



# The Saint Mark Navigator

A Newsletter for the Congregation and Friends of Saint Mark United Methodist Church

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## Saint Mark Web Site

[www.saintmarkumcseoca.org](http://www.saintmarkumcseoca.org)

## Saint Mark Weekly Devotion Line

882 - U R Calling Devotions (882-8723)

Telephone: 864-882-2603

## NOTICE OF JOB OPENINGS

The Saint Mark Staff Parish Relations Committee gives formal notice of two full-time job openings as follows:



### Operations Manager

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES include handling all church and child development center financial matters (contributions, payroll, banking, accounts payable, tax documents, monthly, quarterly, and annual reports, etc), using proper accounting procedures, overseeing building and materials usage, plus performing other related duties as necessary or helpful.

### JOB REQUIREMENTS:

Appropriate and thorough accounting experience and skills, along with a working knowledge of computer programs: ACS on Demand, Excel, Publisher, Word

### Director of Children's Ministries

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES include developing a comprehensive children's ministry, including Sunday School and Wednesday evening classes, activities, and programs, plus summer and seasonal events that combine to make a solid program of ministry for young families and children.

### JOB REQUIREMENTS:

Related training and experience in the field of Christian education

Inquiries and resumes for these positions may be sent to Staff Parish Relations Committee chairperson

**Cindy Waterman** at [cindylwrn@aol.com](mailto:cindylwrn@aol.com).

## WESLEY HERITAGE PILGRIMAGE REGISTRATION DEADLINE SET

### - Information Dinner Set -



March 1 is the deadline for registration for our *Wesley Heritage Pilgrimage* planned for next September.

We will hold an informational dinner on

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Commons Room**  
**Covered-Dish Style Dinner**

*See page 5 inside for more details.*

## A Special Evening for Couples

Saturday, February 11 from 6 – 9 pm

Saint Mark Commons Room

Tickets are on sale now in the atrium and during Church Family Night on Wednesday evenings.

Cost: \$30/couple



### Menu

*Choice of Pork Tenderloin or Smothered Chicken*

*Roasted Red Potatoes*

*Salad & Roll*

*Dessert & Drink*

**FREE CHILDCARE WILL BE AVAILABLE**

This event is sponsored by the Spiritual Formation Team



## WINGS FOR THE LORD YARD SALE

Saturday, February 4

7:00 am to noon—Saint Mark Center

Please feel free to donate items and bring them the week of January 29th to **Donna**. Come on Saturday to enjoy the sale.



## SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY

Our youth will be at the doors of each service on Sunday, February 5, to collect donations for the annual Souper Bowl. These donations will go directly to *Our Daily Rest* to help feed the homeless residents.



## Children's Ministries with John Evatt

### Sunday School News

S.S. Discipleship has changed its format, not its focus. Our focus and purpose is to teach our children the stories of the faith and help them be better disciples of Jesus. Instead of the Rotation model, we are moving to a more "classic" Sunday school model. This means that the children ages 1-6<sup>th</sup> grade are divided by age group into individual classes with their teachers. The decision to make this change was made by the newly formed Children's Council, and they have agreed to take the first turn in teaching. We will continue to evaluate and re-evaluate this new model as we move forward. The classes are divided as follows with location provided:



Toddler Prayer and Praise (1 and 2 yr. olds)	Nursery (right side when facing)
3's and 4's	CDC upstairs hall (fish room)
K-1 <sup>st</sup> grade	Music Wing
2 <sup>nd</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	Music Wing
4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> grade	Music Wing
6 <sup>th</sup> grade	6 <sup>th</sup> grade classroom (toward youth wing)

It is my hope that all of our children will come to Sunday School and learn about their faith. We begin and end in the Cinema Room each Sunday to sign in and out. Sunday School begins at 10:15 a.m. and lasts until 11:00 a.m. or a little after 11:00.

### Nursery News

Do you love babies and toddlers and want to volunteer in the Church nursery? We are seeking volunteers for the Nursery during 9:15 Celebration service and 10:15 Sunday School.

