



Privileged to Serve, Privileged to Give

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Dear Saint Mark Family,

We enter this season of stewardship during one of the most difficult and troubled times most of us have ever faced. Each of you is in our thoughts and prayers as we look hopefully toward 2021. We thank you for your past support and ask that you prayerfully consider your pledge amount for 2021. It is an awesome privilege to serve the Lord and our actions are a reflection of the great work that Christ is doing in us.

As you consider your commitment amount, the following information may help in making a decision. The General Fund Budget is estimated to be \$952,000, the same as last year, with \$60,000 needed each month just to pay basic expenses of staff, utilities, and maintenance. The Capital Fund has a mortgage debt of just under \$200,000 and a monthly payment of \$5,822 on that debt.

To add stability to the church's finances and convenience for yourself, we ask you to consider recurring giving if you are not already doing so. Recurring giving allows automatic payment of your pledge either using Vanco or your bank. Call Deanna Holmes at 205-907-0009 for help setting up your 2021 Stewardship Pledge as a recurring payment. Thank you in advance for your consistent and dependable giving. If you would like to pledge online, visit the Stewardship area of the church website and pledge by October 5. Please also check out the Time and Talents opportunities on the stewardship page of the church website.

If you wish to pledge by mail, please return your stewardship form postmarked on or before October 5th. If you prefer returning your pledge in person there will be a Drive-Thru Drop Off at Saint Mark on October 11th from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. We are looking forward to worshipping together not only in spirit but in body as well!

In service for Christ,

Bonnie Campbell

Stewardship Chair

Jennifer Colbaugh

Stewardship Co-Chair

~For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Matthew 6:21

Saint Mark United Methodist Church

Preliminary 2021 Asking Budget

	2021 Asking Budget
Expense	
4000 · Conference Askings	81,200
4101 · Programs and Ministries	
4076 · Mission Work Area	14,900
4110 · Christian Education Literature	1,260
4113 · Student Ministries	15,000
4116 · Children's Ministry	11,000
4118 · Senior Ministry	500
4120a · Church Retreat	3,000
4130 · Worship	
4130a · Traditional Worship	2,000
4130b · Modern Worship	2,000
Total 4130 · Worship	4,000
4131 · Music	5,000
4149 · Stewardship	125
4152 · Membership	150
4157 · Child & Youth Protection Prog	870
4163 · Nurture	500
Total 4101 · Programs and Ministries	56,305
Total 4199 · Salaries and Benefits	504,027
4219 · Operating Expense	
Total 4201 · Utilities	99,000
Total 4202 · Office Equipment & Supplies	26,500
Total 4203 · Kitchen Equipment & Supplies	10,460
Total 4204 · Building Operation	86,000
4206 · Grounds	18,500
4208 · Church Motor Vehicles	3,000
4209 · Insurance	39,000
Total 4211 · Computer Equipment & Web Hosting	4,500
4212 · Audio/Video	1,500
4213 · Financial Tools	2,500
Total 4214 · Bank and Online Giving Fees	4,600
4220 · Trustee Discretionary	10,000
4215 · Debt Service - Interest	4,800
Total 4219 · Operating Expense	311,110
Total Expense	951,892

Please email dholmes@saintmarkumc.org for more detail.

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2901 Columbiana Road
Vestavia Hills, AL 35216
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2021 Stewardship Pledge Form

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First Name(s) _____ Last Name: _____

E-mail: _____ @ _____

General Fund Commitment - pays staff salaries, church operations, programming, and missions

My pledge to support the General Fund of Saint Mark United Methodist Church during 2021 will be:

Amount: \$ _____ Per: (Circle One) Week Month Year

Payment Method: (Circle One) recurring bank recurring Vanco check/cash

For help setting up a recurring payment call: 205-907-0009

Capital Fund Commitment – pays the mortgage and capital improvements of the property

My pledge to support the Capital Fund of Saint Mark United Methodist Church during 2021 will be:

Amount: \$ _____ Per: (Circle One) Week Month Year

Payment Method: (Circle One) recurring bank recurring Vanco check/cash

For help setting up a recurring payment call: 205-907-0009

Three ways to Pledge:

1. Return this form by mail: Saint Mark UMC, 2901 Columbiana Road, Vestavia Hills, AL 35216
2. Pledge online: <https://saintmarkumc.org/stewardship-2020/>
3. Return this form in person: Drive-Thru Drop Off at Saint Mark, Sunday, October 11, 4:00-6:00 pm

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