



June 8, 2025
Worship Bulletin

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CENTERING PRAYER

Holy God, who comes to us in breath, visits us from the throne of heaven, and sets us aflame with amazement and joy, you open our paths to new visions and guide our feet deeper into your wisdom. Give us faith to trust your presence, through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRELUDE

The Great Commission

Hugh S. Livingston Jr.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPWARD MOMENT

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Psalm 104)

How manifold are your works, O Lord!

In wisdom you made them all;

the earth is full of your creatures.

You send forth your spirit, and they are created;

You renew the face of the earth.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

I will praise my God while I have my being.

† HYMN

“Here in This Place”

Hymnal #401

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Without your power, O God, we are lost. We have done the things we should avoid and left undone the things you desire. Transform our lives by your purifying fire, and guide us into honesty and compassion. Renew us with gentle breezes and move us to action with your mighty wind. May our dreams and visions be one with yours; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. (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

Youth Mission Team Commissioning

† HYMN

“Spirit of the Living God”

Hymnal #288

Sing Twice

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:1-21

SERMON

“Upward: From Cautious to Courageous”

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.

OFFERTORY

Shout to the Lord
Chancel Choir, Chancel Bells

Joel Raney

Capital Campaign Commitments
Pentecost Offering

† **THE DOXOLOGY**

Hymnal #606

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. 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**

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

Hymnal #307

† **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

† **BENEDICTION
RESPONSE**

Shout to the Lord

**Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing
Power and majesty praise to the King
Mountains bow down and the sea will roar
At the sound of Your name.**

**I sing for joy at the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.**

POSTLUDE

Jubilant Ringing

Phil Lehenbauer

† In body or spirit, please rise.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June

- 8** Adult Bible Study, 8:50 am
- 8** Capital Campaign Celebration
- 8** Capital Campaign Potluck Lunch,
immediately following worship
- 9** Prayer Circle, 9:30 am
- 12** Chair Exercise, 10 am

- 15** Farewell Celebration for Pastor MP,
immediately following worship
- 21** Rise Against Hunger Event, 10 am

July

- 14-18** VBS, 9 am – 12 pm daily

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 available from a sound technician in the booth at the back of the sanctuary. Large print bulletins and hymnals are also available upon request from an usher.

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 Hugh and Linda Smith "In celebration of their 54th wedding anniversary."

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.



UPWARD CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



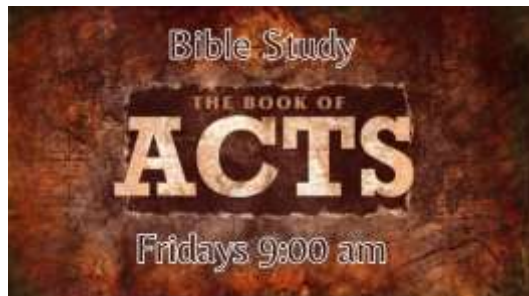
JOIN US TODAY FOR THE POTLUCK LUNCH!

PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING

Pentecost is the birthday of the Church—when God poured out the Holy Spirit upon those gathered to witness to God's mighty works. Through our gifts to the Pentecost Offering, we join together to support the well-being and faith of young people all around the world who enrich the Church.

We are there to work to correct the lack of access to education for children-at-risk, nurture the faith and vocation of youth and create space for young adults to explore and grow as leaders in Christ's church. This Offering helps our young people begin life with a strong start that will last a lifetime.

Be involved by your participation in this Special Offering.



The Book of Acts. Join us Fridays at 9:00 am as we read through and discuss the book of Acts. If you have any questions contact Pastor MP mpanco@discoverstmark.org.

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.



July 14-18 from 9 am - 12:00 pm.

Look for our Summer Sundays and VBS Volunteer sign up on the Welcome Center. Consider giving of your time one hour/once a month during the summer months AND/OR how to "say YES TO VBS!" and join our team the week of

VBS AT ST. MARK

VBS AT ST. MARK – JULY 14-18



You've saved the date - now it's time to write it in your calendar. You have been invited to go on the most fun and extraordinary road trip adventure ever. You won't be alone as our mascot Scout is coming along and we will learn Joshua 1:9 "The Lord your

God is with you wherever you go." We need early teams to sign up so - sign up today!



