

# St. Mark's

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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October 3, 2018

## E-Messenger

**Our Mission Statement** To build a family of believers who glorify God and



**“You” can be a part of Fall Fun Night - Saturday, October 27th, 6:00 to 7:30 pm**

The Bible walk is a main feature where children and parents walk through a maze of different stations meeting Bible characters, listening to a brief Bible story and receive candy or a toy relating to that story! That's why we're asking for specific kinds of candy. Please take an envelope from the Narthex wall and bring the item requested OR put cash in the envelope and let us buy the item. All envelopes need to be returned by Sunday, October 21st.

### Dinner On Wednesday Night Tonight!

Every Wednesday's from 5:30-6:15  
Great place to get fed and fellowship before programming.  
Everyone welcome. Cost is only \$3. a person..

### Wednesday Programming

- 5:15 Strength/Stretch Class
- 5:30 D.O.W.N. Dinner
- 6:00 Prayer Team
- 6:15 Adult Studies
- 6:15 KID Team
- 6:15 Student Ministry
- 6:15 Adult Studies
- 6:30 Choir Rehearsal



## STRIVE nineteen

Deadline for STRIVE donations is October 11th. If you are planning to support students this year we ask you get your pledges turned in by that date. STRIVE supports all student ministries (mission, camps, retreats, college scholarships and more.) Your support is truly a blessing. STRIVE workday will be October 13th.





**TROOP 553**  
**Saturday, Oct. 6**  
**5:00—7:30 pm**  
**Barnett Hall**

**Adults \$8.00 Children 3-11 \$4.00**  
**All you can eat Spaghetti**  
**Dinner**

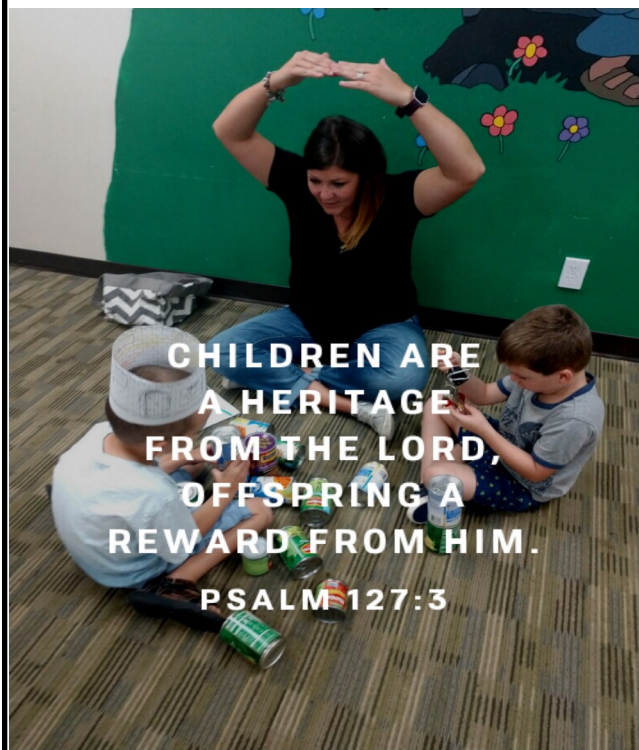
**Come support our scouts**  
**and have a great meal.**



Our next Men's Breakfast will be on the October 6th 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.



Be praying for our Kings and Queens program as it continues to grow. On Friday, October 12th, they will be having their next respite evening. As the program continues to grow more volunteers will be needed. If you feel God leading you to be a part of this ministry contact Kayla Gannon at [kayla@stmarksbethany.com](mailto:kayla@stmarksbethany.com).



### Adult Sunday School Discipleship Classes Schedule

8:15 am  
 Room 17 - Sonshine Class  
 Room 18 - New Life Class  
 9:30 am  
 Room 18 -Discipleship  
 Ascent Room - College Age  
 10:40 am  
 Choir Room -Good News Class  
 10:55 am  
 Room 5 - Promise Class  
 Room 17 - Faithbuilders Class  
 Room 19 - R.O.C.K. Class



Second Winders will meet Thursday, October 11 at noon for a pulled pork meal. Cost: \$5.



