



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

March 24, 2024
Worship Bulletin

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CENTERING PRAYER

God of salvation, our Lord entered his passion to raise us to life. In the holiest of weeks, help us to walk the way of the cross, that we may be raised in a resurrection like his and dwell forever in you, Eternal God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRELUDE

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

James Southbridge

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Awake to the day of our Savior's triumph!

Give thanks for this day that leads to the cross!

Come with your branches, hosannas, and songs!

Fill the air with welcome to the Lord!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

† HYMN

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

Hymnal #196

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess we continue to sin, and although we would like to deny it, we forsake you daily. We are horrified by the suffering we cause – to you, ourselves, and the world you created. Open the gates of your forgiveness and restore us in your love. We pray this in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. (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

Hosanna Processional

† HYMN

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Hymnal #197

SCRIPTURE

Mark 11:1-11

SERMON

"Lead, Follow, or Get out of the Way"

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

Ride On, King Jesus
Chancel Choir

arr. Philip Kern

† THE DOXOLOGY

Hymnal #609

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

“O Sing a Song of Bethlehem”

Hymnal #159

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”
Verses 1 and 3

Hymnal #817

POSTLUDE

Celebration

David Lasky

† *In body or in spirit, please rise.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

March

24 Palm Sunday Worship, 10 am

24 Jerusalem Festival

25 Prayer Circle, 9:30 am

26 Men's Bible Study, 7:30 am

26 Yoga, 6:30 pm

27 Book Club, 9:30 am

28 Chair Exercise, 10 am

28 Maundy Thursday Worship, 7 pm

29 Friday Bible Study, 9 am

29 Journey to the Cross, 11 am

29 Good Friday Worship, 3 pm

30 Bunny Breakfast, 9 am

31 Easter Sunday Worship, 10 am

April

6 Troop 631 Lawnmower Tune Up, 8 am

Holy Week at St. Mark

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday Worship Service, 10 am
Jerusalem Festival, 11 am

Thursday, March 28 Maundy Thursday Worship Service, 7 pm

Friday, March 29 Journey To The Cross, 11 am - 7 pm
Good Friday Worship Service, 3 pm

Saturday, March 30 Bunny Breakfast, 9 am

Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday Worship Service, 10 am

Go to Discoverstmark.org and click on Events for more details



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 Marshall "In loving memory of Larry Marshall for his birthday, April 5th."

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

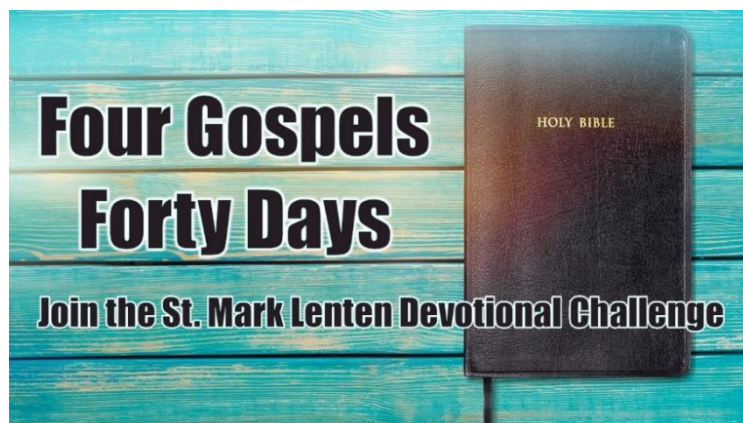
The pastors are generally available: Pastor Dave - Monday through Thursday from 8:15 am – 1 pm. Pastor MP - Monday, Tuesday, and Friday from 9 am – 12 pm. Both are available at other times by appointment. Please contact the church office to confirm their availability or to schedule an appointment.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING –

Value for Values---ways we can relate to how our donations are spent. Here are a few examples of the approximate/average cost of providing the items to families where most needed.

- Farming tools---\$10
- Piglet---\$40
- Emergency Life Pack---\$125
- Community Irrigation Water Pump---\$250
- Marian Medical Mission Well---\$400

This annual Special Offering in the Presbyterian Church USA serves Disaster Assistance, The Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. The funds are spent within the US as well as internationally. Additionally, St. Mark supports the Marion Medical Mission, working to provide water for people in sub-Saharan Africa. Thank you for your generosity.



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 back of the bulletin for your guide to reading four gospels in forty days.



Join us on Good Friday March 29th between the hours of 11 am and 7 pm for a spiritual self-guided journey through an ecumenical version of the stations of the cross. Upon arrival you will be greeted by someone who will provide you with a map and instructions. This journey is a time for each one of us to connect with God in a special way as we contemplate the last hours of Jesus earthly life. We can then examine how those contemplations speak to our own spiritual life in Christ Jesus.

