



# ORDER OF SERVICE

April 14, 2024  
10:00 am

## OPENING SONG

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: How shall we live when lavished with love?

P: **“We are God’s children, but it has not been revealed what we are to become in the future.”**  
(1 John 3:2)

L: Just as in our origins, our future is tied to our planet.

P: **Creator has given us partners for mutual flourishing.**

ALL: Let us worship God, who makes all things new.  
**AMEN.**

## INVOCATION

## MUSICAL WITNESS

## NEWS OF THE PARISH

## READING OF SCRIPTURE

Old Testament Lesson  
\*Gospel Lesson

Psalm 4  
Mark 4:35-41

## MUSICAL WITNESS

SERMON “Faith”

Rev. Pamela Pirtle

## INVITATION TO CHRIST

## OFFERING

## \*BENEDICTION

## RECESSIONAL

Please stand, if able, for (\*).

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWS OF THE PARISH

## WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

We have come to end of our Journey With Jesus Through Lent and will continue walking the Roman Road next Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. We will pick up our study with Romans chapter 6 which is covered in Chapter 8 of our study book. The book is *Romans*, part of the LifeChange Series by Navpress. Available on Amazon and Cokesbury. 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.

**CHURCH WOMEN UNITED  
GREATER CHICAGO AREA UNIT, INC**  
ANNUAL MAY FRIENDSHIP LUNCHEON CELEBRATION

Saturday, May 4, 2024 \*11:00 AM

Oak Lawn Hilton Hotel & Conference Center Grand Ballroom  
Ticket Donation: \$50.00 per person  
9333 S. Cicero Avenue \* Oak Lawn, IL 60453  
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

Matthew 5:7  
**LOVE MERCY**  
What Does the Lord Require of  
CW-You? Micah 6:8 NLT

Sister Doris Guest, President      Sis Lesa M. Holloway, Chairperson

**REVEREND DR GAIL RICE, SPEAKER**

## GATEWAYS MUSIC FESTIVAL

Tuesday, April 16, 7:30 pm: Celebrating the legacy of African American music from one generation to the next, this concert is inspired by our long-time organist and music director, maestro Charles G. Kendrick (1929-2020). The concert will feature world-renowned artists, including Kendrick's grandson, bass trombonist Martin McCain; commissioned works by the McCain Duo; distinguished worship minister Dr. Leo Davis; and introducing new compositions by rising star Joshua David Davis. Curated by the award-winning pianist Artina McCain and Martin McCain. You don't want to miss this event! *To reserve your tickets, please:*

1. Visit the Gateways Music Festival website: <https://www.gatewaysmusicfestival.org/>
2. Click on the "Season Schedule," then click on "2023-2024 Season," then click on "Chicago."
3. Once you're on the Chicago schedule, scroll down to the picture of St. Mark and click the "Reserve Tickets" button to **reserve your free tickets.**

Tickets are also flying out of the box office for the Friday, April 19 Gateways Festival Orchestra concert featuring Take 6 at Orchestra Hall. When purchasing tickets to this world-premiere performance, use the **20% OFF** promo code, **GATEWAYSCHI**, at CSO.org or through the Chicago Symphony Orchestra box office at **312-294-3000**. **Prepare for an unforgettable celebration of Great Black Music April 15 - 19!**

**St. Mark bus will leave at 6pm for Orchestra Hall.**

## 2024 UWF Scholarship

Graduating Female Seniors  
or Former Recipients



PICK UP  
APPLICATIONS IN CHURCH OFFICE  
OR  
USE QR CODE TO ST. MARK WEBSITE



DEADLINE MAY 31, 2024

## HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

### 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](mailto:nboone_ross@hotmail.com).

**CHICAGO**  
THE ROMANIAN ALUMNAE CHAPTER  
Sweet Home Chicago  
College Fair

APRIL 20, 2024  
Shore Bright Community Center  
8540 S. Cottage Grove  
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Get to know Chicagoland Colleges & Universities  
Get information about admissions, financial aid, scholarships, and more. There will also be a chance to win raffle prizes.  
REGISTER NOW!  
BIT.LY/CMACCollegeFair

