



ST. MARK'S BETHANY NEWSLETTER

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP!

What It Takes to Build the Kingdom — "It Takes Jesus"

What do you do after Jesus ascends into heaven?

In Acts 1:1-11, the disciples stand watching the sky after Jesus is taken from them. But the Ascension was not the end of the story -- it was the beginning of the Church's mission. As Jesus reigns at the right hand of the Father, He still calls His followers to build His Kingdom here on earth.

Join us this Sunday for the final week of our Faith Promise series, *What It Takes to Build the Kingdom*, with the sermon *It Takes Jesus*, as we discover how Christ continues to send His people out to be His witnesses -- in our community and to the ends of the earth.

Service times -

The Traditional service will begin at 9:30 am and the Modern service begins at 11:00 am.

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

To watch the live streams, please join us at:

9:30 am Sunday morning 11:00 am Sunday morning



Sunday School Classes

We have classes for all ages and interests

CHILDREN

- Nursery (Ages 0-3 yrs) 9:30 - 12:00
- KidMin (Age 3 - 5th grade) 9:30 - 10:35
- Wee Worship (Age 3- Kdgtn) 10:45 - 12:00

ADULT

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



Faith Promise: Building the KINGDOM Together

Faith Promise is a way we step out in trust, asking God what He would have us give toward missions—not based on what we already have, but on what we believe He will provide. It's a commitment made in faith, trusting that as we give, God will supply and use our gifts to build His kingdom both near and far. Through Faith Promise, every gift becomes part of a bigger story—sharing the hope of Christ and reaching others with His love.

Second Winders May Gathering and Covered Dish Lunch

Second Winders will gather on May 14 for a special time of fellowship, featuring a covered dish lunch and program. To help provide a good variety of food, please bring a dish for eight or more based on your last name:

A - H Please bring a Casserole or Main Dish

I - R Please bring a Dessert

S - Z Please bring a Vegetable
or Salad



The gathering begins at 11:30 am and will include visiting, devotions, announcements, a meal, and a program.

Come enjoy a wonderful time together!

Calling All CRAFTERS!

Do you enjoy sewing, painting, woodworking, jewelry-making, quilting, or creating handmade items? The St.

Mark's Bethany Women's group is preparing for our Arts & Crafts Show on **October 3** and would love your help!

We're inviting crafters to donate handmade items to be sold in our booth. Proceeds from the booth will go back into our community to support local charities.

**If you'd like to participate,
please contact:**

Carol Brown | 405-823-1345



ST. MARK'S BETHANY

We are hiring for paid children/youth 2026 summer internships now!

Apply Here!

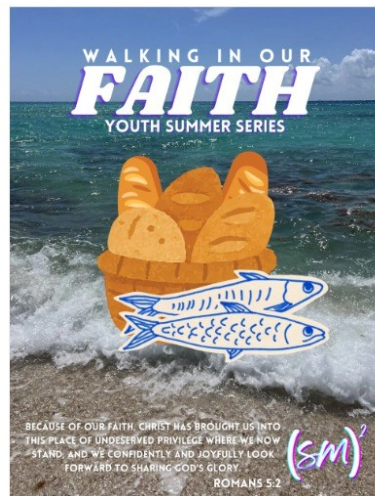


St. Mark's Bethany is a place for children/youth to build a foundation of faith and equip kids to KNOW God, GROW to be like Him, and GO serve Him. At St. Mark's, students come first! Our summer interns must have a heart to serve our church and love working with children and youth!

Interns are people who are interested in exploring ministry in the local church. They are selected because of their demonstrated leadership among their peers and students, maturity in their Christian faith, and a desire to see others come to know Jesus Christ. This would be an unforgettable and valuable experience for someone with a heart for students and wants to be involved with them.

Youth Summer Series

This summer, our youth will be diving into *Walking in Our Faith*, a series focused on what it means to trust God and live out our faith each day. Through Scripture, discussion, and fellowship, students will be encouraged to grow deeper in their relationship with Christ and confidently walk the path He has set before them.



Our Local Missions

At St. Mark's, we love being part of what God is doing not only around the world, but right here in our own community. Through partnerships with ministries like Willow Pregnancy Support and ROC, we have the opportunity to share Christ's love in meaningful, hands-on ways.