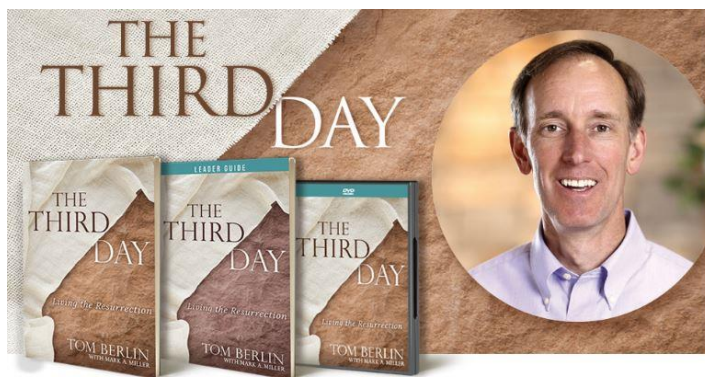
UPDATING THE ST. MARK PHONE DIRECTORY

The Membership Committee is updating the St. Mark Directory. Please contact the office if you have had a change of address or phone number, or if you no longer have your landline. You may also make changes at the Welcome Center on Sundays.

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.



FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Friday morning Bible study April 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th and May 3rd, and 10th.

The Third Day: Living the Resurrection

On the third day, he rose again. In *"The Third Day: Living the Resurrection"*, Tom Berlin uses his gifts of storytelling and understanding the Scriptures to connect the reader to the experiences of several individuals around Jesus in his final days, focusing on new life and redemption rather than loss. Join Peter, Mary Magdalene, and Thomas as they feel the despair of losing Jesus and the surprise and joy that awaits them in the resurrection. This study traces events around these characters, along with Paul and the disciples at Emmaus, and how the resurrection transforms their lives.

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

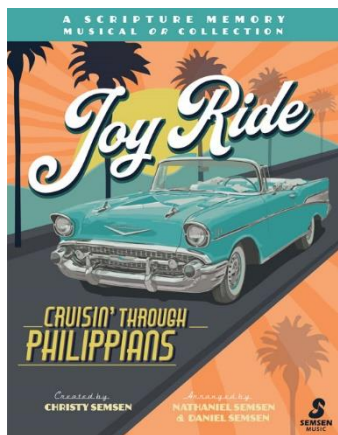
Sunday school for children PreK - 5th grade takes place during Sunday worship, immediately following the Children's Message.

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.



JOY RIDE, THE MUSICAL

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 21st at 4:00 pm followed by a beach

"hang-out" reception for all. Contact Latisha Gilliland for more information.

Bunny Breakfast



March 30 9-11 a.m.

The egg hunt times are as follows: Ages 3 & under – 9:30, Preschool to Kindergarten – 9:50, 1st & 2nd Graders – 10:10, all ages – 10:30.



VBS SAVE THE DATE! JULY 15-19

Registration is open! Go to discoverstmark.org.



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.

MISSION AT ST. MARK



LENTEN WATER CHALLENGE

Pastor Dave encourages us 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, 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.

MARCH FOOD PANTRY MOST WANTED

- Canned Pasta with Meat
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Vegetables (no green beans or corn)
- Shampoo & Toothpaste*



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 entrance by the church office.

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

BOOK CLUB

Book club will meet Wednesday, March 27 at 9:30 am. The book for this month's discussion is **Mad Honey** by Jodi Picoult & Jennifer Finney Boylan. There is an option to participate virtually as well as in person. Please contact Judy Richardson for a Zoom invite to participate virtually.



PW is collecting for Newborns in Need during the month of April. 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, sleepers, blankets, baby wash, wipes and diapers are accepted and may be placed in the Play by the PW table.

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, call Shirley Boeker or Louis Grothe.



MOUND RIDGE ANNUAL SPRING FUNDRAISER

Saturday, April 13,
Mound Ridge will host
their annual silent
auction fundraiser.

Join them for an afternoon of great food, fun, raffles, auction items, and games. The cost is \$60 per ticket with lunch included. All proceeds help Mound Ridge provide a discounted or cost-free camp experience to all children and youth. Go to moundridge.org for more information.

SAVE THE DATE: ST. MARK OUTING TO MOUND RIDGE, MAY 3-4

Everyone is invited! Come for both days or just Saturday. We will build on environmental themes from April's adult education series and will plant a native edible garden. Contact Clarice Hutchens for more information or to help with planning.



TROOP 631

LAWNMOWER TUNEUP SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 8 am – 1 pm

Tune up services include blade sharpening, oil change, air filter cleaning, spark plug clean and gap, clean underside & deck. **Tune ups only – no repairs!** Appointments are encouraged, not required. You will receive a call/text when your mower is ready. All mowers will be ready for pick up by 1 pm.

Donations are appreciated and encouraged. Funds help our scouts attend camp and experience adventures that foster good citizenship, love of the outdoors, and leadership skills

Taking place at Primrose School,
15031 Manchester Rd.

Pre-register, schedule, & donate
ahead at this link or scan the link
or scan the QR code:

<http://bit.ly/T631Lawnmower>





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**CIRCLE OF CONCERN
18TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**















SAVE THE DATE!
MONDAY, MAY 20, 2024
ABERDEEN GOLF CLUB













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Benefitting the programs of Circle of Concern
Contact Bob Steward if you'd like to volunteer!



FOUR GOSPELS IN FORTY DAYS 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

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

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



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Dir. of Music: Ethan Forte
Accompanist & Organist: Jee-Hye Lee
Special Music: Chancel
Liturgists: Jacob Coletto