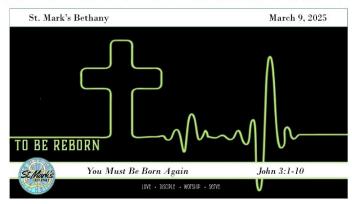


# NEWSLETTER

# JOIN US THIS SUNDAY FOR WORSHIP!

This Sunday is the First Sunday of Lent. Pastor Randy will begin a new sermon series, "To Be Reborn" with the message "You Must Be Born Again." He will be speaking from John 3:1-10.

We look forward to seeing you this Sunday and in sharing the joy of worship together. Church is the perfect place for imperfect people.



#### 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 Choir Room
R.O.C.K. Rm 19
Understanding God's Word
Rm 17 - Epistle of Romans

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





### Ash Wednesday Services

Our Ash Wednesday Service is this evening, Wednesday, March 5th at 6:00 pm. Dinner will be served a little earlier so everyone can be sure to attend!

Bible Study Classes, KidMin and Youth will meet. Choir will also meet.

#### Is the Holy Spirit calling you? Become a Prayer Team Member



The Sanctuary Prayer Team meets every Wednesday from 5 PM to 6 PM. You are invited to come pray out loud or sit quietly in unity.

Prayer is available with and over people as they come in. Prayer over a specific list of people, situations requested, events happening, and a list of St. Mark's attendees is prayed over together every week. All prayers are confidential and approached respectfully.

If you feel the Holy Spirit's urge, come join us and become a member of our Prayer Team. Help us make God's house a house of PRAYER.

#### Slide Presenters Needed

Due to some unforeseen circumstances, we will be needing help in the sound booth. If you feel like you would be able to assist on Sunday mornings in either service, please contact

Kelly Jo Poss or call the church office

# SECOND WINDERS MARCH MEETING

Second Winder's meeting date is set for Thursday, March 13 for their meal and program. The group will gather starting at 11:30 am for socializing and at noon will have announcements and a devotion.

This month the meal will be corned beef and cabbage, ham, sides, and dessert. Our program will be presented by Steve Couch about St. Mark's mission trip to Mexico City.

'Failte' (an Irish heartfelt welcome)



#### Men's Breakfast!

Be sure to join the men this Saturday morning at 8:00 am for a scrumptious breakfast and witty conversation!!!

#### **Our Local Missions**

Check out the LOCAL MISSIONS on the wall across from the sanctuary!!!

Are you able to volunteer?



ROC can always use our donations of canned and boxed food. While they can use other donations, our church provides food. A Grocery Basket is in the narthex for your FOOD donations!



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!

Thank you!



# New Tissue Bags

There has been a tremendous amount of help in getting new tissue bags prepared for the sanctuary and placed in the book holders located in each pew . These new bags have the word "Tissue" written on them with beautiful designs.

I want to give a grateful "SHOUT OUT" to the wonderful people who have shared their time and designs to give us these new tissue bags.

# St. Mark's Bethany Women to Meet

St. Mark's Bethany Women will hold their monthly meeting on March 10th at 10:00 am in Barnett Hall. Their speaker this month is from an organization that assists women when they are released from prison to support them and help them as they transition back into the community.





We are hiring for paid children/youth 2025 summer internships now!

**Apply Here!** 



#### 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!

# SAVE The DATE

# SMBW Arts & Crafts Fair

Requests for applications for the 2025 Craft Fair are already coming in! Applications will be available at St. Mark's this coming Sunday! Be sure to get yours and get your booth reserved!

Not having a booth??? Mark the date ... Saturday, October 4th!

You don't want to miss it!!!







# Confirmation Class 2025



Confirmation classes begin March 9th with Confirmation Sunday on May 11th.

If you have any questions, please contact Bequer at bequer@stmarksbethany.com.

# 2025 YOUTH CAMPS



It's never too early to start planning on summer camps!

Be sure to check out each of these so you don't miss the signup dates!

# DAYSPRING CAMP This is our High School camp (incoming 9th-graduated seniors) May 2731st \$300 at New Life Ranch, Adair, OK. Registration and payments (to St. Mark's Student Ministries) due May 5 YF TULSA This is our Middle School/High School mission opportunity (incoming 7th-graduated seniors) June 15-20 \$275 at Christ Church Methodist Church, Tulsa, OK. Registration and payments (to St. Mark's Student Ministries) due May 12

DISCIPLE CAMP

This is our Middle School camp (incoming 6th-9th grade) July 23-26 S300

© Sky Ranch, Cave Spring, OK. Registration and payments (to St. Mark's Student Ministries) due June 22nd



