



ST. MARK'S

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 27, 2024 - 9:30AM

“NOW I SEE...”



Worship with us In-person
Live-Streaming on Facebook and YouTube at
www.facebook.com/fairfieldstmarks
And on our website at
<https://www.fairfieldstmarks.com/live-stream/>

WELCOME, we are glad you are here!

Please complete the Attendance Pad located in each pew.

Pass it to the next person. When the last person completes it, return the pad to its original place, looking at the names of persons in your pew.

Greet one another at the conclusion of our worship!

Have a prayer request?

Prayer Cards are located in the pew racks. Completed prayer cards will be collected during the opening hymn and shared during our prayer time.

*An * invites you to rise as you are able, in body and/or spirit. Congregation responses are in **Bold print** and projected.*

WELCOME/GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Sue Combs

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Awe-inspiring God, we gather together to praise you for your tender compassion and care of needy people.

Come, all who seek the Lord God, offer your prayers.

Listening God, we gather to revere and honour your supportive concern for people who cry to you for help.

Come, all who seek the Lord God, offer your praise.

People of every nation are called to gather together to worship God, in thankfulness for God's loving mercies.

Come, all who seek the Lord God, offer your worship.

Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

"Be Thou Vision"

UMH 451

***OPENING PRAYER**

O God, you are our God, the One in whom we trust. We've gathered together today to worship You—to open our hearts and minds to Your presence. We long to meet You here, and to hear Your voice.

We come with confidence, because we've met You here before. We've been awed and inspired by Your glory and Your power. We come with gratitude, because we've known Your steadfast love—a love which is better than life itself.

And so, we praise You—lifting our voices, lifting our hands in joy and expectation.

Come among us in Your power. Pour out Your spirit on our thirsty souls, that we may be filled with Your goodness and love. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS
PASTORAL PRAYER
THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING MOMENT
Offertory Chris Beiser
Choir
Doxology
Prayer of Thanksgiving

CHOIR ANTHEM "Dry Bones"

*HYMN "Amazing Grace" UMH 378
(vs. 1,3, 6)

SCRIPTURE: Mark 10:46-52

SERMON: "Now I see..." Pastor Mark

*CLOSING HYMN "Open My Eyes, That I May See" UMH 454

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING SONG "Let There Be Peace On Earth" UMH 431

*POSTLUDE Sue Combs

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys/Concerns

If updates are unknown, these items are listed for up to 4 weeks. Extended concerns are listed under "Continuing Prayers."

- 10/20 JOY! Hugh & Pam Guynes' granddaughter, Julie Guynes is out of the hospital and doing well!
- 10/20 Elaine Shreve has moved to Traditions at North Bend to be closer to her family. We hear the residents are Red's fans. Thank you for the prayers!
- 10/16 Judy Klingel is back home from the hospital. Please pray for the Klingel family.
- 10/13 Our hearts go out to the Parrish family as they grieve the loss of their beloved 19-year-old son and grandson, Andrew. May God surround them with comfort and peace during this difficult time.
- 10/13 Brenda began hospital rehab this week and hopes to be back soon!
- 10/13 Bill & Lynne Schumacker's son had emergency surgery for diverticulitis and is recovering.
- 10/08 Charlene Miller will be having procedure.
- 10/06 JOY! Tomie's brand new great-grandson arrived on Wednesday, October 2nd.
- 10/06 Doug Geize will have surgery to have a problematic kidney removed.
- 10/06 Emily Walls is scheduled to have surgery for her thyroid tumor in November.
- 10/06 Shirley Aydlett's sister and her family.
- 10/06 Roy & Helen Brown's daughter Melody, who's husband unexpectedly passed away on October 2. We send our deepest sympathies and prayers of comfort and strength.
- 10/06 Kathy Bradley is recovering well at Jamestown Rehab.
- 09/29 JOY! Proud Grandparents Hugh & Pam Guynes welcomes their new grandbaby, Julie Ashley Guynes who was born today at 2:37AM to Jeff & Jamie Guynes.
- 09/29 Gerri Anderson recovering from foot surgery on October 4.
- 09/29 Viola Pater for safe travels to Florida for the winter season.
- 09/29 Debbie Vitale fell down the stairs and has NO broken bones, please keep her in prayers.
- 09/29 For the Valine Family and the tragic loss of their son and my good friend Andy.
- 09/29 Pam Brockfield's sister, Judi Morress who is in rehab at Christ hospital recovering from a broken hip but doing very well.
- 09/24 Mike Fitzpatrick is doing great in his recovery process and has been cleared for light exercise and driving.
- 09/22 Dave & Pam Brockfield's friend Charles Bidlak is at Ohio State for stage 4 cancer.

