

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

Worship, May 9th (Mother's Day)

We invite everyone to come out this coming Sunday to join us in worship. This Sunday is Mother's Day. Services are @ 9:30 and 10:45. Rev. Nancy Johnson will be bringing the message. If you are not able to attend there will be a live streaming of it. Watch your email for a link to the live service.

8:30 to 9:30	9:30 - 10:15	10:15 - 10:45	10:45 - 11:30
	Classic Worship	Clean sanctuary	Modern Worship
Adult SS in room 17 and 18	Adult SS room 19 (9:30 to 10:30)	Adult may continue into or start during this time frame. See next pane below for youth & children	Adult SS (10:30 to 11:30) Rooms 17 and 18 (and choir room)

Nursery to fully reopen this Sunday

May 9th, the nurseries at St. Mark's will fully reopen. The past few weeks volunteers have been trained and prepared to provide a safe environment for our youngest St. Markians. Nursery will be open at 9:25 am and close 5 minutes following the second service (11:35).

In Person Services Guidelines

In addition to our continued support of online worship, we are excited to say the live service has been and going well. When you feel comfortable we invite you to join us for services.

Before attending the Service ask yourself these questions:
Are any of the following true for you or anyone in your party:

- Showing any flu-like symptoms
- A fever of 100.4 or higher in the past 14 days.
- Prolonged exposure to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days.

Any medical reason to think you should not be around others.
If you answered yes to any of these, we strongly encourage you to watch the services online rather than attend service. You can participate online by going to YouTube.com and searching for St. Mark's United Methodist Church, Bethany, OK, there you will find a link to the service on Sunday morning.

What Goes on Between Pastors?

St. Mark's leadership has planned for the time between when Pastor Keith retires and Pastor Randy Wade arrives.

During **May and June**, we will be blessed by the **preaching** of some of the retired pastors who call St Mark's their home. They will also be on call to respond to emergencies during the week following their message. Either Pat Morford or Julia Bevers can help you reach one if needed.

Pat Morford will be serving as "Staff Manager" during the interim. He will be able to assist with scheduling and ministry related questions. He will be helping coordinate the mission and ministry work of our **staff** during the first several busy months of summer.

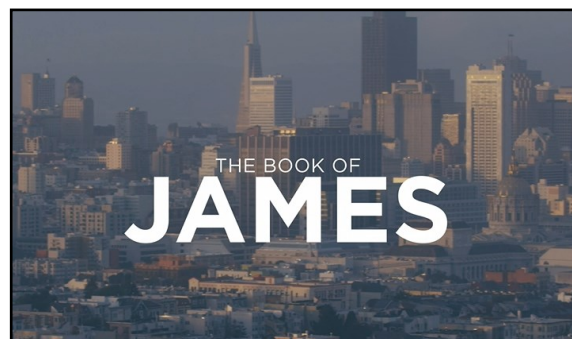
Becky Roman will be coordinating **worship** services and related events. Music, praise teams, and special events occurring during worship services (e.g. Senior Sunday) will be scheduled, approved, and coordinated through her.

Remember that Jay Sears, Chair of Church Council, and David Miller, Lay Leader, are available to serve and help in any way they may be able.

Do not hesitate to reach out to any of the leaders mentioned for help and clarification.

New Sunday Morning Bible Study Coming

Starting **May 16th, at 9:30 am** a new Sunday morning Bible Study is kicking off. KJ and Casey Cassidy will lead the groups as they open up with a Right Now Video series on the book of James with Francis Chan. This study is for anyone interested. We invite you to be a part as they jump into God's Word together and build relationships together.



They will meet in room 17. You can contact KJ or Casey for more information or contact the church office.

St. Mark's Food Pantry

The St. Mark's Food Pantry is changing hours to 1st and 3rd Sundays from 4pm - 5 pm. We appreciate everyone's help through the pandemic in helping to keep things supplied. THANKS for your patience. Currently the following items are needed in the pantry.

Spaghetti Noodles
Mac & Cheese
Canned Meat
Canned Beans

Spaghetti sauce
Canned Vegetables
Canned Fruit



St. Mark's Social Media Links



Facebook.com - search for "stmarksbethany"



Instagram.com - search for "St. Mark's United Methodist Church"



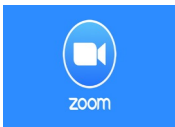
Twitter.com - search "@stmarksbethany"



Youtube.com - search St. Marks United Methodist Church, Bethany, OK



RightNow Media.com - "St. Mark's United Methodist Church"



Zoom.com - sign up and then watch for upcoming announcements on Bible Studies, Sunday School classes and other things you can join with other members of St. Mark's

Church Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Facts and Figures

2021 Annual Budget	TBA
Rec'd toward Operating 4/4/2021.....	30,311
<u>Year to Date 2021</u>	
Rec'd toward offering	153,821
Expenses	129,431
<u>Attendance</u>	
Sunday, May 2nd Total	228
9:30 Service	104
10:45	42
Online	82

Prayer Box

Corona Virus issues	Pat Wonderly
Don & Fran Nobles	Norma Boland
Barbara Homer	Pat McDowell
Pam & Wayne Barnes	Jane Foreman
Carolyn Rosenthal	Marty Croy
Dianna Davidson	Ladonna Mathews
Letha Davis	Janice Brown
Mary King	Don Greve
Katrina Lambert	Carol Sandburg
Norma McMurtry	Pavelko family
Margaret Bonifield	Dorothy Sipes
Daughter in law—Lavina	Darell Brehm
Paula Galt	