

October Newsletter

October 2022

The small church with a BIG heart.



Important Dates

Worship Service at Church and Streamed on Facebook

Worship Service - Sundays - 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th @ 10 am

Church Council Meeting - Monday - October 10th @ 7:00 pm

Bible Study - Tuesdays - 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th - 9:30 am

Quilting - Tuesdays - 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th @ 10:00 am

Newsletter Deadline - Tuesday - 18th @ 11:30 am

Food Shelf - Tuesdays - 4th - 8:00 - 9:30 am,
11th, 18th, 25th - 4:30-6 pm

WELCA - Wednesday - 5th @ 10:00 am

Bible Study - Wednesday - 5th @ 11:00 am

Church School - Wednesday - 5th, 12th, 26th - 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Confirmation - Wednesday - 5th, 12th, 26th - 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Congregational Meeting - October 9th after the worship service

Potluck Lunch - October 9th after the Congregational Meeting

Reformation & Confirmation Sunday - October 30th (wear red)

Prayer Requests

Mark Molitor, JJ Grant, Bob Neil, Randy Ryan, Chad Holz and Marilyn Ries

Please keep all our seniors in your prayers, especially:

Dave Blank, Arnie Felton, Robert & Margaret Hayes, Carolyn Horsch, Sharon Kappedahl, Arlene Ringeisen, Leatrice Taylor and Wayne Weidner

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.

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Pastor's Message

Greetings Saint Mark's,

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.

Colossians 3:16

October is here, which means the life of the church is in full swing! Confirmation classes have started, Church School children fill the classrooms on Wednesday evenings, and Bible study on Tuesday mornings is back. It is an exciting time of the year each fall when these faith formation programs and faith development opportunities return to our church. I want to highlight the many upcoming events this month, and invite you and your family to join us to gather, to celebrate, and to continue to share in the Good News.

Church School: There is still time to register your child in Church School! Church School is for students in 1st through 6th grade. Students meet Wednesdays from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. If you have any questions, please contact the church office: stmarksrandolph@gmail.com

Church School & Confirmation Bonfire: We will have a bonfire on Wednesday, October 5th at 6:00pm for Church School and 7:00pm for Confirmation. Come and enjoy the fire and smores with friends and families!

Congregational Meeting: Our annual congregational meeting is Sunday, October 9th, following worship. The congregation will vote on new council members and have the opportunity to ask the church council any questions. After the meeting, we will have a potluck lunch. Please join us for lunch. You are welcome (not required!) to bring a dish to share.

Reformation Sunday: The last Sunday in October is designated as Reformation Sunday in the Christian Church. We commemorate the occasion in 1517 when Martin Luther posted his 95 theses on the church door in Wittenberg, Germany. This sparked the beginning of the Protestant Reformation. We invite you to wear **RED** on this Sunday. In the Christian church, red symbolizes fire and the Holy Spirit, and is often worn on days of celebration.

Confirming our Confirmands: In addition to commemorating Reformation Sunday, we also celebrate and confirm our 10th graders. We recognize the many years of study and their dedication to learning about God. Our confirmands will share their faith statements with the congregation and we will affirm their Baptisms and promise to continue to support their faith journey.

And this is just October! As always, worship starts at 10am Sundays. We will continue to stream our worship services on Facebook. We have a children's message during service, so we encourage children to join us for worship. What an exciting month we have ahead of us!

Thanks be to God,
Pastor Lue

Church Information

Congregational Meeting Sunday October 9th

There will be a Congregational meeting following the worship service on
Sunday October 9th.

There will be a potluck lunch following the meeting.
You are welcome (not required!) to bring a dish to share.

We will be voting for the nominations for next years council openings.

We are looking for a Trustee, Deacon and Vice President.

If you have any questions or are interested in any of the positions please contact
Al Bester, Dixie Schaffer or any council member.

Bible Study Opportunities

Morning Adult Bible Studies

Tuesday Bible study starts at 9:30 am (time change).

The First Wednesday Bible study @ 11:00 am.



WELCA Info



- Next WELCA meeting October 7th @ 10:00 am
- Bake Sale at the Feast & Festival raised \$1,163.50
- Bazaar is moving forward - Kris Thomsen will be in charge of vendors
- WELCA will give \$500 worth of school supplies to the Randolph School
- Pray concerns: Safety for all students and teachers as they return to school.

Our Email Address has changed

Our new email address is: **stmarksrandolph@gmail.com**

If your email has changed please let Dixie know.

Church School & Confirmation Information

Confirmation Service



Confirmation service will be Sunday, October 30th at 10:00 am

It is also Reformation Sunday,
the color red is used to symbolize the Holy Spirit.

We are inviting everyone to wear red
Sunday October 30th,
to symbolize how God continues to move,
inspire, and ignite us in our faith.

Church School Calendar

Wednesday Evenings 6pm-7pm
Confirmation Wednesday Evenings 7pm-8pm

October

5th - ** **Bonfire Family Night**

12th - Class

19th - MEA Break No Class

26th - Class

30th - Confirmation



Bonfire Family Night **Church School & Confirmation Classes**

We will be having a bonfire
Wednesday, October 5th
6:00pm for Church School and
7:00pm for Confirmation
All families are encouraged to attend

Come and enjoy the fire, smores and games
with friends and families!

ST. MARK'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH
Annual
OL' COUNTRY
BAZAAR

Mark your calendar
Saturday November 26th
9:00 am to 2:00 pm



There will be
Cinnamon & Caramel Rolls
Lunch
Crafts
Vendors
Bake Sale
Santa



You won't want to miss it!

If you would like to be a vendor
please contact
Kris Thomsen (507)301-2110 or
email stmarksbazaar55065@gmail.com



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) 246-9301.

DO YOU PROVIDE CARE FOR A LOVED ONE?

Call now to sign-up for a **FREE POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS** workshop. Participants learn practical skills proven to reduce stress, communicate more effectively, improve self-care, make effective decisions and access community resources for caregivers. This **FREE** workshop, sponsored by Active Aging Programs with Catholic Charities of Southern MN, will meet six Wednesdays, from 4:00 – 5:30 PM beginning October 19 – November 23 at Cannon Falls Library, 306 W Mill Street. Classes are open to the public.

For more information or to register contact
Jessica Mollison at 507.459.6265 or orjmollison@ccsommn.org.
Class size is limited, so REGISTER TODAY!

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 3rd Tuesday of the month by 11:30 am.



2 Wheelchairs Available

If you are in need of a wheelchair, for a day, a week, a month, or six months, we have 2 wheelchairs at church that you can borrow. Check with Dixie on availability.



BLOOD DRIVE THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who gave blood, volunteered and help set up and take down for the Red Cross Blood Drive.

Saint Mark's Lutheran Church

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Sunday Worship
10:00 am
& Streamed on Facebook

The Small Church
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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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