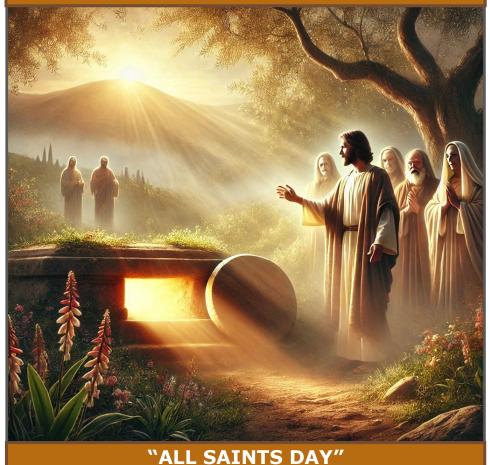


# November 3, 2024 - 9:30AM

# "One Story, Many Meanings..."



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

"Fan-Fare"

Handbells

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

In all our weakness and strength, with our youth-filled spirits and aging bodies,

#### We come to be your people, O God.

Strong in faith and eager with questions, singing our praise and whispering our prayers,

We come to be your people, O God.

Filled with saintly determination yet mindful of our human limitations,

We come to be your people, O God.

Made strong in your endless love for us, we know ourselves to be yours and

We come to be your people, O God. May we truly become your people today. Amen.

\*OPENING HYMN "For All The Saints" UMH 711 (1, 2, 3, and 5)

#### \*OPENING PRAYER

God of Heaven and Earth, God of the sunrise and the sunset, God of the highest mountain and the deepest valley, hear our prayers as we come before your throne of glory. Declare your message to us and grant us the courage to listen. May our listening turn to action. May our actions touch the hearts of those who need to hear your voice. We put our trust in you knowing that it is well placed in your gentle and caring hands. Amen.

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

ALL SAINTS ROLL CA Norma Jean Cottrill	LL: Joyce Zugelter	Greg Pullem
SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS PASTORAL PRAYER THE LORD'S PRAYER		
OFFERING MOMENT Offertory Doxology Prayer of Thanksgi	"God You're So Good ving	Choir
SPECIAL MUSIC	"Here I am Lord"	Handbells
*HYMN	"He Touched Me"	UMH 367
SCRIPTURE:	John 11:32-44	
SERMON: "On	e story, many meanings"	Pastor Mark
COMMUNION		
*CLOSING HYMN	"Because He Lives"	UMH 364
*BENEDICTION		
*CLOSING SONG	"Take Jesus With You"	
*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."* 

- 10/31 Kathy Beltz will have a biopsy on the nodule in her lung on Thursday.
- 10/27 Kathy Bradley is now home and watching worship services online. Give a wave at the camera!
- 10/27 Emily Walls is scheduled to have surgery for her thyroid tumor in November.
- 10/27 Bill & Lynne Schumacker's son is now home from the hospital after 12 days of dealing with diverticulitis and is recovering and has begun rehab at home.
- 10/27 Ken Weedman
- 10/27 Job interview goes well.
- 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!
- 10/08 Charlene Miller will be having a 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 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.

#### **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 Sharon Hamp
- St. Mark's Homebound:

Freida Hawkins Gale Logan—Otterbein Community Nancy & Wade Lewis Flo Moore (Berkeley Square) Eleanor McCollum Charlene Miller (Berkeley Square) Judy & Bob Klingel Cliff Klug Wade Lewis Lori Palmieri (P. Coyle's daughter) Linda Prohaska Kathy Beltz (Iris daughter) Brenda Smoot (healing) Debbie Vitale (healing) Parkside Residents

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

#### <u>Check out our online calendar: fairfieldstmarks.com/calendar</u> TODAY, 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

#### MONDAY, 11/04

- 10:00 am Ladies Craft Group (Craft Room)
  - 6:30 pm Ladies Bible Study (Zoom)
- 7:00 am Trustees Meeting

#### TUESDAY, 11/05 ELECTION DAY

#### WEDNESDAY, 11/06

- 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, 11/07

- 10:00 am Small Group Bible Study
- 7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

#### FRIDAY, 11/08

#### SATURDAY, 11/09

- 9:00 am Matthew 25 Ministries Volunteer Day
- 7:00 pm New Covenant Choir Practice (Choir Room)

#### SUNDAY, 11/10 Deadline for Ladies Event and Poinsettia orders

- 9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed GLOW Preschool—5th grade, nursery open for infants—age 3 Confirmation Class Begin
- 11:30 am New Covenant Church Worship in sanctuary
- 6:30 pm CYF Meeting

#### 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 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)

<u>Sundays at 9:30am</u>—Nov. 10, Dec. 8, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, and March 9. <u>Sundays at 6:00pm</u>—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 <u>Winter Wonderettes</u> on <u>Sunday, December 8, at 2 PM</u>. Directed by Sue Combs & Chris Beiser, We need 20 or more people, (tickets at \$15 each), to be paid in advance. Sign up at the Welcome Center and pay by cash or check. The deadline is November 10 so please sign up today! Contact: Sue Luken.

#### 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 ant 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 24, VOLUNTEER TO DECORATE SANCTUARY FOR CHRISTMAS 5PM

We are looking for volunteers to help decorate sanctuary. Contact: Sue Luken.

#### NOVEMBER 28 & 29, THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY-OFFICE CLOSED

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 27, 2024 Worship In-Person Attendance: 99 Sunday School Attendance: 3 Weekly Budget Needs \$6,802.56 Weekly In-Person Giving \$2,622.00 Weekly On-Line Giving \$1,225.37 Special—Designated Giving\* \$340.00

Special—Designated Giving\* \*Designated Giving can not be used for Budget Needs *Today*, we honor and remember the beloved saints who have gone before us, surrounding us with their love and wisdom. *The Altar Flowers* are placed in memory of these cherished souls, celebrating their lives and the enduring impact they have left on our hearts. May their spirit continue to guide and inspire us.

#### POINSETTIAS ORDER FORMS: TODAY-NOVEMBER 10

Poinsettia order forms are located at the Welcome counter. The order form are available from today thru Nov. 10 (Sunday). For details, contact: Lyn Bucalo.



#### 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, <u>at any time</u>, as we unpack each chapter for spiritual growth and meaningful discussions. Contact : Kym Nguyen. WE WILL MEET IN PERSON ON NOVEMBER 11.

#### 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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