DISCOVER MISSION SUNDAY



February 11, 2024 Worship Bulletin

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CENTERING PRAYER

Holy and mighty God, gather us among your faithful ones, the people of your covenant, to stand in the light of your gory and listen for the word of the Lord, Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

PRELUDE Psalm of Glory Lani Smith

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 121)

Shirley Boeker (Newborns in Need)

I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in

from this time on and for evermore.

† HYMN

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Hymnal #12

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Christi Tennyson (PCHAS)

God of all glory, beauty, and grace, we try to hide from you – hide our faces, hide our sin – yet you never hide your love for us. We try to search for you – in temples, in clouds, on mountaintops – yet, you already reveal yourself to us in the face of Jesus Christ. Forgive us, transform us, shine upon us so that we might reflect your glory, beauty, and grace. We continue to pray in Jesus' name. (Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

† GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

Hymnal #581

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Christy Foster (Mound Ridge)

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

Hymnal #452

Sing Twice

SCRIPTURE

† HYMN

Mark 9:2-9

Rev. Ed Koch (Marion Medical Mission)

SERMON

"Lies My Preacher Told Me: Mistaken Identities"

Rev. Dr. Dave Burgess

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Westminster Confession of Faith, Shorter Catechism Question One

Vicky James (Lafayette Industries)

Q. What is our chief end?

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

OFFERTORY

This Is My Father's World Chancel Choir

Douglas E. Wagner

OFFERING PRAYER

Brenda Booth (Isaiah 58 Ministries)

† THE DOXOLOGY

Hymnal #609

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Cyndi Miller (Circle of Concern)

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 Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Hymnal #377

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Go to the World!"

Hymnal #295

Verse 2

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing **POSTLUDE**

Lyndell Leatherman

† In body or in spirit, please rise.

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Go to the World! Go to the world! Go into every place. Go live the word of God's redeeming grace. Go seek God's presence in each time and space. Alleluia, Alleluia,

UPCOMING EVENTS

February

- П Adult Bible Study, 8:50 am
- П Confirmation Class, 9:00 am
- 12 Prayer Circle, 9:30 am
- 13 Men's Bible Study, 7:30 am
- 13 Go Getter Luncheon, 12 pm
- 13 Yoga, 6:30 pm
- 14 Ash Wednesday Drive Thru Ashes 8:30 am - 12 pm

- 14 Ash Wednesday Worship Service, 7 pm
- 15 Chair Exercise, 10 am
- 21 Potluck dinner & program, 5 pm
- 24 Trivia Night, 5 pm
- 25 Blood Drive, 8:30 am
- 28 Book Club, 9:30 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 for the Sanctuary are donated by Ginny Kadyk.

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

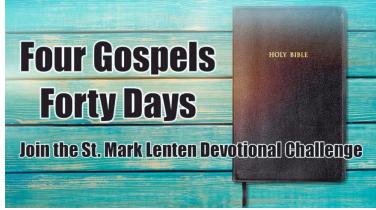
Online: To donate, use the QR Code here to be directed to our giving page on discoverstmark.org.

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Dave is generally available in the church office Monday – Thursday from $8:15\ am-1\ pm$. Pastor MP is generally available in the church office on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from $9\ am-12\ pm$. Both are available at other times by appointment. Please contact the church office to confirm their availability or to schedule an appointment.



Ashes will also be available by drive thru in the parking lot from 8:30 am - 12 pm.



During the season of Lent, Pastor Dave challenges the congregation to read passages from the gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John each day of the forty days of Lent. See the last page of the bulletin for you guide to reading four gospels in forty days.

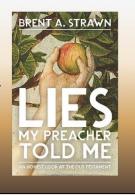
ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT ST. MARK

ST. MARK MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The men's bible study meets in room 102 every Tuesday at 7:30 am. We are reading, What's So Amazing About Grace by Philip Yancy. All men are welcome! You may contact Glen Corlett or Bruce Cranston for more information.

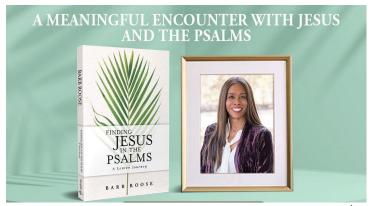
All-Church Book Study Arriving in January 2024

Pick up your copy today!



