

November 21, 2018

E-Messenger

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

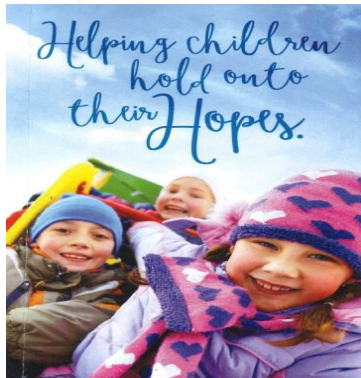


Sunday at St. Mark's

This Sunday at St. Mark's we will have regular classes and worship services. We hope you join us as we join together to celebrate 'Christ the King' Sunday.

DREAMS & VISIONS

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your old men will dream dreams,
your young men will see visions. Joel 2:28



Our CareShare tree is up and ready for people to take children's names from. These children need you to have a great Christmas. They are all affiliated with Overholser Elementary and have been screened by the Putnam City School Foundation. St. Mark's

will be taking care of all the children from Overholser. If you, your family, class, or other group would like to adopt a child pick up a card from the tree. It will have the child's name and a list of wants, needs and sizes. Gifts must be new items only and the amount to be spent on each child will be \$75-\$100. All items must be back by December 3rd. Take a card and make a child's Christmas.

Mark Your Calendar



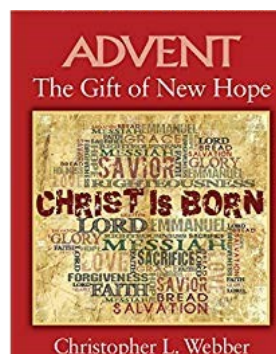
Does your Christmas season sometimes seem to get messy? With all the activities, commitments, family, friends, and just busyness does the meaning of the season get lost. Well, this is just for you. A great place for children, parents, families, grandparents, and **EVERYONE** to come and experience the MESSYNESS of that first Christmas together. Bring your friends, grandkids, neighbors and family and be a part. You won't get dirty, but you will be blessed. Mark the date and watch for more details.!



On Sunday, November 25th, following worship services decoration of the church for the advent season will take place. Everyone is welcome to be a part. The group will share a quick meal and then decorate the sanctuary, narthex and other areas for the Advent season. If you are interested in being a part we would ask that you sign up on the church counter so we can plan meals and tasks. Come enjoy a little early holiday festivities!


ADVENT STUDY

"Advent: The Gift of Hope"



The study based on the Christopher Webber study called "Advent: The Gift of Hope" It will kick off on Wednesday, November 28th, at 6:30 pm in room 18. Sign up

for the study can be done by calling the church office or signing up on the church office counter.



The families of Rebekah Cressman and Isaac Roman invite you to join them for the wedding of Rebekah and Isaac on Saturday, December 8, 2018 at New Covenant United Methodist Church, Edmond, 1:30pm. We hope you will join us on this festive day.

*Please RSVP at
www.Cressman-Roman.Wedding*



The Second Winders are going to the Philharmonic

Christmas in Yukon on Thursday, December 20th. There is a sign up sheet on the shelf outside the church office. Tickets are \$10. Prepay Joy Imel before November 25th.

GIVE

Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift! 2 Cor. 9:15

Enter **H**is gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise. Psalm 100:4

Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Psalm 29:1

And **N**ow we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name. 1 Chron. 29:13

Let us **K**neel before the Lord our Maker. Psalm 95:6

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving, sing praises to our God. Psalm 147:7

Poinsettias to decorate for Advent

It's hard to believe but it's only 1 week until the beginning of Advent. We will be decorating the sanctuary again with beautiful poinsettias and if you would like to give on in memory or honor of someone you can sign up now on the church office counter. The price for a poinsettia is \$20.00. All orders must be in by no later than November 25th.



Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible study group has changed their meeting times to the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. They are still reading and discussing the book "Wait and See" by Wendy Pope. They will only meet once in December on the 2nd at Hazel Bremmer's home, because of holiday busyness. 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



Our next Men's Breakfast will be on the December 1. 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.

