

October 23, 2019

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

Fall Fun Night

Don't Forget!! Invite your friends, neighbors & family to Fall Fun Night!

The Bible Walk is fun and informative for all ages! This is also a 'Punkin' Chunkin', a cake walk and all kinds of games and fun for the entire family. You can be a part of the 'Trunk-less Treat' (inside) or 'Trunk or Treat' (outside); you can decorate your car trunk (or space in Narthex and bring simple treats to handout and see all the children. Contact Jimmie Sears (78702678) or sign up on church counter to reserve a spot.

**Read more on page 2 about
Kings & Queens Fall Fun night!**

St. Mark's **FALL FUN NIGHT**

Games, Trunk or Treat, Door Prizes, and great family fun!

Day: Wednesday, Oct. 30

Time: 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Where: St. Mark's UMC

8140 NW 36th St. - Bethany, OK 73008

**For more info.
call 405.789.9033**

Come join us!





Church Directory Update Set

On November 18th, from 2 pm to 9 pm we will be having an update day for our church directory. If you are new to St. Mark's, could not make the last dates, or have had a change in your family, and would like to have your picture taken for

the church directory this is a great opportunity. You can go to the church webpage and click on link on the home page or you can call the church office to set up a time. Getting your picture in the directory helps prayer teams, new people, and many others to get to know one another better. Thanks!



Student S.T.R.I.V.E.

Drive in progress

If you have not gotten your pledge cards turned in yet for STRIVE we encourage you to prayerfully take some time and do so. For funds to be credited to students the cards must be turned in by October 31st. The students will be having their community work day on November 2nd. They will be working in throughout the community including odd jobs for members. If you are aware of a need please let Lydia Cressman know.



Kings & Queens Fall Fun Night

On Tuesday, Oct. 29

Kings & Queens will have their Fall Fun Night. This is a special night for the kids and families with special needs and includes a sensory Bible Walk. It also includes a lot of other fun for

those participating. Like the other Fun Night, there are envelopes on the wall in the Narthex for supplies they need. They are also hunting for a couple more people as characters in the Bible Walk and helpers. If you would be willing to give your time to these families contact Kayla Gannon and she will make sure you have a great experience as you help make a memorable one for the children..



Wednesday Nights

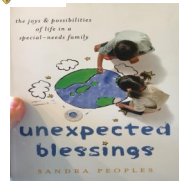
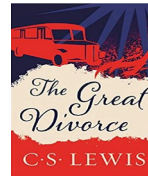
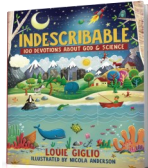
5:30 D.O.W.N. Dinner

This Week: Taco Bar

6:00 Prayer Team



6:15 Children Indescribable
Student Ministry
Adult Studies



6:30 Choir Rehearsal



CDO Looking for volunteers



CDO is in need of a couple of people who would be willing to come in occasionally to assist with babies who need a little extra love and care. The regular teachers are having to spend a lot of their time individually with kids and missing opportunities for teaching. If you would be willing to come in on a Monday, Tuesday or Thursday from 10am to noon contact Sharon Hunt.



Our next Men's Breakfast will be on November 2nd. We will have breakfast will be at 8:00 am and should be done by 9 am. Feel free to invite a friend, or bring your kids.

CDO Fundraiser Sale



St. Mark's CDO is having their annual Otis Spunkmeyer sale. You have the opportunity to purchase cookie dough, wrapping paper and other goodies through October 29. You can contact anyone involved with CDO or Sharon Hunt and they can help you out. It's a great way to support the ministry and satisfy your sweet tooth.

St. Mark's Food Pantry

The St. Mark's Food Pantry for Overholser is open on Sundays from 4pm - 6 pm.

St. Mark's has done a great job as we prepared and hope that everyone is able to kick in and help make this ministry meet a real need in our community and be sustainable and giving us an opportunity to share the love of Christ.

If you would like to volunteer to help with the pantry contact DJ Gannon or the church office.



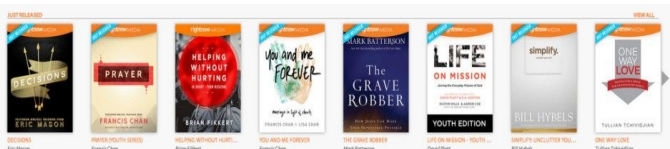


PC West Football team Ministry Outreach

We still need chocolate chip cookies for our last time feeding the PCW football team. THANKS!

