



ORDER OF SERVICE

May 12, 2024
10:00 am

OPENING HYMN

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Easter people, raise your voices, for you belong to the Risen Christ!

P: We belong to Christ, and so we share in Christ together.

L: Just as we share in Christ together, so we are called to share Christ with the world.

P: We share Christ by proclaiming the good news of God's love to the world.

L: How will you share God's love with the world?

P: By loving, respecting, and honoring our neighbors, especially those the world neglects, overlooks, and ignores.

L: Easter people, you belong to the Risen Christ!

ALL: Because we belong to Christ, we will share Christ's love and belonging everywhere we go. AMEN.

INVOCATION

MUSICAL WITNESS

NEWS OF THE PARISH

MOTHER'S DAY VIDEO PRESENTATION

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Old Lesson Isaiah 40:30-32
*Gospel Lesson Matthew 15:21-28

MUSICAL WITNESS

SERMON "Renewal Pt. 2" Rev. P. Devon Brown

INVITATION TO CHRIST

ALTAR CALL

OFFERING

*BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

POSTLUDE

Please stand, if able, for ().

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWS OF THE PARISH



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83235292673?pwd=cU4yS0hOVXhnZG53enBZMHZHeVqvUT09>

BUS MINISTRY

The St. Mark Bus Ministry is available for persons who need transportation to worship on Sundays. To reserve your seat, please contact the church office by Fridays at 773 846-2992.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

This is a hybrid class (i.e., In-person or by Zoom). Everyone is welcome. Join via Zoom at <http://tinyurl.com/St-Mark-Wed-BibleStudy> or dial 312-626-6799 (Chicago). Meeting ID: 604 340 501.

CREDIT UNION ANNUAL MEETING RESCHEDULED

The St. Mark Credit Union's Annual Meeting has been rescheduled for Sunday, May 19, 2024 in Pembroke Parlor from 11:30am -12:30pm.



LAKE SOUTH UNITED METHODIST MEN 21st ANNUAL BANQUET

The Lake South UMM will be honoring St. Mark members Mr. Maurice Robinson and Mrs. Lois Moreland Dean, on Saturday, June 8, 2024 from 12:00pm to 4:00pm. The banquet will be at Ramada Inn Dynasty Room, 4141 Calumet Avenue, Hammond, Indiana. Ticket donation is \$50.00. For tickets, contact Lee McCord or Martin Sims.



Sunday, June 16 - Tuesday, June 18

Registration:

- **Register as a lay or clergy voting member:** \$130
- **Register for free as a guest:** includes meal registration
- Registration deadline: May 29
- NO on-site registration
- Optional Mobility Scooter Rental - \$180

Reserve Your Hotel Room: Make your hotel reservations under the NIC room block and pricing for the Renaissance Schaumburg Convention Center at 1551 N. Thoreau Dr., Schaumburg. Reserve online or call (888) 236-2427.

Program Updates: Make sure to bookmark the link below for ONE-CLICK access to all of the NIC UMC 2024 Annual Conference information & updates: <https://www.umcnic.org/AC2024>

HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

ST. MARK'S 2024 GRADUATES

The St. Mark Higher Education Ministry is recognizing the St. Mark 2024 Graduates. Please email the graduate's name, school, and grade (8th, 12th, and college) to the church office by May 28, 2024.

HIGHER EDUCATION'S GROUPME

To further facilitate sharing information about scholarships, internships and employment opportunities with both St. Mark's college students and high school seniors, the Higher Education Ministry has established a GroupMe. Interested students should place their contact information (Name, Mobile Number, Email Address as well Current School and Status) in the Higher Education mailbox or email nboone_ross@hotmail.com.



