



**St. Mark's**

**United Methodist Church**

September 8, 2024 - 9:30am Service



**Ushers:** Dennis Preslicka and Lynn Calvert

**Scripture Reader:** Cheryl Davis

**Acolyte:** Melanie Rose Justice

**Special Offering: Christian Education Sunday**

Next week Special Offering: CommUnity Food Bank

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# CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**This month's day for St. Mark's to provide lunch at the Free Lunch program is Monday, September 16th.** Pans will be available to pick up this Sunday, September 8th for volunteers to prepare Tater Tot casserole (recipe provided). **Also needed are bars and cookies.** Please bring these donations to church next Sunday morning, September 15th. There is also the opportunity to volunteer on Monday, September 16th beginning as early as 10:30am preparing silverware packets, salad and dining room setup, serving food at noon and then cleanup after 1:00pm. This is a wonderful mission to those in need of a good meal. **Any questions, contact St. Mark's faithful Free Lunch Coordinator, Truda Kruger 319-354-5595.**

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## **United Women in Faith Conference Annual meeting**

It is at St. Mark's Iowa City on October 5, 2024. It will be a great day--we will hear from Rev. Katie Dawson, Rev. Abraham Funchess and Christine Nobiss. Abraham will be sharing about the Martin Luther King Civil Rights bus tour. This will be a mission trip and all are invited. It is an amazing experience. Christine is a young indigenous women who will be sharing about her organization -Great Plains Action.

### **A SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Bishop Kennetha has been given an additional appointment with another Conference. Because of this, she will not be able to be with us on October 5th. Rev. Katie Dawson, Assistant to the Bishop, will be with us. If you know Pastor Katie, you know how inspirational and encouraging she is. She will be a blessing to this that day. We can't wait to see you at St. Mark's UMC, Iowa City on October 5th for Conference Annual.

**ST. MARK'S UMC 2675 E. WASHINGTON STREET, IOWA CITY, IA  
OCTOBER 5, 2024**

**CHECK IN AND COFFEE FROM 8:30 TO 9:00 AM  
WHAT TO EXPECT: GREAT SPEAKERS AND BREAKOUTS; GOOD  
FOOD; TIME WITH FRIENDS (OLD AND NEW); UPDATES FROM  
LEADERSHIP TEAM; MUSIC; LAUGHTER AND MORE.**

**PLEASE REGISTER BY SEPTEMBER 15. SEND REGISTRATION AND  
\$10.00 for lunch TO ST. MARK'S UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH C/O KAY  
SEAGREN 2949 E. WASHINGTON STREET, IOWA CITY, IA-52245-3826**

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# DON'T BE LEFT BEHIND!

## Cleaning (Flood) Bucket Mission Deadline

**September 8th** is the last Sunday we will be collecting items for the buckets. After worship on **September 15th** the congregation is invited to join the assembly line in Fellowship Hall to help put items in the buckets.

What items are still needed? Please check the spreadsheet on the poster in Fellowship Hall. A **red X** indicates items received. In order to make sure all items fit in the 5-gallon bucket, **do not donate items with more ounces than listed.**

Thank you for saying "YES" and purchasing much needed items!

### Cleaning (Flood) Bucket Team:

Lynn Calvert, Boyd Crosby, Barb Fisher-Krueger, Donna Higgins, Sherry Kesselring, Linda Prybil, Kay Seagren, Bart Troyer, Julie Troyer, Audley VanTol and Markus VanTol

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## United Methodist Men

The St Mark's United Methodist Men's next pancake breakfast will be after worship on Sunday September 29th.

On Saturday December 7th at the St Mark's United Methodist Men meeting the program will be a presentation about the Midwest Mission Distribution Center. Danille Curtis with MMDC will be there to make the presentation. We are inviting all church members that are interested to attend the presentation.

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**Fall Laity Day with Bishop Kennetha** will be on Saturday, September 14, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the [West Des Moines UMC](#) in West Des Moines, Iowa. There will be treats and fellowship upon arrival, as well as a break for lunch and conversation at noon. The focus will be equipping Laity for now and the Future. Topics discussed will be around Leadership, Social Principles, School for Lay Ministry, Lay Servant Ministry, General Conference, and Future Trainings. [Register today. 2024 Fall Laity Day with Bishop Kennetha Bigham-Tsai \(brtapp.com\)](#)

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It's time once again to help Loving Arms Kids Care with gathering supplies that they always need for the many children that are cared for at St. Mark's each week. Please find below a list of needed items. You may put your donated items into the labeled container in the Fellowship Hall during the month of September. LAKC is a non-profit organization and provides needed childcare for our community. Thank you for your donation!

1. Financial donations
2. Used Smartphones (factory reset)
3. Outdoor toys
4. Outdoor toy box
5. Dramatic play sets (kitchen, dress up, doctor, babies, etc)
6. Construction paper
7. Wet wipes
8. Tissues
9. Disposable gloves
10. Dish soap
11. Clear packing tape
12. Unscented laundry detergent