

october 2017

# upcoming@St. Mark's

the monthly newsletter of St. Mark's United Methodist Church



Jesus said, "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matthew 6:21) We are a treasuring people, choosing how we share our love, energy, resources and care. One of the most vital spiritual decisions we make is our determination to treasure what matters. This Stewardship season, we are asking how God is speaking to us at St. Mark's UMC, by reflecting on what it is that

we really treasure. What have we shared together that has moved our hearts, as people of faith? What greater possibilities do we have ahead?

You may have received in the mail, or picked up at church, a stewardship letter and two estimate of giving cards. One card offers a way to pledge toward our annual budget. This supports our staff, growing program of ministries, building maintenance, and outreach with the local and global community. The second card offers a way to pledge toward capital needs addressed in Project St. Mark's, the Sequel: roofing, new carpet, LED lighting in the sanctuary, covered entry and, most recently, the repaving of the parking lot. (Extra letters and cards are available in Garton Hall, on the church website, or by contacting the church office.)

Consider prayerfully how you will respond, from the heart, to this stewardship campaign. If you would like more information, please contact the church office or any member of Stewardship Team: Andy Cron, Kevin Theile, Cyrilla Helm, Charlie Nelms, Jeremiah Young, Pete Yoder, Deb Davis, Mary Beth Morgan, and Jimmy Moore.

Your completed pledge cards may be placed in the offering plate on Sundays, or brought/mailed to the church office. You may also fill our your pledge card(s) on-line by following the link on our church website ([www.smumc.church](http://www.smumc.church)) or access the pledge card section directly at [www.smumc.church/pledge](http://www.smumc.church/pledge). A confirmation email will be sent when you submit your pledge. Your pledge information remains confidential in the finance office, and can be revised at any time. Your pledge makes a difference, regardless of size. Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity.

## mark your calendars!

weds 10.4  
pet blessing

sat 10.7  
creation care conference

sun 10.8  
parent's of youth night

mon 10.11  
meal share food repack

sun 10.22  
jazz worship service

mon 10.23  
healing service

weds 10.25  
xyz: dinner and program

sun 10.29  
Reformation Sunday  
Sanctuary Sunday  
guess who is coming to dinner?

mon 10.30  
leadership council

# announcements

## HAVE YOU SEEN THE BOARD WITH THE BIG HEART IN GARTON HALL?

As part of our reflection on stewardship, there are two questions on the board:

How have you seen God in our community?  
(church, local, global . . .)



What has touched your heart at St. Mark's?

There are post-it-notes by the board so that you may offer your own responses (either signed with your name or anonymously). All ages are encouraged to participate. Drawings and You can also e-mail your reflections to Mary Beth Morgan ([marybethmorgan@smumc.church](mailto:marybethmorgan@smumc.church)). We look forward to seeing how our responses grow during the month, and open our hearts to new possibilities of living God's love in the world.

## HOW TO HELP THOSE IN NEED FOLLOWING THE RECENT NATURAL DISASTERS



The impact of recent hurricanes and other disasters, both nationally and internationally, has been devastating. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is responding to the destruction and overwhelming needs from Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria; Earthquakes in Mexico; Mudslides in Sierra Leone and West Coast Forest Fires. Pray for those who are in great need, as well as the early response teams, including countless volunteers.

It will take a long and sustained effort for all of these areas to fully recover. The most immediate way we can help is through financial assistance. If you can donate, checks can be made out to "St. Mark's" and put in the offering plate or sent to the church office. Please write "Disaster Relief-U.S." on your check's memo line for your assistance to aid U.S. states and territories, OR write "Disaster Relief- International." 100% of all money donated will go directly to the children, women and men most in need. To get continuing updates of the work of UMCOR, and ways to give on-line, go to [www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org).





