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**HANGING
OF THE GREENS**

Service will be Sunday, Dec. 3rd, at
7:00 PM at the Bypass Campus.

**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING**
REMEMBERING THE GOODNESS OF GOD

Dear God, Thank you for your amazing power and work in our lives, thank you for your goodness and for your blessings over us. Thank you for your great love and care. Thank you for your sacrifice so that we might have freedom and life. Forgive us for when we don't thank you enough, for who you are, for all that you do, for all that you've given. Help us to set our eyes and our hearts on you afresh. Renew our spirits, fill us with your peace and joy. We love you and we need you, this day and every day. We give you praise and thanks, for You alone are worthy! In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Debbie McDaniel, Crosswalk.com Contributor



Thanksgiving Gift

I know we don't usually give presents at Thanksgiving but save them for Christmas. Thanksgiving, of course, is the first holiday of the "holiday season" running from Thanksgiving through Christmas and on to New Year's Day. And even though holiday takes its name from a time when these days were seen as "holy days" (set apart for special remembrances, worship, and celebration) most of us struggle as they seem to be anything but "holy." In fact, some of us think the end of the year could be described more appropriately as the "hurry-days." This hurry-days time period starts with all the preparations and travel that go with the Wednesday before Thanksgiving, includes the busiest shopping days of the year after Thanksgiving, go through the 35-days-left-until-Christmas parties and shopping, and end with the last returning-of-the-

presents on January 2. However, if I can give you a gift this November then maybe we can avoid the hurry-days and enjoy the holidays instead.

Now to be honest, the gift I would like to give you is one you have to make yourself. I can only give you the directions. You have to make it work. But if you follow the directions, then you may go through the holidays with a full heart and not just a full calendar. And this gift will become your gift to God and with it you will find many of His other gifts for you. The gift is an Attitude of Gratitude.

An Attitude of Gratitude is made by taking the pieces of God's blessings sprinkled throughout the day and telling God "Thank You." You may use big things to make it but the best Gratitude Attitudes are really made of little things that happen all around you. It takes all day to put one together because you make a Gratitude Attitude out of the scattered moments of the day. If you struggle with putting it together during the day, it still can be done at night – if you will do it before you go to sleep. If you will do this for a couple of days, thanking God for a warm shower, clean clothes, a child's smile, someone to cry with, a car to take you places or a host of other things, then you can throw away the directions because your very own Attitude of Gratitude will take over from there.

This gift doesn't need batteries but it can benefit from a pencil and paper. This will allow you to write the "Thank You's" down to help you remember or for making it easier to share this Attitude of Gratitude with others. You might just give them a nudge to make their own. It really is simple to make – and yet – many of us struggle to get started or to keep it going. It really is just a matter of paying attention and finding the time and using the time to thank God for His daily gifts to us, those blessings both great and small (but especially the small). You can even pull some old ones out of the past that are still a blessing or a gift to you today. And new ones arrive daily. Of course, a side benefit is you just might find yourself thanking others more, too.

So there is my gift to you--an Attitude of Gratitude. I didn't want to wait until Thanksgiving at the end of the month but wanted us to get started now. Who knows, it might help us have the best Thanksgiving ever!

With Joy, Steve

Okay, if you need a little starter kit, here are some things I started my Attitude of Gratitude with today:

Thank You, God, for a computer to make writing easier (and that fixes mistakes). Thank You for the heat which keeps me warm on this cool day. Thank You for a church full of thankful people who are a joy to serve. And thank You for Your great love and patience with me every moment, even this moment, of every day.



Meetings this Month

- Worship Committee will meet Sunday, Nov. 12th, at 4:00 pm in the Fellowship Classroom. Please enter through the double doors at the end of the education wing.
- Sending Forth Committee will meet Sunday, Nov. 19th, at 3:00 pm in the Library. Please enter through the double doors at the end of the education wing.
- Charge Conference will be held Monday, Nov. 20th, at 7:00 PM in Founders Hall at the Bypass Campus.

IN MEMORIAM

Margaret Jean Ratliff Burch
September 21, 1932 - October 10, 2017

Daniel L. Gretta
September 14, 1947 - October 23, 2017

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live."
John 11:25-26



The Pastors and congregation extend Christian sympathy to the following members of our church family.

