



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

April 23 & 24  
Worship Bulletin

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## CENTERING PRAYER

God of the Resurrection, you open the tomb and invite us to sing and dance in the new life you give us. In Jesus Christ, whose wounds are not erased but glorified in resurrection, touch our wounds that they may be transformed into channels of healing for others. Holy Spirit, breathe into us the power to forgive so that all may have new life. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

## PRELUDE

*Grand Choeur*

Salome (1834-1896)

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed!**

Alleluia! Celebrate God in this sacred space! Celebrate God in all places under heaven!

**Give praise for God's mighty deeds! Give praise for God's resurrecting power!**

Praise God with a fanfare of trumpets.

**Praise God with the harp and the cello!**

Praise God with tambourines and dancing!

**Praise God with flutes and guitars!**

Praise God with cymbals and drums!

**Let everything with life and breath praise God!**

## † HYMN

**"In the Bulb There is a Flower"**

**Hymnal #250**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of the empty tomb and our empty hearts, when we are afraid to speak our faith in the world, forgive us and help us to find our voice. When we are afraid to forgive and to love again, forgive us and give us the power to forgive. When we are afraid to stand up to misguided authority, join with the weak to make us all strong. When we are confined by our hurts, touch us with your wounded hands and set us free. When we are locked behind our doubts and fears, pass through our barricades, open our hearts, and give us peace. (Silent confession)**

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE

## † SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## † GLORY TO GOD

**Hymnal #582**

## TIME WITH CHILDREN

(Children 5<sup>th</sup> grade and younger may leave to attend Sunday School)

## SCRIPTURE

John 20:19-31

## SERMON

"I Can Do What?"

Rev. MP

Panco

† **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.**

OFFERING

Morning Has Broken  
*Chancel Bells, Jee-Hye Lee - piano*

arr. Eithun

† **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**

**“Christ is Alive”**

**Hymnal #246**

† CHARGE AND BLESSING

† **BENEDICTION**

**“He Lives”**

He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me  
and talks with me along life's narrow way.  
He lives, He lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I  
know He lives? He lives within my heart.

POSTLUDE

*LLANFAIR*

Robertson (2008)

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

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- April 24** Lenten Water Challenge Celebration
- April 24** Blood Drive, 8:30 am–1:30 pm
- April 24** Youth Hangout, 3-5 pm
- April 27** PW 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.

**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.

**April/May/June** *These Days* devotional booklets are 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 Cathy & Don York, "In honor of our granddaughter, Hannah York, who is graduating with honors from UAB, Birmingham."



2023 Holy Land Trip  
Informational Meeting - May 1 @ 11 AM

## 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:

**In-person:** An offering plate is available in the Narthex after the 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), **OR** go to:



[www.discoverstmark.org/  
giving/make-an-on-line-  
donation-to-st-mark/](http://www.discoverstmark.org/giving/make-an-on-line-donation-to-st-mark/)

## PER CAPITA 2022

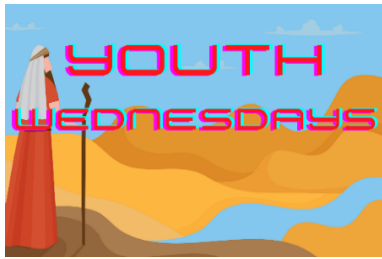
Per capita is a set amount of money (apportionment) per member that congregations pay to the larger Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Said another way, it is a Presbyterian Covenant Community Fund — part of the glue that holds Presbyterians together. Because every Presbyterian shares in the benefit of the PC(USA)'s system of government, the expenses associated with coordinating and performing the functions of that system should be shared by everyone as well.

For 2022 our Per Capita amount is \$32.00 per member as of December 31, 2020. There has been no increase for three years. Of that \$8.98 goes to General Assembly, \$2.90 to Synod, and \$20.12 to Giddings Lovejoy Presbytery. St. Mark's 2022 portion is \$16,288. Any funds specifically contributed by members for that purpose helps to offset the impact to the budget. A specific yellow envelope is in the April mailing of pledge envelopes or just mark a check in the memo line. Thank you for your participation.

## THANK YOU!

Holy Week was filled with activity: The children's musical, Jerusalem Festival, A Journey to the Cross, Bunny Breakfast, and our additional worship services. The Staff at St. Mark thanks the many volunteers that made all of the events of Holy Week possible.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH YOUTH



Youth meet weekly in person to have fun, fellowship, and faith experiences. Did I forget to say SNACKS!!!! Snacks too! Join us Wednesdays from 6-7 pm in the youth room!



**What:** Bowling

**When:** April 24th 3-5pm

**Where:** West County Lanes, 15727 Manchester Rd.

**Cost:** \$10.00 per person

**Includes:** 2 hours of bowling, shoe rental, pizza, & unlimited soda

Contact Pastor MP if you want to save your spot on the lanes!



## YOUTH MISSION TRIP

There is still room for you! Contact Pastor MP if you are interested. Our trip meetings are as follows and will be held in room 102. Parents are welcome to stay but it is not required. We will be preparing for the trip and doing things like making our tie-dye t-shirts!

- April 20<sup>th</sup> 6-7pm
- May 25<sup>th</sup> 6-7pm
- June 8<sup>th</sup> 6-7pm

## Mound Ridge Retreat Center

The Mound Ridge work weekend and retreat on May 6-7<sup>th</sup> has been canceled due to staffing shortages.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**Children's Wednesday evening activities** are canceled for April 20 & 27. Activities will resume May 4.

