

June 19, 2019

## E-Messenger

**Our Mission Statement** To build a family of believers who glorify God and help each other become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ

### Prayers for Summer Events

Ministries take a different look during the summer months as camps, VBS and other special events offer great ways for children, students and adults to grow in faith. Please place these events on your prayer calendar.

**June & July Tues. & Thur. CDO Summer Session**

**June & July Tues. & Thur. Mark'd Kids**

**June 16-22 Youth Force - Ardmore**

**June 23 UMW Sunday Speaker—Jacque Emperly**

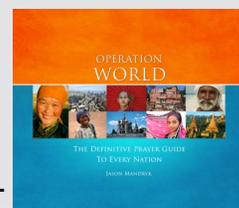
**July 4 Bethany 4th of July parade**

**July 5-8 Dayspring Camp**

### Praying for the World Christian Movement

Would you like to discover specific ways to pray for the global Christian movement and missionaries? Two APPS are helping me. As a bonus I am learning about the people, geography, history and religions of countries around the world. Here are the two APPS (each has a website as well).

The *Operation World* APP provides a daily prayer prompt sent to your phone to intercede for a specific country. A description of the religious, political, economic and ethnic makeup of the country is provided along with specific prayer needs. You may also click a button to indicate that you are praying and are able to see how many others are praying at the same time.



The *VOM Pray Today* APP is published by Voice of the Martyrs. It encourages prayer for Christians who are being persecuted. Statistics indicate that, worldwide, Christians are presently the most persecuted religious group in the world. The APP also provides the ability to listen to the VOM radio broadcasts with the push of a button.



I encourage you to download the APPS, give them a try, and pray that all people of the world will hear and receive the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Both APPS are free and available through the Apple Store and Google Play Store.

Blessings of Peace,  
Pastor Keith

# STUFF THE BUS WITH BOOKS



Council Grove Elementary has asked us to collect books for children ages 5-10 during June. Bring new children's books to Stuff the Bus in the lobby on June 16, 23, or 30.

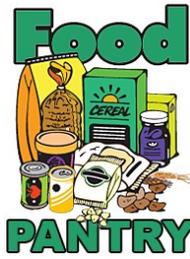
New books we collect will be given to children during the school year who earn a "Bravo Betty" from teachers or staff.

Books can come from you, your friends or neighbors. Let's be creative and see how many books we can collect!



## St. Mark's Food Pantry

The food pantry group is working hard to finalize details for the kick off of the food pantry. A date has not been finalized as they are working on many details, policies and procedures to insure a successful



Kick off. The pantry is quickly filling and getting ready for use. Great job St. Mark's on how well you have come through with food items. At this point there are a few specific items that are needed. Those items are listed below.

If you would like to help with these bring them by the church and place in office or on cart outside of food pantry door.

### Food Pantry Items Currently needed

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|--------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Sugar</b>             | <b>Flour</b> |
| <b>Salt &amp; Pepper</b> | <b>Oil</b>   |
| <b>Canned Fruit</b>      |              |
| <b>Canned Soup</b>       |              |



## Bethany 4th of July Parade

Join us as we represent St. Mark's. St. Mark's will again be represented in the Bethany, 4th of July parade. If you would like to be a



part of that you can sign up on the church counter and then just show up and be a part of our float. Bring your smile, wave, family and a great festive attitude as we let our community know about the love and ministries of St. Mark's. If you would like to help with pre parade preparations (getting float ready, etc.) let the church office know and we will get you on the team working on it.



# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

## SUNDAY MORNING:

Ages: Nursery - Kindergarten  
Elementary Age 1st - 5th grade  
Time 9:30 am - 10:45 am  
10:45 am - 12:00 pm

Current lesson Plan  
"Extreme"

Studying Bible stories that are extreme. God goes to great lengths to reach, love and guide us.



## WEDNESDAY EVENING:

D.O.W.N. Dinner - 5:30-6:15  
Team KID - 6:15—7:30

Returns  
August 28th



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## COMING SPECIAL EVENTS



## Vacation Bible School Wrap up June 30th

# WATER DAY



Due to the weather we have rescheduled Water Day to wrap up Vacation Bible School to June 30th. Come celebrate the

fun, music and excitement from this year's VBS. There will be a presentation from students, a video highlight of the week in the service followed by a time of enjoying water games, water slide and other fun. Wear your VBS t-shirt and bring a swimsuit, towels and change of clothes.

# STUDENT MINISTRY

Here's the newest summer update!

Big Dates coming up:

**Youth Force** is June 16-21. Pray for everyone going!

**Dayspring** is coming up! It's July 5-8! **I can take late registrations through the 20th, then I can't add anyone anymore! Register if you haven't yet at [dayspringok.com](http://dayspringok.com) and let me know when you do!**

The **JU Banquet** is during the Sunday School hour on July 28. This is mandatory for those enrolled in JU.