Catholic  
Charities  
USA.

Following the meal Mark Chan of Catholic Charities will talk to us about how their refugee resettlement program enriches the community.

Come early for coffee and conversation and invite others who might enjoy our fellowship time, food and program.



## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



### SUNDAY MORNING:

Age Nursery - Kindergarten

Time 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Age 1st - 5th grade

Time: 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

9:30-10:45 "Agape National Park" – lessons on loving God and others. We will study a series of events from the Old Testament and New Testament that will guide us to learn that we should love God and love others. Some of the lessons included will be: Creation – Genesis 1:1-2:4, Moses' Last Journey – Numbers 27:12-23, Deut. 34, and Jesus is Born – Luke 2:1-20. Memory verse for this unit is Isaiah 40:31 "Those who trust in the Lord will find new strength. They will soar high on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint."

11:00-11:15 - Children are brought to the sanctuary to participate in the opening worship songs, prayers, and other aspects of the service. Children are encouraged to come and participate in a children's sermon time, and following that, are welcome to sit with their parents or guardians for the remainder of the worship service time, or they are welcome to go back to children's area with Ms. Alicia.

11:15 - Noon - we will focus again on the lesson God is teaching us through the Bible story that was taught in the first hour. We will typically watch a short video to demonstrate the message, and participate in more activities which help the children understand the importance of living faithfully with God as their focus.

Elementary children's Sunday school is for children ages 1st grade through 5th grade. We do have a special needs ministry that is available upon request to help children with special needs during services.

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

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

Team Kid 6:15 - 7:30

### TeamKID, Going Vertical

Going Vertical is a term many of today's athletes use to indicate they jumped their highest and performed their best. We are using Going Vertical for that sports connection but also to imply the importance of growing closer to God (so a vertical connection) through studying His Word and in fellowship with others. Going Vertical is a step in helping kids grow closer to God - a kid-friendly study of God's Word. In a world where the Bible isn't revered as a holy book Going Vertical will help kids understand the message and power of God's Word. Issues such as the importance of the Bible, what makes it up, what's the message and how does it all fit together as well as enabling the kids to learn to read and grasp the Bible on their own. We hope you join us weekly on this adventure of GOING VERTICAL! Kick off is September 5th



October 3: Lesson 5 - God provides a substitute, Numbers 9:5b

October 10: Lesson 6 - God requires righteousness. Deuteronomy 6:5

October 17: Lesson 7 - God provides a place for his people. John 14:3

October 24: Lesson 8 - God provides salvation. Luke 18:27

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# STUDENT MINISTRY

I feel like we've officially settled into fall now! Congrats to those who signed up for Jesus University for this school year!  
Here's what's coming next for this fall semester!

## **Wednesdays**

D.O.W.N. (Dinner on Wednesday Nights) is at 5:30, \$3/person and Youth is from 6:15-7:30. We are in our series called unTITLED and we will continue it for the next few weeks. We are discussing some of the mislabels and misconceptions we have about God, and we're learning the truth of who He actually is.

## **Sundays**

Sunday School is at 9:45 and big church is at 10:55!

## **STRIVE is in Full Gear!**

STRIVE is our ministry's annual fundraiser. The donations go towards camps, retreats, mission trips, and the JU fund.

**IMPORTANT:** If you are enrolled in Jesus University for this school year, you must raise a minimum of \$150 in STRIVE!

This coming Sunday is the last Sunday for Students ask St. Mark's people for money! However, students are encouraged to ask for STRIVE donations from people **outside of the church walls** at any point during the fundraiser. Family, teachers, and friends have been very generous over the years, and asking them for STRIVE donations can actually be a great missions opportunity, as students will naturally explain the reason they are raising money.

*All donations are due to my office by October 11th!*

As a thank you for all the donations, students will serve for 8 hours on the STRIVE workday. The **STRIVE workday is Oct. 13** and it is mandatory for those who participated in the STRIVE fundraiser. Others who didn't participate in the STRIVE fundraiser are also more than welcome to join us for this service day!

