



November 16, 2022

Join us this Sunday for worship at St. Mark's. Randy will finish his series "Where Now?".

This week the message will be "What To Do?" and is based off of Joshua 5:1-9

Sunday School classes:

8:30 New Life Rm. 18, Sonshine Rm. 17

9:30 Books of the Bibles Rm 17, Disciple Rm. 18, Young Adults Rm. 5


10:45 Faithbuilders Room 18, Good News Choir, R.O.C.K Rm. 19

Traditional services are at 9:30 am and Modern services are at 10:55 am. If you are not able to attend Worship services there will be a live streaming of worship. To watch the live stream, you can join us at 9:30 am Sunday morning at: [https://youtu.be/8lka5cEMq\\_E](https://youtu.be/8lka5cEMq_E)



## St. Mark's Stewardship Drive Continues

Our annual commitment drive is still underway and you hopefully have your pledge card by now.

	<b>St. Mark's Bethany</b>
During 2023, I commit with the grace and help of God, to know Jesus better and support the ministries of St. Mark's with my prayers, presence, gifts, service & witness.	
<b>ALL YOU CAN Gain All You Can Save All You Can Give All You Can</b>	The amount I intend to give during 2023 is:
yearly <input type="checkbox"/>	My financial commitment to St. Marks for 2023 is:
monthly <input type="checkbox"/>	yearly <input type="checkbox"/>
	monthly <input type="checkbox"/>
Prayers Presence Gifts Service Witness	

If not let us know and we will get one to you. Great things are ahead for St. Mark' Bethany. **Read the letter from pastor Randy for more information on page 7.**

## CDO Fundraiser

Grab your family, friends and neighbors for an all you can eat Spaghetti Dinner being put on by CDO to support the children in getting supplies and other needed items. CDO has been an important part of St. Mark's for a long time and has always been well supported. This is a great way to support it while having a great meal.

### CDO Spaghetti Dinner

#### Admit One

All you can eat  
Adults \$10  
Children \$5



November 17, 6-8 PM



The tree is up! St. Mark's will again be taking part in CareShare for students at Overholser School. You can pick up your child on the tree in the foyer starting this Sunday, November 20th. You can do it as a family a Sunday School class or any way you want. Each child will have a maximum of \$75 for their gifts. We ask you to follow the wish lists on the child's card. Gifts must be turned back in by Sunday, December 4th. You can help make a child's Christmas special. Drop by the tree and find a child just for you.

[www.pcf4kids.org](http://www.pcf4kids.org)



## Wednesday Night Fall Programming

Fall programming is in full gear at St. Mark's. The prayer team will meet at 6 pm in the prayer room. The choir will be having rehearsal starting at 6:30 pm. All other programming has also begun. Children, Youth and adult studies will follow our meal together which kicks off at 5:30 pm. Check below for more information about our adult Bible Studies

DAWN - Dinner & Worship Night  
Wednesdays @ 5:30 pm

**Schedule:**

5:30-6:15 Meal (family style)  
6:00-6:30 Prayer Team  
6:15-7:30 Children's & Student Ministry  
6:15-7:30 Adult Bible Studies  
6:30-8:00 Choir Practice



## Join us as we decorate St. Mark's for Advent

On Sunday, November 20th, following the 10:55 am worship a team will be decorating the sanctuary and other areas in the church for Advent. You are invited to take part. If you are interested, just show up or contact Becky Roman and she will fill you in on the details.

### Bridal Shower for Lydia Wade

*please join us*

**HOST:** Hosted by Carol Hall, Lorna Garner, Sabrina Beebe, and Katie Miller

**WHEN:** Sunday, November 20 at 4:00 PM CT

**WHERE:** St Mark's Bethany Church 8140 NW 36th Street Bethany, OK 73008

## Prayer Needs November 16 - 30

### Scripture reading: Psalm 111, Habakkuk 3: 17-19

Praise God for his mighty acts and his goodness.

Repent of our sins and Receive God's grace and mercy.

Ask God : For wisdom on saving all we can so that we can support ministry all we can.

For guidance on living out the mission of the Global Methodist Church to make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.

For the leaders in the Global Methodist Church as they are leaning into the mission God has entrusted to them and spurring others to do the same.

Discernment for other churches and pastors going through this process

Leaders of our government to serve with righteousness and integrity.

Yield our thoughts to God's desires as we go forward to love, disciple, worship, and serve.



## St Mark's Bethany Helping Hand Project

**Need a ride to the doctor? Your battery need a jump? Need a few groceries? Let us help you. Please contact Pat at St Mark's (405-789-9033) or Elle Mysinger (469-323-1560).**

**Requests for help will be posted on the Helping Hand Project. Notification of the request will go out to the members of the Helping Hand Project. Whoever can help with the project will notify the group that they will manage the request and then reach out to the person who needs the helping hand.**

**We welcome anyone who would like to join the Helping Hand Project. Please contact Elle or Pat at the Church.**



# HEYA!!! COOKING CLASS

## COME AND JOIN US MAKING FISH TACOS

WHILE LEARNING SOME BASIC CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH

**BRING \$5 AND ENJOY YOUR MEAL!**

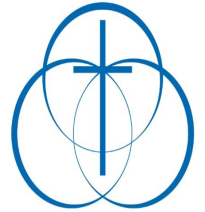


NOVEMBER 22, 2022  
BARNETT HALL  
FROM 5:45-7:00 PM

EMAIL TO RSVP:  
BEQUER@STMARKSBETHANY.COM  
OR SIGN-UP ON THE CHURCH COUNTER

## What does it mean to be a member of the Global Methodist Church?

The Sonshine Class will explore the answer to this question starting December 4<sup>th</sup>. We will discuss the mission of the GMC, Discipleship Bands, and the Catechism of the GMC. Join us on Sunday mornings in Room 17 at 8:15am for Fellowship with the study beginning at 8:30 am.



