



ST. MARK'S BETHANY NEWSLETTER

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP!

To The Ends of the Earth — Antioch: Barnabas and Saul

To the Ends of the Earth continues this Sunday as we journey to **Antioch**, where God used ordinary believers to build an extraordinary church. In **Acts 11:19-26**, we see how the gospel spread beyond Jerusalem, welcoming people from every background into God's family. It was in Antioch that Barnabas encouraged the growing church, Saul joined him in ministry, and the followers of Jesus were first called Christians.

Join us as we discover what Antioch teaches us about encouragement, faithful discipleship, and God's heart for reaching the world through His Church.

Service times —

The Traditional service will begin at 9:30 am, and the Modern service begins at 11:00 am.

For individuals unable to attend in person, we are pleased to offer live streaming for both services.

To watch the live streams, please join us at:

9:30 am Sunday morning 11:00 am Sunday morning



Sunday School Classes

We have classes for all ages and interests

CHILDREN

Nursery (Ages 0-3 yrs)	9:30 - 12:00
KidMin (Age 3 - 5th grade)	9:30 - 10:35
Wee Worship (Age 3- Kdgtn)	10:45 - 12:00

ADULT

• 8:30 am	
New Life	Rm 18
Sonshine	Rm 17
• 9:30 am	
Books of the Bible	Rm 17
Disciple Class	Rm 18
Young Adults	Rm 5
• 10:45 am	
Faithbuilders	Rm 18
Good News Class	Choir Room
R.O.C.K.	Rm 19
Understanding God's Word	Rm 17

Welcome Our New CDO Director, Tracy Rogers



We are delighted to welcome Tracy Rogers as the new Children's Day Out Director at St. Mark's Bethany! Tracy brings more than 42 years of experience serving children, families, and early childhood professionals throughout Oklahoma. Her background includes directing an early childhood program, teaching future educators at OSU-Oklahoma City, serving on advisory boards, and providing professional development for early childhood teachers across the state. Most importantly, Tracy has a deep love for children and a passion for helping them grow in a safe, loving, Christ-centered environment. She believes every child is a precious gift from God and is committed to partnering with families as children grow spiritually, socially, emotionally, and academically. Please join us in giving Tracy a warm St. Mark's welcome! We are excited to see how God will use her to bless the children and families of our Children's Day Out ministry.

Beyond Sunday: The Sermon Continues



Have you ever left worship on Sunday wanting to spend a little more time with the message? This summer, we invite you to go "Beyond Sunday" as Pastor Randy leads a deeper discussion of the weekly sermon and our journey through the book of Acts. Together, we'll explore the movement of the Holy Spirit, the life of the early church, and what these lessons mean for us today. Bring your Bible, your questions, and a willingness to grow as we continue the conversation beyond Sunday morning.

Join us on **Tuesday evenings from 7:00 - 8:00 pm** or **Wednesday mornings from 10:30 - 11:30 am.** (Please note that Men's Bible Study will return this fall.)

We would love for you to be part of the journey!



Calling All CRAFTERS!

Do you enjoy sewing, painting, woodworking, jewelry-making, quilting, or creating handmade items? The St. Mark's Bethany Women's group is preparing for our Arts & Crafts Show on **OCTOBER 3RD** and would love your help!



We're inviting crafters to donate handmade items to be sold in our booth. Proceeds from the booth will go back into our community to support local charities.



.....  If you'd like to participate, please contact 

 **Carol Brown | 405-823-1345**

 Thank you for using your talents to make a difference! 




SAVE the DATE

SMBW

ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR

 **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2026**

 **10:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

 **SHOP**  **CREATE**  **CONNECT**

Vendor Applications AVAILABLE NOW!

ST. MARK'S BETHANY GMC

CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR J. B. KING

A MEMORIAL SERVICE CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF **J. B. KING** WILL BE HELD ON **FRIDAY, JULY 31, AT 11:00 AM** AT ST. MARK'S BETHANY. PLEASE KEEP THE KING FAMILY IN YOUR PRAYERS AS THEY GATHER TO REMEMBER AND CELEBRATE HIS LIFE.

Our Local Missions

At St. Mark's, we love being part of what God is doing not only around the world, but right here in our own community. Through partnerships with ministries like Willow Pregnancy Support and ROC, we have the opportunity to share Christ's love in meaningful, hands-on ways.

Because of your prayers, generosity, and willingness to serve, lives are being touched, needs are being met, and hope is being shared—right here at home.



We're excited to share that Willow Pregnancy Support has moved to a new location at 4107 N. Council in Bethany! Willow continues to be a place of care, encouragement, and practical support for families in our community.



They currently welcome donations of children's clothing (newborn through size 6), shoes (up to size 13), diapers (sizes 4-6), as well as bottles, bath wash, lotion, and Good Start formula.

Thank you for being part of the love and support we're able to share through this ministry!



Our partnership with ROC continues to be a simple but powerful way to care for neighbors in need. One of the main ways we support ROC is through donations of canned and boxed food.

Right now, canned meats like tuna and chicken are especially needed, but any nonperishable food items are greatly appreciated. Donations can be placed in the Grocery Basket in the narthex.

Thank you for helping us make a difference—one meal, one family at a time.

Youth Summer Camps 2026!!!

