

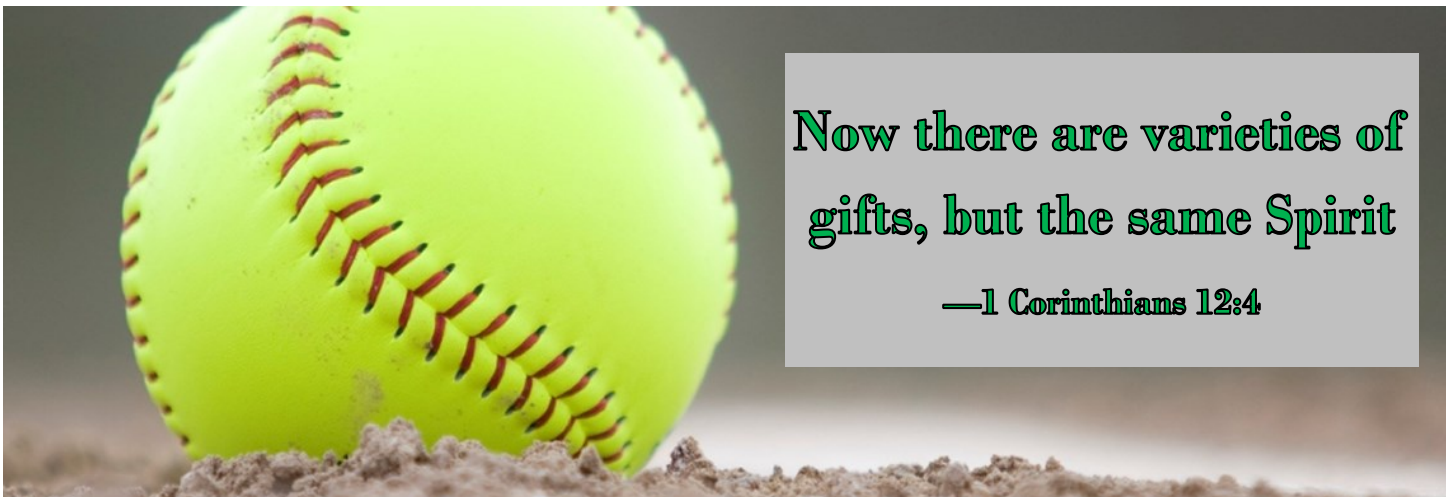


St. Mark's Remarks

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**Now there are varieties of
gifts, but the same Spirit**

—1 Corinthians 12:4

Positioned for Ministry: What part do you play?

It's been said that teamwork makes the dream work. It's certainly true of baseball and of the Church. When Paul was writing to the church in Corinth, he was addressing deep divisions among the members. It seems that some of the believers thought they were more important than others because they had a particular ability that was highly prized, but Paul said there are all kinds of gifts, and each one is a gift from God. Each one is a manifestation of the Holy Spirit at work in the life of every child of God. We have all been given different gifts so that, together, we can accomplish the task that Jesus set before all of his followers: to make disciples. At Pentecost, we were asked if we were ready to claim the power that is available to us through the gift of the Holy Spirit. We said, "Yes!" And we pledged to use that power for the benefit of the Church. For the benefit of our church. For the benefit of St. Mark's. We do that best when we know what our spiritual gifts are, how they function, and where we can use them. So this summer, we will learn more about the 20 different spiritual gifts that Paul mentions in his letters to the believers in Rome, Ephesus and Corinth. If you do not know what your spiritual gift is, I encourage you to answer a simple questionnaire on The United Methodist Church website. You can find the questionnaire at <http://www.umc.org/what-we-believe/spiritual-gifts-online-assessment>. If you do not have a computer at home, contact the church office, and we can help you complete the questionnaire using a church computer. Then come join us for worship this summer as we seek to discover our abilities and position ourselves to serve our Lord Jesus Christ.

Grace, peace & joy!

Pastor Jo

June Birthdays

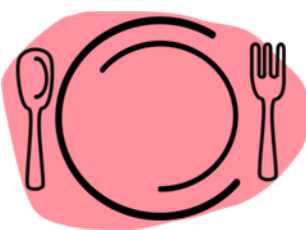
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| Phil Harris | 06/08 | Larry Hughes | 06/12 |
| Lauri Draughon | 06/20 | Glenn Moore | 06/21 |
| Paul Melton | 06/24 | | |

Visitors Last Month

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| Mark Grissom | Austin McDowell |
| Knox Pettinger | Madison Pettinger |
| Jill Swift | Hye Cha McMullin |
| Bitsy Pou | Larry Bell |
| Kenneth Hardin | Mary Sather |

United Methodist Men

Our June “steak or chicken” dinner meeting will be Tuesday, June 21, at 6:30 p.m. The men would like to extend an invitation to all the ladies of the church to attend. Please join us for great food and great fellowship! Steak is \$10 and chicken is \$8. Please confirm your reservation with Terry either at church or by calling 901-359-7342. We look forward to seeing you there!



