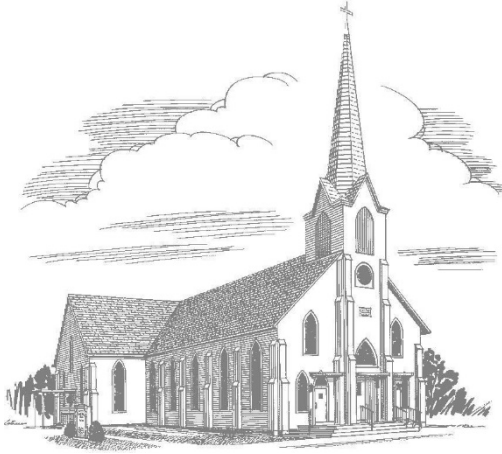


145th Year

March 16-17, 2019

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT



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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

Special Prayers

Charles R. Tiller, Charles H. Tiller

Our Elders as they restart the call process

Continuing Prayer Concerns

Leslie Duvall

Elijah Rabacchi

George Salger

Debra Guebert

Norlyn Kingsten

Ali Gerlach

Alice Knop

Linda Ethridge

Delbert Koen

Julie Heil

Tiffany Troue Denyer

Jim Mevert

Connie Kirkland

Sondra Mahnken

Michael Vallett

Don Ritter

Delbert Joost

Judy Wedemeyer

Dale Schnoeker

Ann Vallett

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

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)

Michelle Thies (Gerald & Ruth Ann Thies' daughter-in-law)

Care Center Residents

Delores Doss

Elizabeth Ernsting

Norma Wolters

Irma Wente

Eileen Clements

Anita Rohlfing

Norma Rodewald

Judy Clasen

Lavera Biermann

Mildred Eggemeyer

Wayne Mueller

*We respect the privacy of our members and friends and will not pray for you
publicly unless it is requested, and we know we have your permission.*

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

Mission Prayer

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

- for Lutheran pastors worldwide, that they would have access to the necessary books and resources to teach Law and Gospel.

The Elders are again asking if you have someone you would like considered for our pastor, please turn the name in to the office or one of the Elders (and please sign your name).

Spring Clean Up Day

The Board of Trustees is asking for help on March 21st beginning at 1 pm to pick up sticks, leaves and gumballs at the school in preparation for mowing this spring.

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, 3/17	Genesis 16:1-9, 15-17:22; Mark 6:1-13
Monday, 3/18	Genesis 18:1-15; Mark 6:14-34
Tuesday, 3/19	Genesis 21:1-21; Mark 6:35-56
Wednesday, 3/20	Genesis 22:1-19; Mark 7:1-23
Thursday, 3/21	Genesis 24:1-31; Mark 7:24-37
Friday, 3/22	Genesis 24:32-52, 61-67; Mark 8:1-21
Saturday, 3/23	Genesis 27:1-29; Mark 8:22-38

Our Stewardship of Time & Talents

March 16/17

Organist: Janet Wicker

Altar Guild: Carol Hamilton, Loretta Luedemann

Acolytes: *Sat.*—Brenden Lindenberg, Jackson Knop;

Sun.—Kathrine Pierce, Summer Hassebrock

Greeters: *Sat.*—Leonard Lampe; *Sun.*—Shirley Hornbostel

Elders: *Sat.*—Alan Uchtman; *Sun.*—Rodney Wilson, Andy Gerlach

March 23/24

Organist: Carl Handel

Altar Guild: Loretta Luedemann, Sharon Vallett

Acolytes: *Sat.*—Andrew Welten, Christian Zimmer;

Sun.—Carter and Cooper Wasson

Greeters: *Sat.*—Christa Parker; *Sun.*—Herman & Darlene Mayer

Elders: *Sat.*—Rick Ebers, Alan Uchtman; *Sun.*—Jim Mevert

Attendance

Worship, 3/9-10; *Sat.*: 72; *Sun.*: 179

Lenten Service, 3/13: 59

Bible Study: *Sun.*: 14; *Wed.*: 4

Lenten Meals & Fellowship

Come and enjoy a prepared meal and fellowship before attending the Lenten services. The Board members of our Church are asked to sponsor pre-service meals from 5:30-6:30 before the Wednesday evening services. Each meal comes with drink and dessert. A basket for a free will offering is available. The Board Sponsors and menus for 2019 are:

March 20	Christian Education	Mi Casa Subs & Chips
March 27	Trustees	Chili
April 3	Stewardship	Pulled Pork
April 10	Youth and Young Adults	Sloppy Joes

ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL NOTES

Our chapel service on Wednesday, March 20th, will be led by our Kindergarten teacher, Kelsey Potter. Offering for the next few chapel services will be designated to the Lutheran Student Center through SIU Missions. Everyone is invited to attend our weekly chapel service that begins around 8:25 am at the church weather permitting.

Students in Grades 5-8 each held an “in class” spelling bee to determine who will represent St. Mark's at the Bi-County Spelling Bee. The Bee will be held Thursday, March 21st at Trinity, Prairie with registration at 5:30 pm. The following students will be attending the spelling bee: **5th Grade**-Colin Vallett, **6th Grade**-Tyler Ingles, **7th Grade**-Cayton Cratch, & **8th Grade**-Evan Reitz. Good Luck students!

