



# SAINT MARK

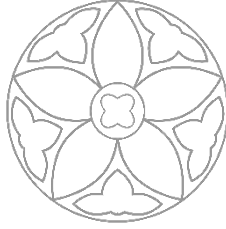
## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

God's Grace Transforming Lives

**Sunday, November 12, 2023**  
**Nine O'clock**

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost





## **9 AM Morning Worship**

*\*You are invited to stand as you are able in body and spirit.*

### **The Gathering**

#### Words of Welcome and Grace

We welcome each of you to this service! No matter who you are or where you are from, you are a child of God, and you are welcome here!

#### \*Hymn of Praise

**UMH No. 154 v. 1, 3, & 6 | All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name**

#### \*The Passing of the Peace

One: The Peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you.

**All: And also, with you.**

*Let us offer each other signs of peace, reconciliation, and love.*

#### Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father (God), who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## The Scripture Lesson

**Matthew 25: 1-13**

One: The Word of God for the people of God

**All: Thanks be to God!**

## Sermon

**We Give Thanks: While We Wait Expectantly**

## Response to God's Word

Holy Communion

## Sending Forth

\*Hymn of Dedication

**UMH No. 327 v. 1 & 4 | Crown Him with Many Crowns**

\*Benediction

Postlude

## Worship Team

**Preaching:** Rev. Dr. Carolyn Stephens, *Senior Pastor*

**Liturgists:** Madi Dunn, *Children's Minister*

Meagan Williams, *Assistant to the Pastor of Youth and Young Adults*

**Music:** Phil Crumbly and V. Lee Edwards, *Interim Directors and Organist*

Madeline Pascavage, *Cantor | Hymn Leader*

**Communion Steward:** J.W. Mozley

**Usher Team:** Deana Hilton

**Greeter:** Robert Giacomini

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### **Attendance**

Please sign the attendance pad located at the end of your row or scan this QR code to register your attendance and share prayer requests using our online Connection Card.

### **Tithes & Offerings**

Please place your offering in the plate during this morning's service, or use the Secure Giving App, or Saint Mark's assigned number for text donations is 844-703-1444 and the keyword is 'operating'. To give via text, text the word 'operating', a space, and the amount you would like to give. For example, to give \$25, text 844-703-1444 operating 25. Your generosity allows us to love, accept and serve the people of our community.



### **We Invite You to Stay Connected with Saint Mark**

Visit [www.stmarkumc.org](http://www.stmarkumc.org) and subscribe to the newsletter on the homepage. We send our Remarks newsletter every Wednesday, a message from our Senior Pastor every Friday, and a Sunday Morning at Saint Mark email.

### **Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinners**

For reservations, please email Robert Gilleo at [RJGilleo@stmarkumc.org](mailto:RJGilleo@stmarkumc.org) or complete the Microsoft Forms survey (<https://forms.office.com/r/29Xbv198wy>) no later than 5 PM Tuesday.

### **Upcoming Meals**

November 15	Rotisserie Chicken
November 22	NO MEAL
November 29	Lemon Baked Salmon
December 6	Homemade Chili
December 13	Pork Tenderloin



## **Saint Mark Announcements and Special Events**



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# Youth LOCK-IN

Games, Movies, Food, Sport Activities, Music, Prizes,  
Pumpkin Pie Eating Contest, & More!

17TH  
NOV.

\*(Bring A Sleeping Bag & Pillow)

BRING A FRIEND!

FREE  
EVENT

FRI. 8:00PM - SAT. 9:00AM

## MIDNIGHT MISSIONS INITIATIVE

This Year For Our Midnight Missions Opportunity We Are Choosing To Partner With **Lost N Found Youth**, An Atlanta Local Non-Profit That Advocates And Helps Homeless LGBTQIA+ Youth Who Have Ended Up On The Streets Because Their Family Has Chosen Not To Accept Them For Who They Are.

