



St. Mark's

United Methodist Church

October 20, 2024 - 9:30am Service



Ushers: Lee McKnight and Angie Bywater

Scripture Reader: Brenda Mayer

Acolyte: Melanie Rose Justice

Special Offering: Christmas Stockings

Next week Special Offering: UMCOR Disaster Relief

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mark your calendars and plan to join **St. Mark's United Women in Faith** at our meeting on **October 23 at 1:00 PM!** Our guest speakers will be Margalea Warner and Phil Steffensmeier from NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Johnson County.

They will be sharing some of their personal journeys with mental illness as well as what NAMI is and the resources and services it provides. Mental illness affects everyone, whether it be from a personal or a societal standpoint. Please make time to attend this very important program.

St. Mark's Family Responds Yet Again!

Thank you, thank you, thank you for all the donations to this year's winter clothing drive. You donated: 18 coats, 2 overalls, 5 sweaters/sweatshirts, 8 hooded ski masks, 21 pairs of gloves, 10 pairs of mittens, 10 winter scarves, 10 winter headbands, 69 stocking caps and 10 pairs of men's socks. Your generous donations will make a significant impact to those in need during this year's cold season.



**You are invited to join us in a NEW MEMBER CLASS
(for prospective and current members too).**

October 27th – December 1st Sundays @ 10:50am – 12:00pm – Room TBA

Please join us as we explore membership in the United Methodist Church through the lens of our membership vows. *Thank you to those who have signed up already!*

- We will use the Promises to Keep Manual as our study guide for this adventure in spiritual growth. We will read, reflect and discuss God's promise of Transformation, and our promises of Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service and Witness.
- For current members this study will offer an opportunity to revisit and re-affirm the promises we formerly made and their power to shape our lives.
- Please sign up at the Welcome Center and you can request the manual on Sunday mornings or during office hours 9am-12pm during the week. Otherwise they will be handed out one week prior to the first class so participants can read and prepare for Week 1 Discussions.

Study Leaders: Steve and Karen Laughlin

Assisted by: Pastor Alberta

Virtual Town Hall Meeting

Iowa Conference Core Values

Sunday, October 27th 2024

2:00pm – 4:00pm

St. Mark's UMC – will participate via zoom – Fellowship Hall



The Third Annual Holidays Lights Show is looking for a team of people to help organize the event this year.

If you have talents in: driving around to help pick potential contestants, mapping out a route (and possibly making a matching QR code), putting up signs, outreach, baking or buying goods, putting together plates of baked goods, serving baked goods and hot chocolate, fire pit tending, chatting with visitors while giving them cookies, hoping that the weather cooperates etc., we need you! And of course, members are welcome to enter their homes!

Please contact Kathy Welsh at kwelsh173@gmail.com or call 319 621-4340.

We would love to have you!



- 10/20** 9:30am – 10:30am – Sunday Worship
10:50am – 11:50am – Bible Study with Pastor Alberta – Youth Room
 - 10/21** 10:30am – 11:30am – Loom Mat Making – Youth Room
10:30am – 1:30pm – Free Lunch – 1105 S. Gilbert St.
1:00pm – 2:00pm – Care Team Meeting – Wesley Room
5:30pm – 6:30pm – Finance Meeting – Wesley Room or Zoom
6:00pm – 7:00pm – ASL – Fireside Room
 - 10/22** 9:00am – 12:00pm – Confirmation Planning – Wesley Room
7:00pm – 8:00pm – N.A. Meeting – Wesley Room
 - 10/23** 11:30am – 1:00pm – Knitting/Crochet Group – Fireside Room
1:00pm – 2:00pm – UWF – Fellowship Hall
4:00pm – 5:00pm – Men’s Book Club – Fireside Room
6:30pm – 7:15pm – Bell Choir Practice – Sanctuary
7:15pm – 7:45pm – Choir Practice – Sanctuary
 - 10/24** 6:00am – 8:00am – Kiwanis – Fellowship Hall
10:30am – 11:00am – Iowa City Library Book Mobile – St. Mark’s Parking Lot
1:00pm – 4:00pm – Circuit Clergy Meeting – Solon, IA
6:00pm – 6:30pm – Younger Scout Group – Fireside Room
6:30pm – 8:30pm – Scouts – Fellowship Hall
 - 10/25** 7:00pm – 8:00pm – N.A. Meeting – Wesley Room
 - 10/26** 8:00am – 5:00pm – dCOM – Entire Church
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There are still pumpkins outside of the main church doors for purchase (donations). Thank you to those who have already donated!