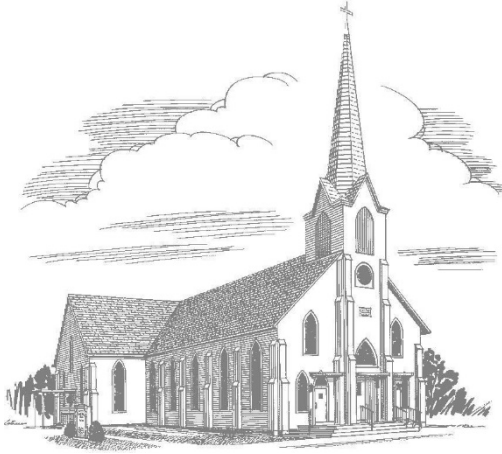


146<sup>th</sup> Year

February 29/March 1, 2020

# FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT



## St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School

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## Welcome, Guests!

*We have a gift mug for you available  
at all three of our entrances.*

*Please pick one up after the service.*

*We are glad to have you in worship today.*

*May God bless you with his love and grace.*

*--Board of Evangelism*

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## Special Prayers

### Continuing Prayer Concerns

Leslie Duvall	Elijah Rabacchi	George Salger
Debra Guebert	Ann Vallett	Ali Gerlach
Alice Knop	Linda Ethridge	Delbert Koen
Julie Heil	Delbert Joost	Jim Mevert
Sondra Mahnken	Victor Brelje	Larry Ebers
Don Ritter	Sam Huffman	Judy Wedemeyer

Genna Biermann (Connie Kirkland's sister-in-law)

Patty McAdams (sister of Jeff Welten)

Arnold Mueller (father of Alice Wydeck)

Rick Mathis (Bruce Mathis' brother)

Andy Schorr (Carol Mayer's brother)

Roy Thornton (Vicky Potter's father)

Daniel Bell (Lisa Greatting's brother)

Robert Holley (Norlyn & Jane Kingsten's grandson)

### Care Center Residents

Delores Doss	Mary Lou Goetting	Norma Wolters
Irma Wentz	Eileen Clements	Mildred Eggemeyer
Norma Rodewald	Judy Clasen	Loriene Ebers
	Wayne Mueller	

## Military Personnel & Their Families

Justin Asbury	Casey Vallett	Matt Kraus
Tim Eichenseer	Bill Ingles	Justin Parker
Andrew Grab	Cory Jeffers	Richard Thompson
Denny Ernsting	Kevin Kahre	Ethan Pierce
John Magelitz	Zach Mogavero	Rodney Anderson
Chasten Lindenberg		Braden Eichenseer

## Mission Prayer

*Remember the centrality of God's Word as you pray:*

- for Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, that all there might grow in the Word and prepare for the proper proclamation of the Word and administration of the Sacraments.

## Attention!

Make plans to join us on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> for the 9<sup>th</sup> annual St. Mark's Dinner Auction. Get ready for a night of fun with this year's—Beach Bash theme. For questions, requests, or to make a donation you may call or text Natalie Spiller, Stephanie Hecht or call the church office (965-3192).

## No Bible Class on Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>

## Bible Study Opportunities

Wednesday @ 10:00 a.m. in Meeting Room

Sunday @ 10:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

## Bible Readings

From *Lutheran Service Book* Daily Lectionary, pp. 299-304

Sunday, 3/1 .....	Genesis 4:1-26; Mark 2:18-28
Monday, 3/2 .....	Genesis 6:1-7:5; Mark 3:1-19
Tuesday, 3/3 .....	Genesis 7:11-8:12; Mark 3:20-35
Wednesday, 3/4 .....	Genesis 8:13-9:17; Mark 4:1-20
Thursday, 3/5 .....	Genesis 11:27-12:20; Mark 4:21-41
Friday, 3/6 .....	Genesis 13:1-18; Mark 5:1-20
Saturday, 3/7 .....	Genesis 15:1-21; Mark 5:21-43