We are down to our last meal (October 31) with the

PCW football team. These have been amazing times as we have shared a meal and a time of encouragement as the gospel was shared. If you would like to help with the last meal work will begin at 3 pm on the 31st. If you would like to be a part of the team contact Shab Jupiterwala. This is a great community outreach project. Excitement is high!



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**THRIVENT
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Please join us on November 24th following 1st and 2nd services for an exciting and educational talk by Thrivent. We will hear briefly from Jason Jupiterwala, a Financial Advisor with Thrivent, who will be sharing their mission of inspiring generosity to improve communities, and some of their different programs that we can utilize to further support the ministries of Saint Marks. Thrivent will be providing breakfast following 1st service and lunch following 2nd service for this event in Barnette Hall. We hope to see you there!

ISRAEL TRIP PLANNED



St. Mark's will be part of a team going to Israel in the first two weeks of June, the 1st - 14th. The trip will include attendance at the Hope and Resilience in a Broken World conference, as well as traveling through the land known as "The Fifth Gospel".

If you are interested in finding out more about this adventure of a lifetime, contact David Roman at church or via email at: dbjkni@gmail.com.

Grace and peace,
David Roman



Advent Study Life Group

Wednesday Nov. 13 - Dec. 11, 2pm

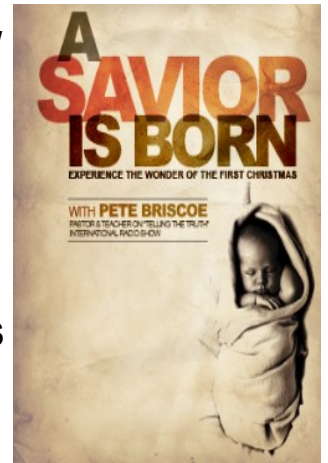
“A Savior is Born” Experience the wonder of the first Christmas.

Has Christmas lost its significance?

It's one of the most familiar stories in human history: the birth of Jesus in a lowly manger in Bethlehem. A Savior, which is Christ the Lord. Yet, how can we prepare our hearts to celebrate the birth of our Savior in our frantic, consumer-driven society? How do we make sure the Christmas holiday remains a Holy Day?

In each of these four Advent sessions in this video Bible study, viewers will experience cinematic short films that capture events surrounding the birth of Jesus Christ. Then Pete Briscoe will open up Scripture to bring us back to the roots and heart of our faith in Christ.

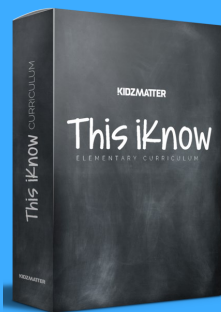
Sign up on church counter



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

SUNDAY MORNING:

Ages: Nursery - Kindergarten
Elementary Age 1st - 5th grade
Time 9:30 am - 10:45 am
10:45 am - 12:00 pm



“THIS I KNOW”

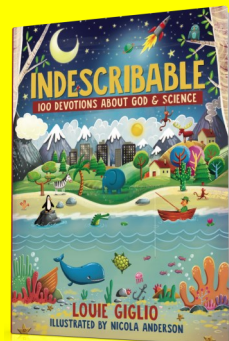
Current lesson Plan :
"Look at the Mess"
Each Bible account highlights someone who got in a mess and how God was

faithful to them through the entire experience. God realizes our lives can get messy and God is not intimidated in the least by them.



WEDNESDAY EVENING:

D.O.W.N. Dinner - 5:30-6:15
INDESCRIBABLE - 6:15—7:30



God has different plans for us and your children so we are going to try something different this year and will begin

"Indescribable" Please pray for us as we plan and develop lessons around Louis Giglio's - Indescribable - devotionals for children.

Something new and exciting as we hope to challenge the kiddos to experience our God in Indescribable ways.

Four keys areas will be explored as we look at how indescribable our God is.

Space
Earth
Animals
People



HAPPY FALL! I hope everyone is doing well! Fall is an exciting time with A LOT happening in this ministry. Here's what's coming!

