



ST. MARK'S

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

November 10, 2024 - 9:30AM

"Follow the Money..."



**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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let's gather together in the presence of our God.

Let's bring our songs of praise and our prayers of thanksgiving.

Let us bow down in worship before the Lord our Maker.

Arise, O God, and enter Your sanctuary,

You, and the ark of Your strength.

Clothe us in justice and faithfulness,

and put new songs of joy and praise in our mouths. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

UMH 64

*OPENING PRAYER

O Living God of past and future, we praise you for this present moment. Fill us with your joy and empower us with your Holy Spirit, that our strength may be renewed to sing a new song of your glory in a world which longs for your justice and peace. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, in whom we become your new creation. 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

Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving

CHOIR ANTHEM

"To God Alone"

*HYMN

"Freely, Freely..."

UMH 389

SCRIPTURE:

Mark 12:38-44

SERMON:

"Follow the Money..."

Pastor Mark

*CLOSING HYMN

"America"

UMH 696

*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."

- 11/03 Joys and Gratitude: Eleanor McCollum and daughter Lynne, thanks everyone for the cards & flowers for her 100th birthday. She received 236 cards! What a blessing.
- 11/03 No words are adequate to say thank you for your cards, food, and thoughtfulness during our time of illness. Thanks for travelling the journey with us.—Pastor Bob& Judy Klingel
- 11/03 Continued prayers for Bob & Judy Klingel.
- 11/03 Mary Ann Elick who is having surgery on November 4.
- 11/03 Alex Robinson in the hospital for pneumonia.
- 11/03 Continued prayers for the Job interview process as we go into our third week and that all goes well.
- 11/03 Prayers for Dick Davis.
- 11/03 Prayers for our nation during the elections.
- 11/03 Jenni Hensler's aunt and cousin on the death of their daughter and sister Karen.
- 11/03 Bill & Lynne Schumacker's son, Bryan who is back in the hospital. He has been going through diverticulitis and surgery. He spent 12 days in the hospital, was released and now back in.
- 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.
- 10/27 Emily Walls is scheduled to have surgery for her thyroid tumor in November.
- 10/27 Ken Weedman
- 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!
- 10/13 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 Aydllett's sister and her family.

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

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

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, 11/10 Poinsettia and Winter Wonderettes Deadline

- 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

MONDAY, 11/11

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

TUESDAY, 11/12

- 7:00 pm Administrative Board

WEDNESDAY, 11/13

- 7:30 am Men's Prayer Group (Prayer Room)
- 2:00 pm Bible Study Group (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 pm Handbell Practice
- 6:30 pm Room at the Table (Zoom)
- 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, 11/14

- 11:00 am Nurture & Care Meeting
- 7:00 pm Lead Team Q & A Meeting
- 7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY, 11/15

- 1:00 pm Ruth Circle

SATURDAY, 11/16

- 7:00 pm New Covenant Choir Practice (Choir Room)

SUNDAY, 11/17

- 9:30 am Worship in sanctuary and livestreamed
GLOW Preschool—5th grade, 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.

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 THIS FAMILY EVENT

CYF Ministries invites everyone to enjoy *GHCT's production of Winter Wonderettes* on Sunday, December 8, at 2 PM, directed by Sue Combs & Chris Beiser. Since we have a group of at least 20 attending, tickets are now discounted rate of \$15 each (payable in advance). Sign up and make your payment by cash or check at the Welcome Center. The deadline to sign up is November 10—don't wait, reserve your spot today!

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 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 the sanctuary. Contact: Sue Luken.

NOVEMBER 26, LUNCH BUNCH AT RIB CITY 12PM

The next Lunch Bunch is at Rib City, located 746 NW Washington Blvd., Hamilton at 12PM. Located at 746 NW Washington Blvd., Hamilton. As we gather during Enjoy a variety of menu options, including sandwiches, salads, and, of course, their famous ribs! Please have your reservations in by Sunday, November 24. Contact Sue Beckett (513)-856-8873 to reserve seat.

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

Please bring covered dish to share. We will have Chris Beiser sing and Sue Combs on piano. More details to come. Contact Shirley Aydllett for questions.

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—NOVEMBER 3, 2024

Worship In-Person Attendance: 116

Sunday School Attendance: 6

Weekly Budget Needs	<u>\$5,931.73</u>
Weekly In-Person Giving	\$6,333.10
Weekly On-Line Giving	<u>\$1,592.47</u>
	<u>\$7,925.57</u>
Special—Designated Giving*	<u>\$3,590.00</u>

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

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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.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT on DECEMBER 12, THURS. @7:30PM



The Ohio Military Band will be returning with Mark Hensler directing, joined by St. Mark's Handbells (Sue Combs), and special guest Chris Beiser.

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. 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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