This Week at Saint Mark

Sunday, May 19
2:30p Supper Club
9:00a Morning Worship
7:00p Crystal Meth Anonymous
10:10a Sunday School classes
10:10a Trustees meeting
10:10a Children’s Ministry Teacher
Appreciation gathering
5:00p Beth’s study of the Bible class
11:15a Morning Worship
12:30p Administrative Council meeting
12:30p Hinton mission trip meeting
4:30p ASCA meeting

Monday, May 20
7:15a Augustine Fellowship
9:00a ESL classes
10:00a Finance volunteers
1:30p staff meeting
6:00p Dakota HOA meeting
7:00p Sentimental Journey rehearsal
7:30p Panache rehearsal
Tuesday, May 21
7:15a Augustine Fellowship
9:00a ESL classes

Church Parking
If you park along Fifth Street on Sunday mornings, please move your car im-
mediately following the 11:15 Morning Worship service. Free parking is avail-
able on Sundays until 4pm in either of the 2 church parking lots located direct-
ly behind the church. Paid parking is available in the lot on the other side of
the 805 Peachtree condominium building (located directly across 5th Street).
Please be sure a Saint Mark parking decal is displayed on your windshield.
Contact an usher if you need one on Sunday mornings or call the church
office to request one during the week.

Please note - parking in the lots behind the church on Sundays until 4pm
is free without a Saint Mark decal. At all other times you need to display a
Saint Mark decal in order to park in either church lot for free.

In Sympathy
Saint Mark expresses heartfelt sympathy to Robin Zamaripica on the recent
death of her mother El Dorsey and to Tamie Cook on the death of her
brother Greg Stone on May 11.

Congregational Care
Hospitaled
David Crawford  Padmont
At Home
Julie Arms Meeks brother Larry Harshman
Shere Barringer-Daniel’s mother John Cooper
Val Blankenship
Judi Cherry’s brother Sandy Jackville, FL
Lee Edwards’ brother in law (hospice care)
Gary Gallman
Kathy Georgia’s parents (hospice care)
Rick Gore
Jim Harper’s sister Pat Winston
Jason Henderson’s mother (hospice care)
Jeff Jackson
Trudy Lee Backer
Vanessa Meeks
Mark Taylor
Heather Amsteh
Stephan Field
Nan Harper
James Stevenson
Lynne Wofford
Richard Atchison
Al Thomas’ grandson Cory Carter
Stacy Disler’s mother JoAnn Cooper
Al Thomas’ grandson Cory Carter

3 Ways to Give at Saint Mark: Online, Mobile, and now Text!
Giving to Saint Mark just got that much easier! Now you can give to Saint
Mark via text. Saint Mark’s assigned number for text donations is 74483.
To give via text, text the word ‘operating’, a space, and the amount you
would like to give. For example, to give $25 you would text 74483, type the
word ‘operating’ then (space) 25. Follow the prompts to sign in to your exist-
ing account (or to create a new account) with SecureGive (and to receive
a confirmation of your donation). Questions? Contact Deana Hilton in the
church office at 404-873-2636 ext 14.

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The Saint Mark Care Line (after hours emergency): 1-800-673-0411
The Reverend Dr. Beth LaRocca-Pitts Senior Pastor
The Reverend Jennifer Hansen  Minister of Outreach & Missions
The Reverend Dr. Joshua M. Noblitt  Minister of Social Justice & Evangelism
Ms. Jess Cusick  Director of Youth Ministries
Mr. Jonathan Easter  Director of Fine Arts
Minister Sheila Stephens  Minister of Education & Spiritual Formation

Nominate Saint Mark!
We know Saint Mark is the best house of worship, but let’s make sure every-
one else does too! Please help us nominate Saint Mark as the Best House of
Worship in the Georgia Voice’s annual Best of Atlanta awards! Follow the link
on our website www.stmarkumc.org and nominate Saint Mark for Georgia
Voice Best House of Worship 2019!

This Summer at Saint Mark
Our final spring Midweek Rehearsal programming and fellowship dinner takes
place this Wednesday, May 22. Both will resume in early September.
Following this week’s rehearsal on May 22, Chancel Choir rehearsals will end
for the summer.

