



ORDER OF SERVICE
10:00 am



OPENING SONG

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 100 821 UMH

INVOCATION

MUSICAL WITNESS

NEWS OF THE PARISH

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Old Testament Lesson Joel 2:12-13

*Gospel Lesson Matthew 6:15-18

MUSICAL WITNESS

SERMON Rev. P. Devon Brown
"Just a Closer Walk: Fasting"

INVITATIONAL PRAYER

OFFERING

*BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

*CLOSING SONG

Please stand, if able, for (*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWS OF THE PARISH

MINISTRIES SEEKING MEMBERS

If you feel called to help share the gospel of Jesus with others, please consider serving with St. Mark's Evangelism Ministry. If you feel led to address issues of injustice in our community, the Justice Ministry is the place for you. Please express your interest by speaking with one of our pastors or by communicating it to the church office, office@stmarkumcchicago.org.

ILLINOIS VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE

A State of Illinois Deputy Voter Registrar will be available each Sunday after church throughout March. If you are not currently registered to vote in Illinois or are registered but have changed your name or address, please come to McFarland Parlor to be registered to vote in Illinois elections. Please bring two forms of identification that have your present name and address. Stop by our table if you have questions about registering to vote. St. Mark UMC Service Center (Pantry)/Voter Registration

DISCIPLE CLASS

The St. Mark Disciple Class meets on Tuesdays at 7:00pm on Zoom. For Lent, we will be studying from *Because of This I Rejoice; Reading Philippians During Lent* by Max O. Vincent. For more information, contact Rev. Francine Taylor-Thirus.

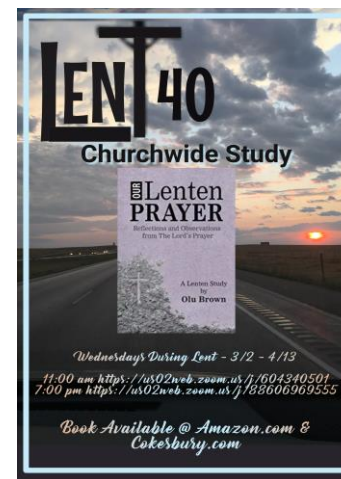
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88606969555>

Meeting ID: 886 0696 9555

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WEDNESDAYS DURING LENT



Wednesdays ~ 11:00am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/604340501>

Meeting ID: 604 340 501

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Wednesdays ~ 7:00pm

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**ST. MARK CAMERA CLUB
FUNDRAISER: PORTRAITS FOR ALL**

The St. Mark Camera Club is having a fundraiser "Portraits for All", Easter Weekend on Saturday, April 16, 2022, from 9:00am-1:00pm and Sunday, April 17th from 11:00am-1:00pm. Sign up now for your portraits (families, couples and singles). See Lynne Lee in McFarland Parlor or Myrna Turner in the Church Office after worship service today, March 20th. For more information, contact Lynne Lee at 773-374-3705.

STEPPERS CLASSES

The Steppers Classes will resume beginning Saturday, March 26, 2022, from 11:00am to 12:30pm. The fee is \$60.00, but if you bring someone who joins the classes, then your fee will be \$50.00. For everyone's safety, all participants must bring proof that they are fully vaccinated for Covid-19.

ST. MARK UMW SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The St. Mark United Methodist Women Scholarship Award is now open until May 31, 2022. Eligibility – Who should apply?

1. Female graduating high school seniors who are members of St. Mark UMC and plan to attend a college, university, or vocational school. (verification/acceptance letter from school or training program required).
2. Enrolled college/vocational students who previously received Scholarship monies.
3. Must be actively participating in a St. Mark ministry or volunteer program during the past 12 months (verification letter from ministry and/or program required).

Scholarship applications maybe requested and forwarded via email by v.reynolds@yahoo.com.

**SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR
UNITED METHODIST STUDENTS**

Uplifting Young Methodists Scholarship

The United Methodist Foundation (UMF) of the Northern Illinois Conference (NIC) wants to empower students to continue their education by providing financial assistance. The Uplifting Young Methodists Scholarship is designed to assist minority United Methodist students.

- Four students will receive \$2500 for 2022-23.
- This scholarship is designed to assist minority United Methodist students to attend a trade school, community college, college, or university. High school graduating classes 2016 through 2022.
- Applications are due April 30, 2022.

More information on eligibility criteria and the application process can be found at www.umfnic.org/uplift/.

