

Saint Mark United Methodist Church – “THE 9-1-1!”

2018: The Year of SPIRITUAL Accountability!

**DECEMBER is
Celebrate ADVENT and CHRISTMAS Month!**

“WE Are The VICTORIOUS People of GOD!”

Church Motto: **“This CHURCH is on F.I.R.E.!”**
*Walking by FAITH, Living to INSPIRE, Gracefully REDEEMED,
and Serving with EXCELLENCE to the Glory of GOD!*

Our 3 P’s: **PRAYER, PURPOSE, and PARTNERSHIP**

DO YOU NEED TO MAKE A FAITH DECISION?

It is our prayer that you will be abundantly blessed during our Morning Worship Celebration. If you need to make a faith decision today, we invite you to consider these questions:

1. **Do you desire to be saved? Scripture Reference: Romans 10:9-10**
2. **Do you desire to become a member of Saint Mark United Methodist Church?**
 - **Do you desire to be baptized?**
 - **Are you seeking a church-home away from home?**
 - **Are you seeking to re-connect as a member of Saint Mark?**
3. **Do you desire to rededicate your life to Jesus Christ and become recommitted to your walk with Him?**

If you answer **“YES”** to any of these questions, please come forward during **“The Invitation to Christian Discipleship.”** Our Senior Pastor, Associate Pastor, and Lay Servants are ready to receive you and offer you spiritual support. **TODAY is your day!**

SPECIAL NOTE TO OUR GUESTS

Welcome to **“THE 9-1-1”** and thank you for choosing to worship with us on this day! Please complete the **“Welcome Visitor”** card found in your **“Welcome Packet”** and place the card in the offering basket. God bless you and please come again soon!

DECEMBER TRUSTEES-On-Duty

Opening – **Sister Sandra Marshall** alternate **Sister Tameica Jones**
Closing – **Brother Johnie DeVore** alternate **Brother William Moseley**

REPORT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE AND PRESENCE

Harvest Hope Food Ministry for November – 138 Families Served

Sunday Morning Worship Celebration (12.16.18) – 179 Persons in Attendance

11:11am W.O.W. Bible Study (12.19.18) – 19 Persons in Attendance

6:30pm W.O.W. Bible Study (12.19.18) – 16 Persons in Attendance

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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| 2 – Sister Sandra Marshall | 3 – Sister Lucy Watson |
| 3 – Sister Shuarica Watson | 3 – Sister Sekedra Rickenbacker |
| 5 – Sister Ruby Lewers | 7 – Brother John Kanard |
| 7 – Sister Jakayla Leamon | 5 – Brother Glenn Miller |
| 7 – Brother Brian Parks | 8 – Brother Nantambu Calhoun, II |
| 8 – Brother Bryce Jackson | 8 – Sister Everlyne Wright |
| 9 – Brother Cristian Bradley | 11 – Sister Penny Henderson |
| 12 – Brother Jacquelle Byrd | 13 – Brother William Moseley |
| 15 – Brother William Marshall | 15 – Sister Martha Phelps |
| 15 – Sister Davina Pendergrass | 15 – Sister Claire Jackson |
| 16 – Brother Sammy Cruell | 16 – Sister Jennifer Clinkscale |
| 17 – Sister Sharon Fuller | 17 – Sister Ella Ruth Watson |
| 17 – Brother George Rose | 18 – Sister Bria Dillard |
| 19 – Sister Margaret D. Freeman | 19 – Sister Vicky King |
| 20 – Brother Tyre Sullivan | 20 – Sister Iris Wright |
| 20 – Sister Vanessa Payne | 21 – Brother Ronnie Murry |
| 22 – Brother Logan King | 24 – Sister Shelia Bradley |
| 24 – Sister Cheryl Sherman | 24 – Sister Kristen Hall |
| 25 – Brother Bernard Smith | 26 – Sister Audra Jones |
| 27 – Brother Melvin Green | 27 – Sister Courtney Dash |
| 27 – Brother Tamaja Gray | 29 – Sister Briana Edwards |
| 29 – Sister Ajia Young | 29 – Sister Angela Harrison |
| 29 – Brother Anthony Hampton | 30 – Brother DeShawn Coulter |
| 31 – Brother Jazmon Henderson | 31 – Sister Faurtina Mills |
| 31 – Sister Darlene Dawkins | 31 – Brother Tavonta Jenkins |

DECEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 – Brother William and Sister Faurtina Mills
- 17 – Brother Louie and Sister Betty Golden
- 18 – Brother Calvin and Sister Juana Slade
- 23 – Brother Robert and Sister Alma Murry
- 24 – Brother Clinton and Sister Ruth Foster
- 24 – Brother Ronnie and Sister Maetroy Murry
- 27 – Brother Willie and Sister Tywia Gray
- 28 – Brother Charles and Sister Denise Thompson

A WORD ABOUT OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

God's tithes (10% of our increase), our offerings, and our sacrificial gifts are greatly appreciated as we move forward with our financial responsibilities to support the ministries of our church. If you are not yet a tither, please consider the opportunity to be a "consistent giver" to support our common W.O.R.K. in Prayer, Purpose, and Partnership at "THE 9-1-1!" May God bless you today and always!

