



St. Mark's Lutheran Church *Messenger*

June 2024

Adult Bible Study on Sundays

Each Sunday, directly following our Divine Service, all are welcome to join that day's pastor for Adult Bible Study. The one-hour study will take place in the basement fellowship hall at 10:45 a.m. and goodies, coffee and juice are often available for participants. Start you week off right by delving deeper into God's Word! You'll be glad you did!



SEMI-ANNUAL
CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING

The Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on **June 2nd at 10:45 am in Fellowship Hall.** Please attend this important meeting if you can!

Reminder: Father's Day is June 16, 2024. A way that you can Honor or remember him is through a donation. The Donation will go to a special gift to all dads in the Congregation. Just fill out a pink slip and Place it in a envelope in your pews designate it as flower donation and place it in the collection plate no later than June 9.



A Big Thank you to all those that helped with the Spring Clean-Up. Beautifully Done!

Also a big Thank you to those who contributed and or helped to serve Dinner at St. Paul's on May 29th. It was greatly appreciated!

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Sunday Worship

Divine Service at 9:30 a.m. followed by
Adult Bible Study at 10:45 a.m.
Handicap Accessible

QUILTING BEE ON THURSDAYS

Anyone who would like to learn how to quilt, (or even if you already know how to quilt) are welcome to join our Quilting Bee group that meets each Thursday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the upstairs senior youth room. The quilters work pretty much year 'round to make quilts for Lutheran World Relief (LWR), and then LWR distributes the quilts to needy individuals worldwide. Many hands make for light work, so if you'd like to help, just show up on any Thursday!

The Quilting Bee will be taking a break.

They will be taking all of July off. They will resume in August on their normal Thursday slot at 10 a.m.

ANNUAL JUNK IN THE TRUNK presented by Open Door Outreach Thrift store is the Saturday of Father's Day weekend, **June 15th 9am -3pm.**

To reserve your spot to sell your treasures please stop into Open Door Thrift Store 7140 Cooley Lake Rd. Waterford, MI 48327 or call 248-360-4977, as spaces fill very FAST!

TOILETRY/HYGIENE DONATIONS FOR THE OPEN DOOR OUTREACH CENTER

– We continue to receive hygiene & toiletry products year around for the Open Door Outreach Center in Waterford. There are two bins located on the shelves at the bottom of the sanctuary stairs where you can place product donations. The Open Door is a non-profit organization that assists needy families in the Lakes Area. They are ALWAYS in need of toiletry and hygiene items, so **if you can provide any of these throughout the year, it would be appreciated.**

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WE CONTINUE TO COLLECT used postage stamps for Wycliffe Bible Translation Ministries, and used eyeglasses for MOST Ministries in the two plastic bins on the shelves at the bottom of the sanctuary stairs. Wycliffe sells the stamps to stamp collectors and then uses the proceeds to fund Bible translation projects throughout the world. MOST Ministries repairs/refurbishes used eyeglasses and distributes them via eyeglass clinics to the needy around the world. If you donate postage stamps, please leave ¼” of the paper around the stamp.

Collecting Bottles/Cans for Ziah Town School

If you would like to donate your returnable cans and bottles, the Board of Human Care is accepting them weekly! Just bring your bag to church and an usher will let you know where you can put them. A member of the Human Care Board will collect them and make the return. All money will then go into the fund for the Ziah Town Liberian Lutheran School to be used for catechisms and/or school supplies. You may also make donations at any time by either putting your check/cash in a green envelope and writing “Joe Boway” on the front (checks made payable to St. Mark’s), or visiting the St. Mark’s website, clicking the online giving button and selecting the fund titled Joe Boway/Liberian School.

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This Month's Prayers

For Our church members:

Cathy Fitzgerald,
Barbara Jewell,
Julia Ligon,
Mary Ann Lockwood,
Nancy McInnis,
Rose Mielke,
Angela Peters,
Nancy Salo,
Carolyn Taylor,
Marilyn Turner,
Art Vermeersch,
Larry Whitehead

For Friends/Family of Our Church Members:

Bunny
Freida,
Kim,
Richard,
Mary Ann,
Nancy,
Lisa,
Ian,
Ed,
Mickey,
Marlene,
Carl,
Bill,
Judy,
Chip,
Rhea,
Cheryl,
Dale,
Michael,
Ed,
Johnny,
Kristy,
Rick,
Rich,
Ron,
Ray,
Truman,
Mary,
Leonard,
Peg

For Those Who Lost Loved Ones Recently:

