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WHO PRAYED
FAITHFULLY
FOR HIS CHILDREN



Sunday, June 15, 2025
Trinity Sunday and Father's Day
St. Mark's & St. James United Church of Christ
Rev. Dr. Patrick Schultz
Kathy Jurk/Randy Sohn, Organist
Lori Roelse, Reader

Our Mission is to help others deepen their relationship with God, become faithful followers of Christ, and to share the message of Christ's love with others.

Meditative Music

Bells Ring

Prelude Gathering for Worship:

St. Mark's: *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty*

Call to Worship:

God whose love is pouring over us, welcomes us here today.

Praise be to God!

God whose healing power is ready to bind up our wounds, welcomes us here today.

Praise be to God!

God whose transforming presence offers us hope and peace, welcomes us here today.

Praise be to God who loves, heals and restores us.

O God, you so loved the world as to give your only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. Grant to us the precious gift of faith, that we may know that the Son of God is come, and may have power to overcome the world and gain a blessed immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn:

St. Mark's (#48)

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. James (#65)

This is my Father's World

Affirming Our Faith Together: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord:

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary: Suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead and buried:

He descended into hell: The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty: From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead:

I believe in the Holy Spirit: The One Holy Universal Christian Church: the communion of saints: The forgiveness of sins: The resurrection of the body: And the life everlasting. Amen.



Young at Heart:

Prayer of Confession:

Merciful Lord, you know that we are stubborn and willful. We believe that we know the right way to do everything and to heal all the troubles of the world. We resort to extraordinary means to provide healing only to find that we have not placed our trust in your redeeming love. Our efforts fall far short of the goal of reconciliation.

Forgive us our stubbornness and arrogance. Heal our wounded souls and restore hope and compassion to our relationships with you and with each other. Lift us up and cause us to serve you by serving others in this world.

We lift the complexity and harmony of life to your heart and trust that you hear and hold us as we pray in shared silence:

A Moment of Silence:

Words of Assurance:

God's love and restoring mercy are poured out for us. Receive these blessings, for we are loved by God and granted forgiveness and mercy. *Amen.*

Hymn:

St. Mark's (#72)

St. James (#80)

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Scripture Reading:

Job 1:1-5 ESV

There was a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job, and that man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil. There were born to him seven sons and three daughters. He possessed 7,000 sheep, 3,000 camels, 500 yoke of oxen, and 500 female donkeys, and very many servants, so that this man was the greatest of all the people of the east. His sons used to go and hold a feast in the house of each one on his day, and they would send and invite their three sisters to eat and drink with them. And when the days of the feast had run their course, Job would send and consecrate them, and he would rise early in the morning and offer burnt offerings according to the number of them all. For Job said, "It may be that my children have sinned, and cursed God in their hearts." Thus Job did continually.

Message:

For Strength, For Courage, For Wisdom

Dr. Patrick Schultz

People's Prayer:

Patient God, we want to have things go well and to have everyone be happy and content, but all too often we stand in the way of peace and hope. We recognize that life is not a fantasy in which everything turns out just right. We know that there is strife and struggles and we stand in the midst of them. Our hearts and spirits carry the scars of the struggles and disappointments we have borne. Today we come to seek restoration, reconciliation, and relationship with you and with others. We want to overcome the barriers which prevent us from being people of compassion and hope. There is so much that needs to be done to aid in the cause of your peace and justice. Help us to become peacemakers and those who would bring hope. Give us courage to become disciples who follow your will and your way. For we ask this in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. *Amen.*

Offering:

Offering, tithes and gifts can be made before or after worship in the offering baskets/plates at the welcome area of the church. St. James is also set up to take on-line offerings through the website (stmarksstjamesucc.org).

Offertory Music:

St. Mark's: *Jesus, Lead Thou On*

~ *The offering is brought to the altar* ~

Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above ye, heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving:

Majestic and holy God, Creator of all that is seen and unseen, we bring these gifts in awe of Your glory revealed in the heavens and here among us. As we offer these gifts, may they reflect your wisdom and share your love, building a world that proclaims your majesty. Through your Spirit, pour your grace into our lives, that our service may mirror the love You have shown us in Christ, lifting our voices with creation to declare, *"How majestic is Your name in all the earth!"* In the name of the Holy Trinity, we pray. *Amen.*

Hymn:

St. Mark's (#342)

Rejoice, the Lord is King

St. James (#474)

I've Found a Friend

Benediction:

Having been healed and made whole by God's love, now go out into God's world to be a healer and one who brings peace and hope to others. Know always that God is with you. Go now, in peace, to love and serve our Lord in all that we do, all that we are, and all that we will be. *Amen.*

Postlude:

St. Mark's: *Hymn To The Trinity*



Our Church Celebrations!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK TO:

