

Outreach Summit September 27, 2026

OSU Football ticket drawing

Review of 2026 budget and spending

Discussion and decision on allocation of Labor Day Bake Sale proceeds (\$1886)

Discussion and decision on allocation of Cookie Walk proceeds

Upcoming activities and opportunities for engagement

- Cookie Walk
- Families Flourish
- Habitat for Humanity
- Migration Ministries
- NNEMAP/Giving Tree
- Star House
- Street Church
- Therapy Dogs
- Vinton County
- Turkey Raffle

Update on Administration Committee

Sharing new ideas and programs for engagement

Other thoughts

Outreach 2026 Summary Budget, 2026 August YTD Actuals

Income

Source	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 August YTD	2026 Budget	Notes
Carryover from prior year	15,871	12,937	12,111	12,111	
Operating budget	15,000	18,000	13,336	20,000	
Fund Raisers	5,595	6,861		4,500	Bake Sale, Fall Fest., Cookie Walk, Football Raffle
Donations	12,840	5,759	9,216	10,000	
Grants	8,000	5,500	5,000	4,000	
Totals	57,306	49,097	39,633	50,611	

Cash Donations

Ministry	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 August YTD	2026 Budget	Notes
NNEMAP	4,130	3,000	3,000	3,000	2024 Directed donation from Bake Sale, Cookie walk & Top Golf fundraiser, \$1,135 from 2024 Cookie walk included in 2025 Directed Donations from fundraisers
CRIS	1,000	1,000	5,040	1,000	
Star House	2,500	2,500		2,500	
Families Flourish	2,000	2,000		2,000	
Habitat for Humanity	1,000	1,000			
Open Shelter	1,500	1,500		1,500	
Mid Ohio Food Collective	0	0			
Episcopal Relief & Development	2,050	1,000	-		\$1,300 in 2024 from Fall Festival
Freedom ala Carte	2,000	-	-		Capital Campaign appears to be on hold.
Ministry	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 August YTD	2026 Budget	Notes
Haitian Community Center Springfield	1,000	0	-		Donation in response to events
Tri-Village Packers	400		-		2024 Bake Sale donation.
St. Johns			300		
NNEMAP Capital Campaign			-		Capital campaign delayed.
Directed Donations from Fundraisers		1,100	2,502	3,900	Bake Sale, Cookie Walk, Fall 2024 paid in 2025, 2025 Bake Sale and Cookie Walk paid in 2026
Total Cash Donations	17,580	13,100	10,842	13,900	

Program Spending

Ministry	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 August YTD	2026 Budget	Notes
Street Church	1,003	1,106	449	1,500	
NNEMAP – diapers & spices	7,900	6,125	5,099	8,000	
Appalachian Ministry	9,749	9,162	11,991	12,000	2024 ECM Grant added \$5,000 to spending
Migration (including fair expenses of \$4,871 in 2025 and \$2,774 in 2026)	6,098	4,871	3,982	5,500	2025 Cash Donations \$2,470, 2026 YTD Cash Donations \$3,536
Habitat Lunches	0	0	0	0	Vendors raised \$6,160 in 2026 and \$4,510 in 2025
In Our Backyard	778	2,247	887	2,500	
Therapy Dogs			162		
New Needs	0	0	0	1,000	
Administrative Expense	487	355	298	500	
Total	26,015	23,866	22,868	31,000	

Note that the sales at the Culture & Artisans Fair and the payout of those funds to the artisans are not reflected in the budget, ytd actuals or 2026 Budget. Payments to the artisans from proceeds of the Artisan Fair in 2025 were \$4,510.

	2023	2024	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Budget
Total of Program Spending and Cash Donations	31,570	43,595	53,500	36,966	44,900

Giving Tree

For the past 10+ years during the Christmas season, Saint Mark's has helped children whose parents receive assistance from the NNEMAP Food Pantry to have gifts to open on Christmas morning.

The Giving Tree will be outside the Chapel and decorated with paper ornaments that have a gift suggestion on the back. Please take an ornament or two and buy the corresponding gift. If you take an ornament, please return it gently attached to the gift. A list of suggested gifts and places to shop will also be available on sheets behind the last pew on the right. The gifts must be unused and not wrapped. Gift cards are also appreciated and can be placed in a small box next to the tree or given to Jill Hinton.

The Moll Family has again volunteered to put up the tree during the last week of November and welcome any helpers. Gifts may be placed under the tree until Sunday December 12 then delivered to the Christmas Shoppe where the parents can choose one large gift and two small items, wrap them and take them home.

Habitat for Humanity

The Northwest Partnership broke ground in May for a new build at 1848 Aberdeen Ave. in the Linden area. The work schedule has changed and involves fewer days requiring volunteer lunches, so most of the participating churches are supplying only one lunch this build! Saint Mark's is providing lunch Saturday, October 10. Anyone who is interested in preparing or serving lunch for ten to twelve hungry volunteers can contact Marilyn Karl at mjkarl@yahoo.com. or 614-562-1942.

