

St. Mark's United Methodist Church



“Miracles Still Happen”

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Hearing Assistance
Available

8th Sunday after Pentecost

July 15, 2018 8:15 & 11 a.m. Worship Service

GATHERING..... Please take time to pray

WELCOME

▲ WE WELCOME ONE ANOTHER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE..... Dr. Bill Wharton
"Litany in C Major"Karg-Elert

▲ CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is in our midst.

We will sing and dance to God's glory.

Let heaven and earth rejoice this day.

Let all of creation sing God's praises.

The One who dwelt in the ark of the covenant is with us now.

Let us worship the Lord.

▲ THE OPENING PRAYER

▲ THE OPENING HYMN

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"page 110

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Canada)

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God: Who created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and

To serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

Amen.

▲ **THE GLORIA**page 70
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen**

PSALTER READING

Psalm 48 with response page 782

SPECIAL MUSIC.....*Scott Clausen*
“Morning Has Broken”page 145

PRAYER CONCERNS & CALL TO PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **AND ALSO WITH YOU.** Let us pray.

MORNING 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.**

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES.....*Dr. Wharton*
“Idyl in E Major”*Karg-Elert*

▲ **DOXOLOGY**... .. page 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!**

READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

1Kings 17:17-24... .. page 311
This is the Word of the Lord.. **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

MESSAGE *“Miracles Still Happen”*..... *Pastor Ed Kuhling*

▲ **HYMN – (Altar is open for Prayer)**
“Happy The Home When God is There”page 445

▲ **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *Dr. Wharton*
“*Now Thank We All Our God*” *Karg-Elert*

▲ Indicates Congregation standing as able.

“Have a Blessed Week & Say a Good Word for God!”

WELCOME TO ST. MARK’S! Before the service begins, you are invited to register your attendance (**please print**) in the attendance pad in the pew.
THE FLOWERS on the altar this morning are presented to the *Glory of God*, & in honor of our anniversary by Ray & Gini Appler.
THE NURSERY is located in Room 212 & is available for parents to attend to their child’s needs. The nursery is located in Room 212.

-Those Who Serve -

LAYREADER: Mike Butler. (8:15). Laura Sydnor. (11:00).
USHERS: Head Usher: ; Marie & Tom Davis.(8:15). Ushers: Ray Kraeer & Bob Thomas. (11:00).
GREETERS: Marie & Tom Davis. (8:15). Ray Kraeer & Bob Thomas. (11:00).
ALTAR GUILD: Marie & Wesley Jones.
CHURCH OPENING: Brad Watts. **CLOSING** Tommy Barwick.

-Announcements-

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:30 AM
Pairs & Spares meet in Conference Rm of Staff wing. The Koinonia Class meets in Meeting Rm. 155. Wesley-Yater meets in the Chapel.
PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES will not be available until early fall.
SAVE THE DATE VBS HELPING HANDS If you have a little extra time this week, why not help us with get ready for Vacation Bible School? Volunteers are needed to help with last minute tasks needed to make this event a success. Come by the church between 9:00am-3:00pm Monday-Thursday this week. We will be decorating the hallways & gathering area, organizing the craft supplies, making name badges, and completing any other small last minute small. This is a great opportunity for volunteers of all ages. Call Wendy Avey in the church office with any questions: (410) 822-0001 x305.

DECORATING THE SANCTUARY On Sunday, June 22nd at 3:00 pm, come help us turn our Sanctuary in to a Rolling River Campground. We need a lot of help setting up trees, tents & boats. We will also be creating a faux river waterfall for Vacation Bible School Rafters. We recommend wearing shorts & sneakers for this team building adventure. Call Wendy in the church office with any questions.

SUMMER READING Did you know that the UMW has a library located in the church office area which is available to everyone? Here are a few examples of what is available: Biographies- Sally Ride; King Peggy (an American who became King of an African community); Sum It Up (Pat Summit). Novels: The Well Women; Bus to Corinth. Youth workers/parents: Hollow Faith. Books for Children: Feathered: Christ Walk Kids. Social Issues: Detained and Deported: Grace and Grit; Not Just a Pretty Face: America's Original Sin; & many more books. There is no time limit but we do ask that you sign the card so we know the books are out.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP Vacation Bible Camp will be held during the evenings of July 23-27. Be sure to follow St. Mark's United Methodist Church's Facebook page for updates & registration is now available on the EVENTS page of the website. www.stmarkseaston.org/coming-events. For ages 3 to 12 years.