Due To The Holidays Coming Up **Lost N Found Youth** Will Be In Need Of Canned Food And Non-Perishables To Feed All The Youth They Help. We Are Asking That Each Of Our Youth Bring A Bag Of Appropriate Food To The Lock-In And Then Together We Will Sort Through And Organize All Donations At Midnight. There Is **NO LIMIT** To How Much You Can Donate, Any And **ALL** Donations Will Be Welcomed.

The Non-Profit Has Said All Types Of Non-Perishables And Foods Are Needed. \*Examples Listed Below!

All Canned Goods, Boxed Pasta, Boxed Rice, Boxes Of Mixed Bagged Chips, Ramen Noodles, Granola Bars, Etc.

# HOLIDAY FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, December 8

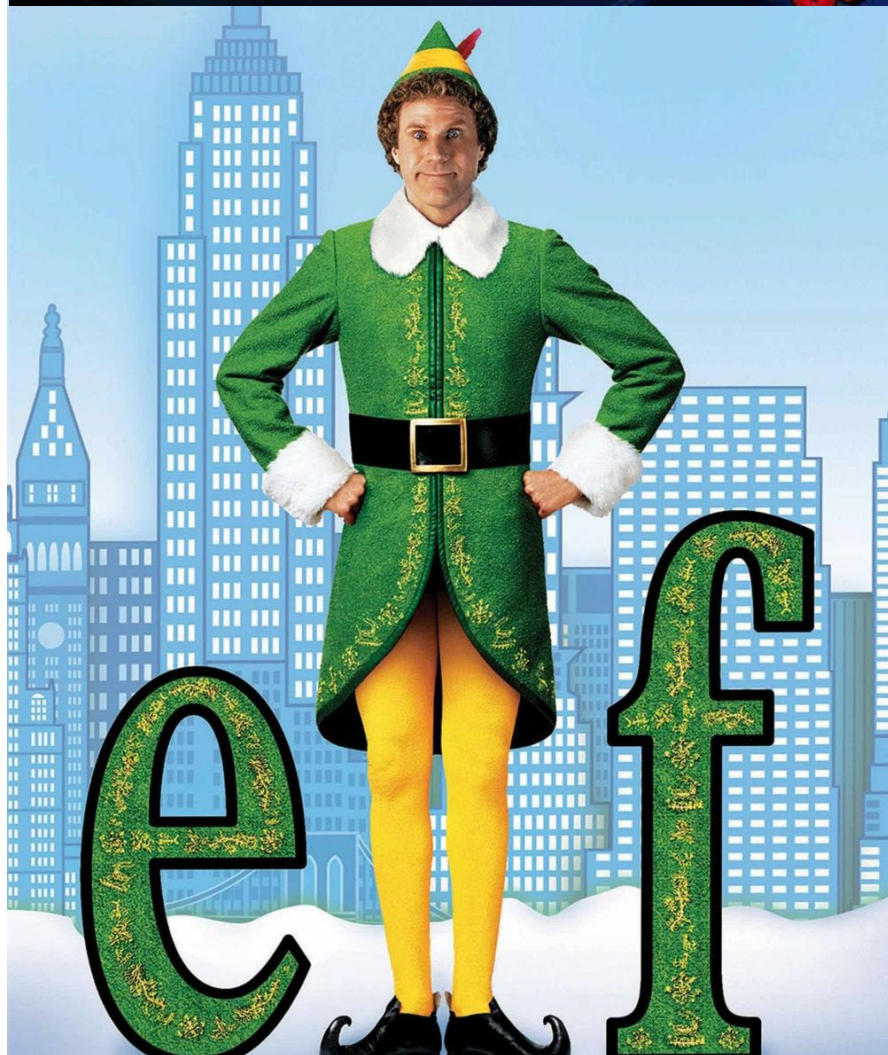
Join us at 6:00 p.m. for candy, popcorn,  
hot chocolate, and the movie, ELF!