# upcoming events...

## PET BLESSING

WEDS  
OCT 4  
6PM

SMUMC  
SOUTH  
LAWN

Our Buddies of St. Francis small group is sponsoring a pet blessing service at St. Mark's on Wednesday, October 4th (the birthday of St. Francis). All are invited to bring your furry and non-furry friends in carriers, cages or on leashes- and a bag for any pet messes. Your pets need to be up-to-date `not have an aggressive history with other pets or people. The service will not be long, but will be an opportunity

to celebrate the pets that enrich our lives. You are welcome to invite friends and neighbors, and their pets, as well. If it rains, we will not hold the service that evening. For more information, contact Jimmy Moore at the church office (332-5788 or at [jimmymoore@smumc.church](mailto:jimmymoore@smumc.church)).



from our 9/26/2011  
Blessing of the Animals

## CREATION CARE CONFERENCE

A number of individuals from St. Mark's are part of the Creation Care Alliance of the INUMC, which is hosting this interactive conference. United Methodists and friends are invited to think and pray together about our call to be good stewards of God's creation. It will take place at North United Methodist Church, 3808 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46208.

SAT  
OCT 7  
8:30AM-  
3:00PM

NORTH  
UNITED  
METHODIST  
CHURCH  
INDY

Guest speakers include Rev. Katie Dawson of Immanuel United Methodist Church, (Iowa Conference), Professor Tim Eberhart of Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, and Professor Tim Van Meter of Methodist Theological School in Ohio.

Please register by October 5th. There is no cost to attend the event.



A free will offering will be collected for lunch. Register today: <http://bit.ly/creationcareconf>. For more information, contact the church office.

## APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT (ASP) MEETING

WEDS  
OCT 4  
7PM

RM 8

A meeting for anyone interested in participating in or learning more about ASP will be held on Wednesday, October 4th, from 7:00pm to 7:45pm, at St Mark's UMC in Room 8. We will be answering questions anyone may have, discussing plans for next year's trip (Summer 2018) and providing required information for participants. If you have questions, please

contact James Thomas at 812-361-8193.



# upcoming events

## SUN OCT 15 NEW MEMBER CLASSES

SUN OCT 22  
9:30AM

RM 15

(DATE  
CHANGE!)

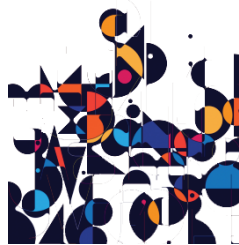
Are you interested in becoming a member of St. Mark's United Methodist Church? Perhaps you are undecided, and would just like to explore what membership would mean. If so, plan to attend our next set of membership classes at 9:30 a.m. on October 15 & 22 in Room 15. You will be able to meet some of the church's leaders, learn more about St. Mark's understanding of faith and mission, and explore where you could connect and invest yourself in our congregation. Nursery care is available in Room 25 for infants and toddlers. Child care for older children is available by contacting the church office. Email Jimmy Moore at [jimmymoore@smumc.church](mailto:jimmymoore@smumc.church), or contact the church office, for more information or to indicate your intention to attend.

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Children and Youth are welcome to be part of worship leadership any Sunday. They are especially invited, this month, on Sunday, October 22nd. Children and youth are invited to serve by greeting/handing out bulletins, lighting candles (acolyte), drawing a picture for the bulletin cover, reading scripture, leading a prayer, sharing a musical or artistic talent, helping the ushers, etc. Please contact Mary Beth Morgan if your child(ren)/youth would like to participate in worship leadership on October 22nd, and which role(s) are of interest. Thank

SUN OCT 22  
10:30AM

SANCTUARY  
WORSHIP



## JAZZ IN WORSHIP WITH PAT HARBISON AND FRIENDS

This will be a great Sunday with Pat Harbison (SMUMC member and Professor IU Jacobs School of Music Jazz Studies Department) and other jazz artists leading our music in worship.

The entire congregation will join in our celebration of worship and the gift of music. Plan to be here for an inspiring and energizing Sunday morning, and be sure to invite friends and neighbors.

## HEALING SERVICE

MON OCT 23  
7:00 PM

SANCTUARY

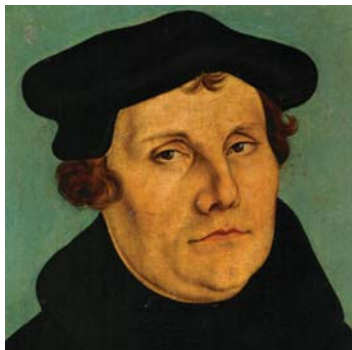
St. Mark's Caring Ministries Team is offering a service of healing on Monday Night, October 23, at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The act of offering prayer and the laying on of hands with anointing is ancient and prophetic (see Isaiah 61:3). To come to God for healing is an act of faith. Spiritual healing is not magic and it is not intended to substitute the healing that often comes from medicine and counseling. Rather, it is an offering of God's love that works in us to bring wholeness of body, mind, spirit, and relationships. You are most welcome to join us. For more information, contact Jimmy Moore at 812-332-5788 or email [jimmymoore@smumc.church](mailto:jimmymoore@smumc.church).