Terry B. Draughon

United Methodist Women

Welcome June! As the flowers of spring have bloomed, so has UMW and your support of us. We appreciate your contributions to our annual Candle-burning, to honor and remember those close to us, and support missions at the same time.

Speaking of missions, one of our St. Mark's UMW missions is to keep our fellowship hall decorated. We purchased neutral-colored, high quality tablecloths that should last a long time. A HUGE Thank You to all who “adopted” a tablecloth. With this, we can continue support of Golden Cross, Reelfoot Rural Ministries, Church Health Center, and UMCOR—just to name a few. The tablecloths are \$35 each and we still have some “up for adoption”. If you are interested, see one of the Fellowship Hall committee members, Mary Jane, Lita, or Beverly.

The next quarterly kitchen cleanup is Thursday, July 16th at 10:00 in the conference room. Lastly, mark

your calendars for Thursday, July 21st for our annual Mini-Retreat. Bonnie Carter, our vice-president, is planning this event and will be providing more information.

Grace, peace and all the Blessing of our Lord to you!
Sheila and Shelly

Together we can

Raise the Roof

Last month, the Trustees brought a recommendation to our Church Council to put a new roof on our education/office building and Narthex. The current roof has served us well for about 35 years, but numerous repairs are already needed and more would be inevitable. So it is cheaper in the long run to go ahead and install a new roof at a cost of \$28,000. Council members also voted to upgrade our security system, so we need to raise a total of \$30,000. It is a lot of money, but, to date, we have raised \$2,128! That's a great start. We still have a long way to go, but all we need are 30 families who will commit to give \$1,000 by September 1, and we will hit our mark. That breaks down to \$333 per month. Some families may be able to give more, and others may not be able to give that much, but we can all do something. And it all adds up. Together, we CAN raise the roof! Contributions can be mailed to St. Mark's at 8255 Winchester; Memphis, TN 38125, or you can use the blue Building Fund envelopes in the sanctuary pews. All gifts are tax deductible.

St. Mark's UMC Missions

Golden Cross

July 4th FUN!

The time has come to make our special 4th of July Bags! These fun patriotic Bags help our friends at the Wesley Senior Ministries celebrate our Nations' Birthday. USA! USA!

Please bring Cokes, Pepsi, & 7up (red/white/blue cans). Place them under the table in the Narthex. We would like to meet our goal of 200 like last year!

USA! USA! USA!

Summer Youth

Let's dive into the Bible together! Junior and Senior High students are invited to join Pastor Jo for fun, fellowship, and a spiritual adventure as we learn about the basic beliefs of The United Methodist Church. We will meet on Wednesday, June 1, at 3 pm at the home of Vickie Zeman, 3810 Misty Oak Drive. She is letting us use her pool! So bring a towel and a Bible. Call Pastor Jo at 731-636-0330 if you need a ride.

Thank You

A heartfelt thank to all who participated in Stephanie's Graduation dinner! St. Mark's has been part of Stephanie's life since she was born and she loves her church family! The recognition and special gift during Worship on her graduation day, your presence, the abundance of gifts, congratulations, and well wishes were overwhelming. We all thank you! God Bless each of you. Ken, Beverly, and Stephanie Hardin

June 2016

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | 1 7:00a Emmaus | 2 6:00p Yoga | 3 | 4 9:00a Yoga |
| 5 9:30a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service 11:30a 1st Sun. Lunch | 6 6-9:00p Scouts | 7 6:00p Yoga 6-8:00p Weight Watchers | 8 7:00a Emmaus 11:00a Staff Meeting | 9 6:00p Yoga | 10 | 11 9:00a Yoga |
| 12 9:30a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service | 13 6-9:00p Scouts | 14 6:00p Yoga 6-8:00p Weight Watchers | 15 7:00a Emmaus | 16 6:00p Yoga | 17 | 18 9:00a Yoga |
| 19 9:30a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service Annual Conference | 20 6-9:00p Scouts Annual Conference | 21 6:30p UMM Dinner 6-8:00p Weight Watchers Annual Conference | 22 7:00a Emmaus | 23 6:00p Yoga | 24 | 25 9:00a Yoga |
| 26 9:30a Sunday School 10:30a Worship Service | 27 6-9:00p Scouts | 28 6:00p Yoga 6-8:00p Weight Watchers | 29 7:00a Emmaus | 30 6:00p Yoga | | |

More Thank You Notes

Thank you for the beautiful red rose I was given when I entered the sanctuary at St. Mark's on Mother's Day. It was a blessing to be honored as a mother. The sweetest names I am called are mother and grandma. Hazel Conar

Thank you, St. Mark's, for the use of the fellowship hall. You helped us so much! We love and pray for you. Robert & Alana Blackstone

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