STRIVE has been the student ministry fundraiser at St. Mark's for nearly two decades, and our church family has been extremely generous over the years. STRIVE is an incredible opportunity for our students to meet people in our church and to experience perhaps the easiest fundraiser they will ever participate in. I know some of our students are shy about asking for money, but they can feel much better knowing that **our St. Mark's family really wants to give!**

Thanks for all you do! Please, continue to be in prayer for this ministry!

**Lydia Cressman**

*Director of Student Ministries*



## Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible study group has kicked off and will next meet on Friday, October 5th at 7:00 pm. The group will meet the first and 3rd Friday of each month. They will be reading and discussing the book "Wait and See" by Wendy Pope. All women are invited to join these ladies as they grow in fellowship and faith together. If you would like more information about the group you can contact Kayla Gannon at [kayla@stmarksbethany.com](mailto:kayla@stmarksbethany.com)

## Prayer Targets 2018-19

Council Grove Elementary

Overholser Elementary

Yukon newer residents

House groups

Outreach

Your neighbors  
and neighborhood

October 14th at 5:00 pm will be our **ARISE**  
Celebration Dinner.



YUKON, OKLAHOMA

St. Mark's will be taking part in this year's Czech festival in Yukon on Saturday, October 6th. We will have a float in the parade starting at 10 am and will have a booth in the festival also. If you would like to help with the float or help with the booth let us know. We hope you and your family also will come out and be a part of the festivities.

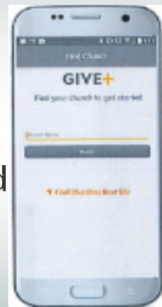
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or office  
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and turn in.

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## Facts and Figures

2018 Budget ..... 590,255  
 Rec'd toward Operating 9/23/2018 ..... 5,423  
Year to Date  
 Rec'd toward Operating 9/23/2018 .... 387,476  
 Expenditures 9/23/2018 ..... 407,304

### Attendance

Sunday, September 30  
 Worship ..... 209  
 Sunday School ..... 175

Barbara Johnson	Kennedy Branscum	Nhayomei Pedigo
Christine Couch	Lana Thompson	Nick Chaney
Dorothy Sipes	Lauren Epely	Noah Cromwell
Earl Moore	Lois Ballard	Norma McMurtry
Fisher Marchant	Mal Bucholtz	Penny Fryman-Acre
Fred Agyemang	Margaret Bonifield	Pete Fallon
Gene Wilkey	Melvin Ulmer	Reuben Cromwell
Gina Boerner	Michael Bevins	Saige Gustad
Greer Cassidy	Michael Kapka	Tabitha Pedigo
Janice Brown	Michael McEachern	Terry Pope
Jayce Fallon	Mike Spiser	William Funk
John Biege	Monte Tull	Winn Lusk
Kathy Moore	Nadine Wilkerson	Wyatt Fields

## Prayer Box

Don & Fran Nobles	Don Wonderly
Kieth Ballard	Montesano family
Betty Miller	Beverly Clark
Dale & Jan Johnson	Greg Spiser
Kelli Pavelko	Brandon Funk
Kruse & Mary Holliday	Linda Moon
Boerner family	Valerie Cooper
Sim's family	Fisher family
Norma McMurtry	Cindy McMurtry
Jean Ann Farley	Harold Kessler

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### **St. Mark's Staff**

**Keith Cressman, Pastor**  
**Becky Roman, Mission & Music Director**  
**Sharon Hunt, Early Childhood Ministries Director**  
**Alicia Schneider, Children's Minister**  
**Kayla Gannon, Kings & Queens Coordinator**  
**Lydia Cressman, Student Minister**  
**Pat Morford, Administrator, Communications**  
**Christy Kiespert, 8:30 Keyboardist**  
**Kaleb Siler, 9:45 Leaders of Worship**  
**Roger Pautsch, 11:00 Organist**  
**Jackie Swedlow, Accountant**  
**Gwen Sears, Accountant Assistant**