



ST. MARK'S BETHANY NEWSLETTER

JOIN US THIS SUNDAY FOR WORSHIP!

On this Third Sunday of Easter, we are pleased to launch our Faith Promise stewardship initiative, themed "Expand Your Reach." Pastor Randy will be delivering a sermon based on 1 Chronicles 29:10-16, titled "More Than Enough - God is Abundant." We cordially invite you to join us..

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

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

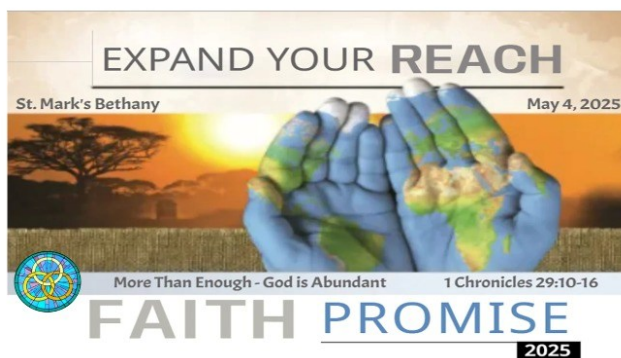
Our traditional services are scheduled to commence at 9:30 AM followed by the Modern service at 10:55 AM.

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

To watch the live stream, please join us at:

9:30 am Sunday morning

10:55 am Sunday morning



FAITH PROMISE 2025

A **FAITH PROMISE** is exactly what it states -- a promise made in faith between an individual and God.

All **FAITH PROMISE** gifts go to missions, which helps us share Christ's love with the world and fulfill our call to make Christlike disciples in the nations.

EXPAND YOUR REACH

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

April 30
5:30 pm



Biscuits &
Gravy

6:15 pm



6:30 pm



PLEASE NOTE:

This is the last week for our Wednesday Night Programming until the fall!

Second Winders Meeting May 8th



Second Winder's invites all adults to experience the exceptional talent of Edgar Cruz, a renowned classical and fingerstyle guitarist. Mr. Cruz has performed across the United States and in various countries.

Join us at Second Winder's in Barnett Hall on Thursday, May 8. The event kicks off at 11:30 am with social time, followed by announcements and a devotion at noon.

The meal will be a covered dish dinner with a suggestion for people to bring:

A - F: Meat dish

G - K: Vegetable dish

L - R: Salad or fruit

S - U: Dessert

Following our meal we will sit back and enjoy the incredible sounds performed by Edgar Cruz.

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday, May 8!



St. Marks Bethany Women Meeting May 12

The St. Mark's Bethany Women will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, May 12th at 10:00 AM in Barnett Hall.



This month, we will welcome a guest speaker from Circle of Care, a faith-based organization dedicated to providing assistance, healing, and hope to children and families across Oklahoma. Their various programs work collaboratively to reunify families and equip children for successful adult living.



Join us for a time of fun, fellowship, and learning more about the vital work of Circle of Care!

SEEKING ST. MARK'S CRAFTERS + MAKERS

St. Mark's Bethany Women is seeking talented individuals from our St. Mark's community! Each year, we host a booth at our Arts & Crafts fair, where we sell donated handmade items and crafts to raise funds for our missions.

Do you have a special craft or talent that you would be willing to use to create something for our table?

For any questions, please reach out to Robin Stephenson-Bratcher



2025 YOUTH CAMPS

Get ready for an unforgettable summer filled with fun, friendships, and growth!

- May 27 - 31: **Dayspring Camp** - Grades 9 - 12
- June 15 - 20: **YF Tulsa** - Grades 7 - 12
- July 23 - 26: **Disciple Camp** - Grades 6 - 9

Be sure to register early for these camps!
Check your YF Newsletter for
Registration information.
Questions? Contact Bequer



DAYSPRING CAMP
This is our High School camp (incoming 9th-graduated seniors) May 27-31st \$300 at New Life Ranch, Adair, OK. Registration and payments (to St. Mark's Student Ministries) due May 5

YF TULSA
This is our Middle School/High School mission opportunity (incoming 7th-graduated seniors) June 15-20 \$275 at Christ Church Methodist Church, Tulsa, OK. Registration and payments (to St. Mark's Student Ministries) due May 12

DISCIPLE CAMP
This is our Middle School camp (incoming 6th-9th grade) July 23-26 \$300 @ Sky Ranch, Cave Spring, OK. Registration and payments (to St. Mark's Student Ministries) due June 22nd

YOUTH GARAGE SALE - JUNE 6-7

Start collecting your treasures!



St. Mark's Youth will be having a Garage Sale on June 6th and 7th. Start collecting your treasures to donate to the sale!