Callie

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June's Anniversaries

10 Rick & Sandra Schaltz 40 years
20 Tom & Debbie LoCascio 43 years

June's Birthdays

2 Deborah Sidelinker
7 Trent Johnson, Claire Swainson
14 Cassidy Benson
18 Elijah Williams
19 Daniel Hein, Bradyn Velu
22 Jennifer Johnson
25 Amanda Follis, Kyle Tolman
26 Jennie Kaufman
27 Sheryl Brown
29 Sophia Benson, Diana Thomas

Special Fund Donations for April:

Liberian School-Joe Boway:

Nancy McInnis, Lynn Thomas

Sanctuary Remodeling: Nancy McInnis

Transferred Membership out:

Church Council
Business Meeting Minutes—Summarized
April 23,2024

Attendees: John Reardon, Trent Johnson, Lori Whitehead, Karen Kaufman, Darryl Swainson, Debbie LoCascio

The meeting was called to Order: 7:02 p.m. ; We opened with prayer by John.

There was a motion to approve the Agenda for today and the Previous Minutes as submitted. It was Seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Kyle Albert was absent but submitted a report which John read.

There was a stop check fee assessed because of a problem with a payroll check that was written. Check was re-issued. Kevin Hurley confirms that the balance from feed my lambs Fund and the Endowment fund will be sent to St. Mark's.

Financial Secretary's Report: Lori reports Than St. Mark's application that was filed with Vanco (online offerings) has been approved. Vanco has lower rates overall being charged to St. Mark's than Kindrid was the reason for the change.

Calendar/Parish Report was reviewed. Calendar: Per Trent, Church Clean-Up will take place on Sunday, May 5 directly following the Divine Service. Darryl notified Pastor Nelson that Bible Study would be cancelled and that John would notify Lilli. Council had a few questions regarding the Parish Report. Darryl will get in touch with Lilli for clarification on these.

Elders & Call Committee: From Call Committee: The Special Voter's meeting results: The Voters want the committee to continue searching for a dual parish pastor. Darryl will check with Pastor Moyer regarding a couple of Items: Should/could St. Mark's try to get a Vicar, and also, If a pastor becomes one of our vacancy pastor's', can he still be considered for a call to St. Mark's ? In the past, the Michigan that this option is not recommended. After these two Items have been addressed, Darryl will contact the pastor that Barbara Jewell knows (and is on the Call List provided by the District) in order to see what he is looking for in a call, and inform him that we are a congregation that only uses the historic liturgy, and any future pastors would need to abide by that. After all has been accomplished, Darryl will report back to the Call Committee with this information.

Family & Youth: Sarah Dwyer has been appointed to the Board with Debbie LoCascio, who is currently on the Board until the fall. Debbie will meet with Sarah to see what her thoughts are regarding VBS and whether to have it or not. Debbie will follow up with Council.

Human Care: Karen Kaufman reports that St. Paul's Dinner is May 29- there is a sign-up sheet for donations and volunteers posted by the parking lot entrance.

Properties: Per Trent:

At & t Phone line was down. Lilli contacted them and they removed the line as we now use Comcast.

Mei Elevator came in for the yearly inspection. No issues were found. Mei Elevator will arrange for elevator test that is required. Lawn Mowing has resumed. Trent has a list of rotating volunteers for it.

LWML: An invitation to the upcoming LWML Michigan Convention in June and has been placed in the Bulletin. Council was wondering if there is a fee for our ladies to attend since this is the big District convention, not a local Zone event.

OLD BUSINESS:

Cd at Genisys Credit Union Discussion : Debbie made a suggestion to combine the money from expired CD , including the interest made on the original CD, plus the balance from the Endowment fund and Feed My Lambs fund and roll it in a new CD for 13 months. After some discussion by Council, the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

We have 11 fire extinguishers that are expiring and need to be replaced and we will have to pay for annual tagging/inspection fee as well. The Boiler— per Matthew Woody at Hartford Steam Boiler, we need to have our annual CSD-1 test done this year. We also need to have our Backflow Valve Testing Scheduled . This is due in October.

The Doors on the building need some TLC. Door by Pastor's office was leaking at the top between the door and frame ,that door as well as the other door on the West side of the building needs new paint. Trent states that all will be addressed.

Minutes fro the last Voter's Meeting were distributed for Council to review and will be submitted at the June's Voter's Meeting for Voter approval. Lori, reminded the Council that St. Mark's 70th Anniversary will be in 2025. She asked if everyone would think about what they would like to do to anything special...

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 21 at 7:00 p.m.; A motion was made to adjourn. It was seconded. Motion carried.

Adjournment at ____8:01_____ p.m.; Closing: The Lord's Prayer

Respectfull submitted

Debbie LoCascio

JUNE 2024

St. Mark's Lutheran Church

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

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 calendar, visit our website at:
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 1st Sun. After Trinity	3	4	5	6	7	8
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