# sunday AM, october 29th

## REFORMATION SUNDAY

□ REFORMED AND ALWAYS REFORMING: WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED IN THE LAST 500 YEARS, OR...THE PROPER USE OF A



HAMMER AND A NAIL.”  
On October 31, 1517, a Catholic monk named Martin Luther is said to have nailed a paper containing 95 theses to the door of the castle church in Wittenburg, Germany, a marker event in what came to be called the Protestant Reformation. Five Hundred Years later, we'll consider what all of this has

meant, and means, to the Church as we seek to live our faith right now. We hope you join us for our 10:30 worship service, as we sing reformation hymns, read Scriptures that inspired the movement, and reflect on what reformation means to the Church presently. We hope you join us.

## SANCTUARY SUNDAY

NO REGULAR CHILDREN'S OR YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

October 29th falls on the 5th Sunday of the month when we invite all children and youth to experience the full worship service. Children and Youth Sunday School does not meet on October 29th. Children's activity packets and picture books are available in the back of the sanctuary near the comfortable rocking chairs. Infant and toddler care continues from 9:30am – 11:30am in rooms 24 and 25. For families who wish this option, childcare will be available for children in preschool through 3rd grade following the Children's Moment in the sanctuary worship service.

SUN  
OCT 29  
9AM

## WAYS TO SUPPORT JAIL BINGO, A MINISTRY OF NEW LEAF, NEW LIFE.

DONATIONS SUPPORT JAIL BINGO, IN HONOR OF WAIN MARTIN.

### BREAKFAST GARTON HALL

Jail BINGO will begin again this fall. Jail BINGO was started by Wain Martin several years ago as a way of reaching out to inmates in the Monroe County Jail. Over the years, many from St. Mark's have participated in this ministry.

You can support Jail Bingo in a number of ways:

- Bring items such as full size candy bars, bars of soap, and deodorant to the Jail Bingo basket in Garton Hall. These items will be used as BINGO prizes.
- Contribute to the breakfast donation basket on October 29th. Carle Crawford will be there to answer questions about Jail Bingo. If you wish to contribute a breakfast item, contact Mary Beth Morgan.
- Participate in Jail Bingo team as BINGO caller, awarder of prizes, etc. at the jail. (Those who wish to participate need to contact Carle Crawford, 812-336-2277, carlelinda@sbcglobal.net.)





# upcoming events...

## eXtra Years of Zest (XYZ): DINNER and PROGRAM

**WED OCT 25** Prof. Jeff White, "The Climate Change Dilemma: Perspectives from Washington, D.C. and Arctic Greenland"  
**5:30PM**  
**GARTON HALL**

All individuals are cordially invited to a shared dinner at 5:30pm and/or a talk at 6:20pm by Dr. Jeff White, Professor of Environmental Science in the IU School of Public and Environmental Affairs. He brings a wealth of experience and research on climate change policies. Bring a dish to share and your table service. Those new to the St. Mark's

## GUESS WHO IS COMING TO DINNER?

**SUN**  
**OCT 29**  
**5:00PM**

The Church Life team is planning opportunities for all of us in the St. Mark's community to get to know each other better. This month there is "Guess Who Is Coming to Dinner?", an invitation to share a meal with a small group of folks, who, perhaps, you only recognize by sight on Sunday mornings. Everyone is invited to sign up on the large poster boards in Garton Hall where you can choose to be either one of the Hosts, preparing a simple evening supper in your home, or one of the Guests, joining others at a Host's home. The Church Life team will take care of matching Guests with Hosts.



At 5:00pm on Sunday, October 29th, all Guests will come to Garton Hall where they will receive their Hosts' names, driving directions. If all goes well, by 6:00pm everyone will wind up in the right place and will enjoy food, conversation, and fellowship.