Questions? Contact Bequer!


 **ST. MARK'S BETHANY**

We are hiring for paid children/youth 2025 summer internships now!

Apply Here! 

A PATH TO THE
Wilderness
YOUTH SUMMER SERIES



FOR I AM ABOUT TO DO SOMETHING NEW
I WILL MAKE A PATHWAY THROUGH THE
WILDERNESS. 

ISAIAH 43:19

Capital Campaign Update from Pastor Randy

At the end of each month, we will be updating everyone on the progress of our capital campaign at the end of both worship services and in the Newsletter.

Taking Root: A Place to Grow, is off to a great start. We began the month of April having received \$595,455 and will end the month with \$635,404. This is wonderful! Since we committed to only spend money as it comes in, the sooner it comes in the sooner we can begin work on our various projects. Thank you for your generous support.

While there is no construction or refurbishment going on at the moment, that doesn't mean we aren't making progress. Our architect and construction team have been meeting to hammer out the details of the work in the Family Life Center, Barnett Hall and the main bathrooms. We have been in contact with the roofer who will be recovering part of our roof and look to get that started once storm season is over. We have teams meeting to begin working out the details in the children's area and sanctuary and we have already gotten some prices on repairs to the parking lots. Nearly every area of our church will be getting major upgrades over the next three years and getting all of these projects done with minimal impact to our existing ministries will be a challenge. So we ask for your continued prayers and patience as we work through the order and details of each project.

Our Local Missions

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PREGNANCY SUPPORT

Willow Pregnancy Support can always use our donations of newborn - 6 clothes, shoes to size 13, diapers size 4, 5, and 6, bottles, bath wash and lotion and Good Start Formula. Thank you so much for your donations!

Thank you!

ROC
REACHING OUR CITY

ROC can always use our donations of canned and boxed food. While they can use other donations, our church provides food. Right now, they have a need for canned meat such as tuna or chicken. They can also use your empty egg cartons. A Grocery Basket is in the narthex for your FOOD donations!

Difference Makers Needed



Want to make a difference in a child's life? Difference Makers are needed for smKids on Sunday mornings at 9:15 to 10:45 or 10:45 to 12:00 noon.

Contact Sharon Hunt to find out how YOU can make a difference!

SAVE
The
DATE

SMBW
Arts &
Crafts Fair

Requests for applications for the 2025 Craft Fair are already coming in! Applications will be available at St. Mark's this coming Sunday! Be sure to get yours and get your booth reserved!

Not having a booth???
Mark the date ...
Saturday, October 4th!

You don't want to miss it!!!

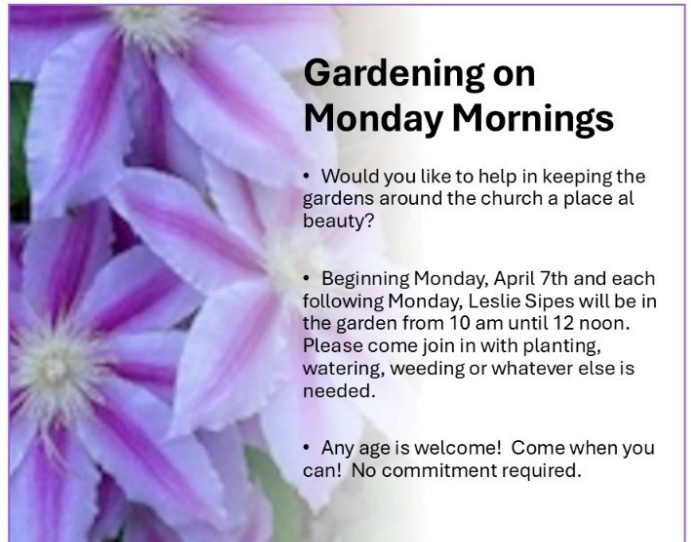


Gardening on Monday Mornings

- Would you like to help in keeping the gardens around the church a place of beauty?

- Beginning Monday, April 7th and each following Monday, Leslie Sipes will be in the garden from 10 am until 12 noon. Please come join in with planting, watering, weeding or whatever else is needed.

- Any age is welcome! Come when you can! No commitment required.