- Evelyn Fennell and her family on the death of her sister, Jo Nell Moss.
- Linda Lucas and her family on the death of her sister, Elaine Hughes, on Oct. 2nd.
- Emily Kneece and Lauren Alewine and their families on the death of their grandfather, Fred Alewine, on Oct. 8th
- W.O. Scott and his family on the death of his step-mother, Lucy Simpson, on Oct. 9th.
- Carrie Garner and her family on the death of her grandmother, Coral Garner, on Oct. 19th.



Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, Nov. 4th.

Record of Our Faithfulness

Year-to-Date

General Fund Balance	\$143,621.52
Contributions Year to Date	\$720,136.44
Expenses Year to Date	\$722,403.35
Net	(\$2,266.91)

Obligations Report

Apportionments	
Budget	\$116,146.00
Paid to Date	\$87,082.56
Sending Forth	
Original Budget	\$98,294.00
Revised Budget	\$30,802.00
Paid to Date	\$33,365.49

Food Bank Sunday is November 5th

Shopping carts are placed in the education wing at the By-pass Campus. A collection bin is located in the welcome area at RSC. Items can be placed in the carts. Below is the current list of food items needed by the Greenwood Food Bank. Any and all items are appreciated. Popular items are: Canned Vegetables, Canned Meats, Pasta of any kind, Pasta Sauce, Cereal, Canned or Powered Milk, Canned Fruit, Juice, Instant potatoes, Pop-Tarts, Manwich, Crackers, Soup of any kind, Dried Beans, Grits, Cornmeal, Cooking Oil, Applesauce, Jiffy Cornbread Mix, Salt and Pepper, Relish, Salad Dressing, Flour (2 lbs.), Peanut Butter, Jelly, Sugar (2 lbs.) Vinegar, Water, Rice, Ketchup, Mayonnaise, Mustard, Oatmeal. No Egg cartons are needed.



MEN'S COMMUNITY PRAYER BREAKFAST is Friday, November 17th, at 6:30 AM. in Wayne Goff Hall (WGH) at RSC. The cost for the meal is \$3.00.

Prayers of the Church

RESIDENTIAL LIVING

Brookedale Retirement Center
(1408 Parkway Drive,
Greenwood, SC
Charlotte Koone

Emerald Gardens
(201 Overland Drive,
Greenwood, SC)
Mel Riley
Mary Ann Riley

Morningside of Greenwood
(116 Enterprise Ct, Greenwood,
SC)
Betty Pierce

National Healthcare
(437 E Cambridge Ave,
Greenwood, SC)
Verna Kennedy
Betsy Powell

Wesley Commons
(1110 Marshall Road,
Greenwood, SC)
Dick Eyman
Doris Eyman
Louise Mannion
Ada Stillwell

Shut-In/Homebound
Charlie Helms (864-227-6017)
109 Brookhaven Drive
Greenwood, SC 29646

Annell McManus (864.229.1596)
110 Northgate
Greenwood, SC 29649

Anne Snoddy
102 York Dr
Greenwood, SC 29649

Sara Sutton (864-223-7444)
450 Dogwood Drive
Greenwood, SC 29646

Jenny Valkenburg
(864-223-0987)
119 Creek Road East
Greenwood, SC 29646

MEMBERS

Jane West
Millie Worthington
Abbie Robinson
David Lightsey
Tom Kilgore
Barbara Teeter

MEMBERS CONT'D

Traci Pruitt

MEMBERS'S FAMILY

Nancy Crocker (Cyndi Bruce's
mother)
Jimmy Cobb (Ken Cobb's brother)
Leeann Wells (Chris Watts's
mother)
Howie Crocker (Cyndi Bruce's
brother)
Kenny Andrews (Stephanie Frick's
father)

MEMBERS'S FRIENDS

Teri Savitz (Tracy Burke's friend)

MILITARY

(Please notify the church office
of any military personnel that
need our
prayers.)

J.C. Elmore - Army
Kolby Gantt - Marines
Quae Howard - Marines
Trey Kennedy - Marines
Caity White - Army
Parker White - Army

COLLEGE STUDENTS

(Please contact Paige in the
church office with the mailing
address of your college student,
the college name and their birth
date or if your college student is
not listed.)