More information can be found on the poster boards in Garton Hall, or by contacting Linda Gluff (ljoachim@homefinder.org), Myriam Wood, or the church office.

## LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEETING

**MON**  
**OCT 30**  
**7 PM**

The St. Mark's Leadership Council will meet on Monday, October 30 in Room 8. All are welcome to attend. While only Leadership Council members can vote on motions that are presented, everyone is encouraged to attend and participate in discussion and planning for the ministries of the church.



# small group meetings

## SMALL GROUPS KICK-OFF IN OCTOBER

New "Small Group" opportunities will be coming this month! More information will be out soon. If you have an idea for a new small group, contact Mary Beth Morgan.

EACH WEDNESDAY, 1:00PM—3:00PM.

## ST. MARK'S QUILTERS & CRAFTERS

Bring your quilting or crafts to Room 10 and spend time with others who enjoy these activities. All skill levels are welcome and encouraged to attend.

EACH FRIDAY, 12:30PM—1:30PM.

## CONVERSATIONS ON LIFE MEN'S GROUP AT BELL TRACE

During September the Conversations on Life men's group will be reading & discussing the last sections of Richard J. Foster's book *Streams of Living Water*. In particular we will cover "The Incarnation Tradition" with a focus on Susanna, the mother of John & Charles Wesley, "Bezalel", the constructor of the Tabernacle and "Dag Hammarskjöld", the Secretary-General of the UN. The men will also discuss two of Foster's essays included in the book: "Critical Turning Points in Church History" and "Notable Figures & Significant Movements in Church History". The group meets every Friday at 12:30 pm in the private dining room, at the basement level on the west side of the main building of Bell Trace. Visitors are always welcomed.

EACH THURSDAY, 11:30AM-1:00PM

## WOMEN OF WONDER AND FAITH

A group of faithful, journeying women meeting weekly to read and discuss books on various topics of faith. We are reading John Shelby Spong's book *Biblical Literalism: A Gentile Heresy* through December 14th. Please join us as we move along our faith journey, collectively and individually, as well as build valuable friendships to support each other through life's many challenges and joys. Contact the facilitator, Maria Schmidt [marschmi@indiana.edu](mailto:marschmi@indiana.edu), with questions and to let her know you are coming.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2ND, 10:30AM, GARTON HALL

## SHOEBOX PROJECT

Please join others to assemble boxes of personal items and small toys that will be donated to local agencies supporting families in need.



# small group meetings

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8TH, 6:00PM

## PARENTS OF YOUTH NIGHT AT SCOTTY'S BREWHOUSE

All parents of youth (and grandparents/other loving adults caring for pre-teens and teenagers) are welcome! Enjoy some food & conversation with other folks raising teens. If you have questions or would like to be on a contact list for future gatherings, contact Dawn Walters at [dquillen@indiana.edu](mailto:dquillen@indiana.edu) or the church office.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10TH, 6:30PM—8:00PM

## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY (SCHEDULE CHANGE)

Starting in October, Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet once a month, on second Tuesdays at 6:30pm. We invite those who knit or crochet to help provide prayer shawls for those experiencing grief, change, and life joys. We also make baptism blankets and special projects.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11TH, 5:30PM—7:00PM

## MEAL SHARE FOOD REPACK

Each month, St. Mark's volunteers go to Hoosier Hills Food Bank to repack donated food for agencies which provide food for families. For more information, contact Glenda Murray at [glmurray@indiana.edu](mailto:glmurray@indiana.edu).

# opportunities to serve

## JOIN A SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHING TEAM-

### WE ARE STILL IN NEED!

Because of the wonders of having enough children to add one more class this fall, we still have a few openings in our teaching teams. This fall, our classes will include cooking, science, drama, spiritual practices, and so much more. Come play and experience your inner child!