Sm kids

Kidmin Tonight
4/30/25
Ice Cream

**Summer 2025
is Coming!**

Keep Watch in your email
and the newsletter for
upcoming events

**NATURE
PRAYER
WALK**
SCAVENGER HUNT

**Date Changed to
Tuesday May 6th**

6:30pm @ Stinchcomb Wildlife Refuge

**TEAM
OKC
ROBOTICS
SUMMER
CAMP**



June 9th - 12th
1-4 pm

1st-2nd grade
3rd-6th grade



Aloha Pop Up
6:30-7:30pm
Thursday 5/22/25

smkids Camp
July 6th - July 9th
contact Sharon

**These Are
The Days**

Give the Gift of camp!
If interested in helping
send a child to camp
contact
Sharon

Sunday Mornings

Kidmin

Nursery

9:30 - 12:00 ages 6mo - 3

Early Childhood

9:30-10:45 ages 3-Kindergarten

Wee Worship

10:45 - 12:00 ages 3-kindergarten

Elementary

9:30-10:45 ages 1st-5th grade

Holy Spirit
**OUR
HELPER**

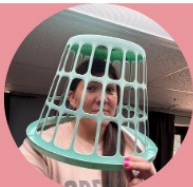
Today's Wonder Truth:

**God Works
Through the
Holy Spirit**

**Those who are led
by the Spirit of God
are children of God.**
—Romans 8:14 (NIV)



**Train up a child in the way he should go,
even when he is old he will not depart from it. Proverbs 22:6**





The Amazing Race Holy Week

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kids



The King of Kings Movie



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"Well done, good and faithful servant! Matthew 25:23



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TEAM OKC ROBOTICS SUMMER CAMP

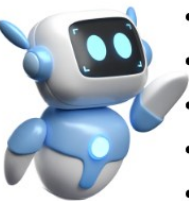


Thanks to the
generous support of
the Wynonah Shaw
Endowment Fund, our
camp is **FREE**

Register today
space is limited

**BUILD, PROGRAM, AND SOLVE
MISSIONS WITH A LEGO SPIKE PRIME
ROBOT! COMPLETE AN ENTIRE FIRST
LEGO LEAGUE ROBOTICS SEASON IN
JUST 4 DAYS! 1-4 EACH DAY.**

What you will learn



- Robotic Design
- Programming
- Engineering Design
- Problem Solving
- Team Work
- God's Word

**June 9th - 12th
1-4 pm**

**1st - 2nd grade
3rd-6th grade**

**St. Mark's Church - Bethany
8140 NW 36th Street
Bethany, OK 73008**

Registration Link:
<https://registrations.planningcenteronline.com/signups/2816643>



COMING UP!

April 30 - Wednesday Night Meals
(This is the last Wednesday Night
Programming until fall)
5:30 Biscuits & Gravy

6:15 KidMin
6:15 Youth Ministry
6:15 King Jesus Bible Study
6:30 Bible Study of JOHN
6:30 Choir Rehearsal

May 4 - Church Services

May 8 - Second Winders

May 9 - Kings & Queens

May 10 - Men's Breakfast

May 11 - Mother's Day
Confirmation Sunday

May 12 - St. Mark's Bethany Women

May 18 - Senior Sunday

May 19 - Wrapped in Love

May 22 - King & Queens Plus

May 27 - High School Camp



COMMUNION SERVERS May 4, 2025

Classic Service: Elle & Terry Gather
Sandy Kelly &
Robin Stephenson-Bratcher

Modern Service: David & Brandy Miller family



Prayer Tools
Intercessory Prayer
Pray Alone
Be Prayed For/With
Come & Go
EXPERIENCE GOD

Wednesdays 5:00-6:00 pm
Prayer Team meets 5:00-5:30 pm



Capital Campaign Update

106 Pledges 1,342,736

Rec'd toward Pledges
4/28/2025 635,404

FACTS & FIGURES

2025 Annual Budget 632,679

Rec'd toward Operating
4/26/2025 6,023

Year to Date 2025
Rec'd toward offering
(thru 4/26/25) 167,646
Expenses (4/26/25) 192,683

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, April 27 Total 301

Traditional Worship 196
Modern Worship 59
Online Worship 46



Prayer Board

Bob Drake
Lisa Hutchinson's mom
Family of Stephen Ostrowski
(Sharon Hunt's brother)
Sara Miller
Kelly (sister of Dave Moore)
Sandy Rutherford
Marcia Geis (friend of Pam
Barnes)
Bob Kanary
Kathi Wagner (Dot Lyon's
daughter Lory's best
friend)
Linda Carroll (Aunt of
Lori Evans)
Bill Underwood

Billy Joe Watson (friend of
Wayne Barnes)
Beverly Clark
Barbara Hill
Michelle (co-worker of Sara
Votaw)
Lief Hill (son of a friend of
Wayne Barnes)
Fred Dalton
Winn Lusk
Ginger Fenton (daughter of
Jeff & Dianna Davidson)
Dianna Davidson
Judy McMinn
Cheryl Andrews
Tiffany Montesano