

Wonderful Mother

God made a wonderful mother, A mother who never grows old;
He made her smile of the sunshine, And He molded her heart of pure gold;
In her eyes He placed bright shining stars, In her cheeks fair roses you see;
God made a wonderful mother, And He gave that dear mother to me.



Happy

**MOTHER'S
DAY**

FROM THE DESK OF THE LEAD PASTOR/SERVANT GET INTO THE FLOW

Saints of God,

Grace and peace to each of you in the strong and saving name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! What a powerful season we have walked through together. The Spirit of God has truly been moving at Saint Mark!

During the sacred season of Lent, we were led daily by the 40-Day *"A Closer Walk With God"* Devotional. *Thank you to every contributor whose words brought wisdom, healing, and hope. Your reflections nourished our souls and deepened our walk with God.*

Then came Resurrection Weekend—a celebration of Christ's victory—and the successful launch of our **two new worship experiences:**

- **Magnify Worship** at 9:00 AM
- **Elevate Worship** at 11:00 AM

Each has gotten off to a *tremendous start*, and I'm so grateful to our dedicated volunteers, worship leaders, greeters, media team, musicians, and every worshiper. *Truly, the Spirit of the Lord is among us!*

We also stepped *outside our walls* during the **Community Prayer Walk**, where 25–30 saints hit the streets, praying, knocking on doors, and connecting with our neighbors. *We don't just go to church—we are the church. To God be the glory!*

As we step into May, I want to **encourage us to keep flowing in these three essential ways:**

1. **Keep Praying** *"Always be joyful. Keep on praying. No matter what happens, always be thankful..."*
– 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18
Keep the line open with God. Your prayers are powerful and make a difference—personally and in our church.
2. **Keep Inviting**
"The harvest is so great, but the workers are so few..." – Matthew 9:37-38
Invite your family, your friends, and your neighbors. Someone is waiting for your invitation to experience healing, love, and new life in Christ.
3. **Keep Honoring God with Your Giving**
"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this, says the Lord..." – Malachi 3:10
"Give and it shall be given unto you..." – Luke 6:38
Your giving fuels ministry, touches lives, and opens the windows of heaven.

And lastly, we are leaning into our vision:

"To be a beacon of hope and love, gracefully guiding people beyond spiritual and human brokenness to wellness in life through Jesus Christ."

With this in mind, I'm thrilled to announce that **Saint Mark is now partnering with The Therapeutic Alliance Group (TAG)**—a licensed mental health agency that will serve our youth and families. This is Kingdom work. This is fruit. Let's expect a harvest!

Saint Mark, the Lord's hand is on us. The best is still unfolding before us. So, let's keep moving with grace, boldness, and expectation.

Get into the flow... and stay in the flow!

With great love and gratitude,

Victor T. McCullough D. Min
Lead Pastor/Servant

BETTY WILLIAMS AND EUGENE SMITH

Betty Williams and Eugene Smith met in 1957 on the outside basketball court at Mathewson Junior High school.

The story Eugene tells is the following: This is how we met:

After a game of pick-up basketball with some of my friends. Upon arriving at my car, Betty Williams was leaning on my “customize 1955 Chevy”. **“I asked Who are You and Why are You leaning on my car”?** (“Nobody leans on my car”). I ended up taking Betty home and you know the rest of the story, “She really wanted the car and not me.” (Smile) That one leaning on the car episode has led to 64 years of blessed marriage with many more years to come.



They were married on April 16, 1961. They are the proud parents of Pastor Kathy Williams. Kathy and her husband, Minister Earl Williams have given Eugene and Betty two wonderful Grand Adults, Christopher and his wife Kellie and Grand Daughter Alexandria.

Betty, was born in Tyler, Texas and the family moved to Wichita. She graduated from North High School and later attended Kansas University and Wichita State University. Betty worked at The Boeing Company as a Travel Assistant before retiring in 1999 after 30 years of service.

Eugene, while still a young boy; family moved from Ethel, Mississippi to Wichita. He graduated from East High School and went on to further his education at Philander Smith College. He returned to Wichita and became an employee at the Boeing Company for the next eight years. Following his employment with Boeing, Eugene accepted the position of District Executive with Boy Scouts of America. Eugene later worked for the City of Wichita and retired after 18 years.

In past years, Betty has served in various positions at St Mark. Some of the positions Betty has held include: Church Secretary, Financial Secretary and Troubadours for Christ Choir Member. Presently, she is President of the Senior Usher Board, United Women In Faith and Congregational Care Committee Member.

