

May Newsletter

May 2026

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Important Dates

Worship Service at Church and On-line

Worship Service - Sundays - 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st @ 10 am

Church School - Sunday - 3rd 9:00 am - 9:45 am

Church Council Meeting Monday - May 11th @ 7:00 pm

Bible Study - Tuesdays - 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th @ 9:30 am

Quilting - Tuesdays - 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th @ 10:30 am

WELCA - May 6th @ 10:00 am

Newsletter Deadline May 20th @ 11:30 am

Food Shelf - Tuesdays - 5th - 8:00 - 9:30 am

12th, 19th, 26th - 4:30-6:30 pm

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Prayer Requests

Tami Little (friend of Karen Slininger), Sandy Kutz, Carolyn Horsch, Tim Post (Stephanie Kruegers brother), Marc Slininger, Mary Ohmann, Cami Zeien (friend of Besters & Otte's), Cyndi Christopher (Jill Ballards sister), Dennis Kuhn, Carolyn Chester, Don Otte, Sarah and Jim Otto, Jerry & Elaine Orvold (Lisa Molitor's parents).



Please keep all our seniors in your prayers, especially:

Robert & Margaret Hayes, Carolyn Horsch, Sharon Kappedahl, Leatrice Taylor and Wayne Weidner

Pray for those who have lost loved ones recently.

When requested, we will be keeping loved ones on the prayer request list for a month.

If you would like them to stay on longer please let Dixie know.

You can contact Dixie at stmarksrandolph@gmail.com or leave a message at (507) 263-9182.

Pastor's Message

Greetings St. Mark's,

The month of May brings us to a meaningful turning point in the life of the church. We celebrate the Ascension of our Lord and begin to look ahead to the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. In the story of the Ascension (Acts 1:8), Jesus speaks a promise to his disciples: "You will be my witnesses." These words are not only for those first followers, but for us as well. They remind us that the life of faith is not only about gathering together in worship, but also about being sent out into the world.

As people of God, we are called, claimed, and sent. Through baptism, we are welcomed into God's family, and through the Spirit, we are equipped to share God's love in our daily lives. This witness often takes shape in simple yet powerful ways; through acts of kindness, words of encouragement, and a willingness to care for our neighbors. It is in these everyday moments that the love of Christ becomes visible. This calling does not belong to a select few, but to all of us as members of Christ's body.

May is also a season of transition in the life of our congregation. As the program year begins to wind down, we find ourselves holding both endings and beginnings together. There are moments of reflection and gratitude, as well as anticipation for what lies ahead. One of the highlights of this month is the opportunity to celebrate our graduating high school seniors. On Sunday, May 17th, we will recognize and give thanks for their accomplishments, while also offering our prayers and support as they step into the next chapter of their lives.

This year, we celebrate Hadley Cooreman, Milar Krech, Carson Lorenzen, Sophie Monson, Carter Olson, Cohen Otto, Gavin Podritz, and Nola Thompson. We are grateful for the ways they have been part of this community, and we trust that God will continue to guide and sustain them in all that is to come.

As we move through this month, may we be mindful of Christ's presence with us and within us. And as we are sent into the world, may we do so with confidence, trusting that God goes before us, walks beside us, and works through us wherever we are called to serve.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Lue

Church Information

Bible Study Opportunities

Morning Adult Bible Studies

Tuesday Bible study
May 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th @ 9:30 am

The First Wednesday Bible Study

May 6th @ 11:00 am



Music Notes

Greetings, and Happy May! —a short thought today—

Recently, I was reminded of a verse in the little known Old Testament book of Zephaniah (3:17). Zephaniah was encouraging God’s people way back then, and I’m glad we can take courage by those same words as believers today.

“The Lord your God is in your midst,
a mighty one who will save;
He will rejoice over you with gladness;
He will quiet you with His love;
He will rejoice over you with loud singing.” (English Standard Version)

(I don’t know of a specific hymn with this verse in it, but there should be!)

May we all remember God’s great love for us,
And may He “quiet you with His love”.