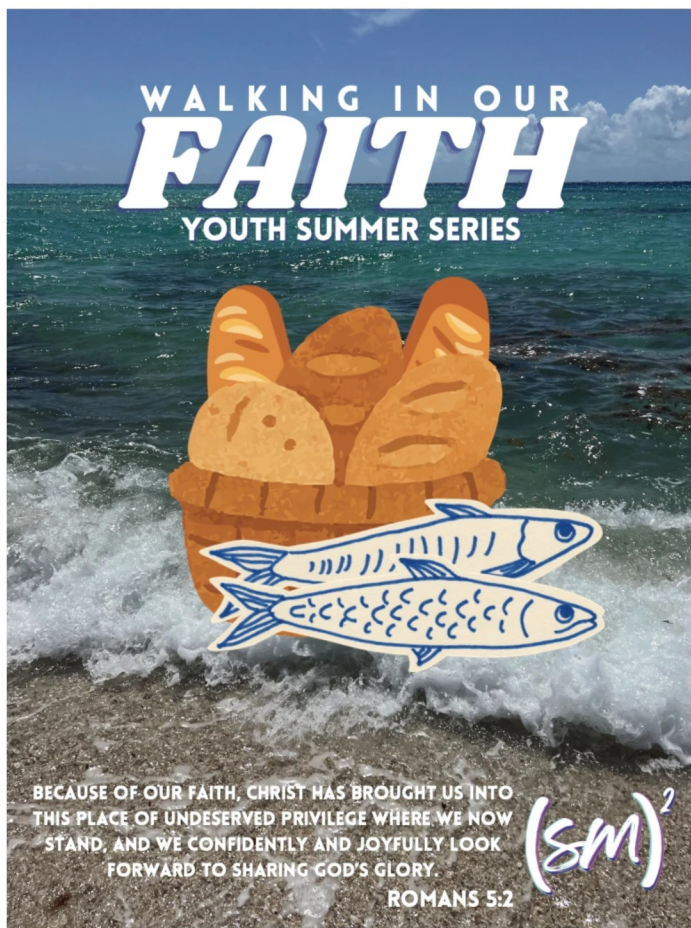


DISCIPLE CAMP - July 22-25

Our students will soon be heading to Disciple Camp, and we are excited for all that God has in store for them! The group will depart from St. Mark's on Wednesday, July 22, at 12:00 pm for several days of worship, Bible study, recreation, and fellowship.

Please keep our students, adult leaders, and camp staff in your prayers as they grow in their faith, build lasting friendships, and experience God's presence in meaningful ways. We pray for safe travels, open hearts, and a week filled with life-changing moments.

Thank you for supporting the youth of St. Mark's through your prayers and encouragement.



Our children are having a wonderful summer as they learn through the Psalms and discover how wonderfully God has made them. Over the past few weeks, they have been exploring Psalm 23 and what it means to have the Lord as our Shepherd. Together they have learned that God provides for us, protects us, gives us rest, refreshes our souls, and faithfully guides us through every season of life.

Please continue to pray for our children and leaders as they grow in faith and learn more about God's love each week.

Upcoming Events

July 22 - NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

5:15 Prayer

July 28 - Beyond Sunday

July 29 - Beyond Sunday 2

July 31 - JB King Memorial Service

Aug 1 - Faithbuilders Ice Cream Party

Aug 4 - Beyond Sunday

Aug 5 - Beyond Sunday 2

Aug 8 - Men's Breakfast

Aug 9 - Back to School Breakfast

Aug 9 - Mission Committee Meeting

Aug 10 - St. Mark's Bethany Women

Aug 11 - Beyond Sunday

Aug 12 - Beyond Sunday 2

Aug 12 - Choir - Back to Choir Welcome

Aug 17 - Wrapped in Love

FACTS & Figures

2026 Annual Budget	684,155
Rec'd toward Operating 7/18/2026	6,068
Year to Date 2026	
Rec'd toward offering (thru 7/18/26)	354,549
Expenses (thru 7 /18/26) ..	357,232

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, July 19	Total	329
Traditional Worship		191
Modern Worship		51
Online Worship		87



Join us Wednesdays •
5:15-6:00 pm

Prayer Team gathers at 5:15 pm
We would love to pray with you.

Come pray with us – whether you prefer quiet, personal prayer, would like someone to pray with you, or feel led to pray for others. Explore simple prayer tools, spend time in God's presence, or come and go as needed. All are welcome in this peaceful space.

Stephen Ministry is Here for You

Life can be hard sometimes. You don't have to go through it alone.

Stephen Ministers are members of our church who are trained to listen, care, encourage, and walk alongside you during difficult times.

It's confidential. It's caring. It's here for you.

Contact a Stephen Minister or call the church office.



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Christ caring • for people • through people



*You matter.
You are not alone.*

**WE CARE.
WE LISTEN.
WE WALK WITH YOU.**

Prayer Board

Family of Ruby Wilkey
Family of Paul Moon
Mary Jane Svejovsky
Tamara Spear Kerr (friend of Dot Lyon's daughter, Lori)
Lucas (12 yr old nephew of Carolyn Grady's supervisor)
Laurie Buckholtz
Benni (DIL of Cheryl Davis)
Helen Sullivan
Beverly Clark
John Evans
Abbey Evans Stowe
Danny Payne
Roger Pautsch
Jo Manharth (mother of Lisa Hutchison)
Gerald Grady
Emily & Gordon Denton (sister and BIL of Joey Pedigo)

Penny and James Hager (daughter & SIL of Barbara Homer)
Nichole Norberto
Judy Knight
Carol Hall
Brandon Kilpatrick (friend of Steve Ross)
Brittany (Friend of Robin Bratcher)
Coy Sue Tyler (best friend of Loretta Wright)
Norma and Dan Boland
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