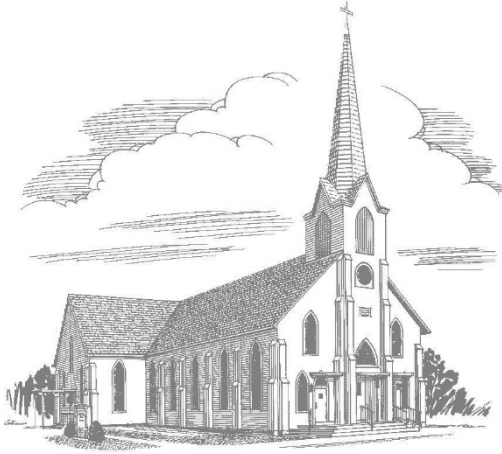


145<sup>th</sup> Year

March 23-24, 2019

# THIRD 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*

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## Special Prayers

Charles R. Tiller, Charles H. Tiller

Family and Friends of Anita Rohlfing, who was called home to  
heaven on Wednesday, March 20, 2019

## 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 Wentz

Eileen Clements

Clarence Ruroede

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 Lutherans throughout the world, that they rejoice in God's gifts of His Word and Sacraments.

**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).

## 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, 3/24 .....	Genesis 27:30-45; 28:10-22; Mark 9:1-13
Monday, 3/25 .....	Genesis 29:1-30; Mark 9:14-32
Tuesday, 3/26 .....	Genesis 35:1-29; Mark 9:33-50
Wednesday, 3/27 .....	Genesis 37:1-36; Mark 10:1-12
Thursday, 3/28 .....	Genesis 39:1-23; Mark 10:13-31
Friday, 3/29 .....	Genesis 40:1-23; Mark 10:32-52
Saturday, 3/30 .....	Genesis 41:1-27; Mark 11:1-19

# Our Stewardship of Time & Talents

## 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

## March 30/31

**Organist:** Carol Lowe

**Altar Guild:** Sharon Vallett, Debra Caby

**Acolytes:** *Sat.*—Logan Bartens, Evan Buch;

*Sun.*—Cayton Cratch, Jaret Ehlers

**Greeters:** *Sat.*—Chris & Shay Valleroy; *Sun.*—Eldean Troue

**Elders:** *Sat.*—Verlin Lorenz; *Sun.*—Brian Smith, Andy Gerlach

## Attendance

**Worship, 3/16-17;** *Sat.*: 47; *Sun.*: 152

**Lenten Service, 3/20:** 52

**Bible Study:** *Sun.*: 13; *Wed.*: 5

## 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 27	Trustees	Chili
April 3	Stewardship	Pulled Pork
April 10	Youth and Young Adults	Sloppy Joes

## ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL NOTES

**On Wednesday, March 27th, Miss Emilee Tabing, our 3rd grade teacher,** will be leading our chapel service. Offering for the next several chapel services will be for our Hearts for Jesus program which is designated to support the mission and ministry of Lutheran Special Education ministries.

We will not have chapel on Wednesday, April 10th but instead at 12:30 pm on Friday, April 12th in celebration of NLSW and our VIP guests are asked to join us.

**On Friday, March 29th, our 2nd-5th grade classes will try their hand (or should I say feet)** at roller skating! They will spend the day at the Fun Spot Skating Center in Belleville. They are scheduled to leave the school at 8:20 am and return around 1:30 in the afternoon. While at the Center they will have an hour of lessons then time to put what they learned to the test on the rink. The students will then enjoy a pizza lunch before returning to school.

**St. Mark's Panthers basketball team & volleyball players** will be honored at Awards night on Friday, March 29th at 6 pm in the school cafeteria. A meal will be provided but everyone is asked to bring a dessert. Please mark this on your calendar and plan to attend.

**Don't miss out on your chance for school memories! Order your 2018-2019 School Yearbook now!** The price is the same as last year, \$17.00 with the option to purchase your name, stickers, or autograph pages at an additional cost. **Please make checks payable to St. Mark's** and place your order as soon as possible!! Disregard the date on the order form.

**Randolph County Farm Bureau sponsored an Ag in the Classroom poster contest.** Students were asked to design and make a poster that represents how agriculture affects their life. St. Mark's is proud to say that two 3rd graders received ribbons for their hard work. Receiving a 1st place blue ribbon and a \$2 bill was JJ Underwood. Alex Welten received a 2nd place red ribbon and a dollar Sacajawea coin. Congratulations JJ and Alex!

**St. Mark's will be celebrating National Lutheran Schools Week starting Sunday, April 7th** by having all students, Pre-K through 8th grade, sing in church to kick off the event. There will be several activities planned throughout the week as well. There will be a Bible verse for each day to read, different dress up days, an Animal Tales, LLC assembly on Tuesday afternoon, and the students will test their knowledge at Trivia. Of course our VIP Day luncheon on Friday, April 12th which is ALWAYS a big hit with everyone. Our VIP guests are encouraged to attend 12:30 chapel service and then return to school for an afternoon of fun.

**St. Mark's track team has been busy preparing for their first meet which is an Evansville practice meet** on Thursday, April 4th at 4 pm in Sparta. In addition to those students listed in the last "Panther News" Tyler Ingles didn't want to miss out on the excitement of the track season, so he joined the team representing St. Mark's. Good luck to all our track participants at St. Mark's Lutheran School!

**Parents please check your account on Praxi.** Remember for your student to receive their report cards **ALL ACCOUNTS MUST BE PAID IN FULL!** There is tuition, Latchkey and Hot Lunch. If you need assistance e-mail the office ([sfortner.sml@gmail.com](mailto:sfortner.sml@gmail.com)) or give me a call.

**The 6th and 7th grade classes are currently selling Coca-Cola products.** There is a variety of soda available (20 oz bottles), Dasani water, vitamin water, Powerade, Tum-E Yummies, Gold Peak Tea, and Minute Maid juice. Contact a 6th or 7th grade student, Ms. Megan Bradley or Mrs. Dawn Uchtman, or call the school office if you would like to place an order. The last date to order is April 8. Soda will be delivered Thursday, April 11.

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## 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!

**Track Season:** This week, you can cheer on the Soldiers at the Chester meet on March 26 at 4:00 p.m.

**Workout Equipment Wanted:** Our track team could use more free weights and workout mats. If you any that you would like to donate, please drop them off at school or contact our Athletic Director, Lisa at 713-7125.

**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](http://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/>.

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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 at 618-559-0964. Orders will be available on April 19 between 3-4 p.m. at the school cafeteria. The deadline for orders is April 10.

## 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](http://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 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 5<sup>th</sup> to have a meal delivered.



# St. Mark's Weekly Calendar

*Sat., March 23* 6:00 p.m. Worship Service w/Communion

*Sun., March 24* 9:00 a.m. Worship Service

*Mon., March 25*

*Tues., March 26*

*Wed., March 27* 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 28*

*Fri., March 29*

*Sat., March 30* 6:00 p.m. Worship Service

*Sun., March 31* 9:00 a.m. Worship Service w/Communion

10:15 a.m. Bible Study

## 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.

## 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.

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*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.*