

August 15, 2018

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

St. Mark's 2018 LAUNCH INTO FALL

Wed. August 29th, 5:30 pm

On Wednesday, August 29th from 5:30 - 8:00 pm St. Mark's will be having a special evening together. It will be the launch of our 2018-2019 programming. The event will be a place where everyone from one to ninety-nine will have a place to not only learn about the opportunities that will be available for Christian growth and fellowship but for you to experience what those will look

like. Following a light dinner you will be able to go and meet the leaders of groups for toddlers, children, youth and adults and see the many possibilities available to you, your family members, friends and neighbors. You can ask questions, sign up, and get information to share with others. It will be a great place to invite friends, prospects and others to see what all St. Mark's has to offer. Take advantage of this great evening in the Family Life Center!

Children's Food Drive for Skyline Ministries

If you missed church this past Sunday you didn't get to hear about the children having a one week drive for Skyline Ministry that came from their lesson from II Kings 7. They are specifically seeking three items:

Pasta

Canned vegetables

Toilet Paper.



All items need to be in by this Sunday, August 19th. You can help the kids as they seek to trust and grow in their faith by bringing your items this coming Sunday morning.

Wednesday Nights this Fall

We will launch Fall on Wednesday's with the kickoff (August 29th) but regular scheduled programming will begin on September 5th. The times have changed a little this year trying to be more sensitive to families.

The evening will kick off at 5:30 pm with DOWN (Dinner On Wednesday Night). Each week there will be a meal provided that will range from Taco Bar to Potato Bar. The price will be \$3.00 a person. There is a special offer available for you that you can take advantage of at the Launch on August 29th. If you prepay for the semester you will get all **14 meals for \$35 a person with a max of \$140 for a family.**

We are still looking for help in setup and cleanup for the meals and if you could be available please contact Sharon Hunt or Kayla Gannon. Following the meal the schedule for the evening is:

6:15 - 7:30 pm Discipleship Junction (children), Student Ministry, and adult studies

6:30 - 8:00 pm Choir

Details on all the studies available for adults will be out soon and you can preview them and sign up at the Launch on August 29th. Make plans now to be a part.

Prayer Targets 2018-19

Council Grove Elementary

Overholser Elementary

Yukon newer residents

House groups

Outreach

**Your neighbors
and neighborhood**

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

Making a Difference

Are you looking for a place to serve? Will you listen to a child read aloud? We are expanding our work with elementary schools to Overholser Elementary @ the corner of 36th & Council. If you have any interest contact Becky Chessmore @ 405.659.5610



"Keys to Freedom" Study Coming This Fall

Do you long
for a deeper
relationship
with God
and to more
fully experi-
ence life as
Christ in-
tended?



The Keys to Freedom study teaches a biblical model for freedom from beliefs and behaviors that prevent us from fully experiencing the love and light of Christ.

Men and women wanting to be equipped with tools for lifelong freedom will dig into a new key each week, encountering freedom at new levels and experiencing life as Christ intended. The study will meet for 12 weeks.

For more information contact:

Beverly Ray, 789-1273
Adrienne Cressman, 728-2332,
or Julia Bevers, 202-8097

Please sign up at the Launch Into Fall on Wednesday August 29th, or on the sheet posted on the ledge outside the church office. The cost of the study guide is \$10, payable at the first meeting.

St. Mark's UMC CHURCH GARAGE SALE

Friday, September 7, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

It's Coming! The annual UMW Garage Sale. You can bring your items for the sale on Wednesday, September 5th from 8-9 pm and all day long on Thursday, September 6th.

We are hunting for people who would be willing to volunteer with setup and running of the garage sale. If you are interested you can sign up on the church counter.

Each year this event is a success because of everyone's participation.

Bring your items, volunteer or just come and invite your friends and neighbors

Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible study will kick back off starting Friday, September 7th at 7:00 pm. Location will be announced soon. The group will meet the first and 3rd Friday of each month. They will be reading and discussing the book "Wait and See" by Wendy Pope. All women are invited to join these ladies as they grow in fellowship and faith together. If you would like more information about the group you can contact Kayla Gannon at kayla@stmarksbethany.com

Finding Peace in God's Pauses and Plans
Wendy Pope

STUDENT MINISTRY

Most of you have started school again! I'm praying it's a great year!
Tomorrow we have our LAST SUMMER EVENT!