# Our Stewardship of Time & Talents

## February 29/March 1

**Organist:** Janet Wicker

**Altar Guild:** Linda Barnes, Brenda Parker

**Acolytes:** Sat.— Christian Zimmer, Canon Ruby; Sun.— Trenton & Tyler Ingles

**Greeters:** Sat.— Karen Chamness; Sun.— Scot & Sheila Alms

**Elders:** Sat.— Nathan Harding; Sun.— Mark Troue, Andy Gerlach

## Midweek 2, March 4, 7:00 p.m.

**Organist:** Carl Handel

**Acolytes:** Elly Buch, Miranda Rodewald

**Elders:** Verlin Lorenz

## March 7/8

**Organist:** Carl Handel

**Altar Guild:** Brenda Parker, Christa Parker

**Acolytes:** *Sat.*—Cooper Wasson, Andrew Welten; *Sun.*— Colin Vallett, Cayton Cratch

**Greeters:** *Sat.*—Ruth Waeltz; *Sun.*—Rose Bartens

**Elders:** *Sat.*— Brian Smith, Jim Mevert; *Sun.*— Rodney Wilson

## Attendance

**Worship, Feb. 22-23;** Sat.: 79; Sun.: 129

**Ash Wednesday, Feb. 26:** 77

**Bible Study:** Sun.: 18; Wed.: 5

2019 Giving Statements are available in the Narthex.

## Volunteers Needed

The Board of Evangelism is looking for volunteers willing to take copies of our church service to various nursing homes and care centers. Thereby providing the residents with the opportunity to hear the Word and sing the songs that St. Mark's congregation hears during our worship service. If interested please contact Bill Stegmann, Olin Edler or leave your name with Misty at the church office.



## St. Mark's Lutheran School Notes

*We have this hope as an anchor  
for the soul, firm and secure.*

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**Pastor Mark will lead chapel on Wednesday, March 4th.** Our offering will be designated for our 2019-2020 Hearts for Jesus mission. Everyone is invited to attend our weekly chapel service that begins around 8:25 am at the church weather permitting.

**St. Mark's is now accepting pre-registration/enrollment for both Preschool and K-8 students** (new and old) for the 2020-2021 school year. Pre-registration forms are available at the school office from 8:30-3:00 daily or you may call 965-3838 for more information.

In order to ensure placement for your pre-school aged child a nonrefundable registration fee of \$25.00 will be required. For both Preschool and K-8 students, if you pay the \$200 pre-registration fee, you will be charged the discounted tuition. If you do not preregister, you will be responsible for the regular 2020-2021 tuition rates.

To verify that your child is eligible for enrollment, a certified copy of the birth certificate (required for new student enrollment) from the County Courthouse where your child was born must be presented at the time of pre-registration. All Pre-enrollment/preregistration fees are non-refundable.

**Put on your best smile and dress sharp! Spring pictures will be taken Tuesday, March 3rd.** All students PK-8 will have their picture taken. Pre-K 4 parents will need to bring their child between 8:15am and 8:45 am for their picture. After your Pre-K 4 child's picture is taken, they can then leave with you if they do not have class. **Forms were sent home for you to pick your background but there will be no cost for these pictures! They will be free!**

**Awards Night for St. Mark's cross country and basketball participants will be Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>.** The event will take place in the cafeteria at 6:00 pm. Hope to see you there!

**The ROE Art Festival will be Tuesday, March 3rd at Columbia Middle School with registration starting at 5:00 pm.** Students picked from several different categories to participate in. Those representing St. Mark's: **6th Grade**-Savana Link-Illustration & Ellie Markley-Cartooning; **7th Grade**-Kathrine Pierce-Illustration; and **8th Grade**-Cooper Wasson-Cartooning & Andrew Welten-Illustration.