Registration is open! Use this QR code or go to discoverstmark.org to register!



Volunteers are also needed! If you can help for a few days or the entire week, use this QR code or go to the St. Mark website to register!

VBS Road Trip Donations! Please pass by our Road Trip Donation Board today in the Narthex before or after the service. You simply take one of the items off of the board and return it with the item(s) at this same location. As always, we love your support and giving heart for our kids during VBS. Your donations are appreciated and are used and recycled all year long.

VBS Work Days! Please come and join our team (even for just an hour) as we work on various "behind the scenes" projects that make our preparations for this year's VBS Road Trip a breeze. Your time and talents are so needed during this time. Many hands make light work and our church is the best when it comes to working together for good! Here are the dates and times:

- June 4, 11, 18, 25 (4-6 pm)
- Sunday, July 6 (immediately after the service to help move furniture in Sanctuary and Narthex)
- July 7-10 - Call Latisha to schedule, 10am - 12pm & 4-6pm
- July 11 - VBS potluck 5pm
- July 12 - All day
- July 13 - 12pm - 4pm

Contact Latisha at lgilliland@discoverstmark.org for scheduling and more information.

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH YOUTH



We will be taking our summer break starting in May. Keep an eye out for youth and family activities throughout the summer. Youth Wednesdays will resume in September. If you have any questions, contact pastor MP mpanco@discoverstmark.org or call the church office.

MISSION AT ST. MARK

JUNE FOOD PANTRY CRITICAL NEEDS

- Canned Fruit
- Cereal
- Snacks (8-12 servings)
- Sunscreen*



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.

EQUAL EXCHANGE In the Narthex on June 8

St. Mark – Top 100 Organization!!!

Every time we serve Equal Exchange coffee at St Mark or sell Equal Exchange products we are making a strong statement about our values. We are proclaiming that our congregation believes that it's vital to keep small farmers on the land providing food for their families and having some economic control over their lives; that it's important to work with indigenous producers and women; that sustainable agricultural methods are a vital way to address climate change.



Cash, Credit, Debit, Digital Wallet Payments
Accepted



LENT WATER CHALLENGE – 14 WELLS!!!

Worldwide, more children are killed by unsafe drinking water than bullets. In Sub-Saharan

Africa, women spend 16 million hours every day transporting water and 50% of all hospitalizations are due to water borne illnesses. Thanks to your generous gifts of \$6,750 for the 2025 Lent Water Challenge, FOURTEEN rural villages in Africa will work with a Marion Medical Mission Field Officer and other volunteers to site, dig, and build clean water wells.

SAVE THE DATE!

Rise
AGAINST HUNGER



June 21st, 2025

St. Mark Meal Packing Event

Register and donate using the QR code

Visit the table in the Narthex to make a donation. Volunteers of all ages are welcome! Use the QR code to register!

CELEBRATING PASTOR MP

Sunday, June 15,
please join us as we wish a fond farewell to MP with a reception following the church service, featuring Ted Drewes frozen custard and fresh fruit. We can't say goodbye without making sure we (and St. Louis) won't soon be forgotten, so we'll make sure to have a basket available for you to place any cards sending best wishes for MP's future ministry with a very lucky church in Ohio.





BLOCK YOUR CALENDARS – 2025 ABC SALE!

Workdays: July 27 thru July 31

Sale Days: August 1 & 2

Start saving your treasures! As always, the sale is a great opportunity for fellowship and outreach to the community. This is the primary fundraiser to support our local mission partners.

Interested in volunteering?

Contact Joyce Blackwell or Pam Ladley, Co-Chairs.

LET RECYCLE TOGETHER IN 2025 ... PLASTIC CAPS AND LIDS STILL NEEDED!

Plastic in our world is not going away anytime soon, so let's keep it out of the landfill and turn it into a new picnic table for Mound Ridge!

We need:

- caps/lids of all types from food grade containers and household items up to 8" in diameter
- look for the recycle symbol with number 2, 4, or 5



Please drop off your caps and lids in the collection bin near the Youth table in the Narthex



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Associate Pastor: Rev. MP Panco
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Dir. Of Claymont Preschool: Jessie Bahr



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