

# Messenger

### St. Mark's United Methodist Church

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#### **Regular Weekly Activities:**

- † Children's Church, Sunday, June 9 @ 10:45 am
- † Praise & Bible Study, Wednesday, June 12 @ 6 pm
- † Children's Sermon, Sunday, June 16 @ 10:45 am
- † Praise,Bible Study,Potluck Wednesday, June 19 @ 6 pm
- † Children's Church, Sunday, June 23 @ 10:45 am
- † Praise & Bible Study, Wednesday, June 26 @ 6 pm
- † Children's Church, Sunday, June 30 @ 10:45 am

## HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

June 16, 2019

Let the fathers and the father figures in your life know how much you love and appreciate them.

Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord and who has made the LORD his hope and confidence Jeremiah 17:7

Dad In your eyes
I've seen God's love
In your words
I've heard this wisdom
Through your life
I've found this grace

Ushers, Flowers, Liturgists

Calendar (June)

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Stewardship - Finance

Pastor's Message

Children, Graduates 2019

Notes & Notices, Potluck

Prayers & Praise

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SUNDAY SCHOOL	4/28/2019	5/5/2019	5/12/2019	5/19/2019
Youth	3	3	3	4
Adults	16	15	14	15
Total SS	19	18	17	19
WORSHIP				
Sunday	59	57	55	55
Wednesday Night	8	9	9	



Kathy Jack
Sue Horner
Susan Philbin
Sharon Somerville



#### **Altar Flower Calendar**

June 9 - 1 Opening June 30 - 1 Opening



June 9 - Lillian Herrera June 23 - Samantha Alvarez June 30 - Samantha Alvarez



June 2 - Joanne Green

June 9 - Dorothy Mace

June 16 - Melinda Molina

June 23 - Susan Philbin

June 30 - Cynthia Ramirez



#### 9:15 am > Every Sunday <

Class for all adults - Fellowship Hall / YAMS
Class for ladies - Sanctuary / LIBRARY



## With Your Help The United Methodist Church is Making a Difference

### LOCAL CHURCH RAISES \$2M TO FURTHER THE EDUCATION IN AFRICA

On November 14, 2018, members of staff, students and well- wishers from the Mutare community converged at the Africa University main campus for a dedication and ground breaking ceremony for the construction of the new women's hall of residence. The project came about through the incredible contribution of the Highland Park United Methodist Church, spear headed by Mrs. Lisa Tichenor who raised a total of \$2 million dollars for the construction of the residence and a new student union building for the students of Africa University. The impetus behind these projects in particular originates from a desire to enhance the vision of the institution to reach worldclass status and to also provide the best possible student experience for learners.

Your support of the <u>Africa University Fund</u> apportionment supports the general operating expenses of Africa University including faculty and staff salaries and vital infrastructure.

Professor Munashe Furusa, the Vice Chancellor of Africa University said of the love gift and ground breaking, "Africa University is God's project and he remains faithful to us as a university through blessing us with friends and partners like Highland Park." He edified these sentiments with a reading from the scriptures of Psalms 127:1 saying, "Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it". Our works are not in vain as all we do

is possible only through God and constant faith in his word."

The university Chaplain Reverend Dr. Phillimon Chikafu led the crowd present in the dedication prayer and shared the sentiments of the Vice Chancellor saying, "At a time such as this, that we are able to embark on this project is God's blessing and may He continue His great works in this place."

Also dedicated on the day were two vehicles, a Nissan Tiida Latio and a Nissan Sunny for the day to day operations within the university donated by Dr. Ken Yamada of South Korea, who has left an extensive and rich legacy of giving to Africa University and numerous causes across the world. A number of buildings and structures across the university campus are a result of his contributions and tireless work including the Information and Communication Technology Building, the Agriculture building, the Jokomo Yamada Library, which is co-named in his honour, as well as the Africa University Maputo Satellite Campus.

One of seven apportioned giving opportunities of The United Methodist Church, the <u>Africa University Fund</u> transforms Africa by educating and empowering students from across the continent through Africa University, the first fully accredited, United Methodist-related

educational institution on the continent. The Africa University Fund supports the general operating expenses of Africa University including faculty and staff salaries and vital infrastructure. <a href="https://www.umcgiving.org">www.umcgiving.org</a>



**Apportionments** 

#### ST. MARK'S FINANCIAL OVERVIEW FOR MONTH OF APRIL - 2019

Operating Cash Balance on March 31, 2019	963
Non-Designated Contributions - April	15,311
Operating Expenses	16,732
Other Income/(Expense)	250
Operating Cash Balance on April 30, 2019	( 208 )

All expenses categories were lower than budgeted with the exception of Pastor compensation (due to a payroll error, which will be corrected in May). There was no apportionment payment made in April. Our operating cash balance on April 30, 2019 was a negative \$208.

The Finance Committee thanks you for your continued financial support to St. Mark's. The cost to maintain our church property doesn't get any lower and we have done everything we can to reduce spending. Your financial support is critical. Thank you. God bless you all.

