

welcome

sunday worship

Please join us Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. for the Traditional service and at 11:00 a.m. for *The Current*. You can either join us in person at St. Mark's or view from our website or Facebook page anytime, Visit stmarkscarmel.org/connected.

sunday small groups

Adults

Learn more about Sunday classes and small groups on the Welcome Center screen, on the GROW Connection Tables and at stmarkscarmel.org/studygroups. All are welcome to an informal, drop-in gathering called "The Living Room," meeting in our brand new, permanent space in Room N (past Cornerstone Commons).

Kidz Church: (Check-in station & classes located in the Children's Wing.)

Nursery & Toddler Care
9:00, 10:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Staffed by trained & experienced leaders, our nursery & toddler areas are here to care for our littlest members.

Kidz Church: 9:00 a.m.
Ages 4 - Grade 2, Lower Level
(Children in grades 3 and up are encouraged to remain in worship).

This program opens with worship arts, followed by a rotational style class. Each week includes a variety of fun activity stations like music, drama, Bible stories, crafts and more.

Kidz Church: 10:00 a.m.

Ages 4 - Grade 5, Lower Level

This program opens with music and worship arts, followed by a grade-specific education hour that divides children into the following groups: Preschool (4+) - Grade 1; Grades 2 & 3; Grades 4 & 5. Classes include Bible stories, games, and engaging activities that help children relate God's word to their everyday lives.

Kidz Music & Praise: 11:00 a.m.
Ages 4 - Grade 5, Upper Level

This high energy program is an immersive experience that offers children the opportunity to explore the weekly bible story through singing, movement, instruments, drama, puppets, and more! This class also rehearses for seasonal musicals and shares their talents in worship services, programs, and special events.

Children's Worship Activities

Worship activities for children are available behind the sanctuary! There are shelves with items for children 3+ and Worship Bags for 6+. Please return all materials at the end of the service so they are available for others.

Youth:
10:00 a.m., Youth Wing
Grades 6-12

This program will start in Room M with a fun activity and announcements, then we will break into middle and high school groups as we dive into God's Word, build lasting friendships, and grow in our faith together.

circle of caring

Please join us in praying for the following individuals this week: Doris Carlow, Phyllis Delp, and Mary Ellen Juratic.

sunday flowers

Flowers this week are given by Michelle Hamamouche in memory of Sandra Corya.

February mission focus

Midwest Mission Distribution Center

Midwest Mission Distribution Center, a ministry of the United Methodist Church, provides basic resources around the world and around the corner to create hope and empowerment for those in need. MMDC focuses on four main areas: health, education, microbusiness, and disaster relief. Since opening for ministry in 2000, they have been showing God's love in practical ways. Midwest Mission transforms the resources of God's people into humanitarian relief, powered by your prayers and contributions, and connecting with local aid organizations. They are one of eight cooperating depots with UMCOR, distributing UMCOR supplies to US disasters. Shipments over the past year have sent urgently needed relief supplies such as rice meals, birthing and student kits, personal hygiene essentials, furniture, water tanks and more. St. Mark's will partner again with MMDC for a Rice Meal Food Pack on March 22nd. All meals go to non-profits internationally. Financial donations can be made online at stmarkscarmel.org/give.

THE Current

February 15, 2026

11:00 a.m.

Transfiguration Sunday

THE Current

Welcome & Announcements Pastor Nathan Whybrew
(Find this week's announcement slides at stmarkscarmel.org/announcements).

Worship in Song *In Christ Alone* by Getty & Townend

Opening Prayer Scott Melvin

Worship in Song *My Lighthouse* by Gilkeson & Llewellyn

Kidz Chat

Passing the Peace

Worship in Song *More Like Jesus* by B. Ligertwood, S. Ligertwood, Younker, & Stanfill

Message *Roots: Personal & Social Holiness* Pastor Nathan Whybrew
Missional Connection
Micah 6: 6-8

Prayers & Offerings *For The One* by Johnson & McClure

God, open doors to reveal new hopes and dreams for St. Mark's and in our own lives. Give us the courage to follow where You lead. Amen.