Kindergarten-1st Grade: One more teacher needed

2nd-3rd Grade: Two more teachers needed

4th - 5th Grade: Two more teachers needed

Youth: Two more teachers needed

## SUNDAY MORNING BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP

Our breakfast event each Sunday continues to grow in popularity. It has become a great way to start the morning, to meet new people, and to provide a deep welcome to all who come our way. It is also a great way for those groups who help provide breakfast to receive free-will conations for their own mission effort or a cause they value. Sign up today in Garton Hall to provide breakfast on a future Sunday. Contact the church office or breakfast coordinator, Christine Conrad, at 812-961-2959 or [silent2hear@gmail.com](mailto:silent2hear@gmail.com)





# coming in early november...

## FUNDRAISING EVENTS IN SUPPORT OF ST. MARK'S NURSERY SCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

Now Seeking Donations for the Annual Time, Talent, and Treasure Auction

We know how talented our St. Mark's community is. Let's put it to good use for Nursery School! Donations of your TIME (babysitting, meal preparation), TALENT (music lessons, baked goods) and TREASURES (tickets, vacation homes) will be auctioned to raise money for the school's scholarship and playground fund. The auction will run November 1st through November 10th.

Please submit donations by October 29th. Email details and pictures of your donation to Susan Walker at [susan-greife@yahoo.com](mailto:susan-greife@yahoo.com) or bring a paper copy to the office.

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 3, 5PM TO 7PM \*SOUP CHEFS ARRIVE AT 4:15PM

### BIG MOUTH-BIG SPOON: SOUP COOK-OFF

It's time to signup: Got an award-winning soup? Prepare your tastiest pot to compete for the title of "Top Soup Chef". Sign up on the board in front of the church office or use this link [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0944AAA923A3FE3-bigsoup](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0944AAA923A3FE3-bigsoup) Deadline to signup: Oct. 25th

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 10:30 AM

### ALL SAINTS SUNDAY REMEMBRANCE

Each year, on All Saints Sunday, we especially honor, remember, and celebrate loved ones and friends who have touched our lives. As part of our worship service, we will name and light a candle of remembrance for each person in the St. Mark's fellowship who has died in the past year. We also will invite all in the congregation to remember other loved ones, and light a candle celebrating their lives and the gifts they brought to the world.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2:00PM

### CHARGE CONFERENCE AT FAIRVIEW UMC

The primary purposes of the annual Charge Conference are to review and evaluate the mission and ministry of the church, and to adopt objectives and goals recommended by the church's Leadership Council. The Conference also affords an opportunity to connect with those from other local UMC congregations: Garrison Chapel, Cross Roads, Walkers Chapel, Bloomington St. Paul, Korean, Bloomington First, and Nashville. This year's conference will be hosted by Fairview United Methodist Church (600 W 6th St, Bloomington, IN 47404). All are welcome to participate.

## THANKSGIVING BASKET SHARING

### A MISSION EMPHASIS DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Thanksgiving Basket Sharing is an important ministry at SMUMC. Once again, we will be collecting money to provide a full traditional Thanksgiving meal for 62 families, most of whom are connected with Fairview Elementary School. We need your help in two ways. First, you will be given a chance to donate money to purchase the supplies for each basket. Secondly, you will be invited to sign up to deliver baskets on Sunday afternoon, November 19. Watch for announcements as we approach November. For more information, contact Deb Davis at 812.325.0054, or email, [davedeb10@gmail.com](mailto:davedeb10@gmail.com).



# sundays at St. Mark's

## OUR REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

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BREAKFAST	9:00am	Garton Hall
ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL		
Pilgrims	9:15am	Room 13
Nomads	9:15am	Room 10
Bible Banter	9:30am	Room 11
INFANT & TODDLER CARE		
Infants	9:30am-11:30am	Room 24
Toddlers		Room 25
<b>Celebration!</b>		
CHILDREN, FAMILY & FRIENDS OF ALL AGES	9:30am-10:15am	Garton Hall
SANCTUARY WORSHIP SERVICE	10:30am	Sanctuary
CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL		
Preschool	10:30am-11:30am	Room 27
Kindergarten-1st Grade		Room 28
2nd-3rd Grades		Room 9
4th-5th Grades		Room 4
Youth: 6th-8th		Room 3
Youth: 9th-12th		Room 1,2

# adult sunday school: october classes

## BIBLE BANTER

The Bible Banter class uses the Scripture text for the morning's sermon as a discussion-starter. Looking at the passage in its larger context, and sometimes exploring a bit of Bible-writing history, we offer thoughts on what the morning's sermon might look like. We leave time to discuss implications of the Scripture on our own lives, and often find ourselves delving into topics that wind up far afield from the morning's original topic. You are invited to bring some coffee/breakfast from Garton Hall into Room 11, at 9:30am, and join the conversation.