Aylah Burton - Anderson
University
Abby Buckshorn - Appalachian
State
Meredith Bledsoe - Columbia
College

Ele Geoly - Creighton University
Asa Stallworth - Davis and Elkins
Harrison Marcengill - Embry-
Riddle

Kathryn Garren - Emory
Lizzy Coyle - Furman
Brett Kelly - Iowa State
University

Rylan Pitts - LSU
Abbie Robinson - Mercer
University

J. C. Elmore - MUSC
Ryan Ebert - North Greenville
Drayson Youngblood - University
of Georgia

Leeann Pundt - Wofford

COLLEGE STUDENTS CONT'D

Aurora
Hayden Harwood and Jacob
Stockman.

College of Charleston:
Brock Wilson, Harriet Ward,
Jacob Schultz, and Jessica
Clark.

Clemson:
Alex Guareschi, Andrew
Patterson, Blake Lindler, Brig
Sparks, Chris Huss, Grant
Alexander, Grayson Glanton,
Jacob McLaughlin, Jessica
Steepey, Maddie Coyle, Mae
Furman, Mathis Brewington,
Patrick McGovern, Rachel
Crawford, Ryan Templeton,
Steven Crowder, Sydney Case,
and Will Bettis.

Lander:
Caroline Carver, Hannah
Elmore, Jordan Lovett, Kendall
O'Quinn, Kya Brownlee, Madison
Tripp, Peyton Leopard, Taylor
Johnson, Trey Clamp, and
Thomas Dalton.

PTC:
Izaiah Holmes and Reed
Templeton.

Southern Wesleyan:
Brandon Pruitt, Emily Corriher,
and Haley McLaughlin.

The Citadel:
Blayne Garren, Jake Campbell,
Nick Long, and Sam Rice.

University of South Carolina:
Carson Strom, Carter Rhodes,
Gavin Henderson, Hunter
DeLoach, Jordan Bradley, Megan
Pruitt, Robert Addy, Will
Buckshorn, Wesley Fender, and
Zach Beale.

Winthrop:
Anna Grace McLaughlin and Sara
Grace Eaddy.



Surprises along Life's Journey



I am a person that likes surprises. Normally, I look at them as a little spice in my life, a new adventure. While I might feel exhilarated with a surprise, some of you would cringe. Order and predictability rule your day, and that is fine. Several weeks ago, I received a phone call. I looked at the number on my cell phone and thought, "I have to answer this one, but I am so busy and behind today." I picked up my cell phone, and I said, "Hello, Rev. Love. How are you today?" Our District Superintendent was on the phone. He does not call me often, so I knew it was important. Pleasantries were exchanged, and then the words came. "John, I need to ask you a question. I have an opportunity for you." I have admitted I like surprises, but I couldn't imagine what this could be. I didn't have a lot of time. I wasn't sure I was ready for this surprise. Order and predictability would have been good at that particular time. Rev. Love told me about a chance to take a class that would help me move forward toward seeking full elders' orders in the United Methodist Church. I started to like this surprise a little better. Rev. Love explained what I needed to do. Yes, I was going to have to move quickly to get going, but it was a good opportunity.

I talked to Steve and completed the application process. I am now enrolled in a class called Clinical Pastoral Education, a requirement to becoming a full elder in the South Carolina UMC. I had to be gone the second week of October, and it would require some time each week as my class meets via video conference and there would be required assignments. All of this is good for me and this option is good for our church. The conference is paying most of the cost of the class, and the time away from the church is decreased greatly from other options for this class. As I was driving to my class in South Georgia, I asked myself what I had gotten myself into this time and how is this going to be more than checking a box in this process? I saw God start to answer me very quickly once I arrived. The other people taking the class were going to be enjoyable to be around, and it was clear God had something for me to learn through this as well. The other thing that came up was God has put three of us together that serve in different contexts than many other churches. Shawn and Patti come from multi-site churches and Patti launched their newest campus the same time we launched "The Connection." You want to talk about an amazing surprise and answer from God? Shawn and Patti are just that. I know I will learn from the class and the other people, but He just gave me two great people that can relate to where I am and how I am doing ministry. Yes, I am surprised, I am excited about it. I can see this is exactly like God. He knew my path. He knew my journey. He knew I could use some other people to talk with and think through part of my ministry.

