May 26, 2021



# **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

### Combined Worship, May 30th

As has been our custom on Memorial Day Weekend we will be having one service on Sunday, May 30th. Rev. Bob

Kanary will be bringing the message. There will be no nursery and check with your Sunday School class to see If they are planning to meet. Looking forward to everyone



being together. If you are not able to attend there will be a live streaming of it. To watch the life stream you can join us at 10:00 am Sunday morning at:

https://youtu.be/ex37QAUYwKA

### Senior Class of 202 honored this past Sunday

Congratulations to the Senior Class of 2021 from St. Mark's. It was a blessing this past week as we honored the seniors and prayed over them. The UMW presented blankets to them.

Hestan Barnes Katie McKenzie

Kasee Brown Samantha Miller

Keyshaun Dudley Draven Montesano

Jayce Easter Kavon Porter
Kelsey Evans Kesean Sadler

Dametrius Hamilton Adrian Trolinger

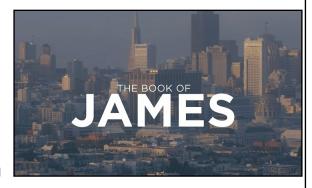
Angel Lira Quin Washington





# **New Sunday Morning Bible Study**

A new Sunday morning Bible Study has kicked 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.

# ALL CHURCH Spruce-Up Set for Saturday, June 18

With everything returning to "normal" we want to get the church back in shape. Cleaning, straightening, small fixes, etc. need to take place and we need to get St. Mark's ready for a return of everyone and for a new start with Randy Wade and family. Bring your favorite Windex, gloves, favorite cleaners and tools and be a part. Our goal is to jump in at 8 am



and be finished in a couple of hours. In the meantime, if you are around the church and see something that needs to be spruced make a note and let David Miller or the church office know about it and we will get it on the list.

# Women's Bible Study Plans Fun Outing to Board and Brush



The Women's Bible study has planned a fun night for

June 27th from 2-5 pm on Board and Brush. There are only 12 spots available, so if you want to go please sign up soon. You can click the link above to sign up or contact Kayla Gannon. Come join us for a great time.

### **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 is any way they may be able.

Do not hesitate to reach out to any of the leaders mentioned for help and clarification. We appreciate the effort leaders are taking to help the next two short months be a constructive and beneficial time in St Mark's history. Thank you for your prayerful support and encouragement for each other and for them.

Anticipate...the best is yet to come! With His Peace,

Pastor Keith

Live committed to Christ, One another and World outreach and evangelism (COW).

### 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.



# Wednesdays in June & July

6:00—7:30 pm 5 years old through 5th graders

### Children

Be a part of this Xtreme summer as we come together for amazing Bible lessons, super fun and exciting activities. Every Wednesday will have an XTREME activity such as Nerf Wars, Water Slides, Minute to Win it and much more. This is our Xtreme alternative to VBS taking it to the next level. A great place to invite your friends and neighbors as we enjoy an XTREME time together. Registration coming. Watch for them and get ready for an Xtreme Summer.

### **Volunteers**

We need volunteers to make
Xtreme Summer Blast a powerful
experience for young people. Volunteers will be needed each
Wednesday from 5:30 to 8:00 pm
for setup through clean up. There
is a sign up sheet in the Narthex
where you can sign up for the entire summer or for weeks when you
are available. You are the key to
this event and we ask that you
prayerfully consider being a part.

# St. Mark's Social Media Links



Facebook.com - search for "stmarksbethany"



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

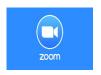


Twitter.com - search "@stmarksbethany"



Youtube.om - 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 642,374

Rec'd toward Operating 5/9/2021......15,421 Year to Date 2021

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 Rec'd toward offering
 206,666

 Expenses
 176,697

<u>Attendance</u>

Sunday, May 23rd Total 250 9:30 Service ...... 96 10:45 ...... 51 Online ......103

### **Prayer Box**

Corona Virus issues
Don & Fran Nobles
Barbara Homer
Pam & Wayne Barnes
Carolyn Rosenthal
Dianna Davidson
Letha Davis
Mary King
Katrina Lambert
Norma McMurtry
Margaret Bonifield
Daughter in law—Lavina
Paula Galt
Alan Joy

Pat Wonderly
Norma Boland
Pat McDowell
Jane Foreman
Marty Croy
Ladonna Mathews
Janice Brown
Don Greve
Carol Sandburg
Pavelko family
Dorothy Sipes
Darell Brehm
Tiffany Montesano
Justin Roming