Everyone is welcome to join our Adult Sunday School Class in 2024 as we work through the book, "Lies My Preacher Told Me" together. We gather at 8:50 AM in Room 102, and it's a wonderful opportunity to ask questions, discuss God's Word, and deepen our faith. The class will explore common misconceptions about the Old Testament and ways we can (re)engage the text faithfully. Please let Pastor Dave know if you have any questions.

FRIDAY BIBLE STUDY



Upcoming Friday morning Lenten study February 2nd, 9th, 16th, March 1st, 8th, 22nd

Join Bible study author Barb Roose in a meaningful encounter with the Psalms through the season of Lent.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

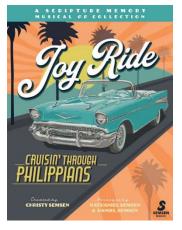
Sunday school for children PreK - 5th grade takes place during Sunday worship, immediately following the Children's Message.

NURSERY

Nursery Care, for ages 0 – 2 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.



THE MUSICAL, JOY RIDE

We are so excited about the journey through the book of Philippians with easy scripture memorization through songs and drama, games and weekly lessons. What fun!!!! The St. Mark Children's choirs meet each week - Pre-K (ages 3-

4) from 5 - 5:25 pm and Elementary choir (grades K-5) from 5:30 - 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. We will share our journey with you on April 21th at 4:00 pm followed by a beach "hang-out" reception for all. Contact Latisha Gilliland for more information.

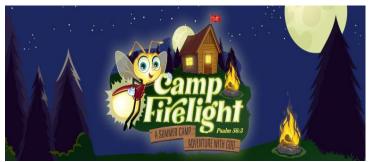
Join us on Sunday, February 18 after worship for our Session #5 luncheon, "Parents and Children" – Faith Conversations. We



encourage you to join us even if you are not teaching Sunday School and especially if you have children between the ages of 0-12! Childcare & lunch will be provided. Our meeting will be immediately after the morning worship service in room 102. There will also be a chance to preview our VBS theme for 2024!



JOIN US FROM 11 AM - 12 PM!



VBS SAVE THE DATE! JULY 15-19

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH YOUTH



Youth 6th grade and up are meeting Wednesdays from 6:00 - 7:00 pm (unless noted otherwise) for food, fun, fellowship, and faith! If you have any questions, contact Pastor MP or call the church office.



Students 7th grade and older meet weekly, with their mentors, to talk about their faith and what they believe about Jesus, religion, the church, and more. It's never too late to join! Contact Pastor MP for more information.



YOUTH TRIVIA NIGHT

This year our youth will travel to the Gulf Coast, helping with hurricane related clean up. In order to fund this trip, the youth are hosting a Trivia Night on Saturday, Feb 24, 2024. The doors will open at 5:00 pm and trivia will begin at 6:00 pm. The evening includes 10 rounds of trivia, a silent auction, and games & prizes. Register now! The price per table of 8 is \$200. Registrations forms are on the youth table in the narthex or go to discoverstmark.org to register and pay online.

We are currently seeking donations of gift cards, tickets to local sporting events, theater shows, or music venues for silent auction baskets. Donations of bottled water and cans of soda are also needed for the event. Please contact Heather Neal for more information.

MISSION AT ST. MARK

COAT COLLECTION EXTENDED THROUGH THE END OF FEBRUARY

New and gently used clean winter coats AND cold weather clothing are still needed -- especially adults size XL and up. The larger



sizes are helpful with layering. Please place your donations in the foyer outside the church office.

FEBRUARY FOOD PANTRY MOST WANTED



- Jelly
- Flavored Oatmeal Packets
- Dinner "Helpers"
- Condiments Ketchup,
 Salad Dressings, Mayonnaise
- Body Wash Adult and Children's*

All year long, we collect food and hygiene items for Circle of Concern and Isaiah 58 Ministries. *Nonfood products cannot be purchased with food stamps. Please place donations on the table in the Pastors' hallway.

EQUAL EXCHANGE / FAIRLY TRADED

February II in the Narthex

Through fair trade, smallscale farmers are better able to support their families and stay on their



land with better income and support from their cooperatives. 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, & mobile payments accepted.