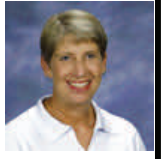
### Ministry Opportunity for Children

We are trying to re-launch our elementary "In His Steps" movement program for grades 1-6. If you have a child that would be interested in this ministry opportunity please let me know. We will find out once the group is formed when would be the best time for them to meet. **CJ Smith** will be leading this group. We are very excited about the possibilities.

If you would like to volunteer or have questions about these programs, please contact **John Evatt** at the church office, or by email at

[jevatt@saintmarkumcseneca.org](mailto:jevatt@saintmarkumcseneca.org).

## Youth and Young Adult Ministries with Donna Poston



### Youth Weekly Ministries Grades 7 - 12



#### Sundays

- 4:00 — Wings for the Lord Choir
- 5:00 — Snack Supper
- 5:30 — UMYF/Impact
- 6:30 — In His Eyes

#### Tuesdays

- 7:00 am — Tasty Tuesday  
at Chick-fil-A in Seneca

#### Wednesdays

- 5:30 pm — PEP for Youth

#### Thursdays

- 7:00 am — Thirsty Thursday  
at McDonalds in Walhalla

### Young Adult Ministry (Beyond High School age)



Our Young Adults will meet this month at the Clemson Wesley Building on February 21 at 7:00 pm.

We will continue our fellowship and study of being a Christian in a secular world.

Take a break from your schedule and join us!

### Wings Yard Sale Fundraiser

Saturday, February 4, 7:00 am to noon

- All donations for the yard sale can begin coming in on Wednesday, February 1. Please bring them to the Saint Mark Center.
- We will need parents and youth to help price and set out items on Thursday and Friday.
- All Wingers need to be here Saturday morning to help with the yard sale.



### Souper Bowl Sunday, February 5

- Our youth will collect donations in "soup pots" following all three services. All donations will go directly to Our Daily Rest homeless shelter.
- Our Super Bowl party will be at Andy Stein's house. Bring snacks to share, please.



### Youth Retreat at Look Up Lodge

- Our youth will have our winter/spring retreat at Look Up Lodge the weekend of February 24-26.



Contact Donna at [dposton@saintmarkumcseneca.org](mailto:dposton@saintmarkumcseneca.org) or 882-2603



The deadline for submissions to the next *Navigator* will be **THURSDAY, February 16, 2012 at noon!** Thank you for your help!



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# Congregational Care Notes

by Jeff Childress



## We Extend Our Sincere Sympathies to:

- **Peggy Nichols** and her family on the death of her husband, **Ray Nichols**. A celebration of his life was held January 21 at 2:00pm at Saint Mark.
- **Carolyn Garland** and her family on the death of her brother, **George Martin Lancaster**. A celebration of his life was held January 15 in Roebuck, South Carolina.
- **Jim Matthews** and his family on the death of his mother, **Dorothy Love Matthews**. A celebration of her life was held January 20 in Clemson.
- **Family and friends of Doloris Capelle**. A graveside service for Doloris was held January 23 in Seneca.

## Congratulations to:

**Bradley Cherry**, son of **Ted and Sheryl Cherry**, on being awarded his Flight Officer's Wings. He and his wife, Lauren, will be moving in mid-February to a new assignment at Whidbey Island in Washington State.

## Personal Prayer Notes

**Becky Brown** – Niece of Carolyn Garland, continuing under doctor's care for cancer

**Joanne Ernst** – Sister of Jean Barger, under Hospice care in Ohio

**Rhett Evatt** – Recovering from recent peripheral arterial leg surgery in Atlanta

**Margaret Glass** – Recovering from hip replacement surgery at Oconee Medical Center

**Wanda Glover** – Recovering at home following recent knee replacement surgery

**Joan Gray** – Continuing recovery at home following recent surgery

**Mary Gregory** – Mother of Sarah Boylston, back at Morningside following recent hospitalization for infection

**Marsha Holstrom** – Daughter of Warren and Betty Wiese, with recurrence of breast cancer

**Ida Mae Johnson** – Mother of Mary Ann Albert, under Hospice care at the Cottingham House in Seneca

**Brad Keenan** – Son-in-law of Joyce Ring, receiving treatment for colon cancer in Lima, Ohio

**Pat McCall** – Recovering at home following recent surgery

**Bob McIntyre** – Father of Dawn McIntyre, recovering from recent heart valve replacement surgery at St. Francis Hospital in Greenville

