



SAINT MARK

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

GOD'S GRACE TRANSFORMING LIVES

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

TEN O'CLOCK

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NEW YEAR'S MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023 | 10:00 AM

THE GATHERING

THE WELCOME

We welcome each of you to this service! No matter who you are or where you are from, You are a child of God, and you are welcome here!

PRELUDE

*HYMN OF PRAISE

UMH NO.220 | *Angels from the Realms of Glory*

INVOCATION

O almighty God, by the birth of your holy child Jesus you gave us a great light to dawn on our darkness. Grant that in this Light we may see light. Bestow upon us that most excellent Christmas gift of love to all people, so that the likeness of your Son may be formed in us, and that we may have the ever-brightening hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

INVOCATION RESPONSE

UMH NO. 251 REFRAIN | *Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere; go, tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father (God), who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERTORY

PRAYER

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY UMH NO. 95

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Isaiah 60:1-5*

Minister: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Arise, Shine!

RESPONSE TO THE WORD | CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy *catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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*HYMN OF DEDICATION

UMH No. 219 | *What Child Is This*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Where indicated, please rise in body or spirit.

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Preaching: Rev. Carolyn Stephens, Senior Pastor
Liturgists: Rev. Jess Cusick, Pastor of Youth and Young Adults
Sheila Stephens, Minister of Education & Spiritual Formation
Communion Steward: JW Mozley
Music: V. Lee Edwards, Guest Organist
Audio Visual: Jay Drew, Johnny Sims, & Eric Steverson
Ushers: Bob Brown & Roger Brown

WELCOME | THINGS TO KNOW



Welcome! We are so glad you are worshipping with us today!

ATTENDANCE | Please sign the attendance pad located at the end of your row or scan this QR code to register your attendance and share prayer requests using our online Connection Card.

TITHES & OFFERINGS | Please place your offering in the plate during this morning's service, or use the Secure Giving App, or Saint Mark's assigned number for text donations is 844-703-1444 and the keyword is 'operating'. To give via text, text the word 'operating', a space, and the amount you would like to give. For example, to give \$25, text 844-703-1444 operating 25. Your generosity allows us to love, accept and serve the people of our community.

COMMUNION OFFERING | Today's Communion Offering goes to support Saint Mark's Breakfast and Supper Club ministries. Volunteer teams serve a hot meal to our food insecure neighbors every Saturday morning and Tuesday afternoon. To learn more about opportunities to serve with these ministries, contact the Church Office.

PRAYER REQUESTS | Let us pray for you. Prayer request cards are located in the pews. Please return your request to the offering plate or the prayer boxes in the Narthex.