STRIVE starts Wed, Oct. 2!

- Make sure students are at youth this Wednesday to receive all the STRIVE info, envelopes and shirts!
- Info about STRIVE's purpose, incentive levels, important dates, etc. is in the **email attachment!** Check it out!

Upcoming Wednesdays

- Oct. 16 - Regular programming with dinner at 5:30 (\$3/person) and youth at 6:15. *This is the last day and the only Wednesday students can ask church members to support them in STRIVE.*
- Oct. 23 - Again, regular programming with dinner at 5:30 (\$3/person) and youth at 6:15
- Oct. 30 - Fall Fun Night! Come in costume! There's no regular youth programming, but come ready to hang out and help out, starting at 6:30! Eat beforehand.

Upcoming Sundays

- Oct. 20, 27 - Both are regular Sunday mornings with Sunday School at 9:45 and Big Church at 10:55.

Camp/Mission/Retreat Dates

- Disciple (MS camp at Heart o' Hills) is June 4-7!
- Youth Force (HS and MS mission in Ardmore) is June 21-26!
- Dayspring (HS camp at Sky Ranch) is July 20-24!
- Winter Retreat and Spring Break Mission dates coming soon!

Young Adult Stuff - fyi

For all of our St. Mark's Student Ministries alumni and older siblings of youth students, we have a couple young adult activities coming up! Ask me if you want more details! Also, you can follow stmarksya on Instagram.

- Young Adult Christmas Mission - Dec 16-19
- Young Adult Retreat (Renew Retreat) - Jan 2-4

Youth Pastor Advisory Team

This small group is starting up mid-October. Please, pray for us as we problem-solve and plan!

Lydia Cressman

Director of Student Ministries



CareShare

We will be partnering with Putnam City Schools again this Christmas season in their CareShare program. We will again be taking students and families from Overholser school to provide children with Christmas gifts. Be watching for more details in the next couple of weeks. This is a great opportunity to provide Christmas for kids who may not get much of one otherwise.

Adult Sunday AM Classes

8:15 am
Room 17
Sonshine Class

Room 18
New Life Class

9:30 am
Room 18
Discipleship
Class

Room 17
Young Adult

10:40 am
Choir Room
Good News Class

10:45 am
Room 19

R.O.C.K. Class

10:55 am
Room 5
Promise Class

Room 18
Faithbuilders
Class

Staff Emails

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Facts and Figures

2019 Annual Budget605,361
Rec'd toward Operating 9/29/20195,330

YTD 2019
Rec'd toward Operating 9/29/2019.....376,324
Expenditures 9/29/2018401,828

Attendance

Sunday, October 20
Worship 248
Sunday School188

Fred	Agyemang	Sophie	Dyson	Michael	McEachern
Lois	Ballard	Lauren	Epely	Norma	McMurtry
Michael	Bevins	Jayce	Fallon	Earl	Moore
John	Biege	Pete	Fallon	Kathy	Moore
Gina	Boerner	Wyatt	Fields	Nhayomei	Pedigo
Margaret	Bonifield	Penny	Fryman-Acre	Tabitha	Pedigo
Kali	Bowens	William	Funk	Terry	Pope
Janice	Brown	Emma	Hughes	Harrington	Sierra
Mal	Bucholtz	Cordell	Jacobs	Dorothy	Sipes
Greer	Cassidy	Barbara	Johnson	Mike	Spiser
Paulo	Chairez	Landon	Jupiterwala	Millison	Streetman
Nick	Chaney	Michael	Kapka	Monte	Tull
Christine	Couch	Winn	Lusk	Melvin	Ulmer
Noah	Cromwell	Gage	Manchester	Nadine	Wilkerson
Reuben	Cromwell	Fisher	Marchant	Gene	Wilkey

Prayer Box

Kieth Ballard	Barbara Gardner
Beverly Clark	Hutchison family
Funk family	Barbara Homer
Don & Fran Nobles	Marty Croy
Chris & Kelli Pavelko	Pam Barnes
Boerner & Savill families	Mary Ann Kinsella
Josh Pavelko	Bremmer family
Votaw family	
Mark Summers	
Valerie Pautsch family	