## NOMADS

The Nomads class meets each Sunday at 9:15am in Room 10 for fellowship and discussion of selected readings on issues related to faith, spirituality, or social justice. In October, Nomads will discuss *Ten Prayers That Changed the World - Extraordinary Stories of Faith That Shaped the Course of History* by Jean-Pierre Isbouts. All are welcome; no preparation required.

## PILGRIMS

In October, Pilgrims' Sunday Morning Class is starting a study of how the five major religions – Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Buddhism and Hinduism – address the same core issues. We will be using a video lecture series titled *Comparative Religion* by Professor Charles Kimball, Professor and Director of the Religious Studies Program at the University of Oklahoma.

We will be exploring the nature of faith with the lecture series providing an in-depth look at how the five great faiths address the issues of creation stories, concepts of the divine and ultimate goals. All are welcome to join Pilgrims at 9:15am each Sunday in Room 13.

OCTOBER 1ST – LECTURE #1 – “COMPARATIVE RELIGION – WHO, WHAT, WHY, HOW ”

In this introductory lecture, Prof. Kimball outlines the comparative structural approach he will be employing throughout the lecture series.

OCTOBER 8TH – LECTURE #2 – “EXPLORING SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES ”

Prof. Kimball discusses the historical interplay among Judaism, Christianity and Islam followed by a study of the historical and organic connections between the Hindu and Buddhist traditions.

OCTOBER 15TH – LECTURE #3 – “THE SACRED, THE HOLY AND THE PROFANE ”

The effort to understand and explain the origin of religion is discussed by highlighting three different 20th century frameworks.

OCTOBER 22TH – LECTURE #4 – “SACRED TIME, SACRED SPACE, SACRED OBJECTS ”

Archaeology is a scientific discipline evolving over the course of time with many exciting new directions in the future with increasing use of technology.

OCTOBER 29TH – LECTURE #5 – “SACRED PEOPLE – PROPHETS, SAGES, SAVIORS”

The major types of foundational religious leaders play a pivotal role and are revered as uniquely gifted sacred people in the major religions.



# children, youth, and families

SUNDAYS, 9:30 - 10:15AM, GARTON HALL

## Celebration!

### CHILDREN, FAMILY & FRIENDS of all ages

After taking a summer hiatus, CELEBRATION! is back and better than ever. Over the summer, we realized we love the multi-generational community that happens during our Sunday morning breakfasts, and we adore having everyone be able to enjoy our church's musical talent. Now, we can have the best of both worlds! CELEBRATION! will continue on Sunday mornings and will now take place in Garton Hall, near the piano. All are invited to reflect on the theme for the day, as conversation questions will be distributed on the breakfast tables, and churchgoers of all ages are invited to take part in the hands-on experiences available at the tables near the piano. On Sundays when he's available, Aaron will close our community out in song as we end in a communal "Great Amen" before heading to the Sanctuary for worship.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14TH, 6:00PM-8:00PM

### YOUTH AT SOLSBERRY HILL: CAPTURE THE FLAG, A CAMP-FIRE, S'MORES, AND SO MUCH MORE...

Enjoy the crisp, cool autumn air as we run, play, worship, sing, and nosh on deliciousness together.

The retreat will be held at the former Director of Children's Ministries' retreat center, Solsberry Hill Retreat Center: 3708 State Ferry Road, Solsberry, IN 47460 Bring yourselves, bring friends, and be ready for fun! RSVP to [sarahgettiemcneill@smumc.church](mailto:sarahgettiemcneill@smumc.church) by 10/12. Permission forms are required of all in attendance and may be completed here: <https://goo.gl/forms/jRIPGR6jX5Ozvp7d2>



St. Mark's United Methodist Church of Bloomington, Indiana is an inclusive community, bringing Christ-like love, healing and hope to all. We embrace the United Methodist ideal of Open Hearts, Open Minds and Open Doors by welcoming those of all races, cultures, faith traditions, sexual orientations, and gender identities.