Finance Ministry Counters for the Week of December 23rd

SISTER SHELIA BRADLEY
SISTER JUANA SLADE

BROTHER LOGAN KING
Drop Guard **BROTHER WAYMON TALLEY**



Did you forget your checkbook or do not have any cash with you? Feel free to make your contribution by scanning this QR Code with your smartphone and make your donation on the Saint Mark website. Your PayPal contribution will be received safe and secure through our website. Thank you!

9-1-1 CAMPUS CONNECTIONS

- Please submit all information regarding hospitalizations, surgical procedures, and other illnesses concerning you or an immediate family member to our Church Prayer Line at 864.848.7141, extension 2. For emergencies and death notices, please call/text **Pastor T** at 864.483.5602 or **Reverend Twana Cruell** at 864.901.3570.
- For the safety of your children, please accompany them to the restrooms. Let us all take precautions so that our children are always supervised.
- If you want to have a flower arrangement placed on the altar in honor or memory of someone, please contact **Sister Penny Henderson**.
- **Pastor T is available for PASTORAL COUNSELING** (*including Children, Youth, Adult, Family, Marriage, Career Planning and Life Coaching*). For a confidential appointment, call/text 864.483.5602 or email: PastorTLG2013@aol.com.
- **Sabbath Days for PASTOR T and REVEREND TWANA:** Monday – **PASTOR T** and Friday – **REVEREND TWANA** (**unless otherwise noted**)

DVD's of the Morning Worship Celebration are available for \$6.00!

Please contact the Church Office to place your order.

WEEKLY FINANCE MINISTRY ARRANGEMENTS:

- Sunday – Deadline for check request forms to be submitted to the Finance Team.
- Tuesday at 12:00 noon – Checks will be ready for pick-up in the Church Office.

WEEKLY INSPIRATIONS by CONFERENCE CALLS

Morning Glory Devotions with Rev. Dr. Robert Burkins

Monday-Friday at 7:00am – 7:10am 712.775.7035, Access Code 906123

“THE CALL” (Praise/Prayer Conference Call) with Pastor T

Thursdays at 10:00pm 712.451.0200, Access Code 272862

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23 – Christmas Worship Celebration at “THE 9-1-1”

4th Sunday of Advent with Liturgical Color PURPLE

- **7:45 am – 7:14 Intercessory Prayer Experience** (*The Sanctuary*)
Prayer Focus: **Those who are grieving during the Christmas Season**
- **8:15am – 9:00am – Sunday School Staff Team BOOT CAMP 9-1-1**
- **8:40 am - SOUND CHECK and WORSHIP TEAMS “Reporting for Duty”**
- **8:50 am – CHORAL MINISTRIES “Reporting for Duty”** (*Pre-Service Prayer in the Choir Room*)
- **9:11 am – MORNING WORSHIP CELEBRATION** (*The Sanctuary*)
Outreach and Mission Offering: **2018 Apportionment**
- **Immediately following Morning Worship – Brief Meeting of CHOIR MEMBERS** (*ages 16 and up*) in the Choir Room to discuss January 12th event in Lexington.

CHURCH-WIDE RECESS for CHRISTMAS and THE NEW YEAR

- Monday, December 24th – Wednesday, January 2nd
- The Church Office will resume regular hours on Thursday, January 3rd.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27

- **7:00pm – Young Adult Praise Team (YAPT) and Friends Rehearsal**
(The Sanctuary)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

- **11:00am – Young Adult Praise Team (YAPT) and Friends Rehearsal**
(The Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30 – “In-House” United Methodist Women Emphasis Day BAPTISM SUNDAY

1st Sunday after Christmas Day with Liturgical Color WHITE

- **7:45 am – 7:14 Intercessory Prayer Experience** *(The Sanctuary)*
Prayer Focus: **Those seeking a “BECOMING a Better ME” in the New Year**
 - **SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRY “On-Recess”**
 - **8:40 am - SOUND CHECK and WORSHIP TEAMS “Reporting for Duty”**
 - **8:50 am – CHORAL MINISTRIES “Reporting for Duty”** *(Pre-Service Prayer in the Choir Room)*
 - **9:11 am – MORNING WORSHIP CELEBRATION** *(The Sanctuary)*
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MONDAY, DECEMBER 31

- **10:00 pm – Watch Night Worship Celebration** with Special Music by **Minister Elijah Bradford** *(Sumter, SC)* and **PREACHING** by **Reverend Twana Cruell, Rev. Dr. Robert Burkins, and Pastor T!**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

- **5:00pm – SURPRISE 60TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION** in honor of our Episcopal Leader, **BISHOP L. JONATHAN HOLSTON** at Mount Horeb United Methodist Church (Lexington, SC)! Contact Persons: Sister Penny Henderson and Pastor T.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

- **8:30am - 3:00pm – BOOT CAMP 9-1-1 Leadership Development Training Day**
ALL SERVANT LEADERS (Out-going and In-coming) ARE ASKED TO BE PRESENT!

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25

- **Ribbon-Cutting Celebration for the NEW Emory United Methodist Church and Community Complex (Washington, DC – Rev. Dr. Joseph “JOE” W. Daniels, Jr., Lead Pastor)!**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31

- **6:30 pm - 8:00pm – Church Council Meeting...ALL SERVANT LEADERS** are asked to be present and **ALL INTERESTED MEMBERS** are encouraged to attend.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3

- **LEADERSHIP SUNDAY 9-1-1...Installation of Servant Leaders, Covenant of Renewal and Recommitment for Choir Members, and Remembrance of Baptisms**

