

## THE MOORS ARE MOVING.....

to a new house! To get a little more room we are moving this Saturday to a house in the Oakhurst neighborhood. Our new address is: 205 W. Benson St., Decatur, 30030. As far as we know at the moment our phone number will remain the same. We want you to see the new place and to help us celebrate the Christmas season. So we are having an open house on Sunday, December 14, from 2 until 5 in the afternoon. We hope you will come by at your convenience and help us get off to a great start at our new home. We will make directions available a week or so before the open house.

## SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

*Seeking to create a welcoming space where all may encounter and be transformed by the living God through interactive worship experiences.*

Join us this Sunday Evening for Worship at 6:30 in the Chapel. Atlanta Concert Ringers, a community concert handbell choir sponsored by the Saint Mark Fine Arts ministry, will play for a special musical evening worship.

## PROJECT OPEN HAND

Selling gourmet pies & cookie baskets to benefit its mission of providing freshly cooked meals and nutrition services to people with symptomatic HIV/AIDS, homebound seniors and individuals with other critical illnesses or disabilities. Pumpkin or pecan pie \$20, gourmet cookies basket \$30. Toni Allen 404.419.3317 or [www.projectopenhand.org](http://www.projectopenhand.org) for additional information. All orders must be placed by 5 p.m. this Friday, Nov. 21.

## ATLANTA YOUTH CHOIR CONCERT

This Saturday, November 22, 7:00 p.m. at Saint Mark UMC  
Jennifer Langley, Director  
Dr. Susan Matteson, accompanist

## BOOK CLUB NEWS

The Saint Mark Book club will hold its December meeting on Thursday, December 4th. EVERYONE is invited to attend. More details of time and place will follow, but you can get a head start on the book for December, "A Christmas Memory" by Truman Capote. It's a sweet (and short!) book about Truman Capote's memories of a certain Christmas when he was a young boy. Come and be ready to share a CHRISTMAS MEMORY of your own. Everyone is welcome!

## SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

*Thanksgiving in a Land of Plenty*  
Psalm 103:1-22  
Phillip Thomason Preaching

## HAVE YOU?

Have you turned in your 2004 pledge card? If not, now's the time. Bring it or mail it to the office, or place it in the offering plate during worship. If you need a card, contact the church office. Do it for your church. Do it for yourself. Thanks!

## MIDTOWN ASSISTANCE CENTER

Midtown Assistance Center (MAC) provides rent and utility assistance, groceries, work clothes, transportation to employment and interviews, job search and resume-writing assistance, counseling and referrals to other services to the working poor of midtown and downtown Atlanta. From January to September 2003, they helped 4,868 households with \$208,086 of assistance. On behalf of their clients, they say thank you for your support and generosity. In preparation for the cold winter months, MAC needs winter coats and warm clothing for the Working Men's Clothes Closet. For additional information concerning this ministry, please visit their website at [www.midtownassistancectr.org/](http://www.midtownassistancectr.org/) or contact Dorothy Chandler or Deborah Hudson at 404.681.0470.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

**VBS 2004: Hero Quest**  
**June 7-11, 2004**



## TOY PARTY 2003

Save this date for The Toy Party 2003: Sunday, December 7th, 2003, from 5:30-9:00 p.m. The Toy Party 2003 is a holiday cocktail party and toy drive for the gay and lesbian community to benefit needy and underprivileged children in Georgia. They hope to provide 750 toys in this their inaugural year. For more information go to [www.forthekid.org](http://www.forthekid.org) or email Cindy Wilsky at [cmwilsky@comcast.net](mailto:cmwilsky@comcast.net).

## SERVING FROM THE HEART

Sunday Mornings, 10:10-11 AM; November 9—December 14 (Six weeks)  
Facilitated by Rico Davidson; Cost: \$10

This class will help you assess your spiritual gifts, talents & abilities, resources, individual style, dreams, and experiences so that you can find unique ways and places to serve God and neighbor. Contact Kimberly at 404.873.2636 ext.13 or [kbroerman@stmarkumc.org](mailto:kbroerman@stmarkumc.org) to sign up.

## IN MEMORY OF / IN HONOR OF

Estelle H. and Bobby W. Runyan gave a gift to the Children's Ministry in honor of Blake Runyan.  
J. David Todd gave a gift to the Etta Bell handbell fund.  
Karen T. Choate gave a gift to the handbell fund in honor of Lloyd Blevins' mother.