Continuing Prayers

Please help us keep this list current by emailing or calling the church office with updates. Contact Lyn at L.bucalo@fairfieldstmarks.com or call the office (513) 844-1818.

For Pastor Mark and Diana Gregory
All service Men & Women
Our Country
First Responders
United Methodist Church
Prayer & Bible Study Groups
For the sick and/or homeless
Don Ault
Ann Brabbs
Kathy Bradley
Patty Coyle
Julie Dichtl

Sharon Hamp
Judy & Bob Klingel
Cliff Klug
Wade Lewis
Lori Palmieri (P. Coyle's daughter)
Linda Prohaska
Brenda Smoot (healing)
Debbie Vitale (healing)
Parkside Residents

St. Mark's Homebound:

Freida Hawkins
Gale Logan—Otterbein Community
Nancy & Wade Lewis
Flo Moore (Berkeley Square)
Eleanor McCollum
Charlene Miller (Berkeley Square)

Zedith Pottenger
Jean Stivers
Virginia Shaw
Paul Schutte
Betty Stover (NY in home hospice)
Betty Winkler (Lives in GA 6/30/24)

ST. MARK'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check out our online calendar: fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar

TODAY, 10/27

- 9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed
GLOW Preschool—5th grade, nursery open for infants—age 3
After worship Confirmation Class Gathering
11:30 am New Covenant Church Worship in sanctuary

MONDAY, 10/28

- 10:00 am Ladies Craft Group (Craft Room)
6:30 pm Ladies Bible Study (Zoom)

TUESDAY, 10/29

- 7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 960

WEDNESDAY, 10/30

- 7:30 am Men's Prayer Group (Prayer Room)
2:00 pm Bible Study Group (Fellowship Hall)
6:30 pm Hand Bell Choir Practice
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, 10/31

- 7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY, 11/01

SATURDAY, 11/02

- 9:00 am November "Nooks and Crannies"—All Church Clean-up
7:00 pm New Covenant Choir Practice (Choir Room)

SUNDAY, 11/03 ALL SAINTS DAY & COMMUNION

- 9:30 am Holy Communion & Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed
NO GLOW, nursery open for infants—age 3
11:30 am New Covenant Church Worship in sanctuary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOVEMBER MISSIONS PROJECT:

The Parkside Giving Tree will begin in mid-November—please keep an eye out for more details. All wrapped gifts are due by December 15; for more information, contact Tari Randall.

NOVEMBER 2, SATURDAY, 9AM, ALL CHURCH WORKDAY—NOOKS & CRANNIES!

November Cleanup with Kristy Theiss as the Lead Trustee while we clean up all of the "Nooks and Crannies" around the church finishing up the year.

NOVEMBER 9, SATURDAY, 11AM-1PM, MATTHEW 25 MINISTRIES

A Sign up sheet is on the Narthex Bulletin Board for volunteers. Contact: Lynne Schumacker.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES SCHEDULE: (November 10 at 9:30am)

Sundays at 9:30am—Nov. 10, Dec. 8, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, and March 9.

Sundays at 6:00pm—Nov. 24, Dec. 29, Jan. 26, Feb. 23, and March 23.

Students are confirmed on Easter. Contact Peggy Smith.