*June 15 – David Krause, Finley Uttech
16 – Steve Gabsch, David Gumm, Austin Emre Nye
17 – Kathleen Hickman, Bruce Mansker
18 – Mike Marcheske
20 – David Lorfeld*

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

*June 15 – Lee & Nancy Sixel
21 – Mike & Roxi Bernhardt
29 – Daniel & Katie Kleinhans*

St. Mark's:  *Remembering Karen Binversie* 

*The altar flowers are shared and bulletin has been sponsored
in loving memory of Karen Binversie, who entered eternal life on June 13th, 2024,
by Dick, Todd & Jody Binversie and Family, Tammie Greene and Family.*

TODAY - YOUTH VOLLEYBALL - The first week's games begin at 6:30pm and will be played at St. James UCC against Immanuel/Bethel. Next week Sunday the game is Bethlehem.

SEASON 5 OF THE CHOSEN has been released!

Episodes 1&2 can be viewed on YouTube tonight, Episodes 3 & 4 on June 22nd, and Episodes 5 & 6 on June 29th. After the initial showing, they can be watched anytime on YouTube.

ST. JAMES – Looking for help.... 8:00am Saturday, June 28 a deep cleaning of the church kitchen will take place. We need people willing to volunteer their time for this endeavor.

VBS - The areas where we need help this summer for Vacation Bible School are: setting up, daily snacks, treats, beverages, crafts, music, storytelling and assisting for the day. Contact the office, stmstjoffice@gmail.com or 920-693-8361 if you are able to lend a hand.

GENERATIONS BROUGHT TOGETHER BY

FESTIVE SUNDAY

SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2025

JOIN ST. JAMES & ST. MARKS FOR A SUNDAY
FILLED WITH FAMILY, FOOD, AND MUSIC

OUTDOOR
SERVICE
BY PASTOR
SCHULTZ
STARTS 11:00

POTLUCK
& SOCIAL
STARTS
12:00

VARIETY OF
MUSIC BY
2/5'S
PARTY BAND
STARTS
12:30

WHERE : SPRING HOPE BARN 11424 SPRING LAKE RD

How do I sign up?
Check out events at
www.springhopebarn.com

**SAVE THE DATE
FOR THESE TWO
SPECIAL EVENTS!**

SAVE THE DATE!

St. Mark's & St. James invite you to a

JOINT FAMILY PICNIC DAY!

Sunday, September 7, 2025 (rain or shine)

Held at St. Mark's UCC, W1307 Orchard Rd, Cleveland

10:30 JOINT WORSHIP

followed by LUNCH & GAMES

(no service at St. James)

Hamburgers and Hot Dogs (donations appreciated)

GAMES FOR ALL AGES

Bingo Yard Games Croquet Fish Pond
Pick-a-Duck Corn Hole Ring Toss Balloon Dart
Ladder Golf Dunk the Pastor (*fee per ball*)And More!

*When the event draws nearer, we will be asking for donations of prizes,
as well as the use of yard games and canopies.*

Ways You Can Get Involved...

ALTAR FLOWERS: Would you like to remember someone, or an anniversary or event? Please consider altar flowers for a Sunday morning service. Let our office know who/what they are for and we will include that in the bulletin.

BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP: Would you like to sponsor bulletins for a Sunday morning service this summer? Please contact the office to sponsor \$20. Keep this in mind as a special way to honor or memorialize a special person or event in your life.

SPECIAL MUSIC: As we enter our summer months we are looking for those who would like to share their gift of music during a Sunday morning service. Play an instrument or sing a song - or both! Please contact our office or organists (Kathy Jurk, Cindy Sohn) to let us know of your interest.

READERS: Would you like to read the biblical text or a particular part of worship on a Sunday morning? This summer is a great time to do so. Please contact Pastor Patrick with your interest.

COME & JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS!

St. James UCC

1st & 3rd Sundays..... 10:30 a.m.

2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays..... 9:00 a.m.


St. Mark's UCC

1st & 3rd Sundays..... 9:00 a.m.

2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays..... 10:30 a.m.

Services are recorded and available on our church YouTube channel:

St. Mark's & St. James UCC

Like us on Facebook  Check out our Website: www.stmarksstjamesucc.org

Join our prayer team; contact Karen in our Church office: stmstjoffice@gmail.com



**St. James, St. Mark's and Bethlehem UCC's
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2025**

Held at St. Mark's UCC

W1307 Orchard Road, Cleveland, WI 53015

August 12,13,14 ~ 9:00am – 12:00noon

For children entering first through sixth grades

FREE, No Charge!

Theme: An Epic Australian Adventure

An Unforgettable Journey with Jesus

For registration form visit:

<https://stmarksstjamesucc.org/>

Or call the church office: 920.693.8361