

St. Mark's Remarks

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“Live your life in such a way that those who know you but don't know God will know God because they know you”

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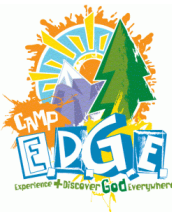
Rev. Dr. Bradley Gabriel

Dear Brothers and Sisters on the Way,

Welcome to June! While we are taking the month off from our Wednesday night and Thursday morning Bible studies, there is so much more to look forward to! On June 1, we celebrate both the Ascension of Jesus and Holy Communion. As always, we follow that with the St. Mark's famous First Sunday Pot Luck dinner in Field's Hall. Bring something for yourself and another. Clergy and Lay delegates to the Memphis Annual Conference will gather in Paducah June 1-4 to look at mission, ministry, budget, and a re-structure plan. June 8 is Pentecost Sunday when we remember the birth of the church! Part of our worship that morning will be a “Congregational Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant.” We never need to be “re-baptized” as God knew what He was doing the first time, whether we did or not, or remember it or not. But, as limited humans, it is good to celebrate the gift we received.



Next up, in big news for our church and several years. VBS is Camping on the **EDGE** (Experience and Discover God Everywhere) from 6:00 PM-8:30 PM cookout on the 27th and presentation in see the article and registration information nieces and nephews, grandchildren and is a role for everyone to play and I really hope to see all St. Mark's member's take a part in making this a wonderful experience for children.



neighborhood is our first Vacation Bible School in **E.D.G.E.** (Experience and Discover God Sunday June 22-Thursday June 26. A family worship on the 29th will round out the time. Please about VBS elsewhere in the newsletter. Bring your neighbors. This is going to be fun. Of course there

June is a wonderful month. We begin and end remembering saints. Important events in the life of the church are scattered all though the month. Be sure to join us each week as we hear the word, celebrate the Spirit and move forward into the great future God has in store for us.

Grace for the Journey,

Brad



Phil Harris	June 8	Charlie Bryan	June 10
Larry Hughes	June 12	Lisa Moore Parke	June 18
Lauri Draughon	June 20	Daniel Gabriel	June 21
Glenn Moore	June 21	Paul Melton	June 24
Brad Gabriel	June 25		

Visitors in May

Hazel Conar	Nubar & Diane Yacoubian
Jane Mazer	Derrick Chenault
Ricky Reid	Joyce Ritter
Reilly & Chuck Burge	Wayne & Opal Stone
Elton Cooper	Sandra Ramawy
Haylie Stevens	Ann Hudnall
Chuck & Cindy Reid	Ann Snell
Daley Reid	Dennis & Kay Hink
Scott Lincoln	David Hager
Joyce Clayton	Marie Joiner
Duff & Diane Smiley	

May Average Attendance

Sunday School	20
Morning Worship	75



Thank you for your
faithfulness!

2014 Budget: \$159,532.00

Budget Required through 05/31/2014: \$66,470
Budget Received through 05/31/2014: \$65,292*
Budget Disbursed through 05/31/2014: \$61,697

*Includes Cell Tower Lease Funds

Memorial Gifts Received

In Memory of George Christian
By: Phyllis Folsom

In Memory of Gary Judkins
By: Phyllis Folsom

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Piano Recital by Sandra Ramawy

Wednesday, June 4 at 6:30 PM, in the Sanctuary of St. Mark's UMC, Sandra Ramawy, church musician for St. Mark's UMC, will present a recital of contemporary and traditional piano music. Currently Professor College in Ramawy is Indonesia in piano the Texas at Boston Ramawy on the faculty of the University of Texas, San Antonio. An offering to support local Golden Cross Ministries will be received at the end of the free recital. A reception will follow.



Yoga Classes on Thursday at 6:00 pm and Saturday morning at 9:00 am. Cost is \$3.00 per class.

Shelby County Government Mark H. Luttrell, Jr., Mayor

Greetings:

On behalf of the citizens of Shelby County, I am reaching out to you and your congregation to raise awareness around a pressing issue – hypertension. Hypertension is the most common condition seen in primary care. Surprisingly, many children in the Mid-South have developed hypertension.

Hypertension is often not felt and can lead to heart attack, strokes, kidney failure, and death if not detected early and treated appropriately. Help us spread the message by participating in the 2nd annual **Healthy Shelby 5k at Shelby Farms Park on June 28 2014!**

Sincerely,
Mark H. Luttrell, Jr.
Mayor

St. Mark's United Methodist Men

Colonel Mike Ryall, Commander of the Ridgeway Station of the Memphis Police Department (3840 Ridgeway) will be our guest speaker on June 17. Colonel Ryall will discuss the "Community Outreach Program (C.O.P), a proactive initiative developed by the Memphis Police Department, to improve the quality of life of citizens and reduce juvenile violence, utilizing crime prevention techniques through identification, enforcement and education within the community."



