

June Newsletter

June 2025

The small church with a BIG heart.



Important Dates

Worship Service at Church and On-line

Worship Service Sundays - 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th @ 10 am

Bible Study Tuesdays - 3rd, 10th @ 9:30 am

Quilting Tuesdays - 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th @ 10:00 am

Church Council Meeting Tuesday - June 10th @ 7:00 pm

Food Shelf - Tuesdays - 3rd - 8:00 - 9:30 am,
10th, 17th, 24th - 4:30-6 pm

WELCA No WELCA in June, Wednesday July 9th @ 10:00 am

Newsletter Deadline June 20th @ 11:30 am

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Prayer Requests

Bob Neil, Kevin Illa, Don Otte, Sandra Nicolai, Mary Ohmann, Austin Burlage, Kim Sather (Kayla Barrett's dad), Jim & Ardell Olson (Jill Ballard's neighbors), Angela Kettner (Julie Felton's sister), Kou Thao (Nou Moua's Dad), Bill Richer, Elaine Orvold (Lisa Molitor's mom), and Nicole Mies Anderson, Dureen Mies and her family.

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.

Please keep all our seniors in your prayers, especially:

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

Pray for those who have lost loved ones recently, especially:

The family & friends of Hannah Callister (Rodney Braatz's mom) and
The family & friends of Jerry Serres.



Pastor's Message

Dear St. Mark's,

The long and warm days of summer are here. As we continue moving through the Ten Commandments, June brings us to the Fifth: "You shall not murder."

Like many of the commandments, this one seems fairly straightforward, and many of us can't even imagine acting violent towards another person. However, Martin Luther, in his Small Catechism, digs deeper. He reminds us that this commandment isn't just about avoiding physical harm, it's about actively choosing to care for the people around us.

Luther puts it this way: "We are to fear and love God, so that we neither endanger nor harm the lives of our neighbors, but instead help and support them in all of life's needs." In other words, God calls us not just to avoid doing wrong, but to look for ways to do good.

That might mean checking in on a friend who's struggling. It could look like choosing compassion when someone makes a mistake, or staying present when a loved one needs support. It's the choice to be patient in the checkout line or to be kind to a stranger who looks like they're having a hard day.

In our world today, there are so many ways people experience harm, violence, hunger, loneliness, and exclusion. The Fifth Commandment asks us to be part of the healing instead. Living out the Fifth Commandment means standing up for those who are vulnerable, listening with love, and showing up when it would be easier to look away.

This summer, whether you're working, traveling, caring for kids, or just enjoying a quieter pace, there are countless small moments where you can bring life and grace into someone else's day.

May God open our eyes to see those opportunities, and give us the courage to act on them.

In God's love,
Pastor Lue

Church Information

Bible Study Opportunities

Morning Adult Bible Studies

Bible study is on Tuesdays June 3rd & 10th at 9:30 am.

The Tuesday Bible Study will resume in September

The 1st Wednesday Bible Study will resume in September



WELCA Info

- **Next WELCA**-July 9, 2025 @ 10:00 am.
- We will not be having a meeting in June.
- Thank you to volunteer Sibley Krueger for putting labels in all of our library books.
- The Library was cleaned out in and books donated to the Northfield Hospital Auxiliary for their book fair. The proceeds go to enhance health care in the Northfield area.
- If you donate any books to the church library, please leave them in the office so we can label them and make sure they're fitting for our library.
- A big Thank You to Dorry Wallof who organized our event on May 10th "Beautiful inside and out". The event was enjoyed by all who attended.
- Mark your calendars for the bake sale at the Feast & Festival on August 3rd. We will need baked goods to sell and volunteers to help with the bake sale.
- Prayers for all graduating seniors and their next journey in life.

Church School Information And Confirmation Information

Both Church School and Confirmation will resume in September.

Congratulation Graduating Class of 2025



Hunter Kriesel
Attending Mankato
State University for
Business.



Jonathan Toledo
Joining the workforce.



Katelyn Hare
Attending University of
Nebraska-Lincoln for
Chemical Engineering.



JD Kuhn
Attending Dakota County
Tech College for Industrial
Engineering.

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 6:00 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 at 9 am before Church on Sunday or contact Beth Bester at (651) 437-6972

Wheelchair Available



If you are in need of a wheelchair, for a day, a week, a month, or six months, we have 1 wheelchair at church that you can borrow. Check with Dixie on availability.

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



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Sunday Worship
10:00 am
& Streaming 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
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