

ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15

February 2019



St. Mark's to host Pastors' Winkel

On Tuesday, February 12, from 9 a.m. - noon, St. Mark's will be hosting the monthly Pastor's Winkel for our Kensington Circuit. Approximately 12 pastors will attend. They will enjoy a light breakfast and lunch served by our church members, and also participate in pastoral fellowship, Bible Study, worship, and discussion of church topics.

According to Cathy Fitzgerald from our Board of Parish Fellowship, we have enough volunteers to handle the breakfast and lunch at this time, and the event is all set to take place and run smoothly.

We offer a sincere "thank you" to those from our congregation who have volunteered to help with the Winkel! Your willingness to serve is such a blessing to us!



Here is the latest update on the Parsonage Project

Last December, our voters decided we should sell a oneacre plot of land along Bywater Street and deposit the funds into a Neighborhood Outreach Fund. The entire project scope has yet to be determined, but the ad hoc Parsonage Committee will soon be meeting to have the property surveyed, perk tested and listed for sale. The meeting date will be announced in advance and any member is welcome to attend.

The sale will open a great and wonderful opportunity for us to reach the unchurched and unbelieving people in our near community as Pastor and the church council prepare all of us to be witnesses for Christ and share with others the peace we have in our Savior, Jesus.

Watch for further details and pray for God's blessings for St. Mark's.

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Sunday

Divine Service with Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class 10:45 a.m. Sunday School (Sept. - May) 10:45 a.m.

<u>Wednesday</u> - The Gate worship service 7 p.m. (from the Wednesday after Easter until mid-November)

One Saturday/month - Men's Bible Study/Breakfast 9 a.m.

Handicap accessible.



Want to learn more about the Bible?

St. Mark's offers several great Bible study opportunities for our church members and friends. Check them out below!

Sunday Adult Bible Class - The Gospel of Luke

During the month of February, we will be continuing our study of the Gospel of Luke in our Sunday Adult Bible Class that starts each week at 10:45 a.m.

Like the other three Gospels, the Gospel of Luke tells the story of Jesus of Nazareth. According to Luke's admission, it is built upon the testimony of reliable eye-witnesses. Luke interviewed those who were there; those who walked with Jesus and talked with Jesus; those who ate with him, journeyed with him, and watched as he was betrayed, tried, and crucified; those who at last saw him alive again. And Luke then compiled their testimony, in an orderly way, into a trustworthy account of Jesus' life and ministry. Here, we learn who Jesus was, what He said and did, and how he laid down his life for our sake, only to rise again on the third day.

So please come! There's nothing more important than learning about Jesus. Here, we discover who our God is and how He has saved us from sin and death. Here, we discover His great work of seeking and saving the lost. Here, we discover why it is that the angels appeared long ago in the fields over Bethlehem and sang, "Glory to God in the highest!" Please come and join us in our study of the Gospel of Luke. We'd love to see you there!

Sunday School for the Kids - Growing in Christ

On Sunday mornings at 10:45 a.m. in the Library, St. Mark's offers Sunday School for children. Kids will learn about Jesus and his love for them using the "Growing in Christ" curriculum from Concordia Publishing House. We hope that your child(ren) or grandchild(ren) will attend Sunday School each week because it is so important that children learn what the Bible has to say!

Men's Bible Breakfast Will Meet on February 2

Attention Men of St. Mark's!

We will be holding our monthly Men's Bible Study on Saturday, February 2. We will meet at Greek Jalapeno for breakfast from 9 - 10:30 a.m. (6636 Cooley Lake Rd.) and will continue our study of the book of Acts!

We'd love to have you there! This is a great opportunity to gather as men of God around His holy Word and to be formed together in the image of Christ! Please remember your Bible!

REMINDER: Our midweek Bible Study, the Gate, will not resume until Wednesday, May 1.