I don't know how you look at surprises along your journey in life. I just admitted that sometimes I can see them with excitement and at other times with dread, depending on the circumstances faced at that given time. What I do know is that we should be willing to see that God might have something in store for us when life takes a detour. Joshua 1:9 says, "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go." You and I might be surprised; God never will be. I am giving thanks for my two new friends and the surprises along my journey. Where can you see some blessings and be thankful as well?

Peace,
Pastor John



Teach these things and insist that everyone learn them. Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you say, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity. Until I get there, focus on reading the Scriptures to the church, encouraging the believers, and teaching them. Do not neglect the spiritual gift you received through the prophecy spoken over you when the elders of the church laid their hands on you. (1 Timothy 4:11-14 NLT)

I turned thirty years old earlier this year. I don't really think of myself as young anymore. Though as I look out from the pulpit or the stage on any given Sunday, I realize that the majority of you will simply shake your heads at the notion that thirty isn't young. I've never FELT as young as I do when I get the sense that someone "thinks less of me

because I am young." That doesn't make me (or anyone, I'm willing to bet) feel young and vibrant – it simply makes us feel TOO young. I am keenly aware of the reasons Paul wrote these words to his protégé, Timothy.

There are probably areas of your life that you feel TOO young to tackle. Or maybe it's not your age that is holding you back. Maybe you don't think you are smart enough. Maybe you think you're too ugly. Maybe you think you're not a very good public speaker. Maybe you think you're too shy. Maybe you think you've done too many "wrong" things to ever be made "right."

Maybe you think you're too sinful to be saved.

Nothing is impossible with God.

You are NOT too young to be taken seriously. You ARE smart enough to learn what you need to know to accomplish your goals. You ARE beautiful. No one likes public speaking. I'm ridiculously shy – and I'm a pastor! You may have committed many sins. You may still feel like you need to make amends for those sins. And you may very well need to apologize to some people. But "love covers a multitude of sins" and God IS love.

God's love covers our sins.

God's grace covers our imperfections.

God's mercy saves us from judgment.

God's peace settles our souls.

Do you see the pattern? God is at work in our lives! He is doing the very things that are impossible for us to accomplish! All that's left for us to do is accept that gift, receive what He is giving us, and live in His truth.



Happy Birthday!

- Nov. 1: Frances Boone, Kensley Cobb
- Nov. 2: Joe Boazman, Maddie Frick, Lauryn Landrith, Betty Lightsey, Megan Pruitt, Linda Sauerwein, Avery Walden
- Nov. 3: Luke Godwin, Martha Hoole, Rebakah James, Kent Roads
- Nov. 4: Ashley Alexander, Candy Gillian, Wes Strawn, Stacie Westmoreland
- Nov. 5: Frank Addy, Gayle O'Dell
- Nov. 6: Joyce Campbell, Lamont DeLoach, Lee Huntsberger, Patti Miller, Adair Pederson, Derek Stennett
- Nov. 7: Susie Barker, Bill Edwards, Rusty Hughes, Ted Long, Jim McColl, Catherine Miller
- Nov. 8: Jake Campbell, Diana Pearson, Billy Pitts, Russell Zehr
- Nov. 9: Kay Davis, Jaren Inglese, Kaleigh Frick, David Ross, Connie Sanders
- Nov. 10: Tracey Burke, Greg Ferguson, Megan Johnson, Tyler Mapes
- Nov. 11: Derrell Gregory, Harriet Hagen-McDonald, Bob Roy, Holly Skipper, Todd Waldrep
- Nov. 12: JoAnne Babb
- Nov. 13: Jessica Clark, Linda Hagen, Mary Ann Riley
- Nov. 14: Andrew Tripp
- Nov. 15: Maxine Brown, Jenny Sexton, Al West
- Nov. 16: Barbara Teeter, Jack Ward
- Nov. 17: Hannah Elmore, Ada Stillwell
- Nov. 18: Susie Rochester, Mackenzie Walden
- Nov. 19: Sandra Cawood, Jessica Chapman, Joseph Corley
- Nov. 20: Don Anderson
- Nov. 21: Paige Holley, John Roby
- Nov. 22: James Lollis, Mark Mapes
- Nov. 23: Zvi McManus, Laura Patterson, Kim Sparks
- Nov. 24: Shawn Graves, Jason Long, Bill Sease
- Nov. 25: Cliff Arnett, Michelle Harrison, Kathy McClinton, Anna Trammell
- Nov. 26: Caroline Farren, Caroline Marcengill, Tom McLaughlin, Chuck Sexton
- Nov. 27: Carolyn Travis, Aundrea Wilson
- Nov. 28: Macy Clem, Tim Ethridge, Zoë Moore, Becca Murray, Banner Peksa, Jeannie Price, Natalee Price, Austin Stone
- Nov. 29: Grover Christian, Blake Goodman, Millie Worthington

Happy Anniversary!