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Ash Wednesday Service 6:00pm

nursery available children 3 and under

# Sunday Mornings Kidmin

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### Nursery

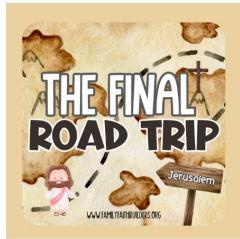
9:30 - 12:00 ages 6mo - 3

#### Early Childhood

9:30-10:45 ages 3-Kindergarten

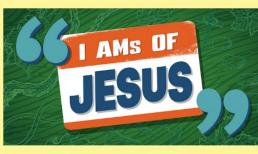
#### Wee Worship

10:45 - 12:00 ages 3-kindergarten



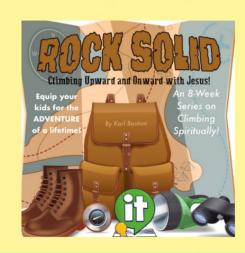
#### Connect Lent @ Home

Take your family on a meaningful journey through Lent with The Final Road Trip. This resource is now available in the Narthex and will help you focus your time on Jesus while reading the Bible and getting to know Him. Use the interactive map and magnetic Jesus to move him along the map. Once completed have your children turn in their Jesus for a surprise.





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

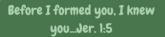


#### April 19th, 2025 11:00 am @ Tinseltown

St. Mark's Kidmin has rented out the theatre!
Bring your entire family and invite your neighbors to watch the greatest story of Forgiveness.

Save the date for more information and registration to come.

A father tells his son the greatest story ever told, and what begins as a bedtime tale becomes a life-changing journey. Through vivid imagination, the boy walks alongside Jesus, witnessing His miracles, facing His trials, and understanding His ultimate sacrifice. The King of Kings invites us to rediscover the enduring power of hope, love, and redemption through the eyes of a child.





Charles Ray White February 28, 2025 Congratulations Alex and Lorelei







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



# kids



#### **Rock Solid Celebration**

Stratus Climbing Gym \* Norman, OK

March 23rd, 2025 \* 1:30-3:30

Cost: \$ 20.00 per climber Register NOW

Kids Camp July 6th-9th







400...Jer. 1:5



June 9th - 12th 1-4 pm

> 1st-2nd grade 3rd-6th grade





Sariyah Rose Adjoa Dyer February 17, 2025 Congratulations Konnor and Stephanie





#### **Elementary Sunday Mornings**

Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God. the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom.

He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall, but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. Isaiah 40:28-31

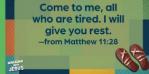






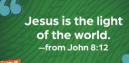






Preschool Sunday Morning





# COMING UP!

March 5 - Wednesday Night Meals 5:15 PIZZA 6:15 KidMin

Youth Ministry

King Jesus Bible Study Bible Study of JOHN Choir Rehearsal

March 5 - ASH WEDNESDAY 6:00 pm Services - Sanctuary

March 7-8 - Team ION Retreat

March 8 - Men's Breakfast

March 9 - Capital Campaign ANNOUNCEMENT SUNDAY

March 9 - First Sunday of Lent

March 9 - Confirmation Classes begin

March 10 - St. Mark's Bethany Women

March 13 - Second Winders

March 16 - Team ION

March 17 - Wrapped in Love

March 22 - Boy Scout Pinewood Derby

March 27 - Kings & Queens Plus

March 30 - Team ION



#### **COMMUNION SERVERS** March 9, 2025

Kathi & Mike Fisher, Classic Service: Jimmie & Hardy Sears

Gannon Family Modern Service:



**Prayer Tools** Intercessory Prayer

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Come & Go **EXPERIENCE GOD** 

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

## **FACTS & FIGURES**

2025 Annual Budget 632,679

Rec'd toward Operating 3/01/2025 ..... 9,328 Year to Date 2025 Rec'd toward offering (thru 3/01/25) ...... 80,153 Expenses (3/01/25) ...... 102,646

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Sunday, March 2 Traditional Worship ...... 201 Modern Worship ...... 76 Online Worship ...... 128

Total 405



# **Prayer Board**

Carol Dalton Kyle Brimson (Joey Pedigo's niece Allie's son) Hudson, Allie & Bailey children in Little Rock house fire Linda Carroll (Aunt of Lori Evans) Darrell Bradshaw (Friend of Bill & Bev Kindred) Bill Kindred Ienna Kidd Donna Shriver Family of Jane Foreman Bill Underwood Cheryl Pavelko Kelli Pavelko (Daughter of Cheryl Pavelko)

LaDonna Matthews Billy Joe Watson (friend of Wayne Barnes) Beverly Clark Barbara Hill Michelle (co-worker of Sara Votaw) Evelyn Moore 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