

God's Grace Transforming Lives

Sunday, March 17, 2024 Nine O'clock

Fifth Sunday in Lent



781 Peachtree Street, NE | Atlanta, Georgia 30308 | stmarkumc.org | 404.873.2636

9 AM Morning Worship

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

The Gathering

Words of Welcome and Grace

We welcome each of you to this service! Maybe you've been here more times than you can count. Maybe it's been a while, maybe never. Here is what matters: 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. 451 | Be Thou My Vision

*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 John 12:20-33

One:The Gospel of Our Lord. All: Thanks be to God! Sermon

The Way of the Cross: Die So You Can Live

Response to God's Word

Holy Communion

Hymn During Communion



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Sending Forth

*Hymn of Dedication UMH No. 292 | What Wondrous Love is This

*Benediction

Postlude

Worship Team

Preaching:	Rev. Andy Peabody, Associate Pastor
Liturgist and Celebrant:	Rev. Steve Fazenbaker, Retired Elder in Full Connection, North
	Georgia Conference of The United Methodist Church
Music:	Justin Bowen, Interim Director of Fine Arts and Organist
Communion Steward:	J.W. Mozley
Usher Team:	Robert Giacomini
Greeter:	Terry Davis

We Welcome You

As a United Methodist Church, we are proud to be a congregation with open hearts, open minds, and open doors. We strive to be a congregation that embodies God's absolute love and hospitality, proclaiming Jesus as our savior and as our model of the ultimate embodiment of God's love. We believe that all persons are of sacred worth and dignity as part of God's good creation. Saint Mark United Methodist Church welcomes all persons into the full life and ministry of our congregation, regardless of race, culture, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, family, or socioeconomic status, physical or mental ability, or faith history.

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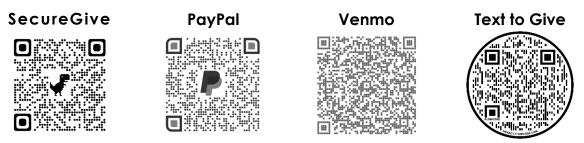
Attendance

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 one of the QR codes below. Your generosity allows us to love, accept and serve the people of our community.

• Using your Smartphone's camera, scan the QR Code. & follow the prompts.



• To give via text, scan the QR code, and replace the \$\$ in the text with the amount you would like to give. For example, to give \$25, text operating 25.

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We Invite You to Stay Connected with Saint Mark

Visit 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 no later than 5 PM Tuesday. Dinner begins at 5:30 PM. Program begins at 6:00 PM. Tickets: \$10 for seniors, \$11 general

Upcoming Meals

- Wednesday, March 20 | Breakfast for Dinner Bacon, Sausage, Quiche, and Pancakes
- Thursday, March 28 | 6 PM | Holy Thursday
 Ukrainian Stuffed Cabbage | Beef, Pork, and Rice

Current COVID-19 Safety Guidelines

If you are sick, please stay home. If you have come into contact with someone positive for COVID-19, follow the precautions recommended by the CDC. In order to care for our collective well-being, we strongly recommend that anyone who is eligible to be vaccinated do so, especially before participating in indoor activities.

Flower Ministry

The Flower Ministry is carried out by our own outstanding designer, **David Boswell.** He seeks to serve the Saint Mark community and to glorify God by creating skillful and graceful flower arrangements to enhance worship and other church sponsored activities. To request a flower dedication, please contact the **Church Office** at office@stmarkumc.org.

Church Council Meeting Reminder

After Second Service today beginning at 12:30 PM.

Easter Eggtravaganza

Saturday, March 30, 2024 | 11-1

We need Easter Candy for the Egg Hunt!

Please donate bags of individually wrapped candy by Wednesday, March 20th, if you are able. No chocolate, please. It melts! We greatly appreciate it!

We need Volunteers for the Easter Eggtravaganza on Saturday, March 30th.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Madi Dunn at MDunn@stmarkumc.org.

Congregational Hikes | Walk with us...

- April 20th- Atlanta Beltline | Monroe Dr. Access Point
- June 22nd Sweetwater Creek State Park
- August 17th Suwanee Greenway Trail
- October 19th Amicalola Falls State Park

Saint Mark Green Team Survey

Please fill out this short survey to help steer Saint Mark's engagement with environmental issues and creation care. Whether you are interested in getting involved or not, this survey will help our green team prioritize its goals.

http://tinyurl.com/SMUMCgreenteamsurvey

Easter Sunday Brunch

Easter Sunday | 12:30 PM Roast Sirloin of Beef | Honey Glazed Ham Chilled Fresh Gulf Shrimp | Quiche Lorraine \$20 per person | Reservations Required | <u>stmarkumc.org/store</u>

THE LASS CONTRACT OF MINE Easter Egg Hunt! NIA, EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH 11 AM-1 PM

Pictures with the

Easter Bunny!

Crafts!

Face Painting!

Bounce House!

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Easter Egg Hunt starts at II:30 am

For more information visit HTTPS://WWW.STMARKUMC.ORG/EVENTS