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

Prayer Targets 2018-19

Council Grove Elementary

Overholser Elementary

Yukon newer residents

House groups

Outreach

St. Mark's Leadership

January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2021

Church Council

Chair	Jay Sears
Lay Leader	David Miller
Lay Member of Annual Conference	Sally Kilby
SPRC Chair	Steve Couch
Hospitality & Outreach SHIFT team leader	Dorothy Lynch
Mission & Service SHIFT team leader	Kathy Hamilton
Discipleship & Formation SHIFT team leader	Joey Pedigo

Committees	2019	2020	2021
Trustees	Dot Lyon	Ruby Wilkey	John Evans
Finance	Christel Longoria	Bernadette Bishop	Mal Bucholtz

Pastor: Keith Cressman

Additional areas of service not on Church Council

Committee on Lay Leadership

Chair: Keith Cressman

2019	2020	2021
Don Greve	Rod Sipes	Lori Evans
Darlene Hickman	DJ Gannon	Brandy Miller
Carla Brueggen	Beverly Ray	Mike Fisher

Staff Parish Relations Committee

Chair: Steve Couch

2019	2020	2021
Brad Cromwell	Becky Chessmore	Barbara Gardner
Steve Couch	Susan Teague	Julia Bevers
Matt Risinger	Lorna Garner	Bobbie Gaston

Here is a full slate of church officers for 2019 as elected at Charge Conference. Our new format provides more op-



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



November 21: Happy Thanksgiving, no TeamKID

November 28: God's kings reject Him, Matthew 21:42

December 5: God builds a kingdom, Luke 17:20-21

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STUDENT MINISTRY

Great job on the STRIVE fundraiser! The students raised over \$16,000! That is so impressive! Also, great job on the STRIVE Workday! The students worked so hard and I've heard great things from the homeowners we served. Thank you, students, for working so hard and thank you, leaders, for giving up a Saturday to serve with our students!

Here's what's going on in our ministry!

Sundays

Sunday School is at 9:45 and Big Church is at 10:55. Middle School Sunday School is covering attributes of God and principles of his character. High School Sunday School is going through the book of Judges.

Wednesdays

D.O.W.N. (Dinner on Wednesday Nights) is at 5:30 for \$3/person and youth is from 6:15-7:30. We're continuing our series, Supernatural! Also, since the holiday season is coming, we have some special Wednesday night things coming up:

- Nov. 21 – NO YOUTH - Happy Thanksgiving
- Nov. 28 – Frozen Turkey Olympics!
- Dec. 12 – Christmas Party!
- Dec. 19 – Caroling!

I'm looking forward to everything coming up!
See you all Wednesday!

Lydia Cressman

Director of Student Ministries

November



Christie	Agyemang	Nina	Gerardy	Evan	Rodriquez
Wayne	Barnes	Randal	Hancock	Alicia	Schneider
James	Bowman	Julie	Harlow	Donna	Shriver
Nick	Bremmer	Sam	Kapka	Kaleb	Siler
Kellen	Brooks	Freya	Lautzenhiser	Diona	Speer
Darlene	Calvert	Declan	Longoria	Carson	Teague
Nora	Cantwell	Eliana	Maigari	Isabella	Thomas
Lydia	Cressman	Clarity	McKinney	Jax	Verdalette
Ester	Davis	Breanna	Meisenburg	Isla	Wiseman
Ethan	Ferguson	Nate	Meisenburg	Porter	Wiseman
Genie	Funk	Sherry	Mullins		
Aliyah	Gannon	Connie	Reed		

Facts and Figures

2018 Budget 590,255

Rec'd toward Operating 11/18/2018 5,227

Year to Date

Rec'd toward Operating 11/18/2018 ... 458,086

Expenditures 11/18/2018 489,125

Attendance

Sunday, November 18

Worship 224

Sunday School 167

Prayer Box

Don & Fran Nobles	Don Wonderly
Kieth Ballard	Beverly Clark
Harold Kessler	Chanmi Kim
Dale & Jan Johnson	Greg Spiser
Knutson/Pavelko family	Funk family
Linda Moon	Randy & Connie Reed
Joy Imel	David Bremmer
Manharth family	Sherry Fisher
Norma McMurtry	Pam Barnes
Zane Browning family	Boerner family