Wednesday, Aug. 15

Splash Party on the Lawn! Come to St. Mark's from 6:30-8 for water games on the back lawn! Wear dark clothes that you don't mind getting messy. **Bring a friend!**

Sunday, Aug. 18

Come for Sunday School at 9:45! We're about to finish up our Romans study!

Wednesday, Aug. 22

NO PROGRAMMING. Use this day to catch your breath!

Wednesday, Aug. 29

Wednesday night kickoff! Everyone come out for hot dogs at 5:30 and learn about all the things the church has to offer on Wednesday nights this semester.

JU will start up again very soon. Watch your emails for more information about that!
See you all tomorrow tonight!

Lydia Cressman *Director of Student Ministries*



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

SUNDAY MORNING:

Age Nursery - Kindergarten

Time 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Age Kindergarten - 4th grade

Time: 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Sunday School for elementary aged children:

9:30-10:45 - "**Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**" Each lesson has food mentioned in it in some way. We will study Bible events like: Elijah fed by the ravens, Naboth's vineyard, Daniel is the King's court, Manna in the desert, and Jesus feeding the disciples breakfast on the beach, to name a few of the 13 lessons. We will learn that the our needs are truly met by relationship with Jesus.

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 kindergarten through 4th grade. We do have a special needs ministry that is available upon request to help children with special needs during services.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Has God been nudging you to serve in the church? "In Touch" just might be the program that fits your abilities. There are many people who for whatever reason, health or crisis, are unable to attend church regularly but still need the loving care of St. Mark's. "In Touch" is designed to call or visit people who have attended St. Mark's and are no longer able to do so. This program is designed to alleviate some of the loneliness of being homebound and also a way to share the love of God to these people. St. Mark's has a robust Stephen Ministry program, and this would be a unique way to allow closure of care receivers no longer needing the more structured care of a Stephen Minister but could still benefit from an occasional visit or telephone call.



Sharing God's Love...

"Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance."

1 CORINTHIANS 13:7 (NLT)

If you are interested in attending one short training class and feel that this is how God is leading you, please contact any of the Stephen Ministry Leaders listed below or you can contact the church office.

Jan Greve - 405-641-5863

Dorothy Lynch - 405-630-5677

Carla Brueggen - 405-495-3295

Bobbi Pinkerton - 659-8728

Service opportunity



Looking for two people on one Sunday morning a month from 9:25 to 10:15 to help with small children during first service. If you enjoy children and would be willing to help please contact Sharon Hunt.



Rizayah	Banks	Barbara	Homer	Sara	Miller
Thomas	Bigby	Becky	Horriggan	Tessa	Miller
Beverly	Blake	Lily	Hummel	Geodano	Montesano
Norma	Boland	Clint	Hutchison	Nick	Montesano
Zaidyn	Bui	John	Imel	Linda	Moon
Ava	Cantwell	Paul	Jaehnen	Ethan	Pedigo
Beverly	Clark	Dale	Johnson	Barbara	Pinkerton
Owen	Curtis	Jan	Johnson	Madelynn	Risinger
Dianna	Davidson	T.J.	Johnson	Roger	Rogers
Parker	Davis	Karen	Kapka	Jimmie	Sears
Katherine	Dulin	Ann	Kessler	Wenonah	Shaw
Frankye	Flemins	Amy	Kilby	Nathan	Swedlow
Jane	Foreman	Mary	King	Susan	Teague
DJ	Gannon	Willa	Knight	Bill	Underwood
Laura	German	Jessie	Lamb	Haston	Walker
Aryanna	Gonzalez	Jack	Martyn	Sally	White
Jad	Hanner	Roman	McClintock	Ruby	Wilkey
Ryleigh	Hargis	Aiden	McLaughlin		
Samuel	Harkey	Judy	McMinn		

Facts and Figures

2018 Budget 590,255

Rec'd toward Operating 8/12/2018 11,302

Year to Date

Rec'd toward Operating 8/12/2018 331,925

Expenditures 8/12/2018 335,281

Attendance

Sunday August 12, 2018

Worship 233

Sunday School 187

Prayer Box

Don & Fran Nobles
Kieth Ballard
Betty Miller
Vic Gammill
Larry Kelly
Greg Spiser
Kason Knutson & family
Kruse & Mary Holliday

Don Wonderly
Montesano family
Beverly Clark
Dale & Jan Johnson
Sherri Fisher
Kelli Pavelko
B Kaye Fillips family
Joey Pedigo family