
The St. Mark Messenger

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ST. MARK UMC CHURCH
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TAYLORS, SC 29687
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Easter



In celebration of the resurrected Christ, St. Mark UM Church has several ministries planned.

April 16th

Easter Egg Hunt for children, beginning at 12:30pm at the church.

April 21st

Holy Thursday service will be held at St. Mark beginning at 7pm. The Inspirational choir will

provide the music.

April 22nd

Good Friday service at our sister church St. Matthew at 12 noon.

April 24th

Sunrise service at Jubilee Baptist Church. Pastor Watts will give the morning message.

April 24th

Easter Sunday service at

St. Mark 8am. The combined Mass Choirs will render music.

April 30th

Burdens of the Cross, a play will be presented by Catch Divisions.

Be sure to come out and be a part of these blessed events.

Harvest Hope Food Bank

HARVEST HOPE FOOD BANK QUICK FACTS

The mission of Harvest Hope Food Bank is to provide for the needs of hungry people by gathering and sharing quality food with dignity, compassion and education.

Harvest Hope Food Bank started in Columbia in 1981 as an emergency food pantry.

Harvest Hope serves 20 counties in SC through regional distribution centers in Greenville, Columbia, and Florence.

98 cents out of every dollar donated is used to provide food for hungry people.

A 1.00 donation = provides 5 meals

There are 22,000 people in Greenville county without a job.

There are 68,000 people in Greenville living below the poverty

line.

Harvest Hope Food Bank has 400 agencies that come to one of the distribution centers to get food to feed the hungry. The new Greenville location has 80 agencies that come to the 82,000 square foot distribution center.

1 in 4 children goes to bed hungry in SC every night.

Our Kids Back Pack program assures that children will have something to eat on the weekends by packing a back pack full of food that is sent home from school with a child on Friday afternoon and returned on Monday to school to be refilled. This program costs \$10,000 to operate for one year for one school for 25 children.

Our mobile food pantry takes a truck into an area of hunger where there is no established pantry and volunteers give groceries to the hun-

gry from the back of the truck.

Thank you very much for your support.

Scott Stephens, Regional Director
Harvest Hope Food Bank, Greenville

Nancy Welch, Community Development Coordinator, Harvest Hope Food Bank, Greenville.

Begin cleaning out your food pantry to donate to Harvest Hope Food Bank.

The Lenten season is a great time to donate food to the needy. This donation will benefit our community as well as other communities.

Look for Harvest Hope food containers in the church. Bring in food items when you come to committee meetings, choir practice and church service.

Thank you for your help and support.

Church & Society

Chairperson - Corsetta Morris

Here is a list of our most needed items

Can Goods

Meat
Vegetables
Fruit
Tomato Sauce
Beans
Soup
Stews
Pop-top Cans
Evaporated Milk

Dry Goods

Peanut Butter
Rice
Instant Potatoes
Cereal
Oatmeal
Grits
Coffee
Crackers
Powdered Milk

Personal Items

Diapers
Baby Wipes
Soap
Shampoo
Feminine Products
Toothpaste

Other Items

New/Used Black pens and markers
Paper Bags
Plastic Bags
Detergent



United Methodist Women

UMW

The General Conference of the United Methodist Church (UMC) has declared that "In every local church there shall be an organized unit of the United Methodist Women." (UMW)
--The Book of Discipline of the UMC 2008, Par. 256.5

This is a community of women whose purpose is to **know God** and to **experience** freedom as whole persons through **Jesus Christ**, to **develop** a creative supportive fellowship and to **expand** concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

Membership is open to any woman who indicates her desire to belong and to participate in the global mission of the church through **UMW**.
Membership is comprised of diverse eth-

nic and socio-economic backgrounds: employed and unemployed, women with disabilities; housewives and career women, single, married, widowed and divorced women, teen, young, middle aged and older women; college and university women. We are multicultural, multilingual, and multiracial. We join forces with other women to embrace and work on the four mission emphases reflected in the **PURPOSE**.

You are not required to be a member of the **UMC** but, you must actively choose to become involved.

Indication of membership is through your pledge to mission (**an amount of your choice**) and participation in the program/activities of the local unit.

We, the members of the **St. Mark UMW** encourage each of you to seriously consider becoming a part of one of the greatest organizations that exist in the life of the church.

It is:

- Centered in relationship with God through Jesus Christ.;
- Focused on ministries with women, children and youth;
- Involved in mission locally and globally;
- Committed to inclusiveness; and
- Pledged to provide, financial support for mission through Mission Giving.

Join us every **1st** Sunday of the month at 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Mall. We need each of YOU.



Bereavement Guidelines for 2011

A special request of all members to be aware that death in the church family does not only include a few people, but the entire body. Be courteous when you are called by one of the volunteer contact persons.

If the message is recorded on your answering machine, be kind enough to return the call and let them know you received the message.

Remember as a Christian Body we are to be Christ-like in our actions and deeds. If hardships prevent you from responding, contact a friend and

maybe you will be able to assist a friend at a later time.

Cicely King is chair of the Hospitality Committee and we are requesting that you honor the committee's request to avoid entering the kitchen unless you are personally requested to do so. The old adage "Too many cooks in the kitchen is a problem." The space becomes less productive when too many helpers are available.

Many thanks for all you have done in the past and will continue to do in LOVE.



Keeping you connected

All student recognitions, achievements, and other accomplishments will be announced on 4th Sunday. Parents and students please get this information to the Church office by Wednesday before the 4th Sunday.

DEADLINES! Don't forget--- the deadline for newsletter articles is the **3rd Sunday** in each month. Articles may be submitted to any member of communications.

Church news at your finger tips. Visit the new St. Mark Info Line. This telephone service features voicemail, weekly activities and Sunday school updates. Simply dial the church's

main number, 864-848-7141, and follow the prompts.

Effective immediately, weekly reminders and meetings will be printed and given to each member by the ushers. Please read and take these home with you each week.

Kelly Garrison is your new contact for announcements beginning February 1st. Please send all announcements to her at garrison.kelly@ymail.com.

Gena Garrison is your contact for the newsletter and website. Her email address is gena140@att.net.

All announcements and reminders will also be sent out in a weekly email. If our secretary does not have your email contact information, please be sure to give it to her so that you will receive this email weekly.

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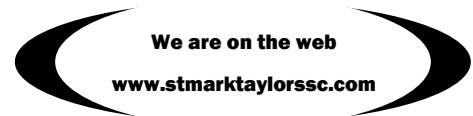
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Mark your calendar for these upcoming ministries and events.

May

May 7 - Mother's Day Brunch

May 8 Mother's Day

May 14 Hair & Fashion Show

May 22 Heritage Sunday

May 27 Girlfriend's Roundtable

May 29 5th Sunday @ St. Matthew

June

June 5 UMW Day

June 19 Father's Day/UMM Day

June 19 Father's Day Brunch

June 25 Spirit Singers (Conference Choir)@ St. Mark

St. Mark United Methodist Church --- Our aim is to make disciples for Christ for the transformation of the world !