- Nov. 3: Steve and Margaret Owings
- Nov. 6: Marcus and Elizabeth Moeller
- Nov. 7: Danny and Kim Goodman
- Nov. 10: Steve and Pam Garren; Chuck and Gwen Molenda
- Nov. 11: Chris and Sudie Clem
- Nov. 12: Scott and Denise Bailey; Craig and Kelly Glanton; Todd and Connie Dalton
- Nov. 13: Chuck and Janey Kelley, Wayne and Paula Burton
- Nov. 14: Todd and Cindy Markward
- Nov. 15: Cam and Uzma Mondal
- Nov. 16: Edward and Jeannie McCallum; Harold and Patsy Price
- Nov. 18: Lewis and Holly Moss
- Nov. 20: Randy and Connie Smith
- Nov. 21: Jay Adam and Diana Pearson
- Nov. 24: Brad and Mary Jones
- Nov. 26: Richard and Nancy Morse; Coleman and Debra Robinson
- Nov. 28: Frank and Wanda Hill; Waddy and JoAnne Babb; Jimmy and Whitney Marcengill; Kirk and Judy Alexander; Walter and Gay Marshall
- Nov. 30: Cliff and Carol Arnett



St. Mark UMC Fellowship Lunch

Sunday, November 12th - 12:30pm, Wayne Goff Hall/ RSC
 Cost: Children age 3 and under - Free, Children age 4-12 - \$3
 Age 13 and up - \$5. No family pays more than \$15

RSVP (864.229.5416 or office@stmarkgreenwood.com) if you are coming.

Reservations are required by NOON on Monday November 6th!!!

Menu: Roasted Turkey, Baked Ham, Giblet Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Peas, Roll, Salad Bar, dessert, & drink.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



St. Mark UMC is collecting supplies to put in shoeboxes this year. These can be simple items from the Dollar Tree or school supplies that are currently on sale. We hope to have a church packing party in November with these supplies.

A list of supplies are available and can be obtained in the Church Office, Debra Robinson's office and in the Sunday School Classes. Just choose the sheet for the age group you are interested in. Items can be placed in Debra Robinson's office.

Thank you!

Hours we will be accepting shoeboxes: Nov. 13th-17th 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM; Nov. 18th 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM; Nov. 19th 12:30 PM to 4:30 PM; Nov. 20th 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Shoeboxes will leave for the Anderson collection center at 12:00 PM promptly. Debra has 10 slots available for people from St. Mark to go to the Operation Christmas Child Processing Facility in Charlotte, NC from December 4-6. We will be staying in Charlotte. If anyone is interested in going, please contact Debra at 864.229.5416 or debra@stmarkgreenwood.com.



KREW

Join us Sundays from 5:00-6:30 at our Rivers Street Campus. KREW is for children K2—5th grade.



NOVEMBER AT KREW:

11/5/17	Breakfast for Supper	KREW SHIRT DAY
11/12/17	Pizza	KREW SHIRT DAY



14th Annual St. Mark Children's Christmas Pageant
 Saturday, December 9 5:30 RSC

Auditions: K5-5th Grade Thursday, 11/9/17, 5:30 RSC

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!!! Deep Blue Kids
 We have a class for all children! Contact Julie for more information, or just stop by any Sunday morning at 10:00!

K2-K4—The Wee Gathering Hall
K5-3rd Grade—The Gathering Place
APEX 4th-5th Grades Room 100



EPIC NOVEMBER!!!!
EPIC meets Sunday nights from 6:30-8:00! All 6th-12th graders are invited! Bring a friend!