Not to be outdone by his wife, Eugene has been and continues to be just as active in the church. Some of the past positions Eugene has held are UMYF Co-Director, Chairperson of Staff Parish, Member of Trustee Board and member of BMCR. Presently, he is a member of the Senior Usher Board and United Methodist Men.

Eugene has been a member of Saint Mark for 73 years (**PRAISE THE LORD**). Betty joined Saint Mark after she and Eugene married in 1961. Consistent with their strong faith and belief in God, their favorite scripture is “Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths.” Proverbs 3:5-6

One thing about Saint Mark UMC, we have several families at **The Mark**, named Smith just turn around!



MAY WEEKLY SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2025

6pm-Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

FRIDAY, MAY 2, 2025

Church Closed!

SATURDAY, MAY 3, 2025

10am-New Member Orientation - Discover Saint Mark (WC211)

11:30am-Discipleship & Learning Team (Virtual)

1pm-Life Group: (Women Only) Book Chat (WC209)

SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2025

COMMUNION SUNDAY

8:30am-Prayer Time (WC210)

9am-Magnify Worship Celebration (Sanctuary)

9am-Children of Purpose Sunday School (Kindergarten-5th grade) (AC204-205)

9am-Crossover Youth Sunday School (FLC113)

10:30am-Prayer Time (WC210)

11am- Elevate Worship Celebration (Sanctuary)

MONDAY, MAY 5, 2025

4:30pm-Worship Execution Team I (Conference Room)

5:30pm-Worship Execution Team (Conference Room)

7pm-Life Group: (Women's Bible Study) Bible Blossom - Storyteller's Handbook & Story Book the Unfolding Story(PH105)

7pm-Life Group: (Men's Bible Study) Revelation: The Triumph of God (FLC113)

7pm-Life Group: (Men's Bible Study) Integrity: Living the Truth (Virtual)

TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2025

11am-Life Group: (Coed) Fresh Oil, Holy Fire, New Wine (WC211)

4pm-Staff Ministry Team (Conference Room)

6pm-Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2025

3:30pm-Life Group: Hemmed in Prayer (WC211)

6pm-Life Group: (Young Adult) Going Deep with Young Adults (WC211)

6pm-Adult Dance Team (FLC-Gym)

6pm-Children of Purpose Choir Rehearsal & Classes (Sanctuary & AC204-205)

6pm-Crossover Youth Ministry (PH)

7pm-Children & Youth Dance Team (FLC-Gym)

THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2025

6pm-Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

FRIDAY, MAY 9, 2025

Church Closed!

SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2025

8am-United Methodist Men's Breakfast (PH)

10am- United Women in Faith Executive Team (Virtual)

11am-Congregational & Bereavement Team (PH)

1pm-Life Group: (Women Only) Book Chat (WC209)

SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2025

MOTHER'S DAY!

8:30am-Prayer Time (WC210)

9am-Magnify Worship Celebration (Sanctuary)

10:30am-Prayer Time (WC210)

11am-Elevate Worship Celebration (Sanctuary)

MONDAY, MAY 12, 2025

4:30pm-Worship Execution Team I (Conference Room)

7pm-Life Group: (Women's Bible Study) Bible Blossom - Storyteller's Handbook & Story Book the Unfolding Story(PH105)

7pm-Life Group: (Men's Bible Study) Revelation: The Triumph of God (FLC113)

7pm-Life Group: (Men's Bible Study) Integrity: Living the Truth (Virtual)

TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2025

11am-Life Group: (Coed) Fresh Oil, Holy Fire, New Wine (WC211)

4pm-Staff Ministry Team (Conference Room)

6:30pm-MET Ministry (Conference Room & Virtual)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2025

3:30pm-Life Group: Hemmed in Prayer (WC211)

6pm-Life Group: (Young Adult) Going Deep with Young Adults (WC211)

6pm-Adult Dance Team (FLC-Gym)

6pm-Children of Purpose Choir Rehearsal & Classes (Sanctuary & AC204-205)

6pm-Crossover Youth Ministry (PH)

7pm-Children & Youth Dance Team (FLC-Gym)

THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025

6:30pm-Kingdom Stewards Ministry (WC210)

7pm-Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2025

Church Closed!

SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2025

9:30am-Ministerial Ministry Team (Conference Room)

1pm-Life Group: (Women Only) Book Chat (WC209)

3pm-Higher Education & Campus Ministry (Virtual)

SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025

8:30am-Prayer Time (WC210)
9am-Magnify Worship Celebration (Sanctuary)
9am-Children of Purpose Sunday School (Kindergarten-5th grade) (AC204-205)
9am-Crossover Youth Sunday School (FLC113)
10:30am-Prayer Time (Prayer Time)
11am-Elevate Worship Celebration (Sanctuary)

MONDAY, MAY 19, 2025

4:30pm-Worship Execution Team I (Conference Room)
5:30pm-Worship Execution II (Conference Room)
7pm-Life Group: (Women's Bible Study)
Bible Blossom - Storyteller's Handbook &
Story Book the Unfolding Story(PH105)
7pm-Life Group: (Men's Bible Study) Revelation:
The Triumph of God (FLC113)
7pm-Life Group: (Men's Bible Study)
Integrity: Living the Truth (Virtual)

TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2025

11am-Life Group: (Coed) Fresh Oil, Holy Fire, New Wine (WC211)
4pm--Staff Ministry Team (Conference Room)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2025

3:30pm-Life Group: Hemmed in Prayer (WC211)
6pm-Life Group: (Young Adult)
Going Deep with Young Adults (WC211)
6pm-Adult Dance Team (FLC-Gym)
6pm-Children of Purpose Choir Rehearsal & Classes (Sanctuary & AC204-205)
6pm-Crossover Youth Ministry (PH)
7pm-Children & Youth Dance Team (FLC-Gym)

THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2025

6pm-Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

FRIDAY, MAY 23, 2025

Church Closed!

SATURDAY, MAY 24, 2025

10am-Prayer-Hour of Power (Sanctuary)
11am-Prayer Ministry Team (Conference Room)
1pm-Life Group: (Women Only) Book Chat (WC209)

SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2025

8:30am-Prayer Time (WC210)
9am-Magnify Worship Celebration (Sanctuary)
9am-Children of Purpose Sunday School (Kindergarten-5th grade) (AC204-205)
10:30am-Prayer Time (WC210)
11am-Elevate Worship Celebration (Sanctuary)

MONDAY, MAY 26, 2025

Church Closed!
Memorial Day Holiday!

TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025

11am-Life Group: (Coed) Fresh Oil, Holy Fire, New Wine (WC211)
6pm-VALT Team (Conference Room)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2025

3:30pm-Life Group: Hemmed in Prayer (WC211)
6pm-Life Group: (Young Adult) Going Deep with Young Adults (WC211)
6pm-Adult Dance Team (FLC-Gym)
6pm-Children of Purpose Choir Rehearsal & Classes (Sanctuary & AC204-205)
6pm-Crossover Youth Ministry (PH)
7pm-Children & Youth Dance Team (FLC-Gym)

THURSDAY, MAY 29, 2025

6pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

FRIDAY, MAY 30, 2025

Church Closed!

SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2025

1pm-Life Group: (Women Only) Book Chat (WC209)



**THE CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY,
IS COMPILING A LIST, CONSISTENT OF AGES 70 AND ABOVE.**

We are looking for contact information of all who are 70 and above, including all home bound, nursing home living, senior living, living with family members, in/out of town. Please email, text, fill out a card, on the information table, and give it to Pastor Marsha Haney, Minister Pierre Wilkins, Carla Clement, or turn the information into the Administrative Office, of any and all members, please. We are trying to maintain a connection, with all active and non active members, who are unable to drive, as well as those who do drive themselves. Thank you, in advance for helping us stay connected with you. ***-Pastor Marsha Haney***



HEMMED IN PRAYER
Sewing, knitting, crocheting and quilting

CLASS BEGINS
APRIL 9, 2025
WEDNESDAYS 3:30-5:30 ROOM WC 211

All are welcome to come join in the fun!
 Knitting & Crochet! Youth are invited as well.

PARENTS

Play and Stay

Purpose: The primary function of the room is to provide a quiet, comfortable environment for parents to soothe or care for their children.

Room AC 204

2 years old and under



A young child with dark skin and curly hair is being held by an adult. The child is looking up and smiling. The adult's face is partially visible on the right side of the frame.



A red NHS logo with the text "NHS" in white.



WEEKLY
Tuesday and Thursday
PRAYER CALL
6:30am & 6:30pm

312-626-6799

MEETING ID: 725 362 9580

*Fresh Oil,
Holy Fire, New Wine*

MIDWEEK SERVICE

BIBLE STUDY

EVERY TUESDAY | 11AM

with Pastor McCullough- Room (WC211)



SALT FLAME
A Place of Hospitality and Transformation

Want To Be
BAPTIZED?

