

Welcome
Prelude
Pages 94-96 Confession and Forgiveness

Hymn 525 You Are Holy (*sung 2 times through*)
Let us pray

Psalm 82:1-4

First Reading: Hebrews 11:29—12:2

Children's Message

Hymn 884 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Gospel: Luke 12:49-56

Homily

Hymn 729 The Church of Christ in Every Age

Apostles' Creed
Offering/Offertory
[10:30] Hymn 861 When Long Before Time

Words of Institution
Lord's Prayer (*we sing*)
Communion by Intinction

Blessing, Prayer, & Benediction
Hymn 886 Oh, for a 1000 Tongues to Sing

Postlude

Today

+ 8:30am Worship
+ 9:30am Sunday School CONNECT
(Youth CONNECT resumes Sep 7)
+ 10:30am Worship



*The flowers on the altar are
given to the glory of God in
honor of His many blessings
and in honor of Shirley
Locklin's birthday.*

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ! All children are welcome in church. Soft-play and coloring items are available for them in the narthex. There is also a "Break Room" for them or you down the hallway past the sanctuary. Restrooms are available in the narthex and down the hallway. The Bible reading today from Hebrews 12:1 reminds us that we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. Thank you for your witnessing presence to God's love, Christ's grace, and the Spirit's life among and within us every day!

Shepherd of the Week: Bobbie Meadows

Prayer Concerns

St. Mark's Members: Ruth Ann Swart, Lya Wills, Sylvia Johnson, Ron Boardman, Peter Cuocolo, Teresa Sloop, Susan Haire, Chick Pless, Bill Swart, Bobbie Meadows, Diana Keck, all who are homebound, all who are caregivers.

St. Mark's Friends & Family: Brynda Bechtold, Dave & Annette Simpson (friends of Peter Cuocolo), Renee (friend of Cindy Wilkins), Dave (friend of the Greene Family), Colin Goracke (Jack & Melanie Altman's grandson), Cindy Munsey Hall (friend of Peter Cuocolo), Glen Bannister (Sharon Roy's brother-in-law), Betty Lowe, Jocelyn Bracken (leukemia), Sue Wilson (Michelle Corbett's mother), Bleier family, Kristi (friend of Nancy Tyree), Sandra Davis, Rick Barger (friend of Kathy Jo McLean), Zebulon Hounslea (friend/student of Judy Fletcher), Maria Cuocolo, Ronnie & kids, Emma (15- Hodgkins Lymphoma), Keith LaPrelle (nephew of Karen Pettit), David Moregas (friend of the Kecks), Harriett Hepler (Barbara Overcash's sister), Deane Avett (Cora Lee Pless' cousin), Corrie Marsh (friend of Cora Lee Pless), James Nicholson (friend of Peter Cuocolo), Steve Belton (brother of Malinda Little), Lisa Castinado (friend of Mark Relyea), Rhodes Karriker (nephew of Pastor Dave), Timmy Lopez (nephew of Mark & Annette Relyea), Tori (friend of Liz McNabb), Carl Smith (relative of Tyree family), Anne Monterosso (fiancé of Colin Davis)

St Mark's Military Members: Tommy Upshaw, Erik Crowder, and Janet Smeltz's grandson- Dalton Leik, Andrew Boman.

NEWS & EVENTS

Next Sunday, August 24

- +8:30am Worship
- +9:30am Sunday School CONNECT
(Youth CONNECT resumes Sep 7)
- +10:30am Worship (Livestreamed)

Sunday, August 31

- +8:30am Worship
- +9:30am Sunday School CONNECT
(Youth CONNECT resumes Sep 7)
- +10:30am Worship (Livestreamed)

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday

12:30pm Hands On

Wednesday

10am Bible Study

6pm Handbell rehearsals

7pm Adult Choir

Thursday

6pm ENJOY

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Hands On– White Sheet Drive to make bandages. Please leave your donation of flat or fitted WHITE sheets in the pews. Check your closets and keep your eye out while thrifting. *Hands On resumes Tuesday meetings on August 12, at 12:30pm in the Family Life Center.*

AV Volunteers Needed for livestream or monitor operation. No experience needed! Head to the balcony during any Sunday service to shadow the operation. Call Susan Bostian or Alison Joy with questions.

One Service on Sep 7: God's Work, Our Hands Kickoff

Barbeque Sunday, September 7 after the 10:00 service. Celebrating and encouraging our volunteers. Highlighting opportunities for the upcoming year. Rolls, barbeque, and slaw will be provided. Please bring a side or dessert.

Upcoming Music Opportunities - No Experience Required!

Beginning Handbells: Kids 3rd grade or older and adults are invited to ring bells in the Alleluia Ringers this year. This ensemble is perfect for those that don't read music or haven't rung bells for a long time. There will be an interest meeting on *Sunday, August 31 at 9:45am in the sanctuary*. Contact Caroline Tyree with any questions.

Ukulele Choir: The Ukulele Choir will resume rehearsals *Sunday, September 7 at 9:45am in the choir loft*. All ages welcome! Contact Caroline Tyree with questions or to learn more.

Beer & Bible Thursday, August 28, 7pm at On Tap, 188 N Main St. Biblical discussion and fellowship.

Food for Days wishes to thank St. Mark's for the food donation. We received 416 individual items. This will help feed our in-need children for this school year.

FFD August item of the month: Ramen noodles. Donations can be dropped in the bin near the office hall.

ENJOY (Empty Nester's Just Older Youth) Are you between the ages of 45ish and 65? Come join us for a fun and relaxation on *Thursday, August 21 at 6:00 PM at Dave's Vineyards for Live Music at the Winery* (weather permitting), 155 Lytton Farm Rd, Troutman. We would love to see you there! Contact Kristie Ward with questions at 704-807-6155 or rkward93@yahoo.com.

The Funeral Committee is looking for a few more team members. With 10 members on each of the 5 teams, no one serves frequently. Our menus are very simple so not a lot of time is required. Even working members are able to serve. This service is a compassionate service for our grieving families. Please call Marilyn Boardman 704-663-7156 or E-mail marilyn203@gmail.com.

4th-6th graders are invited to SERVE group in the FLC every 1st Sunday during CONNECT hour.

We hope you can join us in celebrating Whitey's 90th birthday! Please join us on August 24 from 5:00pm-7:00pm for a BBQ dinner in the Family Life Center. Your presence and love are the only gifts needed. Kindly RSVP to Susan (704) 657-5246 by August 17.