(Tithes and offerings may be placed in the baskets at the entrance of the sanctuary or given online using the QR code inside the bulletin or at www.stmarkscarmel.org/give. May God add God's blessings to our gifts today and always.)

Sending *Chain Breaker* by Smith, Fieldes, & Williams

Blessing

Rev. Nathan E. Whybrew & Rev. Karla J. Elliott / Pastors
Scott Melvin / Worship Leader

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ST. MARK'S IS A COMMUNITY OF FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST THAT STRIVES TO **WELCOME** ALL PEOPLE, **GROW** IN KNOWLEDGE AND GRACE, AND **SERVE** OUR NEIGHBORS, LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY.

February 15, 2026

9:00 a.m.

Transfiguration Sunday

order of worship

*Please Stand As You Are Able

Prelude *Early Winter* by Penny Rodriguez
Jill Hackett

Introit *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* by Helen Lemmel
St. Mark's Chancel Choir

Welcome & Announcements Pastor Nathan Whybrew
(Please fill out the attendance pad at the end of the pew or register your attendance at stmarkscarmel.org/attend. Observe who is sitting near you and greet them after the service).

*Call to Worship

Leader: We love because God loves us first,
People: but we don't do this work alone.
Leader: God calls us:
People: to work together, to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God.
Leader: Our actions speak louder than our words.
People: So, let us work together to change the world!

***Opening Hymn** *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Hymnal No. 400

***Opening Prayer** Todd Snow

Let us pray:
Holy God, thank you for accepting us as we are but not leaving us where we are. Thank you for your grace that shapes us to be more like your son, Jesus Christ. He dedicated himself to prayer and studying scripture, always putting his relationship with you first. He dedicated himself to caring for people, especially the sick, poor, and marginalized, knowing that to love you is to love them. Help us to do the same. In this time of worship, fill us up and equip us to be your loving presence with and for the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***Passing God's Peace**
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Kidz Chat

Scripture Lesson *Micah 6: 6-8* OT 866
This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem *Be Still* arr. Mary McDonald
St. Mark's Chancel Choir

Breakthrough Prayer
God, open doors to reveal new hopes and dreams for St. Mark's and in our own lives. Give us the courage to follow where You lead. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer
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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings (*Offering envelopes may be found in sign-in folder.*)

Prayer of Dedication
Offertory *This is My Father's World* arr. Penny Rodriguez

***Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* Hymnal No. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Sermon *Roots: Personal & Social Holiness* Pastor Nathan Whybrew
Missional Connection

***Hymn** *Pass It On* Hymnal No. 572

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *O God Our Help in Ages Past* arr. Lloyd Larson

Community

To learn about other ways we connect and grow in community at St. Mark's, visit our website at <https://stmarkscarmel.org/events>.

Lent/Ash Wednesday
Wednesday, February 18 | 7:00 p.m.
Join us for our Ash Wednesday service as we begin the season of Lent with prayer, reflection and the imposition of ashes. This sacred time invites us to turn our hearts toward God and embrace renewal. All are welcome to come and worship with us! Find out more at stmarkscarmel.org/lent.

Chili Cookoff
Sunday, March 1 | 5:00 p.m.
The annual chili cookoff will be held on Sunday, March 1st in Wesley Hall. This delicious shindig will include prizes, child-friendly fare, and fun activities for kids of all ages! Sign up online at stmarkscarmel.org/chili.

St. Mark's Talent Show
Sunday, February 22 | 2:00 p.m.
St. Mark's is truly blessed to have so many talented congregants, and this is the perfect venue for them to showcase those talents! Please mark your calendars so you don't miss this unique event!

St. Mark's Shirt & Sweatshirt Sale
Show your St. Mark's spirit and help support our ministry! Cost is \$15 for t-shirts and \$25 for sweatshirts. All proceeds support St. Mark's missions. Shop from two available styles. Order yours now through February 22, 2026 by going online to stmarkscarmel.org/shirts or by stopping by the table in the Gathering Area. Items will be available for pick-up mid-March.

Grow
Communion Consideration Class
Thursday, February 26 | 6:00-7:00 p.m.
4th & 5th graders will bake bread with Pastor Nathan as they learn about the Lord's Supper. We will meet in the Lower Level (basement). Sign up at stmarkscarmel.org/events.