CONTACT PASTOR MARSHA HANEY 316.681.2214

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2025 Hervin L. Robinson Memorial Scholarship

Saint Mark United Methodist Church, in conjunction with the Higher Education and Campus Ministry presents the

Hervin L. Robinson Memorial Scholarship.

Mr. Robinson was a faithful member of Saint Mark UMC and the Higher Education and Campus Ministry team, who enjoyed seeing youth achieve their academic goals. Brother Robinson's passion for education was exhibited in his personal pursuit of obtaining his bachelor's degree from Wichita State University.

The application process will be open from
Sunday, April 27, 2025 to Tuesday May 20, 2025

Eligibility:

The Hervin L. Robinson memorial scholarship will be awarded to graduating High School senior students, who are verified members of Saint Mark United Methodist Church and meet all the application requirements.

Most importantly, the individual must provide documentation of acceptance and intent to attend a college, university, or technical school, in the Fall of 2025.

OBTAIN AN APPLICATION IN THE ADMIN OFFICE



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY



UNTIL
JUNE 23RD

EVERY **MONDAY NIGHT** 7:00 P.M.

JOSEPH - HOW GOD BUILDS CHARACTER

JOSEPH FACED HARD TIMES--MORE THAN ONCE. HE WAS SOLD INTO SLAVERY BY HIS BROTHERS. HE SPENT YEARS IMPRISONED BECAUSE OF A FALSE ACCUSATION. AND YET JOSEPH WAS ABLE TO LIVE IN FORGIVENESS AND HOPE, AND GOD DID GREAT THINGS IN HIS LIFE EVERY STEP OF THE WAY. THIS STUDY INVITES YOU TO EXPLORE JOSEPH'S STORY AS A WAY TOWARD DISCOVERING HOW GOD'S DREAMS MIGHT BE FULFILLED IN AND THROUGH YOU.

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR

Mother's Day

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

MAY 11TH

SUNDAY - 9AM & 11AM

SAINT MARK UNITED METHODIST
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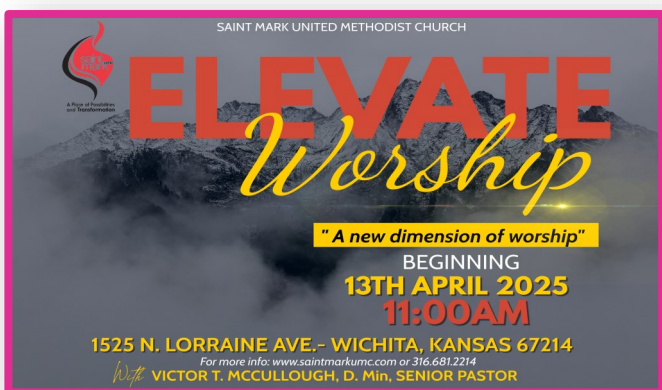


Vision Statement

To be a beacon of hope and love grace-fully guiding people beyond spiritual and human brokenness to wellness in life through Jesus Christ.

Mission Statement

Saint Mark gathers to worship God focused on providing a welcoming community, nurturing spiritual growth, reaching and transforming lives through generous servant leadership.



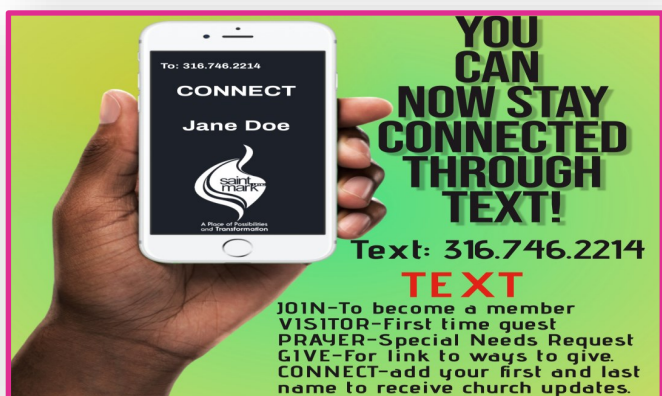
Our Visionary Theme for 2025

SHARING IN GOD'S
UNCOMMON FAVOR AND
ABUNDANCE

Based on the Biblical verse

"And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have abundance for every good work."

-2 Corinthians 9:8



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