## SUNDAYS

We'll have several different types of Sunday mornings over the summer:

**Regular Sun Mornings** - We'll have regular Sun School, where Middle School and High School are separated for their lessons.

**Camp Testimonies** - We'll also have Sundays following camps where everyone will be together to hear camp testimonies from students who went to camp. It'll be a party.

**Combined Worship** - There will also be a Sunday when we'll have combined worship with the other worship service at 10:00 with no Sunday School that day.

June 23 - Camp Testimonies - Hear our students' experiences at Youth Force.

June 30 - Regular Sunday morning!

July 7 - Combined Worship!

July 14 - Camp Testimonies - Come hear our students share about their time at Dayspring.

## WEDNESDAYS

We'll have several different types of Wednesdays over the summer:

**Student Devos** - Students have an opportunity to lead a lesson! They can come up with the topic or the scripture they want to talk about and I'll work with them to help them put it together. *Please, encourage your kids to do this.*

**Service** - We'll do a variety of service projects over the summer.

**Fun** - We'll have a variety of fun events coming up.

**Open Gym** - There are some Wednesdays when nothing "event-y" will be planned. Rather, the church gym will be open from 6:15-7:30. Students will be free to hang out, play basketball, eat snacks, etc.

**No Youth** - On occasion, we won't have programming.

June 19 - Open Gym - A chunk of us will be at Youth Force, but the gym will be open for those who couldn't join us.

June 26 - Open Gym - I'm actually having foot surgery this day, so I'll seriously miss you guys!

July 3 - Fun - We're finally having our SMUSA party! Meet at church at 6:15 and we'll head to the SNU volleyball courts. We'll be back by 8! Eat beforehand and bring all your friends!

July 10 - Open Gym!

Let me know if you have questions or if I can help you guys in any way! Remember to pray for us this week while we're at Youth Force!

**Lydia Cressman**

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## Staff Emails

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## Adult Sunday AM Classes

<b>8:15 am</b>	<b>10:40 am</b>
<b>Room 17</b>	<b>Choir Room</b>
<b>Sunshine Class</b>	<b>Good News Class</b>
<b>Room 18</b>	<b>10:45 am</b>
<b>New Life Class</b>	<b>Room 19</b>
<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>R.O.C.K. Class</b>
<b>Room 18</b>	<b>10:55 am</b>
<b>Discipleship</b>	<b>Room 5</b>
<b>Ascent Room</b>	<b>Promise Class</b>
<b>College Age</b>	<b>Room 18</b>
	<b>Faithbuilders Class</b>

## Facts and Figures

2019 Annual Budget .....605,361  
 Rec'd toward Operating 6/16/2019 ..... 3,391

### YTD 2019

Rec'd toward Operating 6/16/2019..... 239,887  
 Expenditures 6/16/2018 .....258,225

### Attendance

Sunday, June 16  
 Sunday School ..... 231  
 Worship ..... 196



Lillian	Attalla	Miller	Gerardy	Randy	Reed
Matthew	Benton	Dennis	Graham	Charlotte	Rodgers
Bernadette	Bishop	Josh	Hayen	Rebekah	Roman
Nathan	Bremmer	Kyle	Hickman	Joanna	Ryan
Jim	Brown	Sharon	Hunt	Carol	Sandburg
Steve	Chessmore	Mary	Jones	Isaac	Speer
Caleb	Cromwell	Tyson	Lee	Kennedy	Summers
Isaiah	Cromwell	Stacey	Miller	Case	Ulmer
Jennifer	Cromwell	Adam	Moates	Brian	Votaw
Jax	Dyson	Sydney	Montesano	Linda	Watson
Taylor	Evans	Traci	Morgan	Beverly	Weirick-Austin
Pauline	Faison	Sam	Nimo	Frank	Wilkerson
Jeff	Fallon	Kyle	Preston	Jayden	Young
Jaeden	Ferguson				

## Prayer Box

Kieth Ballard	Cheryl Pavelko
Beverly Clark	Teresa Kruta
Funk family	Darin Smith
Laurie Bucholtz	Betty Underwood
John Baumeister	Clint & Lisa Hutchison
Edith Chilcutt	Shaun Manharth
Wenonah Shaw	Jennafer Marchant
Sherry Wright	Votaw family
Don & Fran Nobles	Samantha Miller
Frankye Flemins	Matt Lyon
Jo Dean Galloway	Mark Summers
Dennis Graham	Sam Nimo
Janice Brown	Ruby Wilkey
Kevin Swedlow	Jane Foreman
Cheryl Cruse	Greg Spiser
Stephanie Agyemang	Mark Summers
	Barbara Homer

