



THIS SUNDAY AT 9:15!

Our Preschool (Ages 2 to PreK 5), Younger Elementary (Kindergarten to 2nd Grade), and Older Elementary (3rd Grade to 5th Grade) children will meet for Sunday school to explore Spark: Activate Faith lessons. An activity-filled Sunday school curriculum that follows the salvation story from start to finish, helping kids explore key Bible stories from both the Old and New Testaments. **The preschool class will meet in Room 305, the younger elementary class will meet in Room 214, and the older elementary class will meet in Room 212.**



Spark helps kids learn at their level

Interact with the Bible in every lesson, helping kids navigate the story and begin to compare what they learn to their own life.



Focus on hands-on learning

Engage kids in the Bible story with lessons packed with activities, interactive games, and creative crafts.



Experience the Salvation Story arc

Help kids experience the Salvation story each year by exploring the Old Testament in the fall, and the New Testament in the winter and spring.



Frolic Nursery: Little Steps, Big Faith

Our Nursery aged children (Birth to 1 year) will explore Frolic Nursery lessons. Drawing on brain science as well as theology, Frolic was designed by early childhood experts to build faith through play in babies, toddlers, and young children from birth to age five. Frolic uses Bible lessons, music, and play to help build a firm Faith foundation.



Start faith formation at birth

Uses a curriculum-based on early childhood best practices to help your little ones to take little steps to big faith—starting at birth.



Focuses on learning at their level

Frolic's curriculum focuses on helping young children explore faith concepts in the way they know best— through play!



Equips caregivers to nurture faith

Equips leaders and parents to nurture faith in many ways—through storytelling, prayers, and music.



Kids Connection this Wednesday!

Need a break from a hectic week? Don't feel like cooking?
Searching for community? Bring your family to
Wednesday Night Together! Children will meet from 6:00-
7:00 for a time of connection, fun and games, and life
application in Room 202.



Fall Festival Update!

St. Mark's Fall Festival will be on Saturday, November 2nd
from 4-6 p.m.! All ages are invited to attend. Bring your
kids, grandkids, neighbors, and friends! **A meal will be
provided. Donations will be accepted to help cover the**

cost of the meal. Please call the church office to RSVP by Monday, October 28th!

Thank you to the adult Christian Education classes and ministry groups who signed up to host a carnival game!

Fall Festival Donations

St. Mark's Family Ministries is collecting the following items for the upcoming Fall Festival:

- Candy
- Yum Earth Allergy Free Candy
- Prizes for children
- Monetary donations to help cover the cost of dinner for visitors

Please place all donations in the blue bins located in the Narthex. Thank you for supporting this community event!



October Birthday Buddies Celebration is this Sunday!

Everyone is invited to celebrate October birthdays on October 27th in the Narthex! Cake will be provided. We will also celebrate David Cowan, St. Mark's new Director of Students and Recreation Ministries! Please plan to stop by following worship.

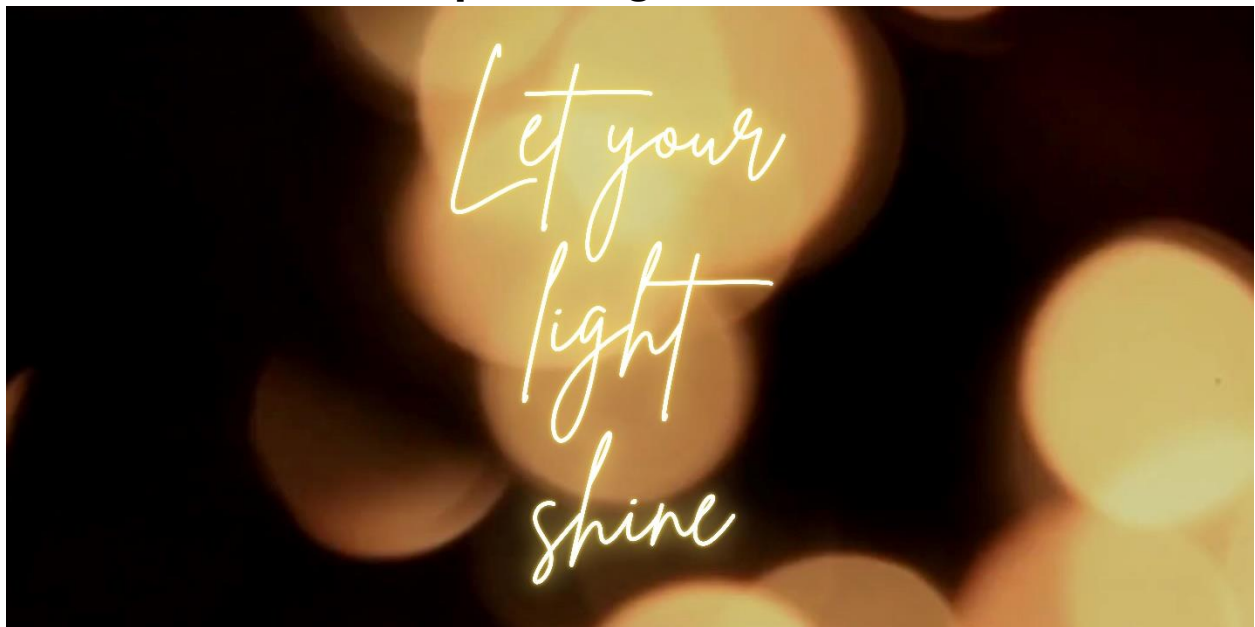
Children's Monthly Bible Verse



October's Monthly Bible Verse

During the month of October, children are memorizing Matthew 22:37 CEB in their Christian education classes. Parents and caregivers- please help reinforce this practice throughout the week! Children who can recite the verse at the end of the month will receive a prize.

Upcoming Events!



Little Lights and G.L.O.W. Kids is This Sunday!

Little Lights

This service/fellowship group is for families with children age birth to 2nd grade. This is a family friendly group!

Adults must remain with their child throughout the duration of the event. Invite a friend! Click [here](#) for the Fall 2024 schedule.

- **November 24th at 4-5 p.m.-** Children and families will pack food boxes for St. Mark's food bank. More information to come.

G.L.O.W. Kids

This service/fellowship group is for children in 3rd – 5th grade. Invite a friend! Click [here](#) for the Fall 2024 schedule.

- **November 25th at 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.-** GLOW Kids will serve a meal at Journey Home. More information to come.



SAFER SANCTUARIES
Nurturing Trust within Faith Communities

Help St. Mark's be a Safe Sanctuary to all people entrusted to our care!

- Keep empty rooms locked
- Sign children in and out of classrooms
- Supervise your children at all times
- Accompany your children to the Restroom

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Ways you can help:

- Keep empty rooms locked
- Sign children in and out of classrooms
- Supervise your children at all times

- Accompany your children to the Restroom
- Help us observe the two-adult rule at all times by serving as a Safe Sanctuaries helper
- If you see any behavior that seems abusive or inappropriate, inform a ministry leader

Please contact Hannah Pratt at hannah@stmarkstn.org if you have any questions. Follow our St. Mark's Children's Ministry Facebook page and Instagram @stmarkstnkids for more information!

