



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

August 7 & 8, 2021
Worship Bulletin

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CENTERING PRAYER

Redeeming God, you satisfy our soul's hunger through Jesus Christ, the bread of life. Filled with your steadfast love, let us live in love, working honestly to share with the needy, feeding others with the bread of kindness, tenderness, and forgiveness. Amen.

PRELUDE (Sunday Worship)

God So Loved The Word

Jan Sanborn

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 130

Out of the depths we cry to you, O LORD.

Lord, hear our voice.

Let your ears be attentive to our cries.

Our souls wait for the LORD.

More than those who watch for the morning,

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Let us hope in the LORD as we worship together.

† HYMN

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

Hymnal #12

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of peace, we reject your redemption and try to forge our own way. We hang between heaven and earth, caught up in our own folly. We hold fast to falsehood, deceiving others and ourselves. We sin against you and do violence to others. If you, O Lord, should mark our iniquities, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you so that you may be revered. Our soul waits in hope for your word to redeem us so we may begin a new day with you. (Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

† **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

† **GLORIA PATRI**

TIME WITH CHILDREN (Sunday Worship)

(Children 5th grade and younger may leave to attend Sunday School)

SCRIPTURE

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

SERMON

“Between Heaven and Earth”

Rev. Dr. Dave Burgess

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The 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 the saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

Go Tell It On The Mountain

John Carter

† THE DOXOLOGY

† HYMN

“Fight the Good Fight”

Hymnal #846

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

† CHARGE AND BLESSING

† BENEDICTION

“We Are Marching in the Light of God”

Hymnal #525

POSTLUDE (Sunday Worship)

Lift High The Cross

John Carter

†*You are invited to stand, as you are able*

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 15 -Blood Drive, 8:30 am-1:30pm

August 22 -Blessing of the Backpacks, 10am worship service

August 28 -Jazz Trio Parking Lot Concert, 7pm

September 11 -PW Virtual Brunch, 10am

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.

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.

Listening devices are also available and may be picked up from the sound technician in the booth at the back of the sanctuary.

July/August/September *These Days* devotional booklets are in the lobby at the Mark entrance.

Flowers for the Sanctuary are given this week by Pat Eisenberg "In honor of my many loved ones with August birthdays; Gail and Dylan Floyd, Tim Cline, Adam Cline, Chris Irish and Adam Young."

WAYS TO GIVE

If you would like to make a monetary donation to St. Mark, we have several convenient and easy ways to do this:

1. **In-person:** An offering plate is available in the Narthex after the worship service.
2. **Mail:** Please make check out to
St. Mark Presbyterian Church and send to:
St. Mark Presbyterian Church
601 Claymont Drive
Ballwin, MO 63011
3. **Online:** To donate, use the **QR Code** here to



be directed to our giving page on discoverstmark.org, **OR** go to:

www.discoverstmark.org/giving/make-an-on-line-donation-to-st-mark/



CHAIR EXERCISE CLASS RESUMES

Chair Exercise class will meet in Room 17 on Thursdays at 10 am. Please join us for this one hour stretching class whenever you can. Strength training is important but stretching exercises are essential for good health.



AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

**Sunday, August 15
8:30 AM – 1:30 PM**

The Red Cross is experiencing severe blood shortage at this time. **Sign up for an appointment at RedCrossBlood.org/Donate/Blood and enter the Sponsor Code "Saintmarkpres" or download the Blood Donor app to your iPhone.**

The need is very great to ensure blood is available during emergencies when every second matters and needed surgeries and treatments for leukemia, cancer and sickle cell disease is not delayed.

BE THE ONE WHO BRINGS HOPE AND HEALING TO THOSE PATIENTS IN NEED.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS



St. Mark Presbyterian Church would like to send students back to school with a bag tag and a blessing! For those who are not sending a student off to school, we welcome your donation of a

NEW backpack to be blessed and distributed by our Missions Committee.

All children and youth are invited to bring their backpacks to church on Sunday, August 22, 2021, so both they and their backpacks can be blessed at our 10:00 a.m. worship service.

These backpacks are our children and youths' constant companions as they go about their school days, so our Pastors of St. Mark would like to bless them. After the blessing, they will give each student a tag to put on their backpack to remind them that God is with them in their daily life and that their church family will be praying for them throughout the year.

Don't have any students at home? All are invited to be a blessing to other less fortunate students by purchasing a **NEW** backpack and bringing it to church that Sunday. The new backpacks will be blessed, tagged, and given to Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services.



MISSION PARTNER REQUESTS FOR BACK TO SCHOOL

We are continuing to collect back to school supplies for Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services through August 15. (Backpacks and anything that goes in them!) Please place your donations in the school bus located in the foyer outside the church office. If you prefer to donate cash to be used by the Mission Committee to shop for supplies, please send your check to the St. Mark office with "Back to School" in the memo line.