## From Rev. Maria Soto's Desk

June 2019

<sup>5</sup> May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, <sup>6</sup> so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup> Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.

#### **ROMANS 15:5-7**

The Apostle prays that along with the spirit of steadfast endurance God will also give them that spirit of unanimity. Paul wishes here that the minds of his readers—their moral judgment and temper—may all be determined by Jesus Christ.

The Scriptures are written for our use and benefit, as much as for those to whom they were first given. That comfort which springs from the word of God, is the surest and sweetest, and the greatest stay to hope. This like-mindedness must be according to the precept of Christ, according to his pattern and example. It is the gift of God; and a precious gift it is, for which we must earnestly seek unto him.

Our Divine Master invites his disciples, and encourages them by showing himself as meek and lowly in spirit. The same disposition ought to mark the conduct of his servants, especially of the strong towards the weak. The great end in all our actions must be, that God may be glorified; nothing more forwards this, than the mutual love and kindness of those who profess religion. Those that agree in Christ may well agree among themselves. Peace to you.

Rev. Maria R. Soto This Bible commentary was taken Bible Hub



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### June 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 AM Choir Practice 6:00 PM UPC Worship (FH)	10:00 AM Exercise (FH) 1:00 PM MS Yoga (FH) 7:00 PM Boy & Cub Scouts (SH)	6:30 AM ROMEO's 10:00 AM Exercise (FH) 6:00 PM Kairos Torres Council (FH)	1:00 PM Food Pantry (FH) Annual Conference (Corpus Christi)	10:00 AM Exercise (FH) 7:30 PM UPC Prayer (FH) Annual Conference (CCh)	Annual Conference (CCh) Office Closed	8:00 AM Saturday Morning Reunion Annual Conference (CCh)
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#### "LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME"

Children at St. Mark's UMC are very much a part of our worshiping community. Here are opportunities for age-appropriate worship, Bible lessons, activities, praise music, and fun!



<u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u> on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of each month at 10:45 a.m. for elementary aged children.

<u>CHILDREN'S MESSAGE</u> on the 3rd Sunday of each month during Sunday worship. All children are invited to the front of the sanctuary to join Pastor Soto for a brief sermon, keeping our younger worshipers in mind.





#### **Stephanie Bercegeay**

Graduated from UT Health Science Center BSN in Nursing



#### **Kaeleigh Horner**

Graduated from Abilene Christian University

Degree in Kinesiology



#### Carl Swatzell

Graduated from Texas A&M Returns in the fall for his Masters Program

Bravo and Congratulations on your outstanding achievement! After years of hard work, dedication, discipline, and prayer you have made your dream come true. Many good wishes to you on achieving this milestone. We are so very proud of you and all your success!

May God bless you in all your future endeavors.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you Hope and a Future"

Jeremiah 29:11

## NOTES AND NOTICES

# Don't forget our Food Pantry!

- ♥ Rice, Beans,
- ♥ Spaghetti, Pasta Sauce
- ▼ Macaroni & Cheese
- ♥ Cans of Tuna, Chicken, Spam
- ▼ Cans of Fruit
- Boxes or bags of Cereal
- ♥ Cans of Soup, Stew, Chili...
- ♥ Instant Mashed Potatoes
- ♥ Canned Vegetables
- ♥ Cooking Oil

Noisy Offering the last Sunday of every month!





#### **REPORT FOR APRIL 2019**

Number of guests served = 34

Number of guests served for the first time = 10

Total family members served = 102

Pounds of food donated by congregation = 62

Noisy Offering donations by congregation = \$232.96

Amount spent for additional food purchases = \$280.63

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR NEIGHBORS!



The church office will be open Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. beginning June 10 through August 22, 2019.

This will not affect the Exercise Class schedule. They will continue to meet Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Enjoy your summer!



Mark your calendar and make plans to join us. **Sunday, June 30** after morning worship. Contact Susan Philbin for more information.



Do you have a favorite hymn or song of praise? During Sunday worship in July we will be singing some of our favorites. More information to follow soon.

### PRAYERS & PRAISE



**Bob Ailerson** Michael Mendoza Zach Wilke Jill Anderson Eric Miletti Robert Corpus Kennedee Bailey Will Schuetze All students & school Kylee Brown staff Warren Dunetz **Bucky Coley** Stephanie Bercegeay Esdras Cuervo Mona Rosfeld Kaeleigh Horner Sylvia Gonzales **Preston Schmidt** Carl Swatzell Alice Logan Samantha and Henry



June 10 Dallas Horner June 11 Robert Mace June 12 Joanne Green June 15 Rosa Rodriguez June 18 Laylah Cruz June 19 Mary Norman Helen Smith June 20 EvelynRodriguez June 26 Braden Somerville June 30 Mario Mercado

May the same God who spoke the universe into being speak to your heart today, inspiring you to live another year in His grace and love, enjoying His bountiful promises.



June 11
Lynn & June Swatzell
June 14
Ron & Imogene Brown
June 22
Jacob & Katie Wilke