Pastor's Page

The Joy of Weakness: Encouragement in Christ for the People of God

My friends, when we Christians look at ourselves, we often see nothing but weakness. As the one Church of Christ scattered throughout the world, we regularly find ourselves hated and persecuted. The unbelieving world looks down on us, reviles us, and calls us names. We've heard all the labels. They call us "foolish, regressive, anti-science, bigoted, hateful, de-affirming, and small-minded." In certain places, they seek to take our lives.

As congregations, too, we often struggle. Our finances are tight, our people pass away, beloved members decide to go somewhere else, we're forced to make difficult budget cuts, and we watch as other congregations do things that we could only dream of.

And, on top of that all, as Christian individuals we experience it, too. Our health fails, our mind fails, our talents and our personal resources seem small and of little consequence compared to those around us. We lack money, we lack strength, we lack ability. For us Christians, weakness abounds—and at times that can be for us extremely discouraging.

However, in those moments of discouragement we must remember a truth, embodied in Christ, that seems completely backwards to the thinking of the world: For us Christians, the moment of weakness is a moment of joy!

Consider the story of one of the Israelite judges named Gideon. In his day the people of God were being oppressed by the Midianites. According to the book of Judges, whenever the Israelites would plant crops, the Midianites "would come up with their livestock and their tents; they would come like locusts in number—both they and their camels could not be counted—so that they laid waste the land as they came in" (Judges 6:5). For the Israelites, it was a time of oppression and loss, thrust upon them because they had forsaken the Lord.

However, once the people of Israel "cried out for help to the Lord" (Judges 6:6), God brought salvation through this man Gideon—but He did it in a most surprising way. At first, Gideon gathered to himself 32,000 men to fight the great armies of Midian: a sizeable force, to be sure. But then, astonishingly, when every military expert would be seeking as large an army as possible, God told Gideon, "The people with you are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hand" (Judges 7:2a). In other words, there was a problem: Gideon had too many people! His army was, humanly speaking, too strong!

Therefore, God had a solution. First, He had Gideon send home all who were "fearful and trembling" (Judges 7:3). With

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this, 10,000 men remained. However, for God that was still too many. Therefore, He then had Gideon take the people down to the water and have them drink. Here, God had Gideon keep only those men who lapped water like a dog and send the rest away. Having done this, only 300 remained—and they were the weirdos who drank water like dogs! And yet, looking at last upon His army of misfits, God declared, "With these 300 men who lapped I will save you and give the Midianites into your hand" (Judges 7:7).

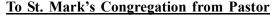
So what do we see happening there? In order to make this army a suitable instrument of His salvation, God had to weaken it. And why? God gives us the answer: "Lest Israel boast over me, saying, 'My own hand has saved me'" (Judges 7:2b).

And today, this surprising work of God is fulfilled in us, His Church. Yeah, we may look at ourselves and see more and more weakness every day. Yeah, we may watch as the world turns on the Church, casts us out, makes fun of us, and pursues us. We may see our congregations shrinking. We may lose faithful and talented members. We may struggle to meet our budgets. We may look in the mirror and see a person who lacks talents and skills and bears all manner of pains and scars. But here's the thing: as we Christians grow in weakness, we are actually becoming more and more suitable for the glorious work of God. In fact, we could say in those moments that, like Gideon's army, God Himself is graciously weakening us, so that when He does great things through us, the glory might belong to Him alone.

Indeed, when Jesus saved the world, it wasn't accomplished through a great show of outward strength. Rather, it was accomplished in a manifestation of the greatest weakness imaginable: the cross. There Jesus died the death of a slave, suffering terribly for hours while the world laughed at him. There Jesus experienced a gross and incomparable humiliation. There, as He hung on the tree, Jesus appeared small and powerless. "He saved others; he cannot save himself," the people cried (Matthew 27:42). However, through that moment of apparent weakness Jesus saved the entire world, His death prevailing as a sacrifice for all sin. Yeah, the glory of the resurrection would soon be revealed. And yet salvation came first through weakness.

And so, my friends, when you discover that you are weak, don't be discouraged. Instead, rejoice! For in that way God is making you an instrument suitable for His eternal purposes. No, His power is not at work in us in spite of our weakness. Rather, His power is made perfect through weakness (2 Corinthians 12:9).