POSSE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

St. Mark's Higher Education Ministry is seeking to nominate rising high school students for the POSSE Scholarship. The nominating process opens May 3rd and closes June 15th. The POSSE Foundation takes a holistic look at candidates' set of experiences as it determines scholarship recipients. Visit the POSSE Foundation's website at <https://www.possefoundation.org/sites/chicago> to learn more about both the scholarship, the selection process, and the work of the organization. After that, if you wish to be nominated, email Dr. Carothers at jackiecarothers@sbcglobal.net the following information:

- *your name, *school, *address, *telephone number
- *email address (preferably not your school email address)



HAPPY BIRTHDAY	
Marsha A. Burks	Rev. Francine Taylor Thirus
Rudy Smith	Elizabeth Lawrence
Barbara Davis-Wright	Columbus Lawrence Johnson III

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY	
Mr. Cornelius & Mrs. Ethel Young	
Mr. Corey & Mrs. Julie Hall	
Mr. John & Mrs. Sanquanette Abney	

CONDOLENCES

Dr. Marilyn Watson made her transition on April 12, 2024. A memorial service will be held at St. Mark UMC on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 3:00pm; a repast will follow. Please keep her nieces, Mrs. Carla Watson-Ditmars and Dr. Cheryl Watson, sister-in-law, Mrs. Eloys Watson, and the Watson family in your prayers.

Mrs. Beatrice Outten made her transition on May 7, 2024. A memorial service will be held at St. Mark UMC on Saturday, June 1, 2024 ~ pre-past at 10:00am and memorial service at 11:00am. Please keep her granddaughter, Ms. Cynthia Towns and her great-granddaughter, Ms. Camillea Towns, and the Towns family in your prayers.

THANK YOU

Thank you to my St. Mark family, especially to the St. Mark Book Club members - particularly Betty Lewis and Rose Coleman - both of whom stayed with me in the hospital after my injury. Thank you, Reverend Brown. God bless you all. Molette and Lois Randle



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO OUR "NONAGENARIAN" WOMEN

As GOD has graced you with these 90-plus years of life, we thank you for sharing your inspiration, love, and knowledge.

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

Thinking of you on Mother's Day, and saying a special prayer, that GOD, Who knows how dear you are, will keep you in HIS care, that He will bless your daily life with joys of every kind with perfect health and happiness and peace of heart and mind.

90 Year Plus Members and Friends

Bertha Adams	Bernice Jackson
Wilma Alston	Delores Kendrick
Jean Ball	Berdia Lee
Willie Mae Clark	Lynne Lee
Novella Duncan-Bell	Bernice McKinney
Juanita Dean	Myrna Rembert
Mary Greer	Wilma Reynolds
Eugenia Hardaway	Barbara Sallis
	Edith Sims

The St. Mark Morning Prayer Group Members



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

WELCOME GUESTS

We welcome our guests. Our prayer is for the Lord to bless you abundantly through this worship experience. Please fill out a visitor's card and indicate what prompted you to join us in worship this morning. Again, welcome and may the love of Jesus enfold you.

MEMBERSHIP CONCERNS

Dear St. Mark Members, please keep our hospitalized, sick and shut-in and bereaved in your prayers. Whenever you receive information (e.g., illness, hospitalization, transition) regarding a member or former member, please inform the church office. Thank You.

LECTIONARY READINGS

Acts 1:1-11	Psalm 47
Ephesians 1:15-23	Luke 24:44-53

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VIRTUAL SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

Tune in to Sunday services online via YouTube or Facebook on the following links:
[St. Mark United Methodist Church YouTube Page](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)
[St. Mark United Methodist Church Facebook Page](https://www.facebook.com/StMarkUMCChicago/)

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ST. MARK GIVING OPTIONS

For your convenience, the following website link is provided for online giving:
<https://secure.myvanco.com/YM9F>. Other options available for you to give:

- Vanco Mobile App, Text to Give: 833-454-0208
- ACH Account Debit
- U.S. Mail delivery
- Drop-off in person during weekday office
- Drop-off in the mailbox outside the St. Mark office entrance

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 – 6:00pm	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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