## IN SYMPATHY

Saint Mark UMC extends sympathy to the family of longtime member J. Everett Roach, who died in February this year.

## KNOWN ILL

### HOSPITAL

Bill Sanders' mother Betty Sanders	Crawford Long
Barbara Mitchell's mother Jeanne Mitchell	Piedmont
Dave Ifft	St. Joseph's
Michael King's mother Gloria King	

### AT HOME

Mike Bryant's brother John Bryant  
Linda Contrada  
Chuck Green  
Ron Boerner  
Barbara Mitchell  
Greg Fenno's father Howard Fenno  
Linda Burton  
Elaine Greene's father Richard Greene  
Stephen Fields' father  
Keith Mahoney's mother Bernice

### CARE FACILITIES

Betty Sherwood	Ashton Woods Rehab
Dow and Marjorie Kirkpatrick	Wesley Woods
Frances Cox	Atrium
Betty Chambers	Manor Care
Mike McDowell	Nurse Care
Helen Thornton	Meadowbrook (Tucker)
Gladys Wiggins	Arbor Terrace

## TRINITY TABLE

We need your help! We have been asked to serve at Trinity Table, a mission we support here at Saint Mark, on Sunday, December 28, 2003. At present we will need 25-30 volunteers to help serve our homeless brothers and sisters during this holiday season. If you feel a calling to this most worthwhile ministry please call Phillip at 404.873.2636 x12 or email at [pthomason@stmarkumc.org](mailto:pthomason@stmarkumc.org).

## THANKSGIVING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

This Sunday, Nov. 23, we are asking that you bring the following: gloves (children and adults), toboggans, socks (children and adults), blankets and woolen scarves. You will have an opportunity to share these during both worship services.

## FOR A GOOD CAUSE

Looking for something fun to do on Thanksgiving Day? The Atlanta Track Club is looking for a few good volunteers to help with their annual Thanksgiving Day Marathon. In exchange for working at the marathon's Aid Station at Crawford Long Hospital, each volunteer will be fed breakfast and will receive a complimentary Official Thanksgiving Marathon Windshirt - and the Track Club will donate \$1000 to Saint Mark for our Outreach ministries! For more information contact Christia in the church office at 404-873-2636 or e-mail [cholloway@stmarkumc.org](mailto:cholloway@stmarkumc.org).

## 12-STEP SUPPORT GROUP—CRYSTAL METH ANONYMOUS

Tuesdays at 7pm in the Education Building.  
Problem with "Tina," Speed, Crank or Ice?

CMA is a fellowship of people for whom addiction to crystal meth has become a serious problem. CMA members meet regularly, share support and fellowship, and help create a safe environment in which to stay clean. The fellowship advocates complete abstinence from crystal meth, alcohol, drugs, inhalants, and any medication not taken as prescribed as well as all other mind altering substances. For further information contact Phillip Thomason at 404.873.2636 ext 12. You can also find out more by visiting [www.atlantacma.org](http://www.atlantacma.org) or [www.crystalmeth.org](http://www.crystalmeth.org).

## AIDS QUILT PROJECT

We are beginning a project to remember those people in our church family who have died from AIDS. Please help us with names of people you know so that no one will be forgotten. Call Phillip (404.873.2636) or email Hal Mulkey ([hal@valuesource.net](mailto:hal@valuesource.net).) More information to follow.

## COMPUTERS NEEDED

Donate your old computer to the church. Saint Mark is accepting tax-deductible donations of Pentium III computers and 17" monitors. (to donate Pentium IIs and 15" monitors call Reboot at 770.934.8432)

## A NIGHT AT THE TONY'S TO BENEFIT CHILDKIND ATLANTA

Tickets will be available for this event after both services on Sunday, November 23. See Greg Lawson on the front lawn. The December 3<sup>rd</sup> event features some of Broadway's most celebrated award productions and the cast includes Tony DeSario, Joni Illi, David Faust, Kinnik, Tijen, Christian Reaves and Colleen Dunne with a 5 piece orchestra. Hors d-oeuvres will be served at 6:30 and a 4-course dinner and show time at 7:30 PM at the Red Chair, 550-C Amsterdam Ave. There will be a silent auction and raffle for WONDERFUL items. Tickets are \$75 each. Childkind addresses the critical needs of seriously ill children, many living with HIV/AIDS in Atlanta through specialized daycare, skilled foster care/adoption services and family support services.