**Maria McNeill** – Under Hospice care in Greenville

**Carol Myers** – Under doctor's care for suspicious brain mass, with possible future treatment

**Robbie Pelfrey** – Son-in-law of Pat Wynne, undergoing medical tests at MUSC in Charleston

**Suzanne Pruitt** – Recovering from recent mastectomy surgery in Alabama

**Marian Riggs** – Mother of Jan Jerome, under Hospice care at Lila Doyle

**Millie Robinson** – Mother of Marv Fuller, under Hospice care at home

**Virginia Rogers** – Daughter-in-law of Dean and Betty Rogers, continuing with series of medical tests

**Fred Rollison** – Receiving rehabilitation therapy at Roger C. Peace Hospital following a stroke

**Bud Search** – Recovering from pulmonary surgery at AnMed Hospital

**Dave Smith** – Husband of Dianne Smith, under doctor's care for vascular dementia

**Lucius Uldrick** – Recovering from recent pacemaker implant surgery

## The Gift of Stephen Ministry

We remain grateful that Saint Mark is a *Stephen Ministry* congregation, dedicated to caring for those along difficult journeys in life.



In a recent article, Stephen Ministers were referred to as *sorrow-bearers*. They are not sorrow-fixers, sorrow-brighteners, or sorrow-deniers. They come alongside a hurting person to listen, care, support, pray, empathize, and encourage; to bear another's burdens and to fulfill the law and nature of Christ. And through the sorrow-bearing of a Stephen Minister, care receivers may experience God's real, lasting healing.

If you are someone you know could benefit from a Stephen Minister, please contact **Jeff Childress** (882-2603).

## Gifts Given

The following gifts were received recently in **Memory** of...

- **Bill Bond** by M. F. Bond and Thomas A. Roberts (for *Marvin's Kids*)
- **Nelly McConnell** by Jane McConnell (for Missions)
- **Bill Richardson** by Frank and Margaret Axson, Ruth Bond, Mitylene Irick and Lillis and Jerry Smith (for Caring Ministry); Rhett and Gaynell Evatt (for Marvin's Kids)
- **Bill and Bootsy Richardson** by Harold and Irene Alley (for Caring Ministry)
- **Deceased Clients for 2011** by Bill and Phylis Mays (for *Marvin's Kids*)



**Bob and Lynn Dobson** gave the following gifts:

In **HONOR** of -

- **Mrs. Mary Mac Brown**
- **Gerald and Rachel Price**
- **Jeanette Wood**

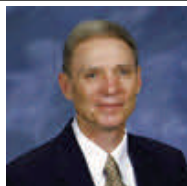
In **MEMORY** of:

- **Mr. Sandy Brown**
- **Bill Wood**

**APPRECIATION** gift was received from **Eleanor Swain** (for Music Department)

# Steve's Log

Dr. Steven Morgan, Senior Pastor



## A Quarter of a Century of Service

**Faye Monk**, our Operations and Finance Manager, has given notice of her retirement, effective at the end of February.

This column is, of course, much too small to express how large her impact has been on Saint Mark. When she announced this to staff, I thought of the title of Jeff's message from a couple of weeks ago – "Making a Difference" – and what a huge difference she has made here at Saint Mark.

I have called Faye our Saint Mark 'Encyclopedia' for the breadth of her knowledge of the history and inner workings of our church.

Starting as a volunteer with Pastor Gene Holmes in 1987, her position has evolved from working with Family Night Dinners to recording contributions to part-time hostess to full-time financial secretary (plus part-time hostess at the same time) to operations and financial manager, not to mention work with our child development center and training a stream of secretaries and four pastors! She has done everything from fix toilets to direct children's choirs to sing in the choir to playing the organ to helping design our Saint Mark Center kitchen.

Her long-term gratification will be the knowledge of the huge difference she has made in building up our church and so many long-time friendships. In the meantime, you will want to add your best wishes to her for her retirement (which, I think, includes a heavy dose of grandchildren!). The Staff Parish Committee will soon be announcing a reception to honor her.