Heartfelt thanks are offered and received at St. Mark's



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ at St. Mark's:

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I'd like to offer you heartfelt thanks on behalf of my whole family for the collection you took for us at Christmastime. It was such a beautiful expression of Christian generosity and has been a big help to us.

We are extremely blessed to be here with you, serving you in the name of Jesus. You have embraced us in an exceptional way and we truly appreciate you. Thank you for everything!

Your servants, Pastor, Mandy, Evy, Naomi, and Selah Vergin

To Those Who Helped Undecorate the Church

We offer a special 'thank you' to everyone who came to St. Mark's three days earlier than scheduled in order to remove the Christmas decorations so that we could be ready for a funeral service a few days later. It was a last-minute schedule change, and yet our people were so gracious about showing up on a Wednesday evening to lovingly place the decorations back into storage. Your kindness and effort were very much appreciated!

To our Banner Committee

Dear Jennie Kaufman, Marcy McConnell, Nancy Salo and Mandy Vergin,

Oh behalf of St. Mark's congregation, we are writing to tell you how much we greatly appreciate the time and effort all of you have expended in making new, beautiful sanctuary banners over the past year. You are wonderfully talented women and by sharing your talent with St. Mark's, we will now be able to utilize these banners to help celebrate every church season going forward.

And so we are taking this opportunity to say "thank you", and to let you know that we consider each of you to be a wonderful blessing, not only in doing the Lord's work here at St. Mark's, but also to your fellow parishioners.

May the Lord continue to keep you in his tender care.

Yours in Christ, St. Mark's Church Council

NOTE: To view pictures of the new Advent banners, see St. Mark's Facebook page.



Regarding the Adopt-a-Family Christmas Program

The board of Human Care wishes to thank all of you for your help in making this past year's Adopt-a-Family Christmas program such a success. From the generous gift donations for our sponsored family, the picking up of the donations from Open Door and all the help with the distribution, we could not have done it without you.

Thank You,

Gail Hardy and Karen Kaufman Board of Human Care

Dear St. Mark's Church,

Thank you for your gracious sponsorship of local families through our Adopt-a-Family at Christmas program. Many of these families were struggling and worried about how they would provide a Christmas for their kids. They were truly overwhelmed by your generosity and kindness and delighted with the wonderful gifts you provided!

Also, thank you for helping us distribute the gifts to 80 families! As you know, we don't have the space in our facility to house that volume of gifts, so we appreciate the time, space and effort that you and your church members provided.

Together, We feed, We clothe, We uplift & We love, Karen Myers, Director of Open Door

Dear St. Mark's,

I can't even explain how much you have helped my family this year! When my children wake up with smiling faces on Christmas morning, it will be because of wonderful people like you! Thanks so much for adopting our family for Christmas!



THIS WEEK'S PRAYER'S:

Clarence Arnold—is having health issues.

Lois Bidinger—is suffering from Dementia.

Butch Fitzgerald—is recovering from surgery.

Joan Freeman—needs extra prayers.

Gail Hardy—needs extra prayers; recovering from heart issues.

Barbara Jewell—is recovering from back surgery.

Barbara Katterman—needs prayers for health to improve.

Kay Reynolds—is having medical issues.

Sharon Williams—is still having back pain; will be undergoing more back surgery in Feb.

Joan Freeman's mom, **Betty Sampson**—is battling Stage 4 cancer. Maggie Henig's, friend **Patti Jordan**—has several broken bones. Maggie Henig's friend, **Amy Schmidt**—is suffering from Ataxia. Barbara Jewell's cousin's daughter, **Shylo Stelman**—has double

Barbara Jewell's cousin's daughter, **Shylo Stelman**—has double pneumonia along with her diabetes and is on oxygen.

Barbara Jewell's friend, **Steve Bloe**—is having medical issues, and his daughter, **Diane**—diagnosed with Stage 3 esophageal cancer.

Barbara Jewell's nephew's wife, Virginia Peyton—is recovering from pneumonia.