BUS MINISTRY HELP! We are currently putting together a schedule for volunteer drivers & Group Leaders (riding with the passengers to assist them when necessary) to pick up worshippers for the 11:00 service. The schedule will be for July, August, & September. If you have been through the driver training session, & are available to drive the bus or if you can be a leader please call Eric Steward (443) 786-4175 get dates to drive. Eric can also be reached by email at: esteward@geaston.net. Thank you all for your help!

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN is 1:00 p.m. every Wednesday!

UNITED METHODIST MEN If you are a man of faith and want to help us in our mission of serving Christ & others, we would love to have you join us. Send me an email to earecksonr@yahoo.com & I will put you on our United Methodist Men (UMM) email list. You don't have to attend our meetings to be involved. We are active & alive for Christ. Come & be a part of our group.

THE THRIFT SHOP 410-820-7106 The shop hours are Monday- 10:00am-12:30 pm, Thursday, Friday & Saturday 10:00am - 2:00pm. 410-820-7106. Thank you! Lee Royer 410-829-8189.

FOR MEMORIAL OR HONORARIUM monetary gifts please send to Karen Reed's attention. Please do not put in offering plate unless they are in regular envelope, marked with Karen's name. Letters are written to the family so they can be acknowledged.

WE ARE STILL COLLECTING the Box Tops for Education.

MR. FIX IT If you have nagging little things around the house that need fixing, why not call Mr. Fix-It who would be delighted to address your problem(s). Call the Church Office to arrange for this free service.

PRAYER IN THE CHAPEL meets weekly on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. please feel free to join us as we pray for various needs for the church, members & the local community. Please use the pew cards to submit requests for prayers.

PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY The Prayer Chain Ministry provides prayer support in crisis or emergencies for church members, loved ones & people in the community. Please call the church office 410/822-0001 & or Contact Sara Lou Casson 410/822-4872 or Betty Fleming 410/822-2216.

-This Week at St. Mark's-

Sunday, July 15, 2018

8:15 a.m. - Worship Service. Chapel.

9:45 a.m. - Park Service. Idlewild Park.

11:00 a.m. - Worship Service. Sanctuary.

12:30 p.m. - Scholarship Committee Meeting. Conference Rm.

Monday, July 16, 2018

12:00 p.m. - Thrift Shop Volunteer Lunch. Fellowship hall.

7:00 p.m. - Administrative Board Meeting. Conference Rm.

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

1:00 p.m. - Prayer Shawl Ministry. Meeting Rm. 155.

Sunday, July 22, 2018

8:15 a.m. - Worship Service. Chapel.

9:45 a.m. - Park Service. Idlewild Park.

11:00 a.m. - Worship Service. Sanctuary.

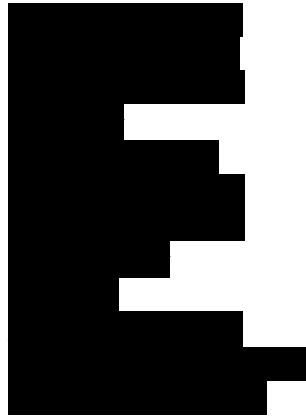
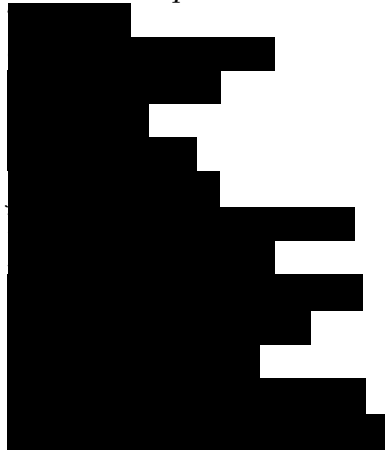
-Let Us Pray For-

Prayer Focus:

Farmers & Watermen.

While we all know that being admitted into the hospital can be a stressful time, please contact the

church office so that you can be visited. You are our family & are important to us! We would like your permission for your name to be listed if you are in the hospital.



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Serving in the Military

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Interested in becoming a Lay Servant?

August Lay Academy Registration Basic Lay Servant Class, Living Our United Methodist Beliefs, Called to Preach and Book of Discipline will be offered at Union UMC, 301 N Main Street, Federalsburg, MD 21632, August 11th and 18th, from 9am to 3pm. DEADLINE IS AUGUST 6th.

Both classes must be taken to receive credit.

Please direct any registration questions to Jody Coursey jodylcoursey@yahoo.com

Registration forms available in the church office.

SAVE THE DATE Are you interested in becoming a Member of St. Mark's? A new member orientation will be held on Wednesday, September 12, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. More information to follow!