Blessings,  
Steve

## Faith Matters for

### December 24, 2011 — January 22, 2012

#### Attendance, Christmas Eve, December 24

5:30 pm Children's Service .....	219
9:00 pm Candlelight Communion .....	257
11:00 pm Candlelight Communion .....	77

**Total Worship.....553**

#### Attendance, Sunday, December 25

Worship 10:30 am Traditional .....	132
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#### Attendance, Sunday, January 1

Sunday School.....	164
Worship 8:45 am Celebration.....	97
11:00 am Traditional .....	166

**Total Worship.....263**

#### Attendance, Sunday, January 8

Sunday School.....	268
Worship 8:15 am Traditional .....	104
9:15 am Celebration .....	202
11:15 am Traditional .....	162

**Total Worship.....468**

#### Attendance, Sunday, January 15

Sunday School.....	269
Worship 8:15 am Traditional .....	117
9:15 am Celebration .....	166
11:15 am Traditional .....	153

**Total Worship.....436**

#### Attendance, Sunday, January 22

Sunday School.....	278
Worship 8:15 am Traditional .....	101
9:15 am Celebration .....	195
11:15 am Traditional .....	147

**Total Worship.....443**

#### Financial Information as of January 22, 2012

2012 Budget to Date (4 weeks).....	\$80,700
2012 Budget Income to Date (4 weeks).....	\$60,052
2011 Budget Income (4 weeks).....	\$68,196
2012 Budget Expenses to Date.....	\$55,460
Mortgage Balances:	
2008 Mortgage.....	\$1,532,404

#### Auto Debit Payment Available

If you are interested in making contributions to Saint Mark through an automatic arrangement, authorization cards are available in the atrium, in the side entrance to the sanctuary and in the church office.

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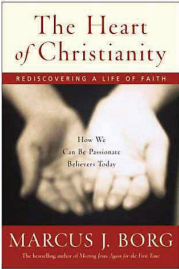
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### EDUCATION UPDATE

#### Explore the Possibilities of a Transformation and Relational Christian Life In the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.



What is the “new Emerging Christian paradigm?” How can our intellect combine with our heart and with contemporary historical and scientific knowledge to enrich our spiritual understanding? How does the Bible and Christian traditions mediate the sacred? The Contemporary Spirituality class invites you to join us in experiencing Marcus Borg’s book, *The Heart of Christianity: Rediscovering a Life of Faith*, which values both familiar Christian tradition and the new emerging Christian paradigm. Borg seeks to help each reader follow a path of self-discovery, strengthen and enrich his/her understanding of Christian concepts, and live a richer and more meaningful life by intentionally practicing these Christian concepts. An optional companion workbook provides guidance and promotes self-discovery. This study will begin on February 12 at 10:15 in Room #106. We welcome you to join us for an open and discussion oriented class. For further information, please contact **Jane Brosnan** (944-2138; jnewbrosnan@gmail.com) or **Fran Harper** (frnhrpr@yahoo.com).

### SPIRITUAL FORMATION UPDATE



#### A Spotlight on Couples

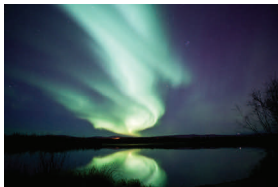
Over the next couple of years, we want to devote some of our attention to the strengthening and nurturing of couples – of all ages. To mark the beginning of this emphasis, we are sponsoring a special evening just for couples on Saturday, February 11 from 6 – 9 pm. See the ad on the front page for details. Bring your sweetie and enjoy the fun, food and fellowship.

#### Lent at Saint Mark

Lent is an important season for us at Saint Mark. In the Christian tradition, Lent is the period of the liturgical year from Ash Wednesday to Easter. The traditional purpose of Lent is the preparation of the believer – through prayer, repentance, almsgiving and self-denial – for the annual commemoration during Holy Week of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus, which recalls the events linked to the Passion of Christ and culminates in Easter, the celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.



This year, Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22. We invite you to journey through Lent in ways that will be meaningful for you . . . through the spiritual disciplines listed above – prayer and meditation, self-examination and repentance, giving to the poor, and fasting from food or “creature comforts”. These disciplines are not an end in themselves, but a means to a higher purpose - a transformed life. Watch for opportunities to make this year’s season of Lent meaningful and even life-changing.