Faith in Film: Les Misérables
Friday, February 20 | 7:00 p.m.
Prepare for the upcoming Lenten Series on Les Misérables by taking a cinematic trip back to 18th-century France! The Fellowship Committee is sponsoring a presentation of the film based on the epic Broadway production. The 2012 film featuring Hugh Jackman and Russell Crowe will be shown in the sanctuary. The film is rated PG-13 and has mature themes. No childcare will be provided.

Lenten Devotionals
Pick up devotionals for adults and children from either the table near the Café or the shelves inside Door #2.

New Study Groups Beginning for Lent
See the Connection Tables for groups beginning new books Feb. 15-26th. Sign up there or at stmarkscarmel.org/studygroups.

Serve
In-Kind & Kidz Monthly Mission: HVAF of Indiana
During the month of February, we will be collecting items for Helping Veterans and Families (HVAF). HVAF is a nonprofit in Indianapolis that helps homeless veterans return to self-sufficiency. Your donation items may be dropped off at our donation bins inside Door #2, Monday through Friday, 9-4. Children of the church are encouraged to shop with their parents and to drop off their donations at check in for Kidz Church. Pick up a postcard in the Gathering Area for a list of needed items.

Rice Meal Food Pack
Sunday, February 22 | 2:00 p.m.
St. Mark's will partner again with Midwest Mission Distribution Center for a Rice Meal Food Pack. Mark your calendars now! Safety guidelines will be followed as we share a fun and family-friendly opportunity for anyone age 5 and older. Childcare is available with 72-hour advance notice. Sign up NOW at stmarkscarmel.org/signups.

Meals for Trinity Haven
St. Mark's is beginning a new ministry partnership with Trinity Haven, an organization that provides safe, affirming housing for LGBTQ+ youth experiencing housing instability. During March, St. Mark's will be providing weekly dinner for the residents of Trinity Haven each Thursday. Volunteers are needed to make dinner and to deliver the meals to the families. Please see how you can help by visiting stmarkscarmel.org/signups. For questions, contact Jeff or Kathy DeaKyne at 765-491-3749 or jkdeakyne@gmail.com.

this week at st. mark's

- Sunday, February 15**
- The Living Room Informal Gatherings (Room N), 10:00 a.m.
 - Messy Faith Life Group (Room G/H), 5:00 p.m.
 - Young Parents' Life Group (Room J/K), 5:00 p.m.
 - Disciple Fast Track Bible Study (The Living Room), 5:30 p.m.
 - AA (Room B/C), 8:00 p.m.

Monday, February 16

- No scheduled activities

Tuesday, February 17

- Men's Basketball (Wesley Hall), 7:00 p.m.
- The Page Turners (Room G/H), 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 18

- Men's Bible Study (Room B/C), 8:00 a.m.
- Pastors' Bible Study (Room B/C), 9:30 a.m.
- ROMEOs (Maple), 11:00 a.m.
- Al Anon (Room G/H), 11:30 a.m.
- Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary), 7:00 p.m.
- Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary), 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, February 19

- AA (Room G/H), 12:00 p.m.
- Current Rehearsal (Sanctuary), 6:00 p.m.
- Pickleball (Wesley Hall), 7:00 p.m.

Friday, February 20

- Fri AM Study (Room B/C), 9:30 a.m.
- Faith in Film: Les Misérables (Sanctuary), 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 21

- No scheduled activities

Sunday, February 22

- Parent Connection Brunch (Cornerstone Commons), 10:00 a.m.
- The Living Room Informal Gatherings (Room N), 10:00 a.m.
- Talent Show (Sanctuary), 2:00 p.m.
- Confirmation Learning Session (Room J/K), 4:00 p.m.
- Youth Group (Wesley Hall), 5:30 p.m.
- Disciple Fast Track Bible Study (The Living Room), 5:30 p.m.
- AA Meeting (Room B/C), 8:00 p.m.

attendance



ways to give



ways to serve



Sign up for these opportunities at stmarkscarmel.org/signups.
Donations can be left inside Door #2, M-F, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

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