

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



Our look at Epiphany continues this week. This coming Sunday morning John Hollon will speak. His title is "One Step" and he will focus on Luke 1:26-28. On February 4th Pastor Keith will wrap up the Epiphany series looking at communion.

Dinner On Wednesday Night

Every Wednesday's from 5:30-6:15
Great place to get fed and fellowship before programming. Everyone welcome.

Cost is only \$2. a person.

Tonight!



Looking Forward to February

We have several exciting events ahead in February. Below is just a quick look at a few of them that you may want to get on your calendar.



Special Services
6:30 pm
February 14th



Saturday, February 17th
6:30 - 8:00 pm
\$5 suggested donation



Scout Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, February 17th
7 - 11 am
\$7 adults \$4 children
Scout Sunday February 11



Getting To
Know You



Clint & Lisa Hutchison

Clint and Lisa Hutchison are new members to the St. Mark's family. We want to help you get to know them a little better. Below you will find some information about them to help you connect better. Next week we will highlight our other new members Ed & Gina Boerner, so be watching for that.

Clint

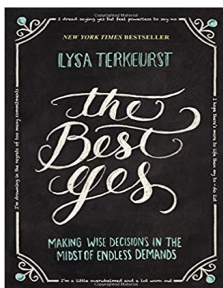
Retired Military, works with computer programs
Hobbies: Coins, Guns, Model Trains
Enjoys soccer, baseball and football with his favorite teams being the Oakland Raiders, Dallas Stars and Oakland Athletics.
Clint enjoys history, particularly Medieval/combat and tinkering.
Loves serving and being helpful behind the scenes.

Lisa

Has worked in Child Development and childcare.
Hobbies: Photography, Party Planning, Journaling and grandkids
She enjoys football and the New England Patriots, OU and OSU are her favorite teams.
She loves spending time with family, her dogs and playing with grandkids.
She loves serving the Lord.

St. Mark's Women's Bible Study

The next meeting for the Women's Bible Study will be on Friday, February 2nd. We will continue on the study "The Best Yes" by Lysa Terkeurst. You are encouraged to join this group of women seeking to grow in Christ and in fellowship with one another. For more information contact Kayla Gannon.



Adult Sunday School Discipleship Classes Schedule

8:15 am
Room 17 - Sonshine Class
Room 18 - New Life Class
9:30 am
Room 18 - Discipleship Class
Ascent Room - College Age
10:55 am
Room 5 - Promise Class
Room 17 - Faithbuilders Class
Room 19 - R.O.C.K. Class
Choir Room - Good News Class



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UPDATE

MISSION: St. Mark's Children's Ministry exists to partner with parents to equip, train, and release children to be passionate disciples filled with the heart of Jesus to minister today!

"Let the little children come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ~Matthew 19:14



SUNDAY MORNING:

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

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

Beginning January 7, elementary children will be studying EPIPHANY - the unveiling of the incarnate Jesus Christ. We will be exploring different events from the life of Jesus, along with his promise to return again as clues to what our One True God is like and what he has in mind for his people - us.

January 28: Jesus unveiled in healings

February 4: Jesus' return

Children ages Kindergarten through 4th grade are invited to attend Sunday school from 9:30-Noon. At 9:30, the main lesson is presented, followed by small group time to apply the lesson to their personal lives. At 11:00, children are taken to the sanctuary to experience integrated worship with the rest of the congregation. After the children's moment is presented, Pastor Keith will then dismiss those children who wish to return to more children's Sunday school with Ms. Alicia, or they are welcome to stay with their parents in service for the remainder of the worship hour.

We value the presence of children in worship with the rest of the congregation, and encourage parents to model worship through singing, tithing, liturgy recitation, prayer, communion, and all parts of Sunday worship. The children will be learning the same topics that Pastor Keith preaches on, so families can go home discussing what they have all learned and will strive to live out in their lives. Blessings to our children and their families!

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TeamKID

This evening at TeamKID, children will learn the Godly character trait of **excellence**. They will learn that Jesus showed excellence as a child. The children will be challenged to evaluate areas in their lives that they can improve. Children can strive to be EXCELLENT! Memory verse is Luke 2:52 "And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." See you tonight at 6:30.

January 24 Be Excellent

Memory verse

Luke 2:52

January 31 Be Thrifty

Memory verse

I Peter 4:10

February 7 Be Available

Memory verse

Acts 1:8

~Ms. Alicia



Thank you St. Mark's for your prayer support, cards and food during the time Wyatt was in the hospital and following his death. It has been a time during which your prayer support has provided me

Thank You

with the calmness of spirit to deal with the things to come. You are a blessing to us, Joey Pedigo and family.