5-Nov-17	EPIC/HSX	WE	baked potatoes
12-Nov-17	EPIC/HSX	WE	subs
19-Nov-17	EPIC/HSX	WE	nachos
26-Nov-17	NO EPIC / HSX	Thanksgiving Break	

In following Christ, there is one truth that most of us forget—we were never meant to do this alone. We need other people. It's critical not just because we need friends, but also because in community we understand more about who God is. We see how He is working in other people's lives. We learn things that God has taught them, and we get an opportunity to love and serve others. The WE series helps us discover the "WHY" behind community—why we need it, why we should pursue it—and why it's more than just what you do every week after a communicator speaks.



The HIGH SCHOOL EXTRA BIBLE STUDY for high school students meets 8:00-8:45 immediately following epic. All high school students are encouraged to become a part of this small group environment. 9th/10th graders meet in The Attic. 11th/12th graders meet in the High School Room.



THANK YOU to everyone for supporting our pumpkin patch!



St. Mark gratefully acknowledges the following gifts:

- To *The Organ Fund* in loving honor of **Megan, Kynslea, Rhianna, and Eric Philcox** by Mr. and Mrs. John Philcox.
- To *The Good Samaritan Fund* in loving memory of **Nora Price** by The Covenant Sunday School Class.
- To *The Master's Plan Fund* in loving memory of **Jean Burch** by The Charles Poore Sunday School Class; Jim Conley; Mr. and Mrs. Rick Henderson; Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Wade; William Moore; Jean Bedenbaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nechtmann; Jean Hyder.



Young at Heart News

The Young at Heart will meet Wednesday, Nov. 8th at 12:00 PM in Founders Hall at the Bypass Campus. Our program will be a challenging game of Team Trivia. This is a pot luck luncheon - bring a casserole, side dish or dessert to share. Everyone is welcome.

Looking for a way to get involved in your church?

St. Mark can always use more "servants" to help with our worship services. Each Sunday we use servants to serve as nursery monitors, children's church leaders, greeters, ushers, lay readers, crucifer and acolyte supervisors, sound technicians, and more. Contact Paige (864.229.5416 or office@stmarkgreenwood.com) in the church office if you would like to help.



Order Your Pecans for Baking Now

Straight from the trees and already shelled.

\$10/lb.

Arrive just before Thanksgiving.
 Contact Debra Robinson at church to place order.

Mission fundraiser sponsored by Austin Friendship Group

“Mondays” with Pastor Steve

We are a big church with lots of people to get to know. Pastor Steve wants to get to know us better as quickly as he can. And some of us want to get to know him, too. Starting in November he has arranged his schedule so he can meet twenty people or so at a time in conversation groups where you can ask him questions, share what’s on your mind, and/or hear his thoughts on St. Mark UMC. We know twenty is not a lot of people but if there are too many, then your voice cannot be heard - and that’s important to Pastor Steve.

The meetings will be scheduled through December. If there is continued interest, he will schedule these meetings into next year. Obviously, this will take some time but now that he has gotten settled there is no time like the present to get started. The meetings are based on an hour-and-a half schedule but you can leave at any time. There are afternoon and evening times based on the following schedule. To sign up for “Mondays with Pastor Steve” call Debra at the church office 864.229.5416 and let her know what session you would like to attend.

November 6th
2:00 - 3:30 PM (Session 1)
6:30 - 8:00 PM (Session 2)

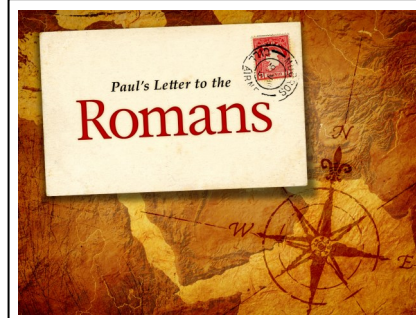
November 13th
2:00 - 3:30 PM (Session 3)
6:30 - 8:00 PM (Session 4)

November 27th
2:00 - 3:30 PM (Session 5)
6:30 - 8:00 PM (Session 6)

December 4th
2:00 - 3:30 PM (Session 7)
6:30 - 8:00 PM (Session 8)

December 11th
2:00 - 3:30 PM (Session 9)
6:30 - 8:00 PM (Session 10)

December 18th
2:00 - 3:30 PM (Session 11)
6:30 - 8:00 PM (Session 12)



pm at the Rivers Street Campus in the Conference Room. All men are invited to attend.