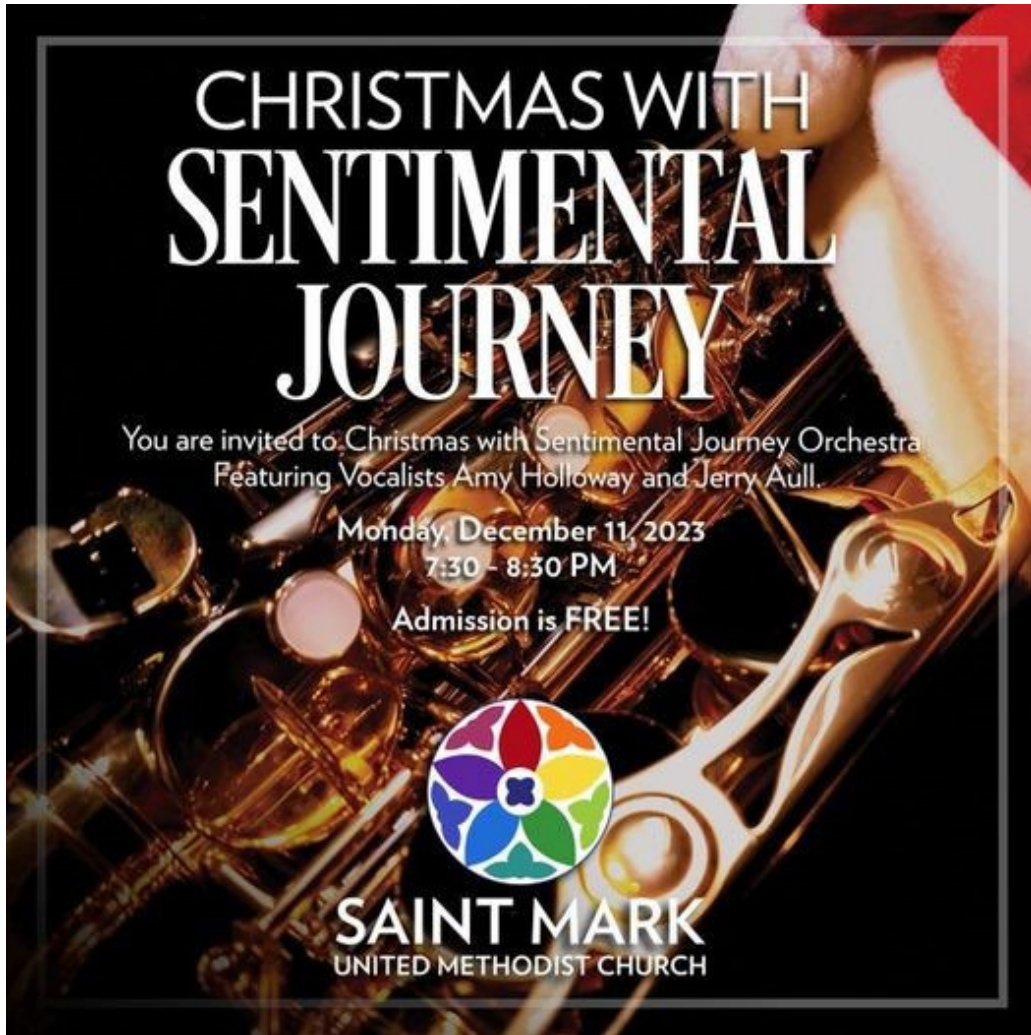
Seating begins at 5:30 p.m.  
Bring your own seat and blankets  
for this FREE Community Event!

*Professionally broadcast by Southern Outdoor Cinema.*



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### **SAVE THE DATE**

Monday, December 11, 2023 | 7:30 – 8:30 PM

## **Christmas with Sentimental Journey Orchestra featuring Saint Mark's own Amy Holloway**

Join us for an unforgettable night of music and nostalgia!

Experience the magic of the season with our "Christmas with Sentimental Journey" concert, where timeless classics and heartwarming melodies come to life.

Get ready to be swept away by the enchanting sounds of the holiday season. Share this special evening with loved ones and create cherished memories. Let's make this holiday season even more memorable together.