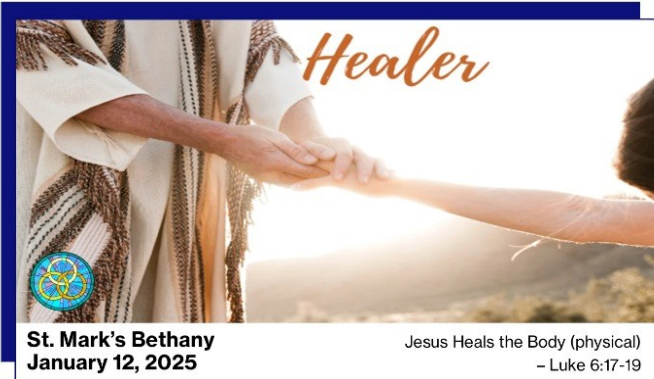




ST. MARK'S BETHANY NEWSLETTER

JOIN US THIS SUNDAY FOR WORSHIP!



This Sunday Pastor Randy will begin a new sermon series, "Healer," with a sermon titled "Jesus Heals the Body (Physical)," and he will be preaching from Luke 6:17-19.

We look forward to seeing you this Sunday and in sharing the joy of worship together. Don't forget to invite a friend to church this week!

Traditional services begin at 9:30 am and the Modern service begins at 10:55 am. If you are unable to attend Worship services in person, there will be a live streaming of each service.

To watch the live stream, please join us at:

9:30 am Sunday morning

10:55 am Sunday morning

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

- 8:30 New Life Rm 18
Sonshine Rm 17
- 9:30 Books of the Bible Rm 17
Disciple Rm 18
Young Adults Rm 5
- 10:45 Faithbuilders Rm 18
Good News Rm 5
R.O.C.K. Rm 19
Understanding God's Word
Rm 17 - Epistle of Romans

HEYA!!! COOKING CLASS

COME AND JOIN US MAKING
CHILES RELLENOS

BRING \$5 AND ENJOY YOUR MEAL!



JANUARY 9, 2025
BARNETT HALL
FROM 5:00-6:30 PM

EMAIL TO RSVP:
BEQUER@STMARKSBETHANY.COM
OR SIGN-UP ON THE CHURCH COUNTER



Let's Make Chiles Rellenos

Come and join Bequer in making Chiles Rellenos. You get to enjoy your meal after learning how to make them! Cost is \$5.

January 9th at 5:00 PM.

Be sure to email - bequer@stmarksbethany.com or sign up on the counter in front of the office.

Looking forward to seeing you!!!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT
PROGRAMMING TONIGHT!

ALL WEDNESDAY NIGHT
PROGRAMMING BEGINS NEXT
WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 15TH!

PLEASE NOTE!!!

**Second Winders
Meeting Cancelled
for January 9**



Due to the weather forecast,
Second Winders will not be
meeting this month! Stay
inside and keep warm and dry!

We will see you at our February
meeting!

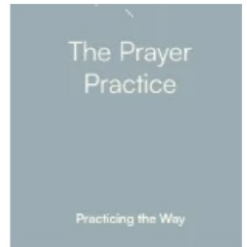
Gospel of John Study Begins Next Wednesday

Since the second century, the gospel of John has been known as the "spiritual gospel," highlighting the spiritual significance of Jesus more than the earthly details. Why is John so different from Matthew, Mark and Luke? In this class we will learn about the unique witness of John's Gospel to the person and ministry of Christ.

Join Clayton Croy as he teaches this class beginning next Wednesday at 6:30 pm in Room 18.

New Study Beginning in January "The Prayer Practice"

Whether you think you
already know about and
how to pray ... or wish
you were better at ... or
practicing the way...



There are two opportunities to
attend "The Prayer Practice." One
will start on Sunday, January 5th at
8:30 am in Room 17 (Sonshine),
and/or ...

Another class will start on Tuesday,
January 14th at 1 PM in Room 5.
Same content, different times.

No books are needed for the study.

Kathi Fisher and Beverly Ray will be
leading this study. Come join us!

Matthew Study Continues Next Wednesday!