Dinner starts at 6:30 PM and Colonel Ryall will speak at 7:00 PM. Be sure to make your reservations soon.



VBS Returning to St. Mark's

St. Mark's has not held a Vacation Bible School for several years. This year we will be living on The **EDGE! Camp EDGE** is an exciting

VBS program for *Exploring & Discovering God Everywhere!*

VBS is scheduled from Sunday, June 22 – Thursday, June 26; 6:00 – 8:30 PM, with a snack supper served each night. Ages are 3-11 (or through 6th grade). We will also offer a nursery for those under 3. This will help ensure as many families as possible can participate.

On Friday night we will have a family cookout. The children will share what they have learned and experienced during the week through music, crafts completed, and fellowship. On Sunday, June 29th, the children will present a selection of the music they learned during Worship.

We need you!

Please invite your family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers to bring their children or grandchildren. We want to immerse them in the love of Christ and show them the warm fellowship and caring of St. Mark's.

We need volunteers to help shepherd the children between activities; we need help with the activities themselves; and there are many "behind the scenes" activities.

If you can lend a hand, please contact Bro. Brad or Beverly Hardin. There is a place for you and you are needed!

St. Mark's United Methodist Women

The UMW would like to thank everyone who participated in the Candle Burning this past Sunday. Your generous donations in memory and in honor of loved ones will be used to support missions at the district and national level. We will be hosting a light reception of punch and cookies on Wednesday, June 4 after the piano concert by Sandra Ramawy. If you are interested in bringing cookies, please contact Barbara Jenkins (901) 752-1128 or Beverly Hardin (901) 757-0304. Our next big project is Vacation Bible School. The next quarterly meeting of UMW will be held Tuesday, June 17th at 1:00 p.m. to enable us to vote on any support that might be needed for our first Vacation Bible School in several years. We invite all ladies of the church to join us for this quarterly meeting. Please don't forget to support our ongoing projects: First Sunday Luncheon, the Food Pantry and Golden Cross Baskets.

First Sunday Luncheon	June 1
Quarterly Meeting	June 17

Golden Cross Senior Residents Fund

Thank you for your generous participation in previous **GOLDEN CROSS** Golf Classics. Your ongoing support and participation enables this event to be especially successful, fun and noteworthy. You help transform lives one need at a time.

This year the event celebrates the **14th Annual Golf Classic**. We have been blessed with a remarkable early registration of golfers and sponsors for this year's event. The Golf Classic has two flights again and takes place on Thursday, September 18th once again at beautiful Windyke Country Club in Memphis.

Thanks again and we look forward to your participation in the 14th Annual **GOLDEN CROSS** Golf Classic. If you only play once per year, make this your choice for your annual round!

Blessings,

David Kabakoff, President
GOLDEN CROSS Senior Residents Fund.

NOTE: Sign Up sheet is on the bulletin board in the office hallway.

June 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service 11:30a 1st Sun Lunch	2 6-7:00p NA 6-7:30p Boy Scouts	3 6:30-8p Cub Scouts	4 7:00a Emmaus 6:00p Recital by Sandra Ramawy Reception to Follow	5 6:00 p. Yoga	6	7 9:00 a. Yoga
8 9:30a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service 11:30a Choir Practice	9 6-7:00p NA 6-7:30p Boy Scouts	10 6:30-8p Cub Scouts	11 7:00a Emmaus	12 6:00 p. Yoga	13	14 9:00 a. Yoga
15 9:30a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service 11:30a Choir Practice	16 6-7:00p NA 6-7:30p Boy Scouts	17 1:00 p UMW Quarterly Meeting 6:30p UMM	18 7:00a Emmaus	19 6:00 p. Yoga	20	21 9:00 a. Yoga
22 9:30a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service 11:30a Choir Practice 6-8:30p VBS	23 6-7:00p NA 6-7:30p Boy Scouts 6-8:30p VBS	24 6:30-8p Cub Scouts 6-8:30p VBS	25 7:00a Emmaus 6-8:30p VBS	26 6:00 p. Yoga 6-8:30p VBS	27 6:00pVBS Family Night Cook Out	28 9:00 a. Yoga
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Wednesday Evening Dinner and Bible Study is taking the summer off!

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2014 Camp Edge VBS Registration Form

Student's Name _____ Age _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Street Address (if different than Student's) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Addl Phone _____

Alternate Contact _____ Phone _____

We will be serving a snack supper each night and will have indoor and outdoor activities.

Please list any allergies (food or otherwise) and any special needs.

Please give any additional information we need to know about your child.