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Upcoming @ St. Mark's is published each month as an information resource and guide to the activities and events within and around the St. Mark's church community. Copies are distributed at the beginning of each month along with the Sunday worship bulletin. Additional copies are available at the Welcome Center Desk, at the main entrances to the building, or by contacting the church office. An online copy of Upcoming @ St. Mark's can be downloaded from our church website ([www.smumc.church](http://www.smumc.church)). To Submit Articles: All ministry areas, church committees, and interest groups are encouraged to submit articles for Upcoming @ St. Mark's. For more information, and to submit articles for publication, contact the Church Office: 812-332-5788 or [office@smumc.church](mailto:office@smumc.church). Articles for NOVEMBER 2017 should be submitted by MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2017.



# October 2017

## SUN

**1**  
 9:30am Celebration!  
 10:30am Sanctuary Worship  
 Communion & Backpack Buddies

**8**  
 9:30am Celebration!  
 10:30am Sanctuary Worship  
 6:00pm Parents of Youth Night (Off-site)

**15**  
 9:30 am New Member Class  
 9:30am Celebration!  
 10:30am Sanctuary Worship

**22**  
 9:30 am New Member Class  
 9:30am Celebration!  
 10:30am Jazz In Worship with PatHarbison & Friends  
 2:00pm Celebration of Life for Shirley Bushey

**29**  
 REFORMATION SUNDAY  
 SANCTUARY SUNDAY  
 (NO CHILDREN/YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL)  
 9:30am Celebration!  
 10:30am Sanctuary Worship  
 5:00 pm Guess Who Is Coming To Dinner?

## MON

**2**

**9**  
 10:30am Shoebox Project

**16**

**23**  
 7:00 pm Healing Service

ARTICLES AND EVENTS FOR THE  
 NOVEMBER EDITION OF  
 UPCOMING @ ST. MARK'S  
 ARE DUE TODAY!

**30**  
 10:30am Shoebox Project  
 7:00 pm Leadership Council

## TUES

**3**  
 9:30pm UMW Executive Board

**10**  
 6:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry

**17**  
 9:00am UMW Morning Circle  
 1:30pm Susanna Wesley UMW Circle

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<b>4</b> 12:00pm Worship Design Committee 1:00pm Quilters & Crafters 6:00pm Blessing of Animals 7:00 pm ASP Meeting	<b>5</b> 11:30 am Women of Wonder and Faith Rehearsals: 6:15pm Handbell Choir 7:30pm Chancel Choir	<b>6</b> 12:30pm Conversations on Life Men's Group at Bell Trace	<b>7</b> 8:30 am Creation Care Conference at North United Methodist Church
<b>11</b> 1:00pm Quilters & Crafters 5:30pm Meal Share Food Repack at Hoosier Hills	<b>12</b> 11:30 am Women of Wonder and Faith Rehearsals: 6:15pm Handbell Choir 7:30pm Chancel Choir	<b>13</b> 12:30pm Conversations on Life Men's Group at Bell Trace	<b>14</b> 6:00 pm Youth at Solsberry Hill
<b>18</b> 1:00pm Quilters & Crafters 7:00pm Charlene Martin UMW Circle at Bell Trace	<b>19</b> 11:30 am Women of Wonder and Faith	<b>20</b> 12:30pm Conversations on Life Men's Group at Bell Trace	<b>21</b>
<b>25</b> 1:00pm Quilters & Crafters 5:30pm XYZ Dinner & Program	<b>26</b> 11:30 am Women of Wonder and Faith Rehearsals: 6:15pm Handbell Choir 7:30pm Chancel Choir	<b>27</b> 12:30pm Conversations on Life Men's Group at Bell Trace	<b>28</b>
<b>NOVEMBER 1</b> All Day 3T Auction for St. Mark's Nursery School & Kindergarten 1:00pm Quilters & Crafters	<b>2</b> All Day 3T Auction for St. Mark's Nursery School & Kindergarten 11:30 am Women of Wonder and Faith Rehearsals: 6:15pm Handbell Choir 7:30pm Chancel Choir	<b>3</b> All Day 3T Auction for St. Mark's Nursery School & Kindergarten 12:30pm Conversations on Life Men's Group at Bell Trace 5:00pm Soup Cook-Off! With St. Mark's Nursery School & Kindergarten	<b>4</b> All Day 3T Auction for St. Mark's Nursery School & Kindergarten

