

SAINT MARK UMC

FAMILY MINISTRIES NEWSLETTER

July 21, 2022



Mission Week - West Union

Next week, from Monday to Thursday, a team of youth and adults from Saint Mark UMC will work with a crew from Upstate Rebuild to repair and replace siding on a home in West Union. A vital part of our team includes those who are providing food and snacks! Thank you to everyone who has a part in this mission work and project! Please be in prayer that we will have good weather and a great week!

The lives of one of our neighbors will be changed through the grace and love of Jesus through this home repair and work!

Maria

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SUMMER EVENTS:

July 25-28 - Upstate Rebuild Mission Experience with Upstate Rebuild, West Union, SC - See page 4 for further details!

July 29 - Family/Youth Ministry Outing to Greenville Drive Baseball Game

July 31 - Family Ministry Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m. /Youth Center

July 31 & August 7 - Drop Off Dates for CDC School Supply Drive! See page 5.

August 2 - Children's Workshop - 1:00-2:30 p.m. - Painting Birdhouses - RSVP by 7/29/2022 Devotional & Snack included

August 3 - "Transitions" Lunch & Learn for Parents - Commons Room RSVP by 7/29/2022 - \$5.00 (Lunch)

SAVE THE DATES!

**AUGUST 14 -
FAITH FORMATION/
PROMOTION SUNDAY
BLESSING OF THE
BACKPACKS
11:00 A.M. WORSHIP
SERVICE (ONE SERVICE)
FOLLOWED BY
FELLOWSHIP LUNCH**

**AUGUST 21 -
BACK TO SCHOOL BASH/
FAMILY MINISTRY KICK OFF,
COOKOUT,
AND 2022-2023
PROGRAM ORIENTATION**

**AUGUST 24 -
WEDNESDAY NIGHT
ACTIVITIES BEGINS FOR
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

**AUGUST 28 -
YOUTH FELLOWSHIP &
BIBLE STUDY GATHERINGS
BEGIN**

CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP

August 2, 2022 - 1:00-2:30 p.m.

1st to 5th graders have the opportunity to participate in a workshop painting birdhouses. We will have a devotional and a snack as well.

We will meet in the Children's Sunday School room.

You must sign up in advance before this event to ensure we have enough supplies.

Thank you to Billy Boggs for constructing the birdhouses!!

For more information/to register for an event, contact Maria at:

**MBOWERS@SMUMC
SC.ORG OR 678-
876-9086**

PARENTS – LUNCH N LEARN "Transitions"

August 3, 2022 - 11:30 a.m. -
Commons Room

Do you have a child going into Kindergarten, Middle School, or High School? If so, this is the event for you! You are invited to a lunch and learn to discuss the challenges and opportunities presented in these transitions and to connect with others with children in similar stages of life.

Please bring \$5.00 to this event for the cost of your lunch and RSVP by July 29, 2022 by using the QR code below!

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YOUTH MISSION

MISSION WORK IN WEST UNION!

PLEASE COMPLETE RELEASE FORMS BY FRIDAY, JULY 22, 2022!

Mission week is just a few days away! We have enough team members to proceed with our siding project in West Union. If you are participating in this work, you need to complete the release forms by Friday, July 22, 2022. You may use the QR code on this page to access the forms. Parents must complete and sign forms for youth. You can do so electronically through the link/QR code.

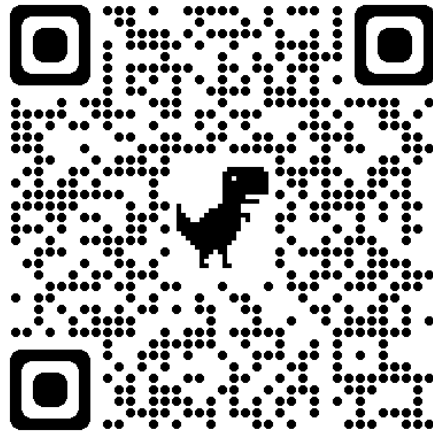
If you have work gloves, a dust mask, or safety goggles, please plan to bring those. I will pick up extras of those items in case you do not have these.

Thank you to those who have volunteered to provide snacks, lunch, and waters for our volunteers as well!

Emails will be sent to you in the next few days to provide details to every participant whether you are volunteering to provide food or to work on site.

Please keep our team in your prayers! May we be the hands and feet of Christ!

ATTENTION



Maria

School Supply Drive for Saint Mark CDC!

Drop off dates - July 31 & August 7, 2022

The 2022-2023 school year is fast approaching! Family Ministries is joining in the CDC school supply drive. The collection bins are located in the entrances to the Atrium. The following items are needed for the school year:

- 24 count Crayola crayons
- glue sticks
- Fiskar scissors
- dry erase markers
- pencils
- color pencils
- wide-ruled notebook paper
- composition notebook
- pencil bag
- pencil box





Family Ministry Volunteer Need

Sunday School Teachers and Assistant Teachers Needed for Youth & Children

Sunday School presents an opportunity for us all to grow in grace and faith! Teachers and helpers are needed in both the Children and Youth Ministry areas. I'm guessing all of us remember a Sunday School teacher who helped us become who we are today!

Beginning August 14, 2022, Faith Formation/ Promotion Sunday, we will transition from a primary lead teacher to a rotational format for Children's Sunday School. Volunteers are needed to serve on a rotating basis (i.e., first Sunday, second Sunday, etc.) as teachers and assistants to teachers, meaning you will serve once a month rather than every Sunday, which allows you to stay involved in Adult Sunday School class. We use the Celebrate Wonder Children's curriculum and it offers insights to teaching various ages and learning styles.

Youth Sunday School already follows a rotating format as well. The curriculum varies throughout the year.

If you can help one Sunday a month (i.e., first Sunday, second Sunday, etc.), we can form and offer our children, youth, and families a teaching team of disciples who work together for the growth of our Children and Youth! If you/your Sunday School class would be willing to invest in our families in this way, I would love to talk with you about the opportunity to share your faith!

Support is available through our Family Ministry Interns and Maria, who also assist with Sunday School at times. From brainstorming to gathering supplies or setting up a classroom, we are here to equip you to serve!

Thank you to those who have served faithfully in these areas and who are transitioning to other areas of service within Saint Mark!