#### *Experiencing the Power of God*

*Sooner or later, man has always had to decide whether he worships his own power or the power of God.*  
~Arnold Toynbee

#### Wesley Heritage Pilgrimage Information Dinner (continued from front page)

The purpose of the trip will be to explore our Methodist roots by studying the life, story, and spiritual development of Methodist founder John Wesley.

The itinerary of sites will include Epworth, Aldersgate Street, City Road Chapel, St. Paul’s Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Bristol, Stratford-upon-Avon, Coventry, and other places of significance to Methodism.

Information brochures giving the registration procedure and other details are available in the atrium and from one of us.

All potentially interested persons are urged to come.

#### Wing’s Sing/Lion’s Serve Dinner Theatre Sunday, March 4

Shows and spaghetti dinner: 11:00 am and 12:30 pm  
Tickets: Adults - \$7.00, Children under 12 - \$5.00

As an outreach fundraiser for *Wings for the Lord* youth choir and Seneca Lion’s Club, we are combining to serve a great spaghetti lunch and a time of youth entertainment. Proceeds will go toward the cost of Wing’s summer tour and to provide glasses for children in need.



# Around the Church and Community



## MUSIC NOTES with David Wilcox dwilcox@saintmarkumcseneca.org



The Chancel Choirs from Saint Mark United Methodist and Fort Hill Presbyterian will present **Requiem** by Gabriel Faure and other selections at 5:00 pm on Palm Sunday, April 1, 5:00 at Fort Hill Presbyterian in Clemson. **Sean Anderson** and **Jenny Lanier** will be the featured soloists.

CrossClub for Kids Choir is working on a new musical **Under God's Sea in 3D**. They will present this program on Wednesday, April 18 for the Church Family Night Program.

Saint Mark Ringers will resume rehearsals on Thursday, February 2, 5:30 – 6:30.

If you attend the Celebration Service I hope you've noticed several of our teenagers have joined the band. I'm excited to have them. We always have need for singers, instrumentalists, sound and video techs, drama to help with the Celebration Service. Please let me know if you'd be interested.

- **David Wilcox**

## CDC NEWS

with Carolynne Nix

cdcdirector@saintmarkumcseneca.org or 882-0333



The CDC is excited about our 15th year as a center.

Starting this month we will have a list outside of the church library where members of the church can sign up to read to our preschool children on Wednesdays and Thursdays using the books that were ordered from the church book fair. If you have questions you can contact the center office at 882-0333 or see **Marla**. If you would like to help the center in any other way, we always accept donations of items like Kleenex, Clorox wipes, paper towels, Lysol spray, gently used toys, etc.

- **Carolynne Nix**

## Thank You!!!!

Dear Saint Mark Staff and Congregation,

We would like to say a huge "Thank You" for offering Financial Peace University during the fall "Growing You" series. Fourteen members participated in this course and were deeply blessed. To the donor who made this class financially possible, we say "Thank You" as well.

Financial Peace University was meaningful to us in many ways; the least of which was personal finance knowledge. Following are some comments from class members during the final meeting of the class: "I now communicate better with my spouse." "I don't feel like I'm alone when I'm at church. Other people are in the same financial boat as I am." "I now feel like I have people I can ask for help and guidance." "This course was a blessing to me in so many ways."

Because this class was so significant to each member, and each of us learned to be better stewards of the resources God has provided us, we hope to repeat the class in the spring. Please prayerfully consider joining us.

**The Alumni of Financial Peace University**

I want to say thank you for the cards, emails and calls following my recent accident. Thank you also for all the prayers said on my behalf. A special thank you to **David** and **The Chancel Choir** for the outpouring of love, giving my heart the healing I needed as I began a long process of physical healing.

Thank you to **Steve** for getting me to ER and staying with me until I was taken for tests. Steve is so valuable and essential in all areas of our church. He knows exactly how and when he is needed most during times of sickness and loss. I am so appreciative of the love, care, and attention from **Steve and Phyllis** during this difficult time.

Thank you to **Jeff** for coming to the hospital to be with me as I received my prognosis. I appreciate follow up calls from Jeff, as well as his prayers of healing on my behalf. Saint Mark is a family that loves and cares for one another—much like Jesus teaches. I feel blessed to be a part of this family.