Ed Krasinski's mother, **Gloria Krasinski**—suffered a stroke and receiving rehabilitation.

Shari Krasinski's brother, **Steve Smith**—is off dialysis, but still needs prayers.

Debbie LoCascio's cousin, **Bob Tanis**—had surgery to remove nose cancer; is recovering from reconstruction surgery.

Tom LoCascio's cousin, **Tearl Powell, Jr.**—is undergoing chemotherapy for colon cancer.

The LoCascio's friend, Chip Cryderman—is recovering from a hospital stay and C.O.P.D. symptoms.

The Lockwood children's (Anna, Christian, Michael) grandfather, Milton Javery—is battling cancer.

Mac & Marcy McConnell's great-grandson, **Aiden**—needs extra prayers.

Lori Steward's mother, **Lynne Welty**—is having health issues. Carolynn Taylor's grandson's wife, **Stephanie Payton**—is battling breast cancer.

Mike & Kyle Tolman's grandpa, **Dave Scroggie**—needs extra prayers.

The Salo's daughter-in-law, Joni—is recovering from a stroke. Mandy Vergin's father, Bruce Ketcher—is having health issues. Carol Warnicke's friends and family:

- Acquaintance, **Linda Bullette**—had her tongue removed due to cancer.
- Friend, **Shelly**—recovering from a double mastectomy.
- Friend, Bob Hewlett—is out of the hospital and back at Sunrise.
- Friend's husband, Tom Keller—is receiving rehabilitation
- Friend, Beth Keller—caregiver for her husband, Tom.

Rob Wheeler's dad, **Rick Wheeler**—is recovering from a stroke. Larry Whitehead's daughter, **Tracy Whitehead**—prayers for wisdom and guidance.

Lori Whitehead's acquaintance, Evan Grathwohl—is undergoing

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more tests.

Lori Whitehead's friend, Vickie Tucker—is battling cancer.

Lori Whitehead's friend, Laurie Geml-is battling cancer.

Lori Whitehead's sister, **Linda Head**—is recovering from medical issues.

Sharon Williams' friend, Carol York—is very ill; praying that she'll come to faith in Christ.

Sharon Williams' granddaughter, Erika Williams—needs extra prayers for guidance.

Sharon Williams' great-grandson, **Emmitt Reynolds**—diagnosed with Autism.

Joanne Wisti's friend, Paul Kascha—is battling cancer.

ON-GOING PRAYERS:

Charlette Benson-diagnosed with Type II Diabetes

Laura Benson—is having medical issues

Cathy Fitzgerald's niece, Kim Trombley—is recovering from a car accident

Cathy Fitzgerald's sister, Charlotte—recovering from a stroke

Sue Franklin—has several medical problems

Sue Franklin's son, Jared Franklin—is recovering from medical issues

John Freeman—needs extra prayers

Friend of St. Mark's, Thisvi Steiger—is having medical problems Maggie Henig's, brother Charlie Percy—his cancer is in remission Barbara Jewell's fiancé's sister's friend, Rick Crawford—is improving following a motorcycle accident.

Barbara Jewell's neighbor's grandson—confined to home Barbara Jewell's neighbor, Ed Perez—having knee problems

Julie Kosmalski—her cancer is in remission

Tom LoCascio's cousin, Angelo Barduca—is battling lung cancer The LoCascio's friend's son, Justin Kiroff—is receiving rehab following a car accident

Mary Ann Lockwood's cousin's kids—Abigail and Amelia List—areill

Cindy Parks' friends, Sheila, Mary, and Linda—all are battling breast cancer

Dorothy Vermeersch's cousin, Gloria Maire—has several medical issues

Cindy Park's brother, Jerry Mielke—is having medical problems Marlene Steck—needs extra prayers

Mike & Kyle Tolman's grandma, Margaret Scroggie—needs extra prayers

Carol Warnicke's family/friends:

- Grandson, Brady Johnston—receiving therapy for Autism
- Friend, Maureen Holiday—had foot surgery and is receiving therapy
- Friend's niece, Devon—will stay on chemo for life
- Friend's, son, Robbie Stevens, and his parents—having personal issues

Sharon Williams' friend, Tina Fonville—is on oxygen

Sharon Williams' daughter-in-law's nephew's fiancé, Rachel—cancer is in remission

Sharon Williams' daughter-in-law, Pam Williams—has health issues



February Birthdays

- 2 Rob Wheeler
- 4 Derald Katterman
- 5 Selah Vergin
- 7 Melvin Maier, Jr., Dorothy Vermeersch
- 8 Dean Hyrkas
- 9 Debbie LoCascio
- 10 Monika Petz
- 15 Sharon Williams
- 20 Karen Kaufman
- 24 Barbara Katterman
- 27 Erin Maier



Chris Gerard was confirmed on January 27

On Sunday, January 27, during the Divine Service, our trumpet player, Chris Gerard, was received into membership here at St. Mark's via the Rite of Confirmation.

Chris spent several months meeting with Pastor Vergin and studying the scriptures, as well as Luther's Small Catechism. We are thrilled to have him as part of our family in Christ, and truly enjoy the musical fullness his trumpet adds to our hymnody and liturgy.

Congratulations and welcome, Chris! (To view photos, visit St. Mark's Facebook page.)



February Anniversaries

2 Paul & Andrea Benson

23rd



St. Mark's supports missionary to Puerto Rico

On Sunday, December 23, St. Mark's was visited by Pastor James Neuendorf who worshiped with us, then shared some details about his upcoming missionary work in Puerto Rico during our Bible Study hour. In support of the Neuendorfs, St. Mark's held a free-will door offering on December 23, 30 and January 6. A total of \$324 in donations was received, and this amount was sent to the International Missions Office at our synod headquarters in St. Louis, MO in mid-January.

On January 14, Pastor Neuendorf and his wife, Christel, who is a Deaconess, were deployed to Ponce, Puerto Rico as missionaries for the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Their focus will be to establish a strong Lutheran presence in this city which will boldly proclaim the Gospel and meet the physical and spiritual needs of a community that is hungry for the Gospel and for hope.

To learn more about the Neuendorfs, or to donate to their missionary work, visit: https://www.lcms.org/neuendorf. To view photos from Pastor Neuendorf's visit here, see our Facebook page.



There will be an ushers' meeting on February 2

At 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 2, we will be holding a meeting at St. Mark's for all those serving as ushers in 2019. Here, we will be discussing important security procedures, as well as a few other noteworthy items. This meeting is mandatory for all ushers. We look forward to seeing you there!

Special Fund Donations

We thank those listed below who made special donations during the month of **December**.

Memorials: Gail Hardy, Barbara Jewell, David & Margaret Scroggie.

Missionary Support: Sharon Williams.



Please remember these folks in your prayers

Those shown below have lost loved ones this past month. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

The Williams family as our long-time member and friend, Warren Williams, fell asleep in the Lord on 12/31.



Church Council Minutes - Summarized January 22, 2019

In attendance: Pastor Vergin, John Reardon, Kari Kosmalski, Karen Kaufman, Tom LoCascio, Debbie LoCascio, Cathy Fitzgerald, Mandy Vergin, Sue Ingram & Nancy McInnis. Julie Kosmalski was a visitor.

Opening Prayer & Devotion by Pastor at 7:32 p.m.

Treasurer's Report per Debbie/Kari- Debbie & Kari will meet at our credit union shortly to have Kari added as a signer on our checking account.

Financial Secretary's Report per Debbie - 2018 contribution statements for church members were mailed out last week. Statements for non-church member donations will be mailed out next week.

