

August 2021 Newsletter St. Mark Lutheran Church



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From the Pastor

Our Board of Elders will be hosting a special church breakfast on Sunday, August 29, after our worship service. It's a time when we can all get together for some fellowship and a great meal.



We have recently be blessed in our circuit by two new pastors accepting Calls. Pastor Jonathan Rathgen in the new pastor at Peace Lutheran in Arbor Vitae and Pastor Brian Liermann is the new pastor at Rock of Ages in Minocqua. Our circuit consists of 10 churches. Four are served by full-time pastor, and six are served by retired pastors.



I haven't mentioned for awhile that I encourage all our members to fill out our <u>Christian Funeral</u> questionnaire. Your funeral is the final opportunity to witness to your faith through your choice of Christian hymns and Scripture lessons. In addition to the opportunity to witness, it also aids me in planning a Christian funeral.



Our various boards have been very active during these summer months. Please take the opportunity to thank them for their service here at St. Mark.



Business Old & New



HOLY COMMUNION

If you need to have Holy Communion brought to you in the pew, please let an usher know. Pastor will be happy to accommodate you.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

The Ladies Bible study will meet on August 4th in the fellowship hall at 1:00pm. All ladies are welcome. Please join us. Questions, call Barb Scott.

FELLOWSHIP

Now that we are having fellowship after each service we find that we need members to look at the calendar and decide when they might take a turn at hosting. We still have a few dates open. Please check the open dates to see if any of them would be a great day for you to host this wonderful fellowship. You may host it alone, with a partner or as a board, whatever works the best.

LADIES PRAYER LUNCH

The Ladies Prayer Lunch is attended on the first Tuesday of each month. Our August Ladies Prayer Luncheon is on Tuesday, August 3rd at the Rhinelander Family Restaurant at 12:00PM. All ladies are welcome to join us. If you have any questions please call the church office at 715 -362-2470.

FOOD PANTRY

It is our turn to work at the Rhinelander Area Food Pantry this month on Monday, August 30th, 2021. Workers are asked to be there at 2:45PM. There will be a signup sheet in the fellowship hall. If you have any questions please call Anne Anderson at 715-362-5810.

LWML

News from Barb Scott, President of St. Mark LWML:

My sister and I had a wonderful trip to Lexington, Kentucky to attend the 39th Biennial Convention of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. The theme was Running the Race...Looking to Jesus. The theme verse was Hebrews 12:1-2, which begins "since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses". It struck me every time I heard it and thought of all those who have gone before us to heaven, and were with us there, and are with us here in our worship time. A new mission goal was voted on, \$2,150,000! New mission projects were selected for the years 2021-2023.

We here at St Mark's will be starting a new season of mission, as well. Will you join me for our first gathering on August 10 for a potluck salad luncheon? Please come at 11:00 for this chance to share and fellowship. All ladies are welcome! I am wondering if some might like us to meet a different day or time to make it easier for you to join us. If you have thoughts, please let me know. Call me at 612-803-5694. I may send out a survey to get input from some. The work of the LWML is vital and God blesses it. I hope you will be a part of it.

ATTENDANCE

Thank you to all that set the example by signing the attendance book at every service that they attend. Those records help our Elders out a great deal and also lets Pastor Miller know of visitors that visit us. Any information that you can share such as address, telephone number, etc. also helps the office to keep our records up to date.



MORE NEWS AND NOTES



St. Mark Special Breakfast

The Covid pandemic was very hard on all of us. We missed time with our families, friends and our fellow members here at St. Mark. We have also missed two annual Easter Breakfast gatherings here at St. Mark. The Board of Elders would like to take this opportunity to invite all the members of St. Mark to our Special Breakfast to gather for a great meal and enjoy the fellowship of all our friends here at church. On Sunday, August 29, after the morning church service, the Elders will be serving a delicious breakfast for all to enjoy. The Elders look forward to seeing you.







SCHOOL SUPPLIES

We are collecting school supplies again this year. You will have the list from inside the weekly bulletins to help you do your shopping. We have had a lot of businesses close their doors in our area lately and the help with school supplies will surely be appreciated. We will have a table for the collection in the fellowship hall. The collection will be held through Sunday, August 26th. Thank you for your donations.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

"Thank you" to all members continuing to participate in the "Choice Dollars" donation to St. Mark Church. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by St. Mark Lutheran Church.

ST. MARK QUILTERS

The St. Mark quilters will be holding a rummage sale here on Saturday, August 21, from 8:00am until 3:00pm. Come check it out!

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