Vacation Bible School hiatus: Due to a decline in participation in recent
years, we will not offer VBS this summer. The staff is working to create another
program to take the place of VBS, but that program has not yet been per-
fected. We hope to introduce our new summer program for children in 2020.
Just One Class, Just One Sunday
We need a few more teachers to teach.
Just 1 Class on Just 1 Sunday this summer on the following dates: June 9, 16,
and 30; July 28; August 18 and 25; and September 1. You would work with
another adult to teach one Sunday School class on 1 Sunday (lesson plan
provided). Per our Safe Sanctuaries policy, background checks are required.
Contact Sheila Stephens at sstephens@stmarkumc.org for more details.

Summer Mission Project -- Atlanta Habitat House Build
The start date for Saint Mark’s Habitat house has been pushed back 1 week
from Saturday, August 10 (instead of August 3). August build dates are
Saturdays the 10th, 17th, and 24th. September build dates are Saturdays the
7th, 14th, 21th, and 28th. The final build date and dedication will take place
on October 5. Volunteers are needed on each build day (no skills or tools
required - only the willingness to work with a group to help a family
obtain their first house. For more information, contact Phil Ihrig at
pjihrig@gmail.com.

Summer Mission Projects
- High School Mission Trip
- Middle School Mission Trip
- Summer Mission Project
- Summer Retreats

Please Note
Did you know that gifts can be made to Saint Mark without any of the mon-
ey going to the United Methodist denomination? Simply designate your gifts
to the local church budget only, or to a specific ministry or program.
Electronic gifts can be designated by contacting Deana Hilton at
dhilton@stmarkumc.org or calling 404-873-2636.

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PASSING OF THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Enter to Fellowship ✦ Sit to Pray ✦ Stand to Worship ✦ Leave to Share

- Where indicated, those who are able, please stand.

We sing from 2 hymnals during Sunday morning worship, the United Methodist Hymnal (UMH) is the large red hymnal in the pew racks. The Faith We Sing (TFWS) is the smaller black hymnal found in the pews. Enhanced Listening Devices and large print hymnals are available for those who need them. Please see an usher for assistance.

WE GATHER

WELCOME AND LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Jennifer Hansen

Leader: We thank God for these opportunities for fellowship and service.

Many: Thanks be to God!

CONCERNS

Leader: For all these persons and all who are in need.

Many: Hold your people near, O God.

JOYS

Leader: We give thanks to God for these blessings.

Many: Thanks be to God!

Leader: Let us take a moment to center our hearts on God.

PRELUDE

Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life
KEVIN McChESNEY
Saint Mark Ringers

*INTROIT

Christ Is Alive

TRURO

UMH No. 318, 4th stanza

In every insult, rift, and war, where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
he suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, though ever crucified.

*CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 148

Sheila Stephens

One: Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens:

Many: Praise God, all you angels! Praise God, all you hosts.

One: Praise God, sun and moon; praise God, all your shining stars.

Many: Praise God, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens.

One: Let us praise the Name of the Lord, old and young together.

All: For God has given strength to all people! Hallelujah!

*OPENING HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

BUMCHER

UMH No. 384

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

New Testament Lesson

Acts 11:1-18

Roger Fleming (11:15)

THE GIFTS OF AND FOR OUR YOUNGER CHURCH

Jess Cusick

If you have not already done so this morning, please take this opportunity to sign the attendance pad in your pew.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: UMH p. 888

Sheila Stephens

*HYMN OF PRAISE

UMH No. 405

GIFT OF LOVE

*Gospel Lesson

John 13:31-35

Beth LaRocca-Pitts

SERMON

“Love Without Limits”

Beth LaRocca-Pitts

WE GATHER

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Jess Cusick

Our Father, 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 and ever. Amen.

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

The Invitation

Jess Cusick

Offertry

If Ye Love Me

PHILIP Wilby

*Offertry Response Praise God, from whom All Blessings Flow; praise God, from whom all our gifts; Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRIEST FATHER

Leader:

Many: Thanks be to God!

Many: Hold your people near, O God.

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Assisting in Worship Today

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