## CAN YOU HELP?

If you work with the U. S. Dept. of Labor, or know someone who does, please contact V. Lee Edwards, Jr. at 678-339-5058.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMS

Join us for food, fellowship, and fun every Wednesday night. Dinner is served in Wade Hall at 6 pm, followed by a different program each week at 6:45 pm. To reserve call 404.873.2636 x30 by noon Tuesday or email office@stmarkumc.org. Complete listing of upcoming programs/dinner menus at <http://www.stmarkumc.org/ministries/dinner.program.htm>

**Nov. 26**— Community Thanksgiving Worship and Dinner at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer.

### FESTIVAL SINGERS OF ATANTA

The Festival Singers Of Atlanta, Jane Burke, Director present "Sing Joyfully," a choral concert featuring Psalm settings by Stephen Paulus, Byrd, Palestrina, Scarlatti, Rutter, Lassus and other Renaissance and modern masters. This Sunday, Nov. 23, 3:30 p.m. at Saint Mark or Friday, Nov. 21, 7:30 p.m. at Chamblee United Methodist Church, 4147 Chamblee-Dunwoody Road. For information call 404.872.0195 (Mary Abbott Waite)

### GENERAL CONFERENCE PETITIONS

Many of you know that General Conference is the only body that speaks for the entire United Methodist denomination. Made up of delegates from across the church, General Conference determines the official stance of United Methodism on everything from how local churches are to be organized to our position on homosexuality. General Conference meets every four years with the next meeting scheduled for Pittsburgh starting in late April of 2004.

What you may not know is that any United Methodist member or group can participate in General Conference by sending petitions to be considered by the delegates. Petitions must follow a certain form, and we have guidelines available in the office if you are interested. Petitions must be received by November 29 to be considered, so the time to act is now. If you want to add your voice to shaping our church contact Jimmy Moor for the petition forms.

### ATTENTION SAINT MARK SLEUTHS!

The Archives Committee needs your help identifying some "mystery" items, currently on display in the Narthex. If you recognize any of these items, please leave a note in one of the Saint Mark story boxes or e-mail us at [archives@stmarkumc.org](mailto:archives@stmarkumc.org). Thanks for helping us solve some Saint Mark mysteries!

### GET KONNECTED WITH CLUB M.A.R.K.!

For more information, please visit our website at [www.stmarkumc.org/clubmark](http://www.stmarkumc.org/clubmark).

To make a reservation, please contact the event leader listed below.

**Thurs., Dec. 4**—Book Club: A Christmas Memory by Truman Capote  
Contact: Cheryl Thompson at [CherylCrT@aol.com](mailto:CherylCrT@aol.com) or 404-918-9240

**Thurs., Dec. 4**—Progressive Dinner  
Contact: Brent Fogleman at [brentfogleman@aol.com](mailto:brentfogleman@aol.com) or 404-395-5148

**Sat., Dec. 6**—Christmas Tree Cutting

**Tues., Dec. 9**—Club M.A.R.K. Planning Committee meeting  
Contact: K. Lynn Berry at [klynberry@aol.com](mailto:klynberry@aol.com) or 404-577-0821 or 404-295-5311 (cell)

**Thurs., Dec. 11**—Club MARK Lecture Series: Financial Planning  
Contact: Mark Haley at [CustMaid@bellsouth.net](mailto:CustMaid@bellsouth.net) or 404-374-7993

**Thurs., Dec. 11**—Bingo - A Benefit for P.A.L.S.  
Contact: Michael Bosarge at [mbosar@aol.com](mailto:mbosar@aol.com) or 404-745-4577



### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SAINT MARK



#### Sunday, November 23

8:45 Morning Worship	3:30 Festival Singers Concert
9:00 Impromptu!	4:00 Disciple III
10:00 Job Network	5:00 WBFSA Youth Rehearsal
10:10 Christian Growth Classes	6:30 Evening Worship
10:30 Search for Significance	7:00 William Baker Festival Singers
11:15 Morning Worship	

#### Monday, November 24

9:00 Finance/Membership Volunteers

#### Tuesday, November 25

11:00 Remarks Volunteers	7:00 CMA
6:30 Involvement Network	

#### Wednesday, November 26

6:00 Thanksgiving Dinner / Worship Service at Redeemer Lutheran	
7:30 Simplicity Group	7:30 Companions in Christ
6:30 Saint Mark Handbells	8:00 AA
7:30 Chancel Choir	

