pastor Dave and Pastor MP on Sunday, October 29th with pie and coffee after worship service! Stop by to share your appreciation for our amazing pastoral team! If you would like to bake a pie to share please sign up at the Welcome Center or email Nina Collier. Please have your pies in the kitchen by 9 am on Sunday, October 29th.



## SAVE THE DATES!

We know calendars fill up fast and we don't want you to miss out on Giving Thanks or the Jingle Mingle. Please circle Sunday, November 19 for the Giving Thanks Meal and Sunday, December 3 for the Jingle Mingle. More information to follow!

## BICYCLES WANTED

UMC Bike Rehab is on track this year to provide over 1000 bikes to our donor partners. St Patrick's Center (homeless vets), Little Patriots, and Presbyterian Children's Home & Services are just 3 of our partners. We accept bike donations regardless of condition. We strip parts from some, recondition some adult bikes for resale to fund our operation and, of course, we recondition bikes to donate to children, refugees, and disabled vets. If you have bikes that your kids have outgrown or just hanging in the garage taking up space please consider donating bikes, volunteering, or purchasing an adult bike. You can drop them on the driveway at 201 Creve Coeur Ave Ballwin or if you need assistance call Eric Peters and he'll be happy to pick them up.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

### On the Road with PW...

Wednesday,  
October 25, 2023

### Our Destination:



ST. LOUIS  
**KAPLAN FELDMAN  
HOLOCAUST MUSEUM**  
*In honor of the survivors and the memory of the victims*



Since 1995, the St. Louis Kaplan Feldman Holocaust Museum has been dedicated to fulfilling its mission:

*Through the lessons of the Holocaust, we inspire all people to confront hatred, promote human dignity and prevent genocide.*

Meet at St. Mark at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, October 25, to carpool to lunch and then to the museum for our 1:30 tour followed by a survivor sharing the story of her experience. The cost for the museum tour/speaker is \$10.00. Lunch plans TBA. **To reserve your place for the tour, please sign up at the PW Table in the Narthex.** You may meet the group at the Museum at 1:15 if lunch doesn't fit in your schedule on the 25th.



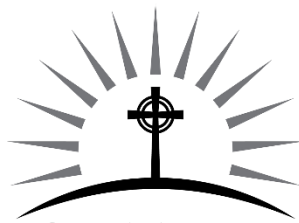
## CALLING ALL ANGELS!

It's that time again! The Christmas Boutique and Angel Street Café are just around the corner, November 7 & 8. Presbyterian Women ask for your help by in making chicken salad, bean or broccoli soup, bake specialty desserts, pies, cakes, or brownies. We also need help with set up and clean up. You can also bring a friend for shopping and lunch and then come back for supper! Sign up sheets are on the PW table in the Narthex.

## PW BOOK CLUB

Book Club will meet on October 25 at 9:30 am. A link to join virtually on Zoom is also available by contacting Judy Richardson. Shirley Boeker will lead this month's discussion of *The House on Fire* by Rachel Beanland.

*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 Choir  
*Sunday Liturgist:* Donna Schiro