**GLOBAL**  
METHODIST CHURCH

## Mexico City Mission January 14-21, 2023



Our mission trip to Mexico City has been rescheduled and we are looking for team members who want to be in ministry and build relationships with our ministries in Mexico City. This is a great opportunity to share your faith. If you are interested

in being a part of the team contact Becky Roman!



What a joy this past week to see Fortuna & Esmeralda Manuel present their daughter Serena for dedication. Remember to keep them in your prayers!



# Difference Makers Needed

The Manger Project needs difference makers for

.Set up 11/26/2022

.Clean up

.Greeters

.Assistants in Mary's Kitchen

.Assistants in Joseph's Corner

.Assistants with Cookies and Cocoa

If you are available to make a difference please contact Sharon Hunt, Casey Cassidy or Kristy Goff

## Joseph's Corner

The Manger Project is a fun interactive project that helps families focus on the true meaning of Christmas while building a wooden manger.

This hands-on experience gives parents a chance to teach their kids hard work, perseverance and most importantly, why the manger (God coming to earth as a baby) is so important to their faith.

Bring your hammer and your kids or grandkids and let your heart be captured by the wonder of the lowly manger.

Fascinate your family with Christ this Christmas.

This Experience is FREE—Register now using the link below

<https://registrations.planningcenteronline.com/signups/1503055>

## Mary's Kitchen



Enjoy working together as a family building a

## Cookie Contest



# Cookie Contest

We will be holding a cookie contest on 11/27/2022 in conjunction with The Manger Project. The Cookie Contest is open to everyone. We know we have some amazing bakers with great family “secret” recipes, Sign up NOW in the Narthex or click on the link

<https://registrations.planningcenteronline.com/signups/1503055>



## Facts and Figures

2022 Annual Budget	635,934
Rec'd toward Operating 11/13/2022	10,148
Year to Date 2022	
Rec'd toward offering (thru 10/25/22)	386,901
Expenses (thru 9/25/22)	432,846

### Attendance

Sunday, November 13 Total	283
Traditional (with children)...	155
Modern	71
Online	57

## Prayer Box

Cheryl Andrews  
 Tiffany Montesano  
 Lavina Bonfield (DIL Margaret Bonfield)  
 Ina Walker (sister Bobbi Pinkerton)  
 Mike Kolar (son of Ruth Martyn)  
 George Kloss  
 Judy McMinn  
 Marty Croy  
 Patsy McDowell  
 Dianna & Jeff Davidson  
 Paula Galt  
 Esmeralda Manuel  
 Mary Desmukes  
 Patrick (grandson Joey Pedigo)  
 Reed Brooks  
 Roger Rogers  
 Kathi Fisher

David Roman  
 Jan Johnson  
 Roger Pautsch  
 Chris Brehm  
 Bill Rosenthal (BIL Elaine Talbot)  
 Carol Rosenthal (SIL Elaine Talbot)  
 Barbara Byrd (sister Dot Lyon)  
 Tina Logsdon (sister of Carolyn Grady)  
 Gerald Grady  
 Greg Spiser (Brother of Mike Spiser)  
 Jason Talbot  
 Brent Lawrence (nephew Mike Spicer)  
 Beverly Clark  
 Emersyn Jenks  
 Nobles family  
 Ron Norvell  
 Loma Garner  
 Mary Desmukes





## St. Mark's Bethany

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November 7, 2022

Greetings, St Mark's,

### St. Mark's Mission Statement

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

This has been an amazing year at St Mark's. God has blessed us richly in every way imaginable and we rejoice with His goodness. Over the past few months we were able to raise nearly \$400,000 to gain our freedom from the United Methodist Church. That process is now behind us and, as of November 4, we are now a Global Methodist Church. Because of the uniqueness of this year, we decided to do a "low key" finance drive. After having asked so much and received so much from the people of St Mark's, we felt it was right to make our "ask" for 2023 very simple and straightforward. With what is behind us, now is the time to look ahead. And part of looking ahead is budgeting for the ministries God would have us do. And for this we need your help. The first thing we need you to do is pray. Please prayerfully ask God what he would have you give to his work through St Mark's in 2023. The second thing we need you to do is, when you have an answer to your prayers, indicate that amount on the enclosed pledge card. And finally, when you have filled out that card please bring it back to the church or mail it to the church office. It's that simple. No one will call you and harass you. In fact, since there are no names required, we won't even know who made which pledge. That is between you and God, and the card is simply a tool to help us accurately budget.

The question often asked is, "How much should I give?" In God's dealing with the children of Israel in the time before Jesus, the standard amount of giving expected, also known as "the tithe", was set at 10% of income. Neither Jesus, nor any other New Testament writer, speak directly to an amount or percentage of giving expected. The challenge of the New Testament in regard to giving is to do so "generously, faithfully and sacrificially". So, the short answer to the question is only you and God together can decide what to give. 10% remains a good measuring stick – for some as a goal to strive and plan toward, and for others as a baseline to build from toward ever greater generosity and sacrifice – but ultimately the decision is yours.

Thank you for your past generosity and all it has enabled. Thank you for your current generosity and the ministry it is bringing forth. Thank you for your future generosity and the ministry it will fund for the glory of God. It has indeed been an amazing year and I'm grateful for your partnership in the ministry God has given us here at St Mark's.

Grace, Peace, & Joy,

Randy Wade  
Sr. Pastor

**Love. Disciple. Worship. Serve.**