GBHEM Loans and Scholarships

The General Board of Higher Education and Ministry (GBHEM) Loans and Scholarships is accepting scholarship applications for the 2022-2023 academic year until March 24, 2022. More information on eligibility criteria, the application process, and FAQs can be found at www.gbhem.org/loans-scholarships/scholarships.

<i>Happy Birthday</i>	
Bertha M. Adams	Ethel Young
Tracy G. Farmer	Briana Hambright-Hall

Condolences

Ms. Tracey Michele Yancy, niece of Mrs. Joyce Pickett-Polk, made her transition on Monday, March 14, 2022, in Chicago. Services are pending. Please keep the family in your prayers.

**** Please keep our hospitalized, sick and shut-ins, and bereaved in your prayers. ****

ST. MARK TO COVER TRAINING CONFERENCE

St. Mark will cover the cost of members who attend the Lake South Training Conference. The registration link is <https://na.eventscloud.com/ls3.26>. For your payment, select "check" as your method of payment. Enter your billing address as 8441 S. Saint Lawrence Ave., Chicago, IL 60619. Complete your registration.



LAKE SOUTH TRAINING CONFERENCE
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Northern Illinois Conference
OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

March 26, 2022
9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Online via Zoom

Cost = \$10 Short worship followed by two breakout sessions.

Sessions:

- A Conversation with Lonnie on the state of the NIC and our UMC denomination (only offered in session 1)
Lonnie Chafin- Director of Administrative Services
- Clergy Pensions & Insurance Matters for Clergy & Finance Chairpersons
Ronald D. Coleman- Clint Relation Manager for Wespath
- Your Personal Health and Well Being
Dr. L. Sweetie Conway, MPH, MD. Deputy Chief of Medicine State of Illinois
- Managing Your Grief
Rev. Dr. Arnold Hoskins, Chaplain at the UChicago Medicine, Pastor at Overflow Ministry, South Suburban Korean UMC
- How to Do Worship
Rev. Christina L. Vosteen, Certified Spiritual Director, Registrar, Lake South DCOM
- Intentional Discipleship System
Rev. Jonathan Craig and Amania Diane
- Leading Through Change
Rev. Lanny Hartzell, Elder, Pastor for St. Andrew UMC
- Living out our call to be "United Methodist" through shared ministries, resources and purpose (only offered in session 1)
District Superintendent Jacques A. Conway and Rev. Rosa Garcia, Pastor of Chicago Lawn UMC.

Registration: www.umcnic.org/calendar/lake-south-district-leadership-training

Questions?: Contact Leola Tucker - ltucker@umcnic.org or Rev. Jacques Conway - jconway@umcnic.org

ST. MARK UPDATES MASK POLICY

As of March 1, 2022, the City of Chicago lifted its indoor mask mandate. Consequently, St. Mark is making mask wearing optional. We nonetheless encourage members to continue wearing masks and maintaining social distance while within St. Mark's facilities.



PRAYER CORNER

"For where two or three gather in my name, there I am with them." Matthew 18:20
~Meditate on His word day and night ~ St. Mark Prayer Ministry

LECTIONARY READINGS

March 20, 2022

Isaiah 55:1-9	Psalms 63: 1-8
1 Corinthians 10:1-13	Luke 13:1-9

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Rev. Atty. Francine Taylor-Thirus
Retired United Methodist Church Pastor
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ST. MARK GIVING OPTIONS

For your convenience, the following link is provided for online giving: <https://tinyurl.com/StMarkGiving>. Other options available for you to give are:

- GivePlus Mobile App
- Text to Give
- ACH Account Debit
- U.S. Mail delivery
- Drop-off in person during weekday office hours (Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday)
- Drop-off in the mailbox located outside the St. Mark office entrance.
- QR Code below.



ST. MARK HOURS

	Building	Office 773.846.2992	Credit Union 773.846.4433
Sunday	9:00am - 1:00pm	Closed	11:00am - 12:00pm
Monday	5:00pm - 9:00pm	Closed	Closed
Tuesday	9:00am - 9:00pm	9:00am - 6:00pm	Closed
Wednesday	9:00am - 6:00pm	9:00am - 6:00pm	10:00am - 2:00pm
Thursday	Closed	Closed	Closed
Friday	9:00am - 6:00pm	9:00am - 6:00pm	Closed
Saturday	9:00am - 1:00pm	Closed	Closed

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United Methodist Church



Bringing the Gospel of Christ to Life



March 20, 2022

3RD SUNDAY IN LENT

Worship Service ~ 10:00am
Sunday School ~ 10:00am

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