

E-Messenger

Our Mission Statement To build a family of believers who glorify God and help each other become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ

Worship at St. Mark's, June 6th

We invite everyone to come out this coming Sunday to join us in worship. Services are @ 9:30 and 10:45.

Rev. Nancy Johnson will be bringing the message. If you are not able to attend there will be a live streaming of it.

To watch the life stream you can join us at 9:30 am Sunday morning at <https://youtu.be/ZPgmuM1Drvq>



ALL CHURCH Spruce-Up Set for Saturday, June 18

With everything returning to "normal" we want to get the church back in shape. Cleaning, straightening, small fixes, etc. need to take place and we need to get St. Mark's ready for a return of everyone and for a new start with Randy Wade and family. Bring your favorite Windex, gloves, favorite cleaners and tools and be a part. Our goal is to jump in at 8 am and be finished in a couple of hours. In the meantime, if you are around the church and see something that needs to be spruced make a note and let David Miller or the church office know about it and we will get it on the list.



Women's Bible Study

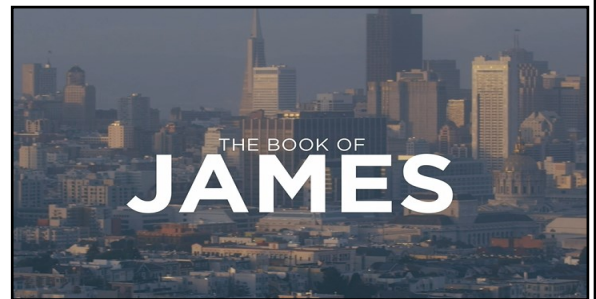
Plans Fun Outing to Board and Brush

The Women's Bible study has planned a fun night for June 27th from 2-5 pm on Board and Brush. There are only 12 spots available, so if you want to go please sign up soon. You can click the link above to sign up or con-



New Sunday Morning Bible Study

A new Sunday morning Bible Study has kicked off. KJ and Casey Cassidy will lead the groups as they open up with a Right Now Video series on the book of James with Francis Chan. This study is for anyone interested. We invite you to be a part as they jump into God's Word together and build relationships together. They will meet in room 17. You can contact KJ or Casey for more information or contact the church office.



St. Mark's Food Pantry

The St. Mark's Food Pantry is changing hours to 1st and 3rd Sundays from 4pm - 5 pm. We appreciate everyone's help through the pandemic in helping to keep things supplied. THANKS for your patience. Currently the following items are needed in the pantry.



**Spaghetti Noodles
Mac & Cheese
Canned Meat
Canned Beans**

**Spaghetti sauce
Canned Vegetables
Canned Fruit**

Great Resource Available

Feel free to pick up one of the boxes on the church counter if you are looking for a great way to open some great conversation around your family dinner table with these discussion starter questions.



What Goes on Between Pastors?

St. Mark's leadership has planned for the time between when Pastor Keith retires and Pastor Randy Wade arrives.

During **May and June**, we will be blessed by the **preaching** of some of the retired pastors who call St Mark's their home. They will also be on call to respond to emergencies during the week following their message. Either Pat Morford or Julia Bevers can help you reach one if needed.

Pat Morford will be serving as "Staff Manager" during the interim. He will be able to assist with scheduling and ministry related questions. He will be helping coordinate the mission and ministry work of our **staff** during the first several busy months of summer.

Becky Roman will be coordinating **worship** services and related events. Music, praise teams, and special events occurring during worship services (e.g. Senior Sunday) will be scheduled, approved, and coordinated through her.

Remember that Jay Sears, Chair of Church Council, and David Miller, Lay Leader, are available to serve and help in any way they may be able.

Do not hesitate to reach out to any of the leaders mentioned for help and clarification. We appreciate the effort leaders are taking to help the next two short months be a constructive and beneficial time in St Mark's history. Thank you for your prayerful support and encouragement for each other and for them.

Anticipate...the best is yet to come!

With His Peace,

Pastor Keith

Live committed to Christ, One another and World outreach and evangelism (COW).

In Person Services Guidelines

In addition to our continued support of online worship, we are excited to say the live service has been and going well. When you feel comfortable we invite you to join us for services.

Before attending the Service ask yourself these questions:

Are any of the following true for you or anyone in your party:

- Showing any flu-like symptoms
- A fever of 100.4 or higher in the past 14 days.
- Prolonged exposure to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days.

Any medical reason to think you should not be around others.

If you answered yes to any of these, we strongly encourage you to watch the services online rather than attend service. You can participate online by going to YouTube.com and searching for St. Mark's United Methodist Church, Bethany, OK, there you will find a link to the service on Sunday morning.



Wednesdays in June & July

6:00—7:30 pm 5 years old through 5th graders

Children

Be a part of this Xtreme summer as we come together for amazing Bible lessons, super fun and exciting activities. Every Wednesday will have an XTREME activity such as Nerf Wars, Water Slides, Minute to Win it and much more. This is our Xtreme alternative to VBS taking it to the next level. A great place to invite your friends and neighbors as we enjoy an XTREME time together. Registration coming. Watch for them and get ready for an Xtreme Summer.

Volunteers

We need volunteers to make Xtreme Summer Blast a powerful experience for young people. Volunteers will be needed each Wednesday from 5:30 to 8:00 pm for setup through clean up. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex where you can sign up for the entire summer or for weeks when you are available. You are the key to this event and we ask that you prayerfully consider being a part.

St. Mark's Social Media Links



Facebook.com - search for "stmarksbethany"



Instagram.com - search for "St. Mark's United Methodist Church"



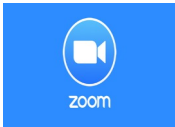
Twitter.com - search "@stmarksbethany"



Youtube.com - search St. Marks United Methodist Church, Bethany, OK



RightNow Media.com - "St. Mark's United Methodist Church"



Zoom.com - sign up and then watch for upcoming announcements on Bible Studies, Sunday School classes and other things you can join with other members of St. Mark's

Church Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Facts and Figures

2021 Annual Budget	642,374
Rec'd toward Operating 5/9/2021.....	15,421
<u>Year to Date 2021</u>	
Rec'd toward offering	206,666
Expenses	176,697
<u>Attendance</u>	
Sunday, May 30th Combined	227
Services	141
Online	86

Prayer Box

Corona Virus issues	Pat Wonderly
Don & Fran Nobles	Norma Boland
Barbara Homer	Pat McDowell
Pam & Wayne Barnes	Jane Foreman
Carolyn Rosenthal	Marty Croy
Dianna Davidson	Ladonna Mathews
Letha Davis	Janice Brown
Mary King	Don Greve
Katrina Lambert	Carol Sandburg
Norma McMurtry	Pavelko family
Margaret Bonifield	Dorothy Sipes
Daughter in law—Lavina	Darell Brehm
Paula Galt	Tiffany Montesano
Alan Joy	Justin Roming