Join Beverly Ray as she continues
teaching the Knowing Jesus as King
Bible study as we study the second
part of Matthew - Chapters 17 thru
28. Having the book "Knowing Jesus
as King" is helpful, but not required.

Contact Beverly Ray or Casey Cassidy
for more information. The class will
meet again on Wednesday evenings at
6:30 pm and will be in Room 19.



Let's keep our children safe!!!

St. Mark's Bethany is a designated SAFE CHURCH. We take the safety of our children very seriously. Only children, parents or caregivers who have been approved by church leadership may enter or pass through this area during the hours of regularly scheduled children's programming:

Sunday - 9:00 am to 12:15 pm

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday - 8:30 am to 2:30 pm

Wednesday - 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

All others, for the safety of our children, please do not enter or pass through this area except in an emergency or to access emergency exits.

(Ref: St. Mark's Procedure for implementation of the Safety Policy for Children, Youth and Vulnerable Adults, Paragraph 2.c.)

THANK YOU!!!!

Our Local Missions

Check out the LOCAL MISSIONS on the wall across from the sanctuary!!! Remember them this Christmas season!



ROC can always use our donations of canned and boxed food, especially cereal. A Grocery Basket is in the narthex for your donations!

Thank you!!!



Willow Pregnancy Support can always use our donations of newborn - 6 clothes, shoes to size 13, diapers size 4, 5, and 6, bottles, bath wash and lotion and Good Start Formula. Thank you so much for your donations!

Difference Makers Needed



Want to make a difference in a child's life? Difference Makers are needed for smKids on Sunday mornings at 9:15 to 10:45 or 10:45 to 12:00 noon.

Contact Sharon Hunt to find out how YOU can make a difference!

Men's Breakfast January 11th

The men will be meeting for their first breakfast of 2025 on Saturday morning, January 11th at 8:00 am. Be sure to get their early to enjoy the fun and fellowship!



St Mark's Bethany Women Meeting January 13th

St. Mark's Bethany Women will begin their new year on January 13th at 10:00 am in Barnett Hall with an organizational meeting.

Moving forward in 2025, St. Mark's Women thanks Jo Edwards for serving as our secretary in 2024 and welcomes Tina Elliott as the new secretary in 2025. Sara Miller will continue to serve as President, with Carol Dalton, VP, and Carol Brown, Treasurer.

Confirmation Class

CONFIRMATION 2025
confirm your faith

REGISTER NOW IN THE CHURCH APP!
FROM LATE FEBRUARY- APRIL
8-10TH GRADE

St. Mark's BETHANY

THE TRUTH OF THE GOSPEL AND THE BEAUTIFUL

(SM)² STUDENT MINISTRY

Mission Trip 2025

SPRING BREAKS

MISSION TRIP 2025

MARCH 16-21 MAREZ, MEXICO
MORE DETAILS TO COME

YOUTH WINTER RETREAT 24

YOUTH WINTER RETREAT 24
BEING THE CHURCH

February 14-16 at Sky Ranch Cave Springs
Get ready for it! Cost: \$135
or you can use STRIVE Credits

Deadline to Sign up is February 1st
For Questions get ahold of Bequer
bequer@stmarksbethany.com

SCAN FOR REGISTRATION FORM

(SM)² STUDENT MINISTRY

The Youth Winter Retreat is coming up February 14-16 at Sky Ranch in Peoria, Oklahoma.

Use the QR code to sign up!

The group will leave St. Mark's on Friday at 5:00 PM and return to OKC around 4:30 PM on Sunday.

Cost of the retreat is \$135 and includes a t-shirt and meals!

Sm Kids

Happy
New Year

2025

Sunday Mornings
Kidmin

Nursery

9:30 - 12:00 ages 6mo - 3

Early Childhood

9:30-10:45 ages 3-Kindergarten

Wee Worship

10:45 - 12:00 ages 3-kindergarten

Elementary

9:30-10:45 ages 1st-5th grade

**LIFT OFF
JANUARY
15TH**



MISSION MOSES

A 9-Week series for elementary kids exploring the EPIC Adventures of Moses and the ways God used an ordinary man to accomplish an extra-ordinary mission that changed the world!