St. Mark's Leadership

January 1, 20118 - December 31, 2020

Church Council

Chair	Monte Tull		
Lay Leader	Chris Teague		
Lay Member of Annual Conference	Sally Kilby		
SPRC Chair	Steve Couch		
Hospitality & Outreach SHIFT team leader	Dorothy Lynch		
Mission & Service SHIFT team leader	TBD		
Discipleship & Formation SHIFT team leader	Joey Pedigo		
Committees	2018	2019	2020
Trustees	Miller Gerardy	Dot Lyon	Ruby Wilkey
Finance	Terry Pope	Gerald Miller	Bernadette Bishop

Pastor: Keith Cressman

Additional areas of service not on Church Council

Committee on Lay Leadership

Chair: Keith Cressman

2018	2019	2020
Gwen Sears	Emily Hollon	Rod Sipes
Stacey Miller	Darlene Hickman	Kayla Gannon
Ben Longoria	Carla Brueggen	Beverly Ray

Staff Parish Relations Committee

Chair: Jim McMinn

2018	2019	2020
Kevin Moore	Randy Reed	Becky Chessmore
Kathy Hamilton	Steve Couch	Susan Teague
Jim McMinn	Matt Risinger	Lorna Garner

Here is a full slate of church officers for 2017 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 2018.



We will be doing a men's breakfast and looking at the a series called Wild Life with John Eldredge We have plans to meet 27, February 10 & 24. We will have breakfast at 8, and should be finished around 9:15. There is no cost for the study, but donations taken to cover breakfast costs. Contact Brad Cromwell for more information.

"So prepare your minds for action and exercise self-control. Put all your hope in the gracious salvation that will come to you when Jesus Christ is revealed to the world." 1 Peter 1:13



Church Council & SPRC Meet

Prayers for these groups as they meet on January 30th. They will be dealing with setting direction for 2018 including budget. SPRC will meet at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, January 30th, followed by a Church Council meeting at 7:00 pm.

STUDENT MINISTRY

I wanted to let you all know we had a great weekend at Winter Retreat. We jumped in to our topic of Anchor and really felt the presence of the Holy Spirit as we worshiped and learned throughout our time together. Forgiveness was big topic shared by our students as they are working through the healing process of hurt and loss. I hope your youth can join us next year! Now on to our happenings this week.

Wednesday, January 24th-We will have worship and small groups from 6:30-8pm. There is also an opportunity for dinner before hand from 5:30-6:15pm, this week we are having tacos. Please let the me or the church office know if you would like a spot reserved for dinner. Thanks!

Sunday, January 28th-After church we will gather and travel to New Covenant UMC for our first team meeting about our Mexico Mission trip this Spring Break. Please plan to join us and this meeting is for sponsors and youth alike. All that are interested may join us for this meeting to get more info and answer questions that need to me answered. Please let me know know if you have any questions. WE are still looking for one more female sponsor to come if you are interested please let me know. Thank you!

If you need anything or I can serve you in any way please let me know. Blessings!

John Hollon
Youth Pastor



Richard	Bassett	Kathy	Hamilton	Dylan	Reimers
Alice	Bentin	Everly	Hance	Ezra	Riverol
Nick	Brown	Tristan	Hickman	Wesson	Rohlman
Jerry	Calvert	Harrison	Hughes	Ethan	Sandburg
Bravery	Clemenceau	Cody	Hunt	Samuel	Schneider
Steve	Couch	Joy	Imel	Gwen	Sears
Keith	Cressman	Shelley	Meisenburg	Iva	Smith
Letha	Davis	Austin	Miller	Dale	Stafford
Vonnie	Deal	Merrick	Mullin	Maxon	Steel
Jennifer	Fallon	Houston	Norvell	Ella	Stiffler
Joely	Ferguson	Will	Parker	Chris	Teague
Nevaeh	Gannon	Valerie	Pautsch	Beverley	Tully
Kayla	Gannon	Cheryl	Pavelko	Chris	Ulmer
Barbara	Gardner	Mahala	Pershica	Emma Lee	Votaw
Lorna	Garner	Sophia	Preston	Rita	Wurzer
Dale	German	Kim	Preston		

Facts and Figures

2018 Budget TBD
Rec'd toward Operating 1/21/2017 8,193
Year to Date

Rec'd toward Operating 1/21/2018 31,771
Expenditures 1/21/2017 18,849

Attendance

Sunday January 21, 2018

Worship 257

Sunday School 188

Prayer Box

Don & Fran Nobles	Kason Knutson & family
Don Wonderly	Jo Manharth
Kieth Ballard	Tiffany Montesano
Betty Miller	Jennafer Marchant
Wyatt Pedigo family	Beverly Clark
Genie & Brandon Funk	Debbie Howell
Becky Horrigan	Robin Frey