

St. Mark's
UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH

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October 31, 2018

E-Messenger

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



Great job to everyone who made this years Fall Fun Night a success. From decorations, food, prizes, Bible Walk, Punkin' Chunkin, and all the time, energy and donations that were given. We had a great crowd and let people know that St. Mark's is a part of the community. THANKS!



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



Mark your calendars now because Second Winders' Thanksgiving meeting comes early this year. We will meet for our annual dinner on Thursday, November

8th at noon. Turkey and dressing AND DESSERT will be provided. The Singing Seniors of First UMC of Moore will be our program and will bring the desserts. Meal cost: \$5.



Come early for coffee, conversation and to meet and greet our guests.



Please remember to bring generous amounts of side dishes to share with our guests. (approximately 20 singers).

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 Cressman-Roman. Wedding

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

Poinsettias to decorate for Advent

It's hard to believe but it's only 4 weeks 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.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

November 4, 5pm

We want to celebrate the amazing amount of work that volunteers do at St. Mark's. Living out our faith at home, in the community and around the world Christ is lifted up and love is shared. Come out and join us as we recognize the work done by so many. Dinner will be provided.



*Please join us in celebrating
the marriage of*

*Beth Brueggen
and
Peanut (Brad) McCoy*

Sunday, November 18, 2018

3:00 - 5:00 pm

*St. Mark's United
Methodist Church
8140 NW 36
Bethany, OK*

No gifts please! If you would like to honor
Beth & Peanut with a donation, one may be
made to EMI World at:
<https://emiworld.org/brueggenmccoywedding>

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 opportunities for everyone to be involved in hands on ministry of the church. Pray for these leaders and seek God's direction in where you can serve Christ and his kingdom in 2019.

STUDENT MINISTRY

I hope everyone's fall is going well! 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 starting a series about the Holy Spirit! Also, since the holiday season is coming, we have some special Wednesday night things coming up:

- Oct. 31 – NO YOUTH
- Nov. 21 – NO YOUTH
- Nov. 28 – Frozen Turkey Olympics!

Other Upcoming Events:

The STRIVE WORKDAY is Saturday, Nov. 3! If you participated in the STRIVE fundraiser and you can't make it, please, let me know.

METRO WORSHIP is Nov. 11! Come out for community worship! Meet at the church at 4:00, we'll grab dinner together, head to St. Andrews, and we'll get back to St. Mark's by 8:30.

See you all Wednesday!

Lydia Cressman

Director of Student Ministries

Thank you, St Mark's Saints! You are awesome and I can't stop telling our team about the great folks and the Kingdom focus at St Mark's.

There could not have been a better church family for this newer version of ARISE.

Also, I've already used the great gift card from Amazon, Thanks so much!

I look forward to seeing you again soon,

Mike Wiley
Senior Advisor

Everyone is invited!

*Let's wrap up our best wishes
And shower the bride with love!
Please join us for a come-and-go bridal
shower in honor
of*

*Rebekah Cressman
Sunday, November 11th at 3 to 5 pm
In the St Mark's UMC Foyer
Hosted by the Sonshine Class*

*Rebekah and Isaac are registered at
Amazon, Pottery Barn, Target, and
Williams-Sonoma*



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 31: No TEAM KID—Be salt and light in your neighborhood

November 7: Lesson 9 - God redeems His people 1 Peter 1:18-19

November 14: Lesson 10 – God provides a king, 1 Samuel 16:7b

November 21: Happy Thanksgiving, no TeamKID



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November



Facts and Figures

2018 Budget 590,255
 Rec'd toward Operating 10/28/2018 6,884
Year to Date
 Rec'd toward Operating 10/28/2018 433,023
 Expenditures 10/28/2018453,260

Attendance

Sunday, October 28
 Worship 249
 Sunday School 175

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		

Prayer Box

Don & Fran Nobles	Don Wonderly
Kieth Ballard	Beverly Clark
Dale & Jan Johnson	Greg Spiser
Knutson/Pavelko family	Funk family
Linda Moon family	Boerner family
Randy & Connie Reed	Joy Imel
David & Hazel Bremmer	Manharth family
Dorothy Fisher	Norma McMurtry
Sherry Fisher	Sue Smith family
Kruse & Mary Holliday	Dale & Jan Johnson
Zane Browning family	Cassie Wilson family

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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