MAY THE LORD BE WITH YOU



**Why
Go to
Church?**



**BECAUSE....
THERE IS A KIDMIN
PARENT MEETING
1/26/24 ... AFTER
CHURCH**

**GOD'S
family**



**Before the mountains
were born or you
brought forth the whole
world, from everlasting
to everlasting
you are God.
Psalm 90:2 (NIV)**

Word of Wonder

**Before You created
the whole world,
You are God. You will
always be God.
-from Psalm 90:2**

Word of Wonder



SMKids Camp
is coming




MARGARET EMSLEY BOOTH
11/21/2024 7LB 20Z

GARRETT & ERIN BOOTH
SISTER-ELEANOR BOOTH

**THE LORD
BLESS YOU
AND KEEP
YOU; THE
LORD FACE
SHINE UPON
YOU**

**WINDSOR POSS
ON BEING
CREATED NEW
IN HER BAPTISM**

**AMAYA POSS
ON HER
DEDICATION
TO THE
LORD**

**Be
Wonder
FILLED**



**Train up a child in the way he should go,
even when he is old he will not depart from it. Proverbs 22:6**

KING'S AND QUEENS

DECEMBER 2024



Kings and Queens is not just a Respite program, we also help families plug into our Wednesday nights and Sunday morning programs. Reach out to Kayla Gannon for information!

What a phenomenal Christmas Respite!! We all had a great night all together! Lots of fun, snowball fights, stories and gifts with Santa, and time with our friends and buddies!

Special Thanks!


We are so grateful for the generous donations from the Methodist Women's group to help purchase Christmas gifts for our Kings and Queens kids! They were all excited about their gifts!

JESUS is the Reason for the SEASON!!



COMING UP!

- January 9 - Second Winders - CANCELLED
- January 9 - Cooking Class with Bequer
- January 10 - King's & Queen's
- January 11 - Men's Breakfast
- January 13 - St. Mark's Bethany Women
- January 15 - Wednesday Night Meals begin again
- January 16 - Mexico Mission Trip Leaving
- January 19 - Team ION
- January 20 - Wrapped in Love
- January 28 - Advance Commitment Gathering
- February 2 - Taking Root
Capital Campaign Launch
- February 22 - Daddy Daughter Dance
- February 23 - Kings & Queens Chili Cookoff
- February 23 - Capital Campaign
COMMITMENT SUNDAY



God doesn't expect you to bear your burdens alone
If you know someone who could benefit from the care of a Stephen Minister contact a Stephen Leader or our church office



Prayer Tools
Pray Alone

Intercessory Prayer
Be Prayed For/With

Come & Go
EXPERIENCE GOD

Wednesdays 5:00-6:00 pm
Prayer Team meets 5:00-5:30 pm

FACTS & FIGURES

2024	
Christmas Eve Offering	32,799.47
2025 Annual Budget	632,679
Rec'd toward Operating	
1/4/2025	1,646
Year to Date 2025	
Rec'd toward offering	
(thru 1/4/25)	1,646
Expenses (1/4/25)	3,026

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, January 5	Total	357
Traditional Worship		164
Modern Worship		62
Online Worship		131



Prayer Board

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family of Dawn Behrens Kelli Pavelko (Daughter of Cheryl Pavelko) Mae and baby Lina Jones (Granddaughter & Great Granddaughter of Lorna Garner) LaDonna Matthews Billy Joe Watson (friend of Wayne Barnes) Melissa (neighbor of Bob Kanary) Beverly Clark Barbara Hill Sara Miller Michelle (co-worker of Sara Votaw) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evelyn Moore Cindy Wilkerson (DIL of Frank & Nadine Wilkerson) Jan Greve Dennis Bratcher Lief Hill (son of a friend of Wayne Barnes) Fred Dalton Winn Lusk Ginger Fenton (daughter of Jeff & Dianna Davidson) Dianna Davidson Judy McMinn Cheryl Andrews Tiffany Montesano Kelli Pavelko |
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