NOVEMBER 10, DEADLINE TO SIGN UP/PAID FOR LADIES EVENT

CYF Ministries invites everyone to join us for GHCT's production of *Winter Wonderettes* on Sunday, December 8, at 2 PM. Directed by Sue Combs & Chris Beiser, we hope for a great turnout to support them! If we gather 20 or more people, tickets are \$15 per person, to be paid in advance. Sign up at the Welcome Center and pay by cash or check. Tickets are on sale, please sign up ASAP. The deadline is Sunday, November 10. Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

NOVEMBER 10, SUNDAY, POINSETTIAS ORDER FORMS DEADLINE

The Poinsettia order forms are due by November 10, Sunday. The order forms are located at the Narthex Welcome Counter thru Nov. 10 (Sunday deadline). Contact: Lyn Bucalo.

NOVEMBER 11 , MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY (IN PERSON)

Come out and join us for an (in-person) Bible Study in Fellowship Hall. Sue McDaniel will lead.

NOVEMBER 13, 6:30PM, ROOM AT THE TABLE (ZOOM)

We are meeting via Zoom on the 2nd Wednesday and 4th Thursday of each month. The dates for the rest of the year are: 12/11, and 12/26. Contact Zachary Dichtl.

NOVEMBER 14 , THURSDAY, 7PM, LEAD TEAM Q & A MEETING

NOVEMBER 15 , FRIDAY, 1PM, RUTH CIRCLE

NOVEMBER 19 , TUESDAY, 7PM, CHURCH CHARGE CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 22, SERVE CITY MEAL (Thanksgiving theme)

We are looking for desserts, drinks and rolls from those who want to donate. Contact Lyn B.

NOVEMBER 28 & 29 , THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY—OFFICE CLOSED

TBD , DECORATING THE SANCTUARY FOR CHRISTMAS SEASON

DECEMBER 1 , SUNDAY, 5-7PM, ADVENT CELEBRATION & POTLUCK DINNER

DECEMBER 12 & 15, HOLIDAY CRAFT ITEMS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE

DECEMBER 12 , THURSDAY, 7:30PM, OHIO MILITARY BAND CHRISTMAS CONCERT

DECEMBER 14 , SENIOR CHRISTMAS PARTY, 1-3PM, FELLOWSHIP HALL

DECEMBER 15 , PARKSIDE CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE DEADLINE

DECEMBER 15 , CHRISTMAS CANTATA /UGLY SWEATER/COOKIE DIVA

DECEMBER 20 , RUTH CIRCLE LUNCHEON, 12PM

DECEMBER 24, CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE AT 10:30PM

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS—OCTOBER 20, 2024

Worship In-Person Attendance: 101

Sunday School Attendance: 8

Weekly Budget Needs \$6,802.56

Weekly In-Person Giving \$9,125.00

Weekly On-Line Giving \$1,637.32

\$10,762.32

Special—Designated Giving* \$2,460.00

**Designated Giving can not be used for Budget Needs*

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Happy 100th Birthday Eleanor McCullum!
In Loving Memory of Gordon Hill's Birthday—Love Lois

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CONFIRMATION CLASS BEGINS! (See inside bulletin for details)



Confirmation marks a deeply significant journey, where our youth take the faith passed down to them by important adults and make it truly their own. It is a time of exploration, reflection, and affirmation of their beliefs. We are excited to begin the 2024/25 classes and walk alongside them on this meaningful path.

WEEKLY GROUPS:

MONDAY's, 6:30PM, LADIES BIBLE STUDY (ZOOM & IN-PERSON 1st MON)

This group is open to all women, at any time, as we unpack each chapter for spiritual growth and meaningful discussions. Contact : Kym Nguyen.

WEDNESDAY's, 7:30AM, MEN's PRAYER GROUP

Join us in the prayer room each week. Contact : Jeff Gering

WEDNESDAY's, 2-3PM, BIBLE STUDY GROUP

We continue to study Paul's letter to the Romans and when finished, we will follow with Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. There is no reading required ahead of time and attendance is not taken. Just come when you can. All are welcome. Contact Sue McDaniel.

WEDNESDAY's, MUSIC REHEARSALS:

Bell Choir at 6:30pm, contact Sue Combs for more information. *Chancel Choir* at 7:30pm, contact Chris Beiser for more information. ALL are welcome to come at any time!

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