**We will be celebrating our Moms on Friday, March 6th!** Our "Muffins with Mom", Grandma, or that special lady will begin at 10:30 am in the gym. Come and enjoy a muffin, orange drink, or water with that special someone at school. There will also be an 11:15 am dismissal that Friday for PreK through 8th grade.

**St. Mark's will dismiss at 11:15 am on Friday, March 6th after "Muffins with Mom".** There will be no after dismissal latchkey.

**The gangsters are coming!** St. Mark's Comedy Crew is presenting the production of "Pistols and Posies" by Christy Fredrickson on March 20 & 21 and 27 & 28 at 7 pm in the school gym. The place-Chicago, the time period 1920's with plenty of gangsters, thugs, and coppers! Who will rule Chicago in the end? Will it be Primo Malvone or MamaMia? Proceeds from this event will go towards upgrades and equipment for the studio room.

### **St. Mark's Sports**

**Thurs., Mar 5** – V-Ball vs RBL/Trinity, Prairie/St. Mary's  
(A,B,C) Home 4:30 pm



## Wish List

**Church Ceiling**—Have you looked up lately? The paint on the sanctuary ceiling is peeling and will require repaint in near future. The Parish Council has decided to start a fund to pay for the repainting. If you would like to donate to this fund please make checks out to “St. Mark’s” and write “Church Ceiling” in the memo.

## Lenten Meals

Come and enjoy a prepared meal and fellowship before attending the Lenten services. Board members of our church will sponsor pre-service meals from 5:30—6:30 before the Wednesday evening services. Each meal comes with drink and dessert. A free will offering basket will be available.

March 4	Board of Elders	<i>Pork Loin, Potato Salad &amp; Baked Beans</i>
March 11	Board of Education	<i>TBA</i>
March 18	Board of Trustees	<i>Chili</i>
March 25	Board of Stewardship	<i>Pulled Pork</i>
April 1	Board of Youth	<i>TBA</i>

## St. Mark’s Presents “Pistols and Posies”

**Mark your calendar for one of these days in March (March 20 & 21, March 27 & 28)** to come and meet the Malvone family! St. Mark’s is presenting the production of “Pistols and Posies” by Christy Fredrickson. The place-Chicago, the time period-1920’s with plenty of gangsters, thugs, and coppers! Who will rule Chicago in the end? You will have to come and find out for yourself! Proceeds from this event will go towards upgrades and equipment for the studio room.

## Upcoming Events

Watch for more information.

**St. Mark’s Chicken Dinner—March 8<sup>th</sup>**

**St. Mark’s Dinner Auction—May 9<sup>th</sup>**

## **Our Church Directory is Online!**

Our new Church Directory is online and we are working to keep your information secure. In order to keep you information secure your email is required to log into the directory. Send your email address to us at [stmks.directory@gmail.com](mailto:stmks.directory@gmail.com). We will then add it the directory and send you an email with the link so that you can log in when this step is completed.

## **Choice Dollars**

There are still some choice dollars available for Thrivent members for 2019, but they must be designated by March 31, 2020. If they are not designated by members, the recipient of these dollars will be determined by Thrivent. During 2019, St. Mark's School has received a total of \$1,057 and St. Mark's Church has received \$1,873 for a total of \$2,930. Thank you to Thrivent and Thrivent members for these Choice Dollars, which is free money to us. Choice Dollars can be designated by calling 800-847-4836 and saying "Choice Dollars" after the prompt, or by visiting "[www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice)".





**The Annual COS Fish & More Dinner:** Plan to join us this Friday, March 6 between 4:30 and 7:00 for all you can eat delicious fried & baked fish, fried chicken, sides and desserts. Handicap accessible and carry-outs are available.

**Early Registration for 2020-2021:** Register your students for next year by filling out the forms and paying the early registration fee of \$150. The early registration period ends March 31. You are also encouraged to apply for financial aid via FACTS and complete the COS Scholarship application.

