



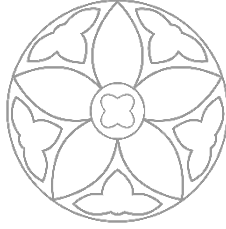
**SAINT MARK**  
**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

God's Grace Transforming Lives

**Sunday, November 26, 2023**  
**Nine O'clock**

Christ the King Sunday





## **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. 66 v. 1 & 4 | Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven**

#### \*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 Gospel Lesson

**Matthew 25: 31-46**

One: The Gospel of Our Lord

**All: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

**We Give Thanks... For your Invitation to Serve**

## **Response to God's Word**

Holy Communion

## **Sending Forth**

\*Hymn of Dedication

**UMH No. 581 v. 1 & 4 | Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service**

\*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:** Justin Bowen, *Interim Director of Fine Arts and Organist*

Madeline Pascavage, *Cantor | Hymn Leader*

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

**Usher Team:** Scott Lee

**Greeter:** Terry Davis

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## **We Welcome You**

Welcome! We are so glad you are worshipping with us today!



### **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 29	Lemon Baked Salmon
December 6	Homemade Chili
December 13	Pork Tenderloin
December 20 - January 10	NO MEALS



# PRIDE FOR PARENTS

**Donations accepted from now through  
Monday, December 11, 2023.**

This year, Saint Mark is again proud to support Pride for Parents. We will collect toys through Monday, December 11, 2023 at Saint Mark or you can order directly off their Amazon and Target wish lists below. The December 11th deadline is so that they can pick up, sort, and price the toys before the store opens. The store will be officially open this year from December 14th to 23rd.

Pride for Parents is an opportunity for South Atlanta families to provide for their loved ones at Christmas. Toys and gifts area available to purchase at a reduced cost. Families from the neighborhood get to shop for that perfect toy for their loved ones. The revenue generated from the store goes right back to the community supporting affordable housing.

## **Toy donations are needed!**

Amazon Wish List: <https://tinyurl.com/4ccj8ur6>

Target Wish List: <https://tinyurl.com/4z626zs9>



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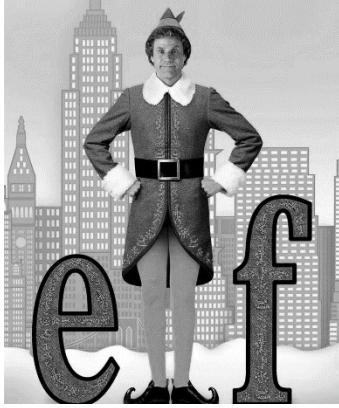


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## **Volunteer at the Store**

Once the store is open, Pride for Parents is always welcoming the support of community partners. There are various tasks, including gift wrapping, register support, toy sorting, pricing, and stocking. If you are interested, in volunteering use the following link to register: [https://form.jotform.com/FCS\\_/pride-for-parents-join-the-joy](https://form.jotform.com/FCS_/pride-for-parents-join-the-joy)





## **Holly Jolly Family Movie Night! Friday, December 8 | 6:00 PM**

Join us for a Holly Jolly Family Movie Night!

Get ready to spread Christmas cheer with our FREE Outdoor Family Movie Night featuring the heartwarming classic, "ELF"!

Free movie, popcorn and hot cocoa for everyone!

Bring your family, friends, and your coziest blankets (and one blanket to DONATE to our Saint Mark Outreach Ministry Closet) to our festive movie night.

Dress in your comfiest PJs as this will be outside, in the neighborhood and bring your holiday spirit. Share the joy and invite your neighbors and loved ones. The more, the merrier! Let's celebrate the season with Buddy the Elf and his hilarious adventures!

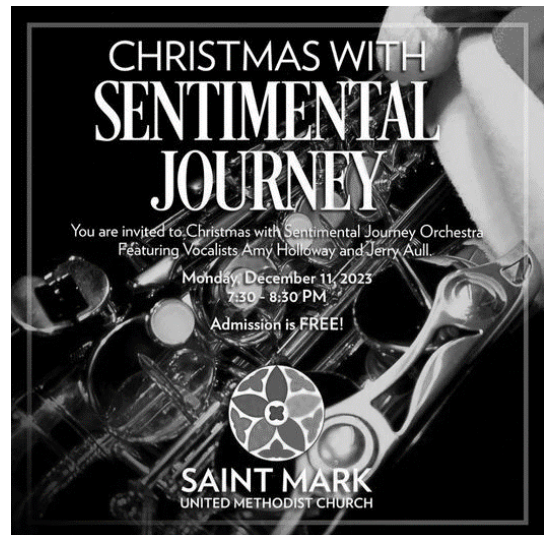
## **Christmas with Sentimental Journey Orchestra and Amy Holloway Monday, December 11 | 7:30 PM**

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.



## **Trinity Table Volunteers Needed December 2 & December 3**

### **Saturday, December 2 | 12:00 pm**

6 volunteers needed for ONLY 1 hour  
Make 175 To-Go Bags in Wade Hall

### **December 3 | 11:00 am**

5 volunteers needed for ONLY 1 hour  
Wrap 300 hot dogs in Wade Hall (Kitchen)

### **December 3 | 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm**

Pass out meals at Trinity Methodist Church Table  
10 volunteers needed.

## **Come Be a Part of the Table**

For more information or to volunteer, contact Jena Mozley at [jenamozley@yahoo.com](mailto:jenamozley@yahoo.com) or text at 770-329-1445.

## **Supper Club Volunteers**

Every Tuesday afternoon, Supper Club prepares and serves a hot meal to 60 people who are in need. Similar to Breakfast Club, this ministry provides a meal to individuals in a loving and respectful environment.

In 2024, similar to Breakfast Club, we are looking for people to volunteer on a rotational basis a few times a month. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Viveca Richards at 864-884-1206 or via email at [viveca1956@gmail.com](mailto:viveca1956@gmail.com).

## **Give Poinsettias in Honor or Memory of a Loved One**

### **\$10 each | Order before December 13**

A Saint Mark tradition, the beautiful, red-leafed plants adorn our Sanctuary during the weeks leading up to Christmas Day. The plants are \$10 each (purchased from a local nursery). The last day to order for our annual poinsettias list is Wednesday, December 13. The poinsettias list will be published on Sunday, December 17, 2023.

<https://www.stmarkumc.org/store/p/poinsettia>