**Gladys Chastain**

Dear Members of Saint Mark,

We, the family of Juanita Sanders, wish to thank you for all that you have done for our mother. The kindness you have shown through your prayers, cards, visits and flowers has meant so much to her. As is so often the case, our merely saying, "Thank You" seems so inadequate.

It has been a most difficult time over the last several months. We were prepared that she might not recover and leave the hospital, but she did. Then we went to hospice and again we were prepared for her to go to her home in Heaven, but God said, "No, your time on Earth is not over." Mom is now in her private room at Lila Doyle. She participates in therapy and has set a goal to walk again. This may be a little optimistic, but has fooled us more than once! She is truly an amazing lady who puts her faith and love of God above all else.

Again, we thank you for being there for her. We hope you will continue to keep her in your prayers. If possible, she welcomes your visits. She is in room 107. We love and appreciate you. Sincerely, **The Family of Juanita Sanders**

# Spotlight on Members and Group Events



## UMW: The Power to Change

Recently, I traveled with **Ellen Zaki**, our new UMW Unit Spiritual Growth Coordinator, to Zion UMC in Anderson for a morning of meeting new and old Anderson District leaders, worshipping together and receiving guidance and training for our duties as leaders in the coming year. **Rev Kempie Sheperd** reminded us of our beginnings when in 1869 eight women of faith in Boston discerned God's purpose for them to raise the funds to send **Isabella Thoburn** and **Clara Swain**, single female missionaries, to India to educate and provide medical attention to women there who were not allowed to be cared for by males in their society. These two women overcame boundaries of race, class, culture and language and demonstrated God's power working through them to change the lives of those they touched. From this tiny beginning emerged the Methodist Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, a predecessor of today's UMW, numbering 800,000 worldwide members brought together in a common vision of mission to women, children and youth. The power to change lives continues to motivate the UMW leadership to find ways to reach and empower women of all ages and talents to engage with one another to change the world.

If you want to be inspired, indeed moved to action, consider joining us on the Saint Mark bus going to the SC Conference Legislative Advocacy Day on February 21 where 400 other women from churches across the state will gather to address the theme, **TOGETHER, WE BREAK THE SILENCE**. The day at **Epworth Children's Home** in Columbia will feature prominent speakers covering key social action topics such as education in SC, child protection and advocacy, and legislative updates affecting women, children and youth. The keynote address will be **Hope for Healing** by Gayle Crabtree, an author, dynamic speaker and trainer for Pastors and Laypersons regarding **Domestic Violence Issues**.

Gayle is the founder of the Hope for Healing Organization. **Workshops** will be offered on *Going Green-Caretakers of God's Creation*, *There are Strangers among Us- "The Dream Act"* and *Legislative/Advocacy by the SC Coalition against Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse*. **Tours of Epworth** will also be offered. All in all, the day promises to provide an opportunity to feel the power and hope for change echoed in the hearts and voices of 400 women of faith breaking the silence for women, children and youth in South Carolina. Contact me if you need an application or information at 864-944-5799 or [joanna@jjdtech.com](mailto:joanna@jjdtech.com). Deadline for signup is February 11.



Your Sister- in-Faith,  
**Joanna Donegan**, Saint Mark UMW President

## METS – "MEET, EAT, TRAVEL, SERVE"



METS will be meeting on Thursday, February 23 in the Commons Room at 11:30 am. Our guest this month is **Dr. Ann Ratliff Russell** of Clemson. She is the author of the book, "Legacy of a Southern Lady—Anna Calhoun Clemson". The Preface of the book may be read at [http://www.clemson.edu/cedp/cudp/pubs/russell/Russell\\_Legacy\\_Prelims.pdf](http://www.clemson.edu/cedp/cudp/pubs/russell/Russell_Legacy_Prelims.pdf).

Please make your reservations by contacting **Anne Bender** at 654-6705 or [clemsonstorage@gmail.com](mailto:clemsonstorage@gmail.com) no later than **12:00 Noon on Monday, February 20**. We hope you will join us.