Because of your prayers, generosity, and willingness to serve, lives are being touched, needs are being met, and hope is being shared—right here at home.



We're excited to share that Willow Pregnancy Support has moved to a new location at 4107 N. Council in Bethany! Willow continues to be a place of care, encouragement, and practical support for families in our community.



They currently welcome donations of children's clothing (newborn through size 6), shoes (up to size 13), diapers (sizes 4-6), as well as bottles, bath wash, lotion, and Good Start formula.

Thank you for being part of the love and support we're able to share through this ministry!



Our partnership with ROC continues to be a simple but powerful way to care for neighbors in need. One of the main ways we support ROC is through donations of canned and boxed food.

Right now, canned meats like tuna and chicken are especially needed, but any nonperishable food items are greatly appreciated. Donations can be placed in the Grocery Basket in the narthex.

Thank you for helping us make a difference—one meal, one family at a time.

Sm
kids



ROBOTICS CAMP IS COMING June 29 - July 2

Plans are underway as we finalize details. Families and volunteers are encouraged to save the date!

The camp will be open to students finishing 1st - 5th grade
Fee: \$25 per child

We want every child who wants to attend to be able to come— scholarships are available.
For more information, see Sharon Hunt.

Registration is open on Church Center!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Showering Our Sweet Moms-to-Be with Love

We have three precious moms in our church who are preparing to welcome little ones soon—one baby will be here in less than a month! As their church family, we'd love to help lighten the load in a practical way. During the month of May, we're collecting diapers, wipes, and other baby essentials to bless these growing families as they prepare for their newest arrivals. Donations can be dropped off at the church office.

Whether it's a pack of diapers, a box of wipes, or simply a prayer for these mothers and their babies, every gift is a meaningful way to show love and support. Thank you for helping us celebrate these sweet new lives and care for these families in such a tangible way!

"Children are a gift from the Lord..." –Psalm 127:3

Summer Pop-Ups!

SUMMER POP-UP EVENT

**ALOHA SHAVE ICE
MAY 20TH - 5:30PM**

CORNER OF COUNCIL AND 39TH STREET, BETHANY
WE WILL BE THERE TILL 7 PM
COME AND GO AS YOU WISH!

**Andy's
Frozen Custard**
SINCE 1986

**JUNE 10
6:00 - 8:00
PM**

POOL POP-UP EVENT

**YUKON CITY SPLASH POOL
JUNE 27TH - 5:30-7:00PM
2200 S HOLLY AVE, YUKON**

WE WILL BE THERE FROM 5:30-7:00 PM
WE'LL HAVE PIZZA AND DRINKS
COME AND GO AS YOU WISH!



1044 W VANDAMENT AVE STE D,
YUKON, OK 73099
AFTER CHURCH

Men's Bible Study Tuesdays at 7:00 pm

Men of St. Mark's gather each Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm in Room 17 for a time of Scripture, conversation, and prayer.

This group offers a welcoming space to grow in faith, encourage one another, and explore how God's Word speaks into our daily lives. Whether you've been attending for months or are joining for the first time, you are invited to be part of the conversation.

Bring your Bible and come as you are — all men are welcome.

For information, contact

Fred Dalton (405-823-7264) or
Rev. Allen Smith (405-620-1861)

Have Extra Canning Jars?

Do you have any extra canning jars you're not using? One of our St. Mark's Bethany Women lovingly makes homemade jelly for the craft fair and would appreciate any clean, empty canning jars you'd be willing to donate. You may drop them off by the church office -- thank you for supporting her ministry!

Monday Morning Gardening

Would you enjoy helping keep our church grounds beautiful?

Mondays, from 10 :00 am to 12:00 noon,
Leslie Sipes will be in the garden.

Come join us for planting, watering,
weeding, or whatever is needed.
Every helping hand
makes a difference.

Come when you can.
No commitment required.



We're Hiring!

Part-Time Assistant Youth Minister

Do you know someone who:

- Has a heart for students?
- Loves Jesus?
- Is willing to serve?

We'd love to talk with them!

Contact the church office.



Wiggles, Giggles & Gorgeous Art



Last Wednesday night was full of energy, creativity, and big smiles in St. Mark's Kids!