LENTEN WATER CHALLENGE

Pastor Dave has encouraged his congregations for the past to drink only clean tap water for the 40 days of Lent and donate the money not spent on other beverages to support the building of clean water wells in Africa. Giving up the morning trip to our favorite coffee spot, or the beverage with our drive through meal, or the evening adult beverage, will help us comprehend how much money we spend on beverages. We are blessed to have clean water in our community, and this challenge helps us to understand the needs of those who have less, and support groups who are working to provide living water for all God's children.

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

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Book club will meet Wednesday, February 28, at 9:30 am. The book for this month's discussion is Her Hidden Genius by Marie Benedict. There is an option to participate virtually as well as in person. Please contact Judy Richardson for a Zoom invite to participate virtually.



CELEBRATE EASTER WITH HANDMADE CANDY!

Presbyterian Women are selling delicious handmade salted caramel and chocolate bark (with or without

almonds) just in time for Easter. Candy sales will be before and after worship service on March 3, 10, & 17 for \$10 each and will be available on March 24. All proceeds go to the missions that Presbyterian Women support.



Grief is a journey we are never prepared to take. Have you lost a spouse, family member, or close friend? Are you finding it difficult to talk about your loss? Do you feel nobody understands? GriefShare is a place you can come with caring compassionate people to walk with you on your grief journey. Be with people who are experiencing similar feelings. Let us help you. GriefShare meets weekly for 13 weeks. It is very helpful, but not required to attend all the sessions. Our next session starts Tuesday February 13, 6:30 – 8:30 pm. The book fee is \$20. For information, contact Debbie Hames.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, February 25, 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 February 25th at http://www.redcrossblood.org/Donate/Blood and enter: Saintmarkpres.



You are invited on Wednesday, February 21 at 5pm to bring your favorite potluck dish and join us for food, fellowship, and an informative program.

Go Getters Luncheon February 13 @ 12 pm

The luncheon will be held at

Candicci's Restaurant

100 Holloway Rd, Ballwin
Please invite a friend and join us for food,
fun, and fellowship.
Please let Jan Graves or Judy Richardson
know of your plans to attend.





NURSERY WORKER POSITION

We are looking for energetic person or persons to provide

childcare for children ages 2 months to 3 years on Sunday mornings from 8:30-11:15 am and Wednesday evenings from 6-8 pm. Please contact Latisha Gilliland for more information.

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE IS SEEKING VOLUNTEERS!

St. Mark's Property
Committee is actively
seeking new members to
help us with maintenance
of the building, preschool
and grounds! We need
your time and talents.



Would you be interested in gardening, painting, electrical or minor construction?

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.

FOUR GOSPELS IN FORTY DAY READING SCHEDULE

DAY	PASSAGE
1	Matthew 1–2
2	Matthew 3–4
3	Matthew 5–7
4	Matthew 8–9
5	Matthew 10–12
6	Matthew 13–14
7	Matthew 15–16
8	Matthew 17–18
9	Matthew 19–20
10	Matthew 21–23
11	Matthew 24–25
12	Matthew 26–28
13	Mark 1–3
14	Mark 4–5
13	Mark 1–3

DAY	PASSAGE
15	Mark 6–7
16	Mark 8–10
17	Mark 11–13
18	Mark 14–16
19	Luke 1–2
20	Luke 3–4
21	Luke 5–6
22	Luke 7
23	Luke 8–9
24	Luke 10–11
25	Luke 12–13
26	Luke 14–16
27	Luke 17–19
28	Luke 20–21

DAY	PASSAGE
29	Luke 22–24
30	John 1–2
31	John 3–4
32	John 5–6
33	John 7–8
34	John 9–10
35	John 11–12
36	John 13–14
37	John 15–16
38	John 17
39	John 18–19
40	John 20-21

Notes

Pastor: Rev. Dr. J. David Burgess Associate Pastor: Rev. MP Panco Dir. of Children's Ministry: Latisha Gilliland Dir. of Claymont Preschool: Susan Talley



Dir. of Music: Ethan Forte Accompanist & Organist: Jee-Hye Lee Special Music: Chancel Choir Liturgists: St. Mark Mission Partners