Usher: Assist people to their seats, pass out bulletins, take attendance, and more.
Contact Pastor MP or Jean Steward

Greeter: Greet worshippers as they arrive for worship, direct them to childcare, etc....
Contact Vicky Chabot

Communion Server: Serve your fellow worshippers the bread and the cup on communion Sundays.
Contact Valerie Steiner or Judy Richardson

Liturgist: Assist in worship by leading the congregation in the Call to Worship and the Offering.
Contact pastor MP mpanco@discoverstmark.org OR sign up at [St. Mark Presbyterian Church: Liturgist 2021 Sign-up \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.stmarkpresbyterianchurch.org/liturgist-2021-sign-up)

Worship Support Team: Change banners, decorate for Christmas, Easter, and more!
Contact Nikki Douglas

LEARN MORE: Contact Karl D'Arcy and Bill Tucker, worship support deacons, or Pastor MP mpanco@discoverstmark.org.

MUSIC NOTES



Chancel Choir will joyfully but carefully start short rehearsals on Wed. Sept 1 in the Sanctuary at 7 pm. As we proceed with caution, the following guidelines will be followed and adjusted as new information is received. Adults and teens are welcome.

ALL SINGERS MUST BE VACCINATED!

- Rehearsals: We will sit in the loft, with one seat between each of us, minimum.
- Doors to the sanctuary will be left open to ventilate the room.
- Masks are required in accordance with current St. Louis County mandates.
- If you have any symptoms, even just cold symptoms, please stay home until symptoms are clear.
- If you have been exposed to someone with covid, stay home, take care of yourself!
- We will keep folders in the loft.
- Please do not gather in the choir room downstairs.

Chancel Bells will resume weekly rehearsals on Wed. Sept 8 (tentatively) at 6 pm.

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- If you have been exposed to someone with covid, stay home and take care of yourself!

This is a great time for new players or those who have not participated in a while to join us. We will start easy and build our skills! Some music reading skills are required.

Questions? Interested? Email Marsha at mmedley@discoverstmark.org
Looking forward to making music with you again!



Everyone is welcome to join us for St. Mark's next Parking Lot Concert on Saturday, August 28 at 7:00 PM. We will enjoy an evening of jazz music at our campus. Bring a friend, a lawn chair, and a favorite beverage as we enjoy the horns. There is no cost for the concert, but we will accept donations. Please contact the church office with any questions.

CLAYMONT PRESCHOOL AT ST. MARK FALL 2021 REGISTRATION



Registration continues for classes beginning in August. Please enroll preschoolers in your family and help spread the word to your friends and neighbors about our fabulous preschool. Half day classes are available for children who will be 2 years old before October 1, 2021, through pre-kindergarten. Classes meet 9:00 to 12:00 with extended day until 1:30 for older children most days. Claymont Preschool enjoys a wonderful reputation for excellent caring teachers and superb kindergarten readiness. For more information and to schedule a tour, please email Lynne Dauve.



CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER!

Who: Youth 7th-12th grade (who are not yet confirmed)

Dates: September 19th, 2021-May 2022

Time: Sunday at 9am (prior to worship)

Location: St. Mark Youth Room (downstairs)

Note: We will have accommodations for those who are not ready to attend in person.

Contact Pastor MP mpanco@discoverstmark.org to ask questions and to get signed up.

FLOWERS FOR THE SANCTUARY

The Flower Chart is up again! If you are interested in providing flowers for our worship service, the 2021 calendar sign-up board is up. Please complete paper forms and place in flower mailbox with payment in church office.



MUSIC AND MOVEMENT SPECIALIST POSITION



Claymont Preschool at St. Mark Presbyterian Church in Ballwin, MO is in search of a Music and Movement Specialist Teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. Love of music and children is essential. The candidate must possess strong vocal skills and play an instrument. This position, teaching small groups of children 2 to 5 years old, is Monday through Friday mornings for one hour. It is lots of fun and you teach with fabulous people. Contact Lynne Dauve at ldauve@discoverstmark.org if interested.

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

After 15+ years, the library staff is retiring this month. Many thanks to Joan Corlett and Pat Marshall for their diligent service during that time. They worked almost every Thursday processing new books, reviewing contributions, keeping the library in order, and selecting different books to display in both the Adult and Children's Libraries. They will be greatly missed.

This leaves an opportunity for someone else with an interest in the libraries to volunteer. That could be one person in charge of both libraries or two people each to take over one library. If you are interested, contact Pastor Dave or Latisha. Interested individuals can also contact Diana Johanning for a description of job duties. *Please note - the library cannot accept book donations at this time.*

PW BRUNCH 2021

We had so much fun last year! Let's do it again!
It's a **VIRTUAL** Presbyterian Women's Brunch!

We can **bearly** wait for St. Mark Women and friends to join us
at the 2021 Presbyterian Women's Fall Brunch
Saturday, September 11, 2021 10:00 a.m.

Create your own brunch food and settle in
like you did last year.

We won't be together at round tables in
Gleason Hall but it will be a **bearly** good time.
As always, we do guarantee smiles and a few
laughs along the way. Don't worry, there will
be a Musical Experience with a bushel and a
peck of love for our favorite Teddy Bears.



Watch for more details in the September Messenger!



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: Lynne Dauve

Dir. of Music and Organist: Marsha Medley
Saturday Musician: Mark Reynoso
Sunday Guest Accompanist: Jee Hye Lee
Sunday Liturgist: Devin Melter

601 Claymont Drive, Ballwin, MO 63011
Office Hours Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am to 2pm.
*If you need to come in on another day, we encourage you to contact
the church office to make an appointment.*