**FFA Water Hydrant Project:** FFA would like to run a waterline the gym to the FFA garden and install a hydrant. Designated donations are needed to make this a reality. If this project interests you, send your earmarked donation to COS.

**WIX Tops for FFA:** If you use WIX oil filters, please save the box tops with the bar code and turn them into the office or give them to a COS FFA member. The COS FFA chapter can turn them in and receive a donation.

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### Coffee Cakes and Cinnamon Rolls

The Youth Group is taking orders for coffee cakes and cinnamon rolls. The coffee cake flavors that are available are Cherry, Peach, Peanut Butter and Old Fashioned. Cinnamon rolls come in packages of 6. The price is \$5 per/item. To place an order, call a youth group member, the church office at 965-3192 or Rhonda Wilson. Deadline to place orders is April 1<sup>st</sup> and the orders will be available on April 10<sup>th</sup> between 3-4 p.m. at the school cafeteria.

# WANTED!!

*Volunteer Workers and Donations for  
St. Mark's Annual Chicken Dinner  
Sunday, March 8, 2020*

Come, join the fun and fellowship by volunteering to work at our Annual Chicken Dinner. Please check your preferences below if you are willing to help one or both days, make a donation, and if you would consider chairing a department:

## Work Stations:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Meals on Wheels    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carry Out— <input type="checkbox"/> Chair   | <input type="checkbox"/> Dishwashing        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dining Room— <input type="checkbox"/> Chair | <input type="checkbox"/> Clean-up           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Desserts                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Set-up Dining Room |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Frying— <input type="checkbox"/> Chair      |   |

*Food preparation work and Dining Room Set-up will be done at school on Saturday at 8:00 a.m.*

*Please circle preference below when you wish to work.*

Saturday

Sunday

Both Days

## Donations:

- Pies -circle 1 or 2  
 Cakes -circle 1 or 2  
 Cash Donations\*

*\*Please put Cash donations in an envelope designated for the Chicken Dinner. Place in offering basket or give to church secretary.*

Sign your name, phone number, and drop this form in the offering basket or bring it to the church office.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*For more information, please contact: Church Office 965-3192*

*Thank you for volunteering!*

# St. Mark's Weekly Calendar

## **Sat., February 29**

6:00 p.m.      Worship Service

## **Sun., March 1**

9:00 a.m.      Worship Service w/Communion

10:15 a.m.     Bible Study

10:30 a.m.     St. Mark's Chicken Dinnerr

## **Mon., March 2**

## **Tues., March 3**

7:00 p.m.      Board of Evangelism

Board of Stewardship

## **Wed., March 4**

8:25 a.m.      School Chapel

10:00 a.m.     Bible Class

5:30 p.m.      Lenten Meal & Fellowship

6:00 p.m.      Adult Choir

7:00 p.m.      Lenten Service

## **Thurs., March 5**

6:30 p.m.      Board of Education

7:00 p.m.      Board of Elders

## **Fri., March 6**

11:15 a.m.     St. Mark's—Early Dismissal

## **Sat., March 7**

6:00 p.m.      Worship Service w/Communion

## **Sun., March 8**

9:00 a.m.      Worship Service

10:15 a.m.     Bible Study

## MISSION STATEMENT

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Our mission is to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, through worship, education, outreach, fellowship, and service.



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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Saturdays @ 6:00 p.m.

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.

Accessible Service @ 10:00 a.m. on 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays

## HOLY COMMUNION

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Holy Communion is celebrated every weekend, the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month at the 9:00 a.m. service and at the 6:00 p.m. Saturday evening service before the second and fourth Sundays of the month.

## ST. MARK'S IS A MEMBER CONGREGATION & SCHOOL OF

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THE  
LUTHERAN CHURCH  
MISSOURI SYNOD

*We believe and confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church is faithful and true to the Bible and we strive for a balanced Law/Gospel practice of same.*