Men’s Wednesday Night Bible Study is currently studying the book of Romans. This group of men meets every Wednesday, at 6:30

WORSHIP NOTES FOR NOVEMBER

Worship is always a celebration at St. Mark. We are blessed with three campuses, four services, and three pastors. The following is the schedule for the month of October.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH - All Saints Sunday
Pastor Steve Brown is preaching at the 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM worship services.
Pastor John Elmore is preaching at the 10:00 AM and 11:15 AM worship services.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH - Communion Sunday
Pastor Andrew is preaching at the 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM worship services.
Pastor John Elmore is preaching at the 10:00 AM and 11:15 AM worship services.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH
Pastor John Elmore is preaching at the 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM worship services.
Pastor Steve Brown is preaching at the 10:00 AM and 11:15 AM worship services.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH
Sermon Theme: Thanksgiving
Pastor Steve Brown is preaching at the 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM worship services.
Pastor John Elmore is preaching at the 10:00 AM and 11:15 AM worship services.



MULLIGANS FORE MISSIONS **MONDAY NOVEMBER 6**
SPONSORED BY THE WESLEY CLASS OF ST. MARK UMC

THE LINKS AT STONEY POINT
REGISTRATION AT 12:15PM, TEE OFF AT 1PM
\$100 PER PLAYER/\$400 PER TEAM, INCLUDES CART
COMPLETE PROGRAM OF SPECIAL EVENTS INCLUDING:
\$10 FOOD/ BEVERAGE CERTIFICATE, GOODIE BAG, DOOR PRIZES
PRIZES FOR CLOSEST TO PIN, LONGEST DRIVE, STRAIGHTEST DRIVE
PLUS A 6PM DINNER WILL FOLLOW THE TOURNAMENT
TO HELP IN PLANNING, PLEASE PRE-REGISTER BY CONTACTING
ST. MARK UMC AT 864-229-5416 OR OFFICE@STMARKGREENWOOD.COM
SEVERAL SPONSORSHIP LEVELS ARE AVAILABLE

ALL PROCEEDS TO GO TOWARDS ST. MARK UMC MISSIONS

St. Mark UMC Charge Conference on Monday, November 20th

On Monday, November 20, at 7:00 PM in Founders Hall on the Bypass Campus, we will be holding our annual Charge Conference. This meeting of our Church Council will be presided over by our Greenwood District Superintendent Reverend Doctor Stephen Love. This meeting is open to all persons to attend but you must be an official member of the Charge Conference to have voice and vote. The work of the Charge Conference is to act on items of business that are part of the life of St. Mark UMC but have ties to the work of the South Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. It is part of the connectional life of our United Methodist churches that Charge Conferences are held. If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to call Pastor Steve at the church office (864) 229-5416.

Do you sing or play an instrument? Are you interested in using that talent to worship? The Blended and Contemporary services at our Rivers Street Campus and Coronaca Campus are looking for additional volunteers. Please contact our Contemporary Services Worship Leader, Kenny Price, at kenny@stmarkgreenwood.com if interested.

November 5th is All Saints Sunday, we will remember our saints from November 1, 2016 to October, 31, 2017.

Niles Clark	February 12, 2017
Floy Brooks	June 19, 2017
Jean Burch	October 10, 2017
Dan Gretta	October 23, 2017

ADVENT DECORATING
For those interested in helping decorate our Bypass Campus (BPC) or Rivers Street Campus (RSC) for Advent, please mark your calendars! RSC decorating will take place Sunday, Nov. 26th at 12:30 PM. Please contact Tammy Marshall at tmarshall29649@gmail.com, for more information about decorating RSC. BPC decorating will take place Sunday, Nov. 26th at 2:00 PM. Please contact Tracey Burke at tltb70@yahoo.com for more information about decorating the BPC. Thank you in advance for giving of your time to prepare our worship areas for the coming of the King!