## UMHEF 2014-2025 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

- [United Methodist Dollars for Scholars Program](#) – worth up to \$4,000
- [General Named Endowed Scholarships](#) – from 130+ endowed funds
- [United Methodist-related HBCU Scholarships](#) – worth up to \$5,000
- [Special Scholarships](#) – including ones for ethnically diverse students, seminarians, and others.

**DEADLINE EXTENDED UNTIL APRIL 15, 2024**

**Freedom School Fundraiser!**  
April 15-21, 2024

The St. Mark Freedom School Board is raising funds using the platform of "Mama Moore's Gourmet Popcorn," a Black owned business located in Prairie, Texas.

...a pure POP of joy!  
Gourmet popcorn like nothing you've ever tasted. Popped fresh daily, with superb ingredients, in a remarkably clean facility – always delivered with joy!

See Rev. Pirtle or a Freedom School Board Member for details



HAPPY BIRTHDAY	
Virginia Reynolds	Janice Moore
Jeffrey Ball	Marie Witherspoon
Tamya Perteet	Tiara Delves
Albert Coleman	Juday T. Hobson

  

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY	
Mr. Greg & Mrs. Rhonda Parks	
Mr. Stanton & Mrs. Regeta Slaughter ~ 50 years	

### INVITATION TO 50<sup>TH</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

St. Mark, you're invited to attend the celebration/vow renewal of our 50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, April 20, 2024 at 3:00 pm. The event will take place at the church, St. Mark UMC, 8441 S. St. Lawrence. Stanton and I were married almost 50 years ago to the day on April 20, 1974 at St. Mark UMC. I hope you will be able to attend. Thank you, Regeta and Stanton Slaughter



**50**  
Years of Marriage  
**The Golden Anniversary**  
April 20, 1974 ----- April 20, 2024  
Please join our family for a celebration and vowel renewal for Stanton and Regeta Slaughter  
Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
3:00 PM  
St. Mark United Methodist Church  
8441 South St. Lawrence Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60619  
*Reception with hors d'oeuvres immediately to follow*

### MEETINGS & EVENTS @ ST. MARK

#### BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS DEADLINE

Bulletin announcement submissions are due to the St. Mark Office via email by 12:00pm on Wednesdays.

#### ROOM RESERVATIONS

To reserve a room for events or meetings, call the Office Staff to ensure that the room is available. All reservations should be made at least two (2) weeks prior to your event.

#### ROOM SET-UP FORMS

Room set-up forms are due to the Office no later than three days before the scheduled event. Please drop-off in the office or email the form.

Call 773-846-2992 or email information to [office@stmarkumcchicago.org](mailto:office@stmarkumcchicago.org).

**TIMELESS GIFTS**  
Performing Arts Program for Youth and Young Adults

**SPRING MUSIC WORKSHOP!!!**

Saturdays!  
April 6th - May 11th

10am - 11am Ages 3-7  
11am - 12pm Ages 8-12

**FREE FREE FREE**

For more information and to register:  
Email: [timelessgifts2@gmail.com](mailto:timelessgifts2@gmail.com)

**Timeless Gifts workshop will take place here at St. Mark.**



### 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 3:12-19	Psalm 4
1 John 3:1-7	Luke 24:36b-48

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### ST. MARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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YouTube: [St. Mark UMC Chicago - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCStMarkUMCChicago)

### 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/UCStMarkUMCChicago)  
[St. Mark United Methodist Church Facebook Page](https://www.facebook.com/StMarkUMCChicago/)

### ST. MARK UMC CLERGY

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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



**St Mark**  
Chicago

**Worship & Sunday School 10:00 AM**



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