#### Thursday, November 27

Thanksgiving Day—Church Office is Closed  
11:00-4:00 Trinity House Thanksgiving Dinner

#### Saturday, November 29

9:30 Breakfast Club	10:00 Saint Mark Brass
9:30 WBFSA Rehearsal	

#### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE 11/16/2003

8:45	<b>221</b>	11:15	<b>376</b>	Evening	<b>20</b>	Total Worship	<b>617</b>
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Prayer Line: (404) 873-2636 ext. 31 / E-mail: [office@stmarkumc.org](mailto:office@stmarkumc.org)  
Website: [www.stmarkumc.org](http://www.stmarkumc.org) / Emergency (only please!): 888.334.9490

The Staff Parish Relations Committee requests: "Please don't forget your Saint Mark staff at Christmas—send a card, note, or whatever you feel is appropriate—and be sure to sign it!"

#### CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Jimmy Moor.....Senior Pastor  
Dr. Dow Kirkpatrick.....Minister Emeritus  
The Rev. Phillip Thomason.....Minister of Outreach & Pastoral Care  
The Rev. Kimberly Broerman.....Minister of Christian Ed. & Nurture  
The Rev. Gary Arnold.....Minister of Fine Arts  
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Mr. Michael McDowell.....Director of Music Emeritus  
Ms. Christia Holloway.....Office Manager  
Ms. Deana Hilton.....Business Administrator  
Mr. Jonathan Smith.....Systems Technology  
Mrs. Kathi Urban.....Fine Arts Assistant

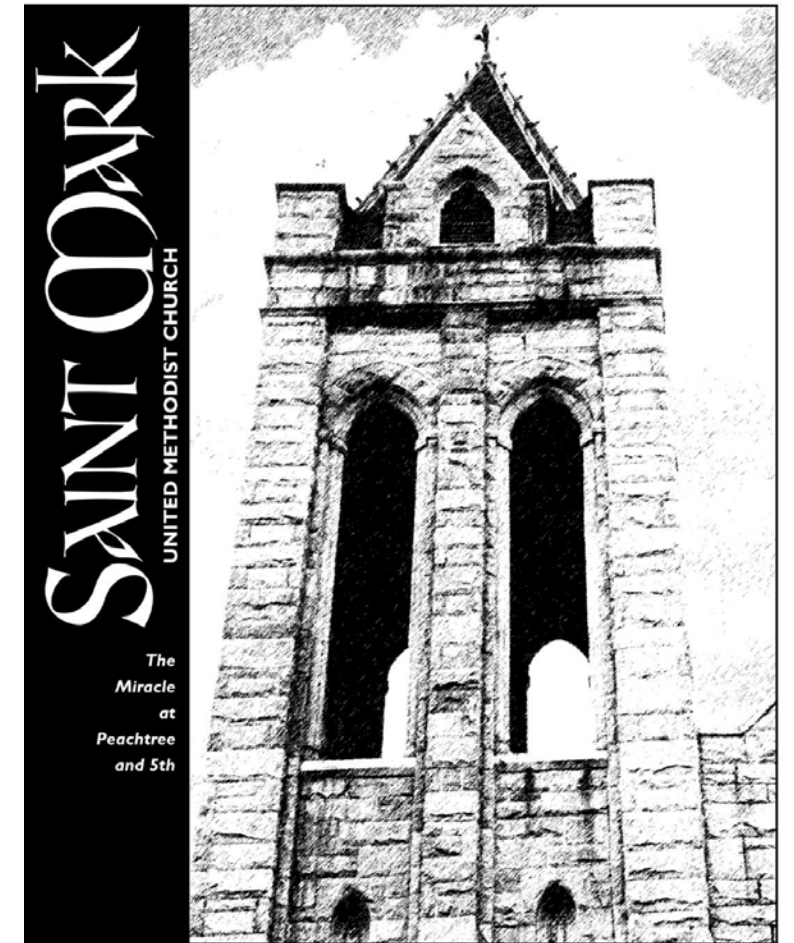
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Saint Mark United Methodist Church  
November 18, 2003



**At Lutheran Church of the Redeemer**  
**Wednesday, Nov. 26**  
**Dinner at 6:00 p.m. / Service at 7:30**  
**The Rev. Jimmy Moor Preaching**  
Reservations through the Saint Mark Church Office