After starting the evening with movement and laughter, the kids rolled up their sleeves and created beautiful textured artwork using joint compound and flowers thanks to Ms. Sondra Drake. Their finished pieces were absolutely gorgeous -- Sharon had several on display Sunday, and we loved seeing their creativity shine. We love seeing these kids learn, laugh, and create together each week!



2026 SUMMERCAMPS

Helping Every Child Attend

We want every child to have the opportunity to participate in summer camps and activities. If you would like to help support children this summer, **donations are always welcome.**

See Sharon Hunt for more information.



Learn Character. Learn Independence. Learn Truth.

KIDS NEED CAMP.

www.newliferanch.com

St. Mark's Children's Summer Camp SAVE THE DATE!

We're excited to share information about a **fantastic children's camp** at **New Life Ranch** this summer for kids **entering 2nd - 6th grade!**

Junior Camp runs June 14-20 (Sunday-Saturday) with the fun theme, "Superheroes."

Camp at New Life Ranch is an incredible opportunity for children to grow in faith, build friendships, and experience God's love in a fun and encouraging environment.

Scholarships are available to help make camp possible for every child.

Youth Summer Camps 2026!!!



Check out the Youth Newsletter
for camp sign-up links!

Mark your calendars for our 2026 summer camps! These camps are wonderful opportunities for students to grow in faith, build friendships, and have fun in a Christ-centered environment.

DAYSPRING May 26 - 30

This is our high school camp for students entering 9th grade through graduating seniors. Camp will be held at New Life Ranch - Frontier Cove. The cost is \$325 per student, and Strive funds may be used for camps and retreats!

***Deadline is approaching!
Have you signed up?***

YOUTH FORCE TULSA - June 14 - 19

DISCIPLE CAMP - July 22-25

We encourage families to start planning now and prayerfully consider which camp opportunities are right for their students.

Upcoming Events

May 13 - Wednesday Night Meal
This will be the last meal until fall SANDWICHES

5:15 Prayer
 6:15 Youth Ministry
 6:30 Choir Rehearsal

- May 18 - Wrapped in Love
- May 19 - Men's Bible Study
- May 19 - SPRC Meeting
- May 20 - Aloha Shaved Ice POP-UP
- May 24 - Combined Service
- May 26 - Dayspring Camp Begins
- May 26 - Men's Bible Study
- May 28 - Kings & Queens Plus
- May 29 - Mission Trip to Tanzania leave
- June 2 - Men's Bible Study
- June 8 - St. Mark's Bethany Women



Come pray with us – whether you prefer quiet, personal prayer, would like someone to pray with you, or feel led to pray for others. Explore simple prayer tools, spend time in God's presence, or come and go as needed.

All are welcome in this peaceful space.

Join us Wednesdays • 5:15-6:00 pm
 Prayer Team gathers at 5:15 pm

We would love to pray with you.



Traditional:

Modern:

COMMUNION SERVERS May 18, 2026

- Fred & Christie Agyemang
 Debbie Wade & Vickie Maynord
 Jill & David Morgan
 Sabrina & Danny Beebe
 Sally & Mike Kilby

FACTS & Figures

2026 Annual Budget	684,155
Rec'd toward Operating 5/09/2026	14,334
Year to Date 2026 Rec'd toward offering (thru 5/09/26)	206,167
Expenses (thru 5/09/26) ..	232,167

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, May 10	Total	424
Traditional Worship		191
Modern Worship		73
Online Worship		160



Prayer Board

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| Jeff Imel (son of Joy & John Imel) | Norma McMurtry |
| Danny Payne | Coy Sue Tyler (best friend of Loretta Wright) |
| Roger Pautsch | Norma and Dan Boland |
| Jo Manharth (mother of Lisa Hutchison) | Tony Pellegrini |
| Gerald Grady | Evelyn Moore |
| Emily & Gordon Denton (sister and BIL of Joey Pedigo) | Bill Underwood |
| Penny and James Hager | Billy Joe Watson (friend of Wayne Barnes) |
| Nichole Norberto | Sandy Rutherford |
| Judy Knight | Barbara Hill |
| Paul Moon | Elmer (Barbara's friend) |
| Carol Hall | Lief Hill (son of a friend of Wayne Barnes) |
| Brandon Kilpatrick (friend of Steve Ross) | Judy McMinn |
| | Tiffany Montesano |
| | Jeff Montesano |