

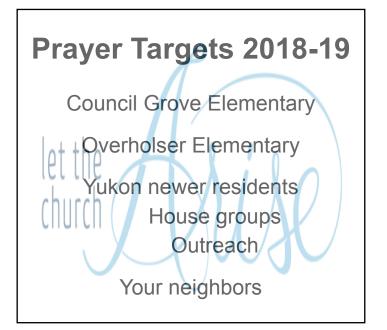
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August 8, 2018 E-Messenger

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

St. Mark's 2018 LAU AU TO FALL Wed. August 29th, 5:30 pm On Wednesday, August 29th from 5:30 - 8:00 pm St. Mark's will be having a special evening together. It will be the launch of our 2018-2019 programming. The event will be a place where everyone from one to ninety-nine will have a place to not only learn about the opportunities that will be available for Christian growth and fellowship but for you to experience what those will look

like. Following a light dinner you will be able to go and meet the leaders of groups for toddlers, children, youth and adults and see the many possibilities available to you, your family members, friends and neighbors. You can ask questions, sign up, and get information to share with others. It will be a great place to invite friends, prospects and others to see what all St. Mark's has to offer. Take advantage of this great evening in the Family Life Center!





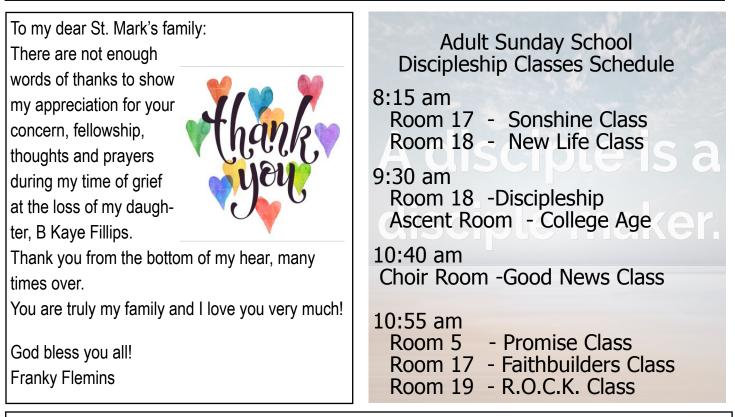
# Wednesday Nights this Fall

We will launch Fall on Wednesday's with the kickoff (August 29th) but regular scheduled programming will begin on September 5th. The times have changed a little this year trying to be more sensitive to families.

The evening will kick off at 5:30 pm with DOWN (Dinner On Wednesday Night). Each week there will be a meal provided that will range from Taco Bar to Potato Bar. The price will be \$3.00 a person. There is a special offer available for you that you can take advantage of at the Launch on August 29th. If you prepay for the semester you will get all **14 meals for \$35 a person with a max of \$140 for a family**. We are still looking for help in setup and cleanup for the meals and if you could be available please contact Sharon Hunt or Kayla Gannon. Following the meal the schedule for the evening is:

6:15 - 7:30 pm Discipleship Junction (children), Student Ministry, and adult studies 6:30 - 8:00 pm Choir

Details on all the studies available for adults will be out soon and you can preview them and sign up at the Launch on August 29th. Make plans now to be a part.



## Making a Difference

Are you looking for a place to serve? Will you listen to a child read aloud? We are expanding our work with elementary schools to Overholser Elementary @ the corner of 36th & Council. If you have any interest contact Becky Chessmore @ 405.659.5610





I can't believe some of us are already back in school! I'm in prayer for all of you as the summer closes out and fall craziness begins. *Please, be in prayer with me for our recent graduates* who are now college freshmen! I know God will bless them and use them greatly!

Thank you to everyone who was able to come to the J.U. Breakfast this past Sunday! And congrats to everyone on their scholarship earnings so far! I'm currently planning the way J.U. will work in the future to make it as effective and fair as possible. Those of you who were at the J.U. Breakfast heard a snippet of my plans, but very soon I will send you all the information regarding the way J.U. will run in the future.

Tonight, Aug. 8 We're having a GAME NIGHT from 6:30-8 in Barnett Hall! Hope to see you there!

Sunday, Aug. 12 Come for Sunday School at 9:45! Our Romans series is nearly over!

Wednesday, Aug. 15

We're having a SPLASH PARTY on the church lawn! This will be from 6:30-8.

I'll see you all soon! I'm praying for you!

Lydia Cressman

Director of Student Ministries

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

#### SUNDAY MORNING:

Age Nursery - Kindergarten Time 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Sunday School for elementary aged children:

Age Kindergarten - 4th grade Time: 9:30 am - 12:00 pm



yard,

9:30-10:45 - "**Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**" Each lesson has food mentioned in it in some way. We will study Bible events like: Elijah fed by the ravens, Naboth's vine-Daniel is the King's court, Manna in the desert, and Jesus feeding the disciples breakfast on the

beach, to name a few of the 13 lessons. We will learn that the our needs are truly met by relationship with Jesus.

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 kindergarten through 4th grade. We do have a special needs ministry that is available upon request to help children with special needs during services.

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

Has God been nudging you to serve in the church? "In Touch" just might be the program that fits your abilities. There are many people who for whatever reason, health or crisis, are unable to attend church regularly but still need the loving care of St. Mark's. "In Touch" is designed to call or visit people who have attended St. Mark's and are no longer able to do so. This program is designed to alleviate some of the loneliness of being homebound and also a way to share the love of God to these people. St. Mark's has a robust Stephen Ministry program, and this would be a unique way to allow closure of care receivers no longer needing the more structured care of a Stephen Minister but could still benefit from an occasional visit or telephone call.



Sharing God's Love... "Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance." 1 CORINTHIANS 13.7 (NUT)

If you are interested in attending one short training class and feel that this is how God is leading you, please contact any of the Stephen Ministry Leaders listed below or you can contact the church office.

Jan Greve - 405-641-5863 Carla Brueggen - 405-495-3295 Dorthy Lynch - 405-630-5677 Bobbi Pinkerton - 659-8728

## Service opportunity



Looking for two people on one Sunday morning a month from 9:25 to 10:15 to help with small children during first service. If you enjoy children and would be willing to help please contact Sharon Hunt.



Avery	Attalla	Brandon	Funk	Brooklyn	McClaren
Linda	Beck	Elliott	Gering	Travis	Miller
Debi	Bermel	Erica	Harlow	Alexandrea	Montesano
Beverley	Bevins	Paula	Heath	Tiffany	Montesano
Annie	Biege	Marilyn	Heightley	Ethan	Patterson
Conrad	Brock	Dwayne	Hickman	Nolan	Peters
Don	Brock	Lisa	Hutchinson	Debra	Sample
Hank	Brueggen	Brady	Jackson	Ashlyn	Sears
Laurie	Bucholtz	Derwin	Jones	Leslie	Sipes
Becky	Chessmore	Pauline	Kloss	Gloria	Straka
Jovie	Cromwell	Calista	Lee	Spencer	Teague
Hannah	Evans	Dot	Lyon	Susan	Thompson
John	Evans	Sam	Markstone	Skyler	Wolfgang
Frankye	Flemins				

### **Facts and Figures**

2018 Budget .		5	90,255
Rec'd toward Op	erating 8	8/5/2018	14,141

#### Year to Date

Rec'd toward Operating 8/5/2018.	320,623
Expenditures 8/5/2018	333,920

#### Attendance

Sunday August 5, 2018

Worship	226
Sunday School	190

### **Prayer Box**

Don Wonderly Montesano family Beverly Clark Dale & Jan Johnson Sherri Fisher Kelli Pavelko B Kaye Fillips family Joey Pedigo family