## CHILDREN'S GARDEN PLANTING PARTY, MAY 4<sup>TH</sup> AT 5PM.



Bring your own supper and plant some veggies and flowers in our garden.



## VBS – JULY 18, 19, & 20

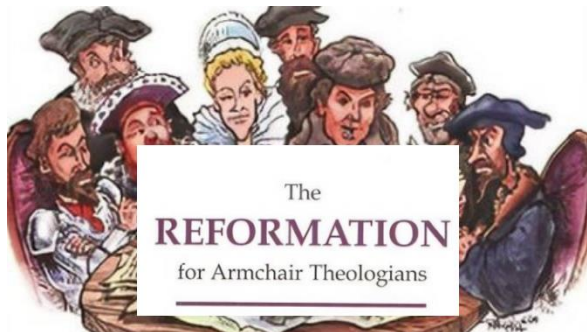
Please register your children/grandchildren to attend this year's VBS AND consider registering to volunteer as well! Just go to [www.discoverstmark.org](http://www.discoverstmark.org)



## ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT ST. MARK

### FRIDAY BIBLE STUDY

The Reformation for Armchair Theologians,  
by Glenn S. Sunshine



Join us each Friday morning starting April 22nd from 9:00-10:00 am online or in room 102 as we venture forward to learn more about our faith tradition. Contact Pastor MP to be added to the Friday morning Bible Study group email and to receive your Zoom link if you are joining us online.

[mpanco@discoverstmark.org](mailto:mpanco@discoverstmark.org)

NOTE: We meet almost every week. Once you are signed up to receive communications, you will be updated on class dates as we move forward. Participants will want to purchase the book ahead of time online or from their local retailer.

## MISSION AT ST. MARK

### FOOD PANTRY MOST WANTED

During March, we are collecting the following items for Circle of Concern and Isaiah 58:



- Boxed Cereal
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly or Jam
- Canned Chicken
- Canned Sardines



Please place your donations on the table in the pastors' hallway. You may also write a check indicating the mission partner(s) on the memo line.

## ADULT MISSION TRIP

July 9-16, Spirit Lake, ND

Mission trip activities include light construction and summer day camp support. Contact Joyce Blackwell if you are interested in participating. There will be a meeting for those going on Sunday, May 1, immediately following worship.

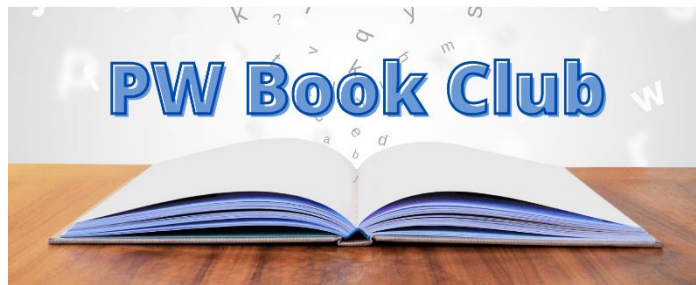


## ST. MARK PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

NEWBORNS IN NEED  
*One heart one mission*

PW is collecting baby items for Newborns in Need during the month of **April**. Donations of new and gently used clothing items (sizes up to 6 months), blankets, wipes, and diapers are especially needed. Donated items may be placed in the Pac n Play in the Narthex in **April**. Monetary donations are also appreciated. Checks may be mailed to Newborns in Need c/o Judy Giovanoni, 461 Bluff Meadow Dr., Ellisville, MO 63021. Please contact Shirley Boeker or Louise Grothe for more information.

## PW Book Club



PW Book Club meets on April 27th at 9:30AM in person in room 102 and virtually on Zoom. Pat Eisenberg will be presenting The Midnight Library by Sonia Purnell. It is a story about a woman named Nora and each book at this library tells the story of a life she could have had. "Whimsical." —*Washington Post*, named one of the 15 Feel-Good Books Guaranteed to Lift Your Spirits.

# BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. MARK

Sunday, April 24, 8:30 am – 1:30 pm



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 end the national blood crisis today? Just one blood donation can

help save up to three (3) lives! Make an appointment for April 24th at <http://www.redcrossblood.org/Donate/Blood> and enter: Saintmarkpres

## OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

St. Mark is looking for volunteers to help staff the church office. Duties would include answering phones and greeting visitors. Please contact Stacey Caplinger at [scaplinger@discoverstmark.org](mailto:scaplinger@discoverstmark.org) or 636-394-2233 for more information.

Presented By  
  
**Circle of Concern Golf Tournament**  
Save the Date - Monday, May 23 at  
Aberdeen Golf Club in Eureka

16th Annual!

Hosted by St. Mark Presbyterian Church  
Benefiting the programs of Circle of Concern

Call Bob Stewart for info

Volunteers Needed!  
You don't have to be a golfer. Join us on the course for a half day or whole day.



## DID YOU KNOW?

A new water bottle filler has been installed in the hallway leading to Gleason Hall. Check it out!

*Pastor: Rev. Dr. J. David Burgess*  
*Associate Pastor: Rev. MP Panco*  
*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 Choir Accompanist: Jee-Hye Lee*  
*Sunday Liturgist: Victoria Sherman*  
*Sunday Special Music: Chancel Bells*

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