The end of the 3rd quarter is Friday, March 22, 2019! Look for report cards to come home shortly after that.

Our track participants are busy getting ready for the track season! The first practice was this past Tuesday from 3-4 p.m. Those representing St. Mark's in track are: Logan Bartens, Evan Buch, Brenden Lindenberg, Evan Reitz, Carter Wasson, Cayton Cratch, Cooper Wasson, Andrew Welten, Noah Hartman, Trenton Ingles, Canon Ruby, Elly Buch, Savana Link, and Colin Vallett. Coaches are Ann and Larry Luedders.

SMS won the Okaw Valley Conference Volleyball Tournament Thursday, March 7, at St. Mary's, Chester. To get to the championship game the girls first defeated Red Bud Catholic/Trinity Coop 25-5 and 25-20 on Monday. In the second game on Tuesday they handled St. John, Chester by scores of 25-17 and 25-21. Prairie du Rocher yielded to the **Hanthers** in the championship game 25-23 and 25-14. The SIJHSAA Regionals were March 12, 14, & 15. Summer Hassebrock, Gillian Valleroy, and Elly Buch represent St. Mark's on the SMS team.

Dinner Auction Update

Preparations are being made for this year's 8th Annual Dinner Auction. The Dinner Auction Committee is accepting donations for the live or silent auction. This year's theme is "Take Me Out to the Ballgame". Make plans to join us on May 4th, 2019 and watch for your dinner auction invitation in March. Any questions, please contact Sherri Buch 618-978-0323 or Deanna Reitz 618-615-1350. Thank you!

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 at 618-559-0964. Orders will be available on April 19 between 3-4 p.m. at the school cafeteria.

Track Season: The *COS* Track and Field season has begun. This week, you can cheer the Soldiers on March 19 at the Red Bud meet; March 21 at the Chester meet; or March 22 at the Waterloo meet. All meets begin at 4:00 p.m.

Don't forget to direct Thrivent Choice Dollars®

Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have been designated Choice Dollars have until **March 31, 2019**, to direct any remaining 2018 Choice Dollars. Go to [Thrivent.com/thriventchoice](https://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice) to learn more and find program terms and conditions. Or call 800-847-4836 and say “Thrivent Choice” after the prompt.

Shadow Days: Parents of eighth graders and potential transfer students are encouraged to call and make arrangements for their student to spend a day at *Christ Our Savior* shadowing a *COS* student and learning more about the *COS* advantage.

Sponsor a Thrivent Action Team: If you would like to organize or participate in a Thrivent Action Team to benefit *COS*, please call us to let us know what you would like to do. We can help you fill out the application. Each project team is given up to \$250 along with organizational material and t-shirts to help make their project successful. For more information, see: <https://www.thrivent.com/actionteam/>.

Choice Dollars

There are still some choice dollars available for Thrivent members for 2018, but they must be designated by March 30, 2019. If they are not designated by members, the recipient of these dollars will be determined by Thrivent. During 2018, St. Mark's School has received a total of \$1,524 and St. Mark's Church has received \$895, for a total of \$2,419. This money is used to help pay our utility bills. 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" or by visiting "www.thrivent.com/thrivent choice".

Community Events

Salem Adults in Christ present "The Saga of the Golden Horseshoe...or That was no Lady, That was my Filly" by Pat Cook. The play will be presented at Salem Lutheran Gym, Farrar, MO. Play dates are Fri. & Sat., March 15 & 16 and Fri. & Sat., March 22 & 23 at 7:00 p.m. all nights. Tickets are: Adults--\$8; Children (6-12)--\$5; Children 5 and under are free.

Benefit Dinner for Steeleville Senior Site: Fried Chicken Dinner at Steeleville American Legion on April 7 from 11-2pm. Fried Chicken will be served with corn, green beans, mashed potatoes, gravy and tea. Desserts and other drinks are available for purchase. Prices are \$10 for adults; \$5 for kids (ages 6-12) and 5 and under are FREE. Call 965-3134 by 4pm on April 5th to have a meal delivered.

St. Mark's Weekly Calendar

Sat., March 16	6:00 p.m.	Worship Service
Sun., March 17	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service w/Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Bible Study
Mon., March 18	2:00 p.m.	Randolph County NH
Tues., March 19		
Wed., March 20	8:25 a.m.	School Chapel
	10:00 a.m.	Bible Class
	5:30-6:30 p.m.	Lenten Meal
	6:00 p.m.	Adult Choir
	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Service
Thurs., March 21	7:00 p.m.	LWML Meeting
Fri., March 22		
Sat., March 23	6:00 p.m.	Worship Service w/Communion
Sun., March 24	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service

Easter Breakfast

The Youth Group will be serving breakfast on Easter morning from 7-9am. They will be serving various breakfast casseroles, cinnamon rolls, coffee cakes and drinks. A free will offering will be taken.

Thank you

A special thanks to the Martha's Helpers, Linda Stegmann, Carolyn Fritsche, Joann Potter and Shirley Hornbostel, for serving the meal after my brother's funeral. God Bless you all.

Christa Parker and sisters

MISSION STATEMENT

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



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturdays @ 6:00 p.m.

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.

Accessible Service @ 10:00 a.m. on 2nd Thursdays

HOLY COMMUNION

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



THE
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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.