

## July 2024 Newsletter St. Mark Lutheran Church



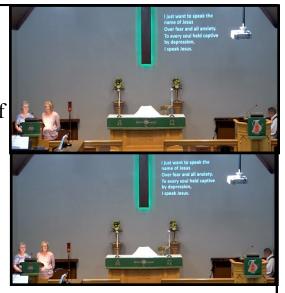
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# From the Pastor

When we introduced the new hymn "I Speak Jesus" on Pentecost, I wondered what the reaction would be. It seemed very positive. That also reminded me of how I look at hymns as a pastor. I ask myself a few questions: Does the content say something that is distinctly Christian? Does the hymn point us to a Scriptural truth that is Christ centered, or does it simply sound good and play with our emotions? I would choose the former not the latter.



You probably know that we will soon have the road leading to the lower level of the church as well as the parking area there blacktopped. The road gets very slippery in the winter, to the point it could become dangerous. If anyone is interested in helping to cover the cost, that would be wonderful. Some contributions toward the \$33,950 project have already come in. We still need to cover \$7,370.24 as of June 16th totals.

We have seen a number of visitors join us in worship these last several weeks. One person is worshipping with us as a result of having watched the services online. Please be sure to welcome visitors.



### 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.

#### AFTER SERVICE FELLOWSHIP

St. Mark has fellowship after each service all year long. It feels so good to connect with fellow members again. Please consider hosting the fellowship after one of the services. You can do it as an individual, as a family, as a group, or any other way that you choose. Please sign up on the calendar in the fellowship hall. With all of the wonderful cooks that we have here at St. Mark it will be such fun tasting all of the fun snacks that each provide.

#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION** Recipes, Recipes

Through the years I've heard members wanting other members' recipes. Either at funeral, fellowship, Lenten dinners, breakfasts, or whatever kind of gathering we have, people are always wanting recipes. I'm thrilled when they ask me for a recipe. We have a lot of AWESOME cooks and bakers in our church. With that being said, the Board of Education would like to put a St. Mark cookbook together. So, start gathering up your recipes and we will have a basket in the fellowship area to drop off your recipes and we will also have recipe cards there for you to take and write them down on. I've heard lots of positive feedback on this idea and more details will follow, but we would like to get going on collecting recipes. We would like to have all recipes by the end of September. If you have any handy tips for cooking or baking, we will have a special section for "tips and tricks". For our online friends we would love to have you email your recipes to the church email.

#### **LADIES PRAYER LUNCH**

The Ladies Prayer Lunch lands on Tuesday, July 11th this year. We usually meet on the first Tuesday of each month but that landed on the 4th of July this year. The lunch is held 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**

The next time that St. Mark volunteers at the food pantry is July 29th. Please consider giving a little of your time to help distribute food to those less fortunate. The pantry is open from 3 -5pm, so we should be there by 2:45pm. There will be a signup sheet in the fellowship room. Please consider helping out at this event. The next time that we work is October 30th.



#### ST. MARK QUILTERS

The quilters meet Tuesdays mornings at 9:00 am in the lower level. They are a fun bunch of ladies. All ladies are welcome to join us.



## MORE NEWS AND NOTES





#### **Great Job Maria!**

Maria's parents Shane and Jennifer Dornfeld wanted to share that their daughter Maria did great at the state Special Olympics in Whitewater last week. Maria earned two gold medals. She received one in the softball throw and one in the standing log jump. She also received fourth place in the 50 meter dash. Congratulations Maria for a job well done!



# Another Good Year at Art in the Park



# 2024 BUDGET VS ACTUAL

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May	11016	13809
Apr	11661	13809
Mar	25470	13809
Feb	12467	13809
Jan	15756	13809
	Actual \$ Received	Budget