In Our Own Backyard

This is our newest Outreach Ministry. The Ministry was designed to support individuals in need within our own community. We have a small number of people within Upper Arlington who live at or below the poverty level. We began this program by adopting Tremont Elementary School through the Tri-Village Packers. Saint Marks agreed to provide snacks for children coming to school without breakfast or otherwise expressing food insufficiency. In addition, we have been a resource for the school when a child comes without appropriate clothing, shoes or other supplies. Last year we delivered bags of food during the summer to families identified by the guidance counselor. This year the program also took over providing teacher appreciation bags at the start of the school year. We look forward to expanding the program as the school has a need or other community needs arise.

Migration Ministries

In 2026 Migration Ministries hosted an International coffee hour featuring treats from around the world to highlight the Culture & Artisans Fair. The fourth annual Culture and Artisans Fair was a success despite the chilly weather and featured 17 artisans and two food trucks. The total sales receipts for the fair went directly to the artisans, all of whom indicated they intended to return for the 2027 fair. The fair is hosted and organized by Saint Mark's with assistance from the City of Upper Arlington and Community Refugee & Immigration Services (CRIS). The 50+ volunteers from Saint Mark's, plus the help of the local scouts, the City of UA and CRIS made the event possible.

Migration Ministries continues to provide support to our two immigrant families during these challenging times for immigrants and individual members of the group volunteer with ESL programs at the UA library and Festa and participate in other CRIS efforts.

For 2027 the Culture & Artisans Fair will be Saturday May 1 and there will be many volunteer opportunities. The group tries to stay informed and educate itself on immigration issues and ways to help in the community.

NNEMAP

Saint Mark's, and other churches partner to provide food and social services to people in need throughout Franklin County. St. Mark's volunteers support the pantry by packing groceries, interviewing guests, delivering food, and serving on the Board of Directors. As one of Franklin County's largest food pantries, NNEMAP serves thousands of families through pantry visits, food lockers, and home deliveries. Also, NNEMAP allows our homeless individuals to use the pantry's address in order to receive mail.

Street Church

St. John's Franklinton (1003 W. Town Street) began the ministry of Street Church over 20 years ago on Easter Sunday, 2006. The purpose was to minister to those people who may feel uncomfortable coming inside a church building. By the grace of God, the ministry has not missed a Sunday of service in over 20 years.

Street Church is an informal time of prayer and community held in an outdoor setting (currently Franklinton Square Shopping Center near South Central and West Broad Street). A meal follows the time of gathering and prayer.

St. John's has enlisted partner churches and individuals since the inception of the ministry and Saint Mark's has been supportive and involved since the start.

Saint Mark's has chosen to serve a meal on each month that has a 5th Sunday. We plan on 80-100 servings with each meal we serve. Our congregation has been faithful in helping with all aspects of these meals including planning, shopping, cooking, packaging and serving the meals.

We always have a main course, a side, fruit, hard-boiled eggs and water. Lately, we have also been making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches to distribute to late-comers to the table.

In addition to the 5th Sunday meals, we have also committed to helping St. John's on the 4th Sundays of each month, by providing fruit to augment the meal they serve. We have households from St. Mark's provide 80 servings of fruit (bananas or clementines) and that offering is delivered to St. John's Church on the morning of their meal commitment. We have also, on occasion, provided 'extras' like socks, handwarmers, gloves etc. to the Street Church congregants who have limited resources and often are unhoused.

If you are interested in joining this ministry, there are many ways you can become involved. During the course of a year, on 5th Sundays, you can choose to serve by helping to plan, shop, cook, package or serve...whatever your schedule allows. You can also sign up to purchase fruit for our 4th Sunday commitments. We welcome new ideas and energy!

Therapy Dogs

We take our trained dogs to assisted living facilities in Columbus. It is a great way to interact with your dogs, build fellowship with other animal loving parishioners and bring joy to the many people we visit with. We require dogs to have their AKC "Good Citizen" certificate which can be obtained with a few weeks of easy training. Please contact judithcgrant@gmail.com for information as to how to join us!

Vinton County

Vinton County lies in the heart of Appalachia in Ohio. Its population is about the size of Upper Arlington with none of the benefits we enjoy. There are no full-time doctors, dentists, hospitals, medical clinics, or grocery stores.

Over the past 10 years Saint Mark's has partnered with the Help Me Grow program in Vinton County to support children and families with material goods they would not be able to afford. Programs such as our school supplies/ book bag drive, the baby shower for moms to give them new layettes for their newborns, books, toys and play items for the playroom and our newest project Fill the Bucket all support Help Me Grow by supplying things HMG cannot afford to buy for their families. Over the years we have provided strollers and wagons to families that have no transportation. Pack and Plays to guarantee a place for newborns to sleep safely, and layette bags full of items a new born needs.

The generosity of the people of Saint Mark's is making a difference in the lives of families in Vinton County.