November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Worship Services are: Sanctuary: 8:45 am & 11:00 am Blended: 10:00 am Contemporary: 11:15 am Sunday School 10:00 am</p>	<p>Church office hours are: Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm</p>		<p>1 6:30 Men's Discipleship Study 10:00 Fit 4 Ever Exercise Class 4:00 Pastors Meeting 6:00 Women's Bible Study 6:30 Contemporary Band Rehearsal 6:30 Chancel Choir Practice 6:30 Men's Bible Study</p>	<p>2 9:00 MOPS 4:30 Founders Hall in use 5:30 Westside AA 6:00 Hispanic Bible Study 6:00 MOPS</p>	<p>3 10:00 Fit 4 Ever Exercise Class</p>	<p>4 9:00 Picnic Shelter in use</p>
<p>5 All Saints Sunday 12:30 Fellowship Lunch 3:00 Hispanic Worship Service 5:00 KREW 6:30 EPIC 8:00 HSX</p>	<p>6 10:00 Fit 4 Ever Exercise Class 5:30 Westside AA 6:30 Cub Scouts</p>	<p>7 9:00 Women's Bible Study 2:00 Good News Club 5:00 Puppet Theater in use 6:00 Women's AA</p>	<p>8 6:30 Men's Discipleship Study 10:00 Fit 4 Ever Exercise Class 12:00 Young at Heart 4:00 Pastors Meeting 6:00 Women's Bible Study 6:30 Contemporary Band Rehearsal 6:30 Chancel Choir Practice 6:30 Men's Bible Study</p>	<p>9 5:30 Westside AA 5:30 Christmas Pageant Audition 6:00 Hispanic Bible Study 6:00 Founders Hall in use</p>	<p>10 10:00 Fit 4 Ever Exercise Class 5:00 Founders Hall in use</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12 3:00 Hispanic Worship Service 4:00 Worship Committee Meeting 5:00 KREW 6:30 EPIC 8:00 HSX</p>	<p>13 10:00 Fit 4 Ever Exercise Class 5:30 Westside AA 6:00 Davis Circle 6:30 Cub Scouts</p>	<p>14 9:00 Women's Bible Study 6:00 Parkinson's Support Group 6:00 Women's AA</p>	<p>15 6:30 Men's Discipleship Study 10:00 Fit 4 Ever Exercise Class 12:00 Founders Hall in use 4:00 Pastors Meeting 6:30 Contemporary Band Rehearsal 6:30 Chancel Choir Practice 6:30 Men's Bible Study 6:30 Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>16 9:00 MOPS 5:30 Westside AA 6:00 Hispanic Bible Study 6:00 MOPS</p>	<p>17 6:30 Men's Monthly Prayer Breakfast 10:00 Fit 4 Ever Exercise Class</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19 3:00 Hispanic Worship Service 3:00 Sending Forth Committee Meeting 4:00 Founders Hall in use 4:00 Christmas Pageant Rehearsal 6:30 EPIC 8:00 HSX</p>	<p>20 10:00 Fit 4 Ever Exercise Class 4:00 Wayne Goff Hall in use 5:30 Westside AA 6:15 Instruct Committee Meeting 6:30 Cub Scouts 7:00 Charge Conference</p>	<p>21 Information for the newsletter is due to the church office 9:00 Women's Bible Study 6:00 Women's AA</p>	<p>22 6:30 Men's Discipleship Study 10:00 Fit 4 Ever Exercise Class 4:00 Pastors Meeting 6:30 Contemporary Band Rehearsal 6:30 Men's Bible Study 6:30 Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>23 Church Office in Closed 12:00 Founders Hall in use 5:30 Westside AA</p>	<p>24 Church Office is Closed 10:00 Fit 4 Ever Exercise Class</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26 12:30 Decorating RSC 2:00 Decorating BPC 3:00 Hispanic Worship Service</p>	<p>27 10:00 Fit 4 Ever Exercise Class 5:15 Christmas Pageant Rehearsal 5:30 Westside AA 6:30 Cub Scouts</p>	<p>28 9:00 Women's Bible Study 6:00 Women's AA</p>	<p>29 6:30 Men's Discipleship Study 10:00 Fit 4 Ever Exercise Class 4:00 Pastors Meeting 6:30 Contemporary Band Rehearsal 6:30 Chancel Choir Practice 6:30 Men's Bible Study 6:30 Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>30 9:00 Newsletter Labeling 5:15 Christmas Pageant Rehearsal 5:30 Westside AA 6:00 Hispanic Bible Study</p>		