## Church Family Night Saint Mark Center



*Wednesday, February 1 at 5:30 pm*

- **Adult's Menu:** Meat Loaf, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, Rolls and Dessert
- **Children's Menu:** Tacos
- **Hospitality Group D serving**

*Wednesday, February 8 at 5:30 pm -*

- **Adult's Menu:** Baked Chicken, Garden Rice, Salad, Rolls and Dessert
- **Children's Menu:** Chicken Tenders
- **Hospitality Group E serving**

*Wednesday, February 15 at 5:30 pm -*

- **Adult's Menu:** Pork Loin, Red Skinned Mashed Potatoes, Salad, Rolls and Dessert
- **Children's Menu:** Corndogs
- **Hospitality Group A serving**

*Wednesday, February 22 at 5:30 pm -*

*Ash Wednesday (Reduced Cost)*

- **Adult's and Children's Menu:** Blackeyed Peas w/Rice, Cole Slaw, Cornbread, Sliced Peaches and Water
- **Hospitality Group B serving**

*Wednesday, February 29 at 5:30 pm -*

- **Adult's and Children's Menu:** Pizza, Salad Bar and Dessert
- **Hospitality Group C serving**

Nursery available from 6:30 - 7:30 pm.  
(Menus are subject to change)

## SINGERS WANTED!!

Interested in singing 4-part harmony a cappella for fun? Gospel, traditional, contemporary, secular music? Women, men, youth? Must have the ability to carry your part independently and be willing to memorize your music. If you're interested, please call **Diane Caster** at 972-4736 or email [dscaster@gmail.com](mailto:dscaster@gmail.com).



## Library Corner

Our book shelves have been stocked with a great selection of books and DVD's for children. With our Kids' Korner up and running, we want to invite you to plug into the ministry of Saint Mark by coming on Wednesday or Thursday mornings at 10 am to read to the 3 or 4 year old children in our Child Development Center. Story time for the 3 year olds will be on Wednesdays at 10 and for the 4 year olds on Thursdays at 10. Sign up for one or more session on the library door, or by contacting **Carolynne Nix**, the director of our CDC. (882-0333 or [cdcdirector@saintmarkumcseneca.org](mailto:cdcdirector@saintmarkumcseneca.org)). You may also contact **Marla Fuller** at the church office. The reading schedule will begin on Wednesday, February 1.



# Focus on Volunteers

## Worship Matters for Sunday, February 5, 2012

**Acolyte:** Jess Smith (8:15 am); Gabe Sanders (11:15 am); **Altar:** Nancy Walker (9:15 am); **Chairs:** Bart Sauer (9:15 am); **Communion Servers:** Marlene Edlund, Charlie Argue, Janet Kehl (8:15 am); Larry and Cindy Waterman, Lynn and Beth Wilson, Joni Gregg, Nancy Walker (9:15 am); Billy and Sally Boggs, Jane Barker (11:15 am); **Counters:** Bill Shimel, Marlene Edlund; **Greeters:** Jim and Jackie Hamilton (8:15 am); Linda and Trip Jones (9:15 am); Dean and Carolyn Garland (11:15 am); **Lay Reader:** Frank Lamson-Scribner (8:15 am); Bill Nelson (11:15 am); **Projectionist:** Anna Baldwin (9:15 am); **Refreshments:** Ginny Bench (9:15 am); **Sound:** John Prescott (8:15 am); Russ Poston (9:15 am); Russ Poston (11:15 am); **Stephen Minister:** Sandy Nelson; **Ushers:** Steve Figueroa (Head), Marlene Edlund, Robert Rider, Nancy Evatt (8:15 am); Van Fair (Head), Dolores Richardson, Frank and Dottie Carbee (11:15 am)

## Worship Matters for Sunday, February 12, 2012

**Acolytes:** Kelsey Sauer (8:15 am); Loren Wales (11:15 am); **Altar:** Joyce Carney (9:15 am); **Chairs:** Lonney Ensign (9:15 am); **Counters:** Bill Shimel, Marlene Edlund; **Greeters:** Warren Wiese, Jan Grousd (8:15 am); Jim and Barbara Smith (11:15 am); **Lay Readers:** Bob Holmes (8:15 am); Joyce Ring (11:15 am); **Projectionist:** Mike Wallace (9:15 am); **Refreshments:** Mary Barnette, Sarah Boylston (9:15 am); **Sound:** Greg Wales (8:15 am); Basil Carney (9:15 am); Jeff Pearson (11:15 am); **Stephen Minister:** Jean Rogers; **Ushers:** Al Diussa (Head), Bob Holmes, Anne Bender, Janice Price (8:15 am); Van Fair (Head), Dolores Richardson, Jeff and Carole Martin (11:15 am)