St. Mark's Mission is:

*To share the love of Jesus
with & through the people of Talbot County & beyond.*

<u>Our Worship:</u>	<u>7/1</u>	<u>7/8</u>
8:15 A.M. Worship	80	62
9:45 A.M. Worship	101	111
11:00 A.M. Worship	<u>70</u>	<u>100</u>
Total Worship Attendance	251	273
Sunday School Attendance		

Our Tithes & Offerings (July 8, 2018)

Total Amount Received Last Week	\$	30,049.15
Total for Operations	\$	9,978.00
Total for Maintenance	\$	976.50
Total for Mortgage	\$	1,312.00
Missions Fund (YTD) *	\$	19,022.10
Other	\$	17,782.65

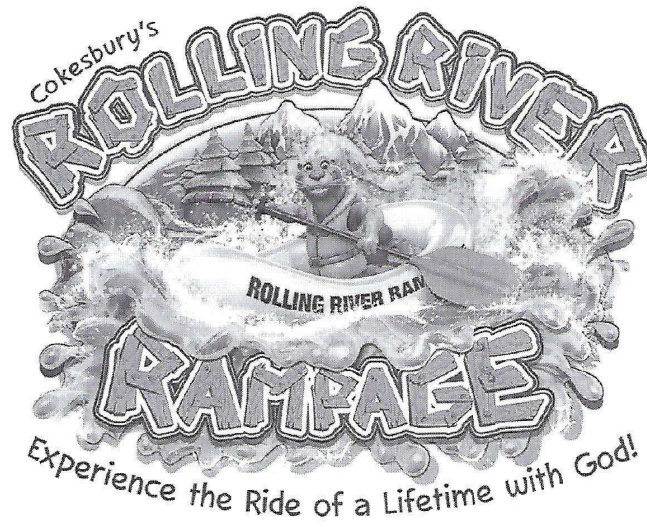
In a move to support your generosity, we're implementing a new way to give. We are really excited to announce that our app is now available for downloading in the app store! Using your smart phone text **stmarkseaston app** to **77977**. You will be sent a link which will direct you to our very own custom app. So no matter where you are you can give anytime! You can also use your computer by going to our website www.stmarkseaston.org click on the GIVE tab and follow the instructions. Thank you for your support as we continue to grow & impact our community together!

WELCOME HOME

Text "**STMARKSEASTON APP**" to **77977**
to download our app



It's Time to Sign Up for...



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CAMP

JULY 23 – 27, 2018

At Rolling River Rampage Vacation Bible School Camp, students will discover an interactive, energizing, Bible-based program filled with crafts, music and fun!

Children ages 3-12 can come “*Experience the Ride of a Lifetime with God*”.

Come join us Monday, July 23rd – Friday, July 27th, 5:30 – 7:30pm.
Participating children can also enjoy a free dinner each night from 5:00 – 5:30pm.

Participant Registration on-line: www.stmarkseaston.org/coming-events

Come take an indoor rafting adventure with us!

DONATIONS NEEDED

Can you help??



In just two weeks, St. Mark's VBS participants will be going on a Rolling River Rampage. Donations from the congregation have generously been coming in, but we still need some more key items.

Borrowed Items Needed for Vacation Bible School Decorations

*We would like to borrow these items to decorate the church, which takes time. Make sure your items are labeled for an easy return. **Please drop of these items by Monday 7/16.** However, we don't want to take away from your personal summer fun! If you prefer just to part with them just for the week of VBS (7/23-27), please call and let us know in advance.

- Artificial Trees (Pine Trees) ... We want to create a forest!
- Kayaks & Canoes, Boat Paddles/Oars & Life Jackets
- Misc. Camp Items (Sleeping bags, lanterns, etc.)
- Tents (2 - 4 man sizes preferred, but can use larger sizes too)

Food Donations Needed for Vacation Bible School

*Please drop off non-perishables anytime between now and Sunday 7/22

- Juice Boxes/Pouches
- Potato Chips, Doritos, Variety Snack Bags (packaged in individual bags)
- Kraft Macaroni & Cheese in Boxes

*Please drop of the perishable items below on Sunday 7/22 (during church) or on Monday 7/23 (during church office hours 8:30am-2:30pm)

- Bags of whole Apples, Oranges & Tangerines
- Red & Green Grapes, washed
- Bananas and Whole Watermelons
- Miniature Carrots (washed) & Celery Stalks (cleaned & cut into 2-3" pieces)
- Cupcakes, any size... kids love cupcakes!

We are also looking for volunteers to help serve the food each night. These volunteers will need to arrive by 4:30 each night. On Tuesday night, we need additional assistance with food prep because we will be serving Hot Dogs and Kraft Mac & Cheese. Please contact Wendy Avey in the Church Office (410) 822-0001 x305 if you are able to donate any of the above items or volunteer during VBS on 7/23-7/27 between 4:30-7:30 pm. Thank you in advance for your help.