Lisa

Church School Information

Church School Calendar

Grades 1st-6th Sunday mornings 9:00 am - 9:45 am.
Last day of Church school is May 3rd.

SATURDAY
May
09
9 AM - 11 AM

Paint Party!

Tree of Hearts

Hosted by WELCA of
St. Mark's Church
**Free to attend for
the Women + friend of
St. Marks Church

Lunch will
be
provided

Limited seating:
You **MUST** Sign up by
Friday, May 1st
to reserve your seat

Questions?
Call Dorry at
612-309-2066



LOCATION:
St. Mark's Church

WELCA
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Randolph, MN

Beginner
Friendly!

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Whether you are planning cremation for yourself or wish to inurn the ashes of a loved one, our Ossuary provides the assurance that your cremated remains will be securely and beautifully held within a lasting monument.



What is our plan?

Example only - color will be different

The columbarium pictured has been ordered in a beautiful black granite and construction of it has started. We will be hosting “pre-sale kickoff” starting later this month and also an open house to share information (and show off our beautiful new landscaping)

WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR MORE INFORMATION !

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Community Events

Community Food Shelf



Here at Saint Mark's Lutheran, we try our best to serve our neighbors. One of the many ways we help is by providing food to our local communities. Saint Mark's Lutheran would like to thank you for your generosity in supporting our food shelf.

If you know anyone that could benefit from receiving some extra food please let them know we're here to help.

1st Tuesday- 8:00 am - 9:30 am
2nd, 3rd, 4th Tuesdays -
4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

All cash donations are used to buy healthy perishable food items.

College Student Food Shelf Invite

The Food Shelf is inviting any College Student to come and get some supplies from the food shelf. We want to help with your expenses during these years. Please come when the Food Shelf is open or contact Beth Bester at (651) 246-9301.

If you know of any events that should be added to Community Events, please contact Dixie at stmarksrandolph@gmail.com or call (507) 263-9182 before the Newsletter deadline is the 20th of the month by 11:30 am.



2 Wheelchairs Available

If you are in need of a wheelchair, we have 2 at church that you can borrow. Check with Dixie on availability.

Grief Material

If you are in need of some reading material regarding grief, we have a section in our library for you to borrow. You can check it out when the church is open or call Dixie at (612) 578-8743 and she will set up a time that works for you to meet at the church.

We have the book "I wasn't ready to say good bye" by

If you would like to talk to someone, you can call Pastor Lue at (651) 500-9890.

COMMUNITY



DATE: May 16, 2026
9:00 am - 2:00 pm

LOCATION: Randolph High School
Randolph, MN

WANT TO DONATE YOUR STUFF??

DONATE YOUR GENTLY USED, CLEAN, WASHED ITEMS TO THE HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Donations will be accepted at Randolph High School

- Monday, May 11th, 3:00-7:00pm
- Tuesday, May 12th, 3:00-7:00pm
- Wednesday, May 13th, 8:00am-7:00pm
- Thursday, May 14th, 3:00-7:00pm

**No large furniture items accepted - if you can't bring it in by yourself, we can't take it.

Any donations that aren't sold at the sale will be picked up by the Epilepsy Foundation or brought to a donation center.



WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING

Mattresses, Sofas & Large Upholstered Chairs, Entertainment Centers, Baby Furniture, Car Seats, Strollers, Exercise Equipment, Monitors, Printers, Large Appliances, TV's, Microwaves, Metal Office Furniture, Gas Powered Items, Large Seasonal Items (i.e. Christmas Trees), Food Items, Toiletries, Bathroom Fixtures, Tires and Undergarments.

Contact Jackie Sczepanski for more info, sczepanskij@district195.org
The sale is a fundraiser for the Randolph Music Departments trip in March 2027

Saint Mark's Lutheran Church

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**Sunday Worship
10:00 am
& Streamed on
Facebook**

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**We're on the Web
& Facebook**

Giving Options

You can send your offering
through the mail at
PO Box 206 Randolph
or
download the **Vanco Mobile**
app on your mobile phone
search **st marks randolph mn**
or
click the **GIVE** button on our
website.

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