## Worship Matters for Sunday, February 19, 2012

**Acolytes:** Rebekah Wales (8:15 am); Kylie Wallace (11:15 am); **Altar:** Sheryl Cherry, Lilly Blue (9:15 am); **Chairs:** Neil and Lisa Carney (9:15 am); **Counters:** Todd Walker, Gladys Chastain; **Greeters:** David and Polly Harshbarger (8:15 am); Ray and Ginny Lightfoot (9:15 am); Allen and Jamie Gerber (11:15 am); **Lay Readers:** Georgia Jakust (8:15 am); Jane Johnson (11:15 am); **Projectionist:** Adam Boggs (9:15 am); **Refreshments:** Carol Detwiler (9:15 am); **Sound:** Jack Davis (8:15 am); Basil Carney (9:15 am); Mike Baldwin (11:15 am); **Stephen Minister:** Hallie Mappus; **Ushers:** Warren Wiese (Head), Tom Christensen, Ray Lightfoot, Andy Kehl (8:15 am); Van Fair (Head), Jeff and Carole Martin, Dolores Richardson (11:15 am)

## Worship Matters for Sunday, February 26, 2012

**Acolytes:** Sarah Beth Wilson (8:15 am); Casey Barker (11:15 am); **Altar:** Sloan Huckabee (9:15 am); **Chairs:** Deryl and Carolyn Keese (9:15 am); **Communion Servers:** Joan Chittenden, Gladys Chastain, Janet Kehl (8:15 am); Doug and Charlotte Hirt, Deryl and Carolyn Keese, Keith and Meg Anderson (9:15 am); Jim Morrison, Gladys Chastain, Jens Holley (11:15 am); **Counters:** Greg Skene, Bob Dobson; **Greeters:** Tom and Carol Christensen (8:15 am); Linda and Trip Jones (9:15 am); William and Andrea Paulson (11:15 am); **Lay Readers:** Martha Steele (8:15 am); Joanna Donegan (11:15 am); **Projectionist:** Bob Dobson (9:15 am); **Refreshments:** Randy Collins (9:15 am); **Sound:** Jane Barker (8:15 am); Gladys Chastain (9:15 am); Basil Carney (11:15 am); **Stephen Minister:** Jane Hughey; **Ushers:** Richard Christensen (Head), Phyllis Christensen, John and Martha Steele (8:15 am); Van Fair (Head), Jeff and Carole Martin, Dolores Richardson (11:15 am)

## DO YOU ENJOY THE ELDERLY?

Volunteers are needed for Banana Bingo at Seneca Health and Rehab Center. It's really God's work to entertain those who cannot 'get out' or get around. Calling Bingo, distributing supplies, buying bananas and helping the residents with their cards is all that's required. Just one hour/month on a Monday or Tuesday afternoon, especially the first Tuesday of the month, is all that's required. Please call **Ginny Murdock** at 864-882-8157 to volunteer. It's very fulfilling!



## Salvation Army Bell Ringers

We have had another record year at the kettles for the Salvation Army. This year the kettles brought in \$66,553. That was higher than last year by \$6,000. The kettles at Wal-Mart brought in a little over \$28,000.

We had 763 people that rang the bell of which over 200 were from Saint Mark. Thank you Saint Mark Members for your support and all that you do for the needy.

- Curt Davis



## Area Churches to Present



### Charter for Compassion

On three successive Thursday evenings, Clemson Area Congregations in Touch (CACIT) will present *Acceptance in an Intolerant World: Embracing the Charter for Compassion*.

The CHARTER FOR COMPASSION (<http://charterforcompassion.org>) is a vision in document form of life based on The Golden Rule.

**Thursday evenings: January 26, February 2 and 9  
7:00 p.m.— Clemson UMC, 300 Frontage Road**