Pastor's Report

- Chris Gerard (our trumpeter) will be confirmed on Jan. 27
- Christian Lockwood will be confirmed on Feb. 3
- Ash Wed. will be on Mar. 6
- Will begin the "Everyone His Witness" program during Sunday Bible Study once the study on the Gospel of Luke is finished. Pastor to order the books. Will be charged to Gospel Outreach's budget.
- Discussed possibly ordering some palm plants for the chancel area. Pastor to research this more.
- Recommendation to Board of Properties: possibly consider disconnecting the old wall heater in the entryway and purchasing a portable electric heater for that area instead?
- Pastor has the iDrive computer back-up system operational
- Pastor attended ALICE (active shooter) training at Temple Israel in W. Bloomfield earlier this month. The event was put on by the W. Bloomfield Police Dept. He'll have a report on this next month.

Public Relations per Sue Ingram

Sue and Pastor met this week and reviewed the 2019 activities calendar. Sue will start planning which events we should advertise for.

Gospel Outreach per Cathy & John

Sharon will be having another back surgery in February, so Mary Ann Lockwood will be attending future Council meetings on her behalf until she's recovered.

Human Care per Karen

- Per Council, this board did a fantastic job of running the Adopt-a-Family Christmas program with the Open Door.
- St. Paul, Pontiac, is seeking more sister congregations

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- to serve their midweek dinners. Karen to check on some dates to see when St. Mark's could help.
- St. Paul's is also urgently requesting additional food for their Food Pantry. Debbie to forward the email re: this to Karen.

Parish Fellowship per Cathy

- Cathy will be filling in at Council meetings until Ellen Rentola returns from Florida. Ellen is the chairperson for this board.
- Board hopes to meet with Pastor soon to discuss upcoming activities.

Properties per Tom

- Jim O'Brien has painted the restrooms
- Debbie & Pastor picked up a used vanity for the men's room at a cost of \$100. It has been installed and looks great.

Banner Committee per Mandy

They have made 21 new banners so far this year and will be adding more for Lent and Holy Week.

Parsonage Project Committee per John

Kari Kosmalski has volunteered to be on this committee. Committee will probably meet the 2nd Tue. of each month. John to give Debbie a newsletter blurb re: this committee's next steps.

General Business

- Signing of 'thank you' letters by Council for various church members who went above and beyond in donating their time and effort this past year.
- Discussed Synodical Presidential Election Form. Pastor will be St. Mark's pastoral delegate. He'll see if Jim O'Brien wants to be the lay delegate. If not, John Reardon offered to be the back-up delegate.
- Lutheran Witness discussion by John. This is a rocksolid magazine and if you don't have a subscription to it, please consider it. It also allows good opportunities to submit articles from St. Mark's showcasing some of our outreach and events.
- Discussion by Tom re: the purchase of an AED machine. He is recommending the purchase and will research more on prices and get back to Council. We could take funds from the Memorial Fund to pay for it.

Next Council Meeting: Tuesday, Feb. 19 at 7:30 p.m. Adjourned at 8:35 p.m.; Closed with the Lord's Prayer

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- Monthly church calendars
- Sunday bulletins
- Weekly announcements
- Monthly newsletters
- About St. Mark's
- Event Registration Forms
- Those on Duty (scheduled to help out at church)

...and more! Check it out for all of your worship/church needs!



Add these March events to your personal calendars now

It's almost hard to believe that you're reading February 2019's newsletter, isn't it? It seems like just yesterday we were welcoming 2019 into our lives! Since March will be here before you know it, we encourage you to add these upcoming church events to your personal calendars now.

March 6

- Soup & Salad Supper put on by our Parish Fellowship Board from 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Ash Wednesday Divine Service with the Imposition of Ashes starting at 7 p.m.

March 13, 20 & 27

• Midweek Lenten worship service starting at 7 p.m.

We look forward to seeing you at the above events as we enter the Season of Lent!

Sunday Divine Service: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Adult Bible Class:10:45 a.m.

Sunday School (Sept. - May): 10:45 a.m.

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Men's Bible Study/Breakfast: First Saturday/month at 9 a.m.

Wednesday Worship: "The Gate" 7 p.m. (the Wed. after Easter through mid-Nov.)

For live, up-to-date versions of ANY St. Mark's calendar, visit our website at: www.stmarkwb.org.

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