

April Newsletter

April 2022

The small church with a BIG heart.



Important Dates

Worship Service at Church and On-line

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

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

Bible Study Tuesdays - 5th, 26th @ 10:00 am

Quilting Tuesdays - 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th @ 10:00 am

Newsletter Deadline Tuesday - April 19th @ 11:30 am

Food Shelf Tuesday - 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th - 4:30-6 pm

WELCA Wednesday - 6th @ 10:00 am

Church School - Wednesdays - 6th, 20th, 27th - 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Confirmation - Wednesdays - 6th, 20th, 27th - 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Soup Supper - Wednesday - 6th - 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm

Lent Service - Wednesday 6th @ 7:00 pm

Maundy Thursday Service/1st Communion - Thursday 14th @ 7:00 pm

Good Friday Service - Friday 15th @ 7:00 pm

Easter Service - Sunday 17th @ 10:00 am

Church School Appreciation - Sunday 24th @ 10:00 am. Potluck to follow

Prayer Requests

Rowan Nordling, 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, Ray Ohmann, Arlene Ringeisen, Leatrice Taylor and Wayne Weidner

Those who have lost loved ones recently, especially:

The family & friends of Tony Nicolai (Son of Leo & Joyce Nicolai)

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 Lutheran,

This month we continue our journey to Easter, when we finally get to shout: Hallelujah! Until then, I invite you to join us on Wednesdays for our Lenten services and services during Holy Week (April 14th-17th). The Lenten services are helpful as we make our way to Easter because they give us a break within the week to allow us to reflect, to slow down, and to re-focus ourselves toward the cross.

As we approach Holy Week, I want to let you know about our upcoming services. Holy Week worship services walk us through the trials and tribulation Jesus went through in order to show his sacrificial love for his children. We begin with Palm Sunday on April 10th, where we remember Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem. The people welcomed him with palms, shouting "Hosanna!" to express their joy and adoration for Jesus. Also, come join us this Sunday as our Confirmation students are hosting a Sunday Brunch after worship.

On Thursday, April 14th, there is a dramatic shift. Maundy Thursday commemorates The Last Supper, where Jesus prepares his disciples and us for his death. We are also welcoming our 5th graders for their 1st Communion. Please come join us as we celebrate this wonderful milestone and help encourage our young children as they come to learn more about their faith and the body of Christ in which they belong.

On Good Friday, April 15th, we remember Jesus' crucifixion. We will bear witness to Jesus' trial before Pontius Pilate, his suffering on the cross, and hear the last words spoken by Jesus before his death.

On Easter Sunday, April 17th, we celebrate Jesus' victory over death. I hope you will be able to join us for these services. The seasons of Lent and Easter remind us so well of what God is willing to do to have a relationship with us. It's good to know we are loved and claimed as children of God.

As we await the coming celebration of Easter morning, I invite you to come and join us if you are able. Come as we break bread together and eat delicious soups. Come as we fellowship and learn more about one another. May God bless you on your journey through Lent this season.

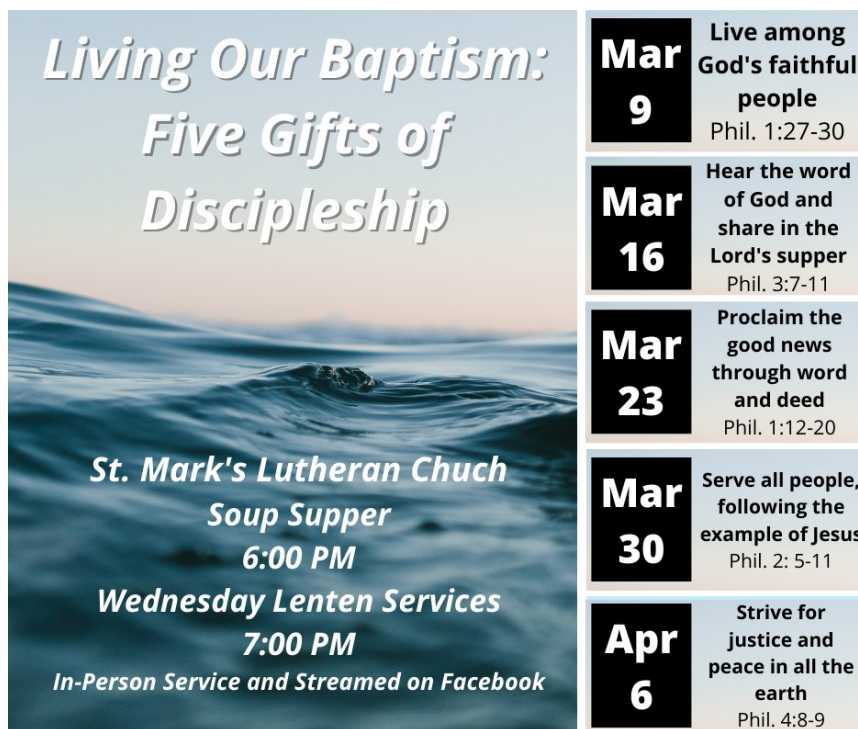
God's Blessings,
Pastor Lue Moua

Church Information

Lent & Holy Week Information

Soup Suppers

Our last soup supper will be on Wednesday, April 6th from 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm. Thank you to everyone who has been bringing food for the soup suppers, it's been heavenly trying all the different soups!



*Living Our Baptism:
Five Gifts of
Discipleship*

St. Mark's Lutheran Church
Soup Supper
6:00 PM

Wednesday Lenten Services
7:00 PM

In-Person Service and Streamed on Facebook

Mar 9	Live among God's faithful people Phil. 1:27-30
Mar 16	Hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper Phil. 3:7-11
Mar 23	Proclaim the good news through word and deed Phil. 1:12-20
Mar 30	Serve all people, following the example of Jesus Phil. 2: 5-11
Apr 6	Strive for justice and peace in all the earth Phil. 4:8-9

Palm Sunday Brunch

We will be having a Brunch on Palm Sunday April 10th after the 10 am worship service. The brunch will be hosted by the confirmation students. Please join us for food and fellowship.

Maundy Thursday & 1st Communion

Maundy Thursday service will be at 7:00 pm on April 14th.

Good Friday Service

Good Friday service will be at 7:00 pm on April 15th.

Easter Service

The Easter service will be at 10:00 am on April 17th.

All services will be In-person and Streamed on Facebook



Flowers for Easter

If you would like to donate money for flowers for the alter on Easter Sunday and the Easter season please send a check to St. Mark's and make a notation it's for flowers. You can contact Dixie with any questions.

Church School Calendar

Wednesday Evenings 6pm-7pm

Confirmation Wednesday Evenings 7pm-8pm

April

6th - Class (Q4, week 6)

13th - Communion Workshop 6:00-7:30 pm (5/6th graders only)

14th - Maundy Thursday - 1st Communion

20th - Class (Q4, week 7)

27th - End of the year party



Church School Appreciation

We will be having an appreciation Sunday for the Church School Superintendents, Teachers and helpers April 24th during the service.

A potluck fellowship will following the service.

Hope to see you there to thank everyone for their hard work and dedication teaching the children of St. Mark's!

Communion Workshop

Wednesday, April 13th from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm the 5th/6th grade students will have a communion workshop with the pastor. They will be baking bread for their 1st communion



1st Communion

First Communion for the 5th/6th graders will be Thursday, April 14th at 7:00 pm.

Notes from Lisa!

Here's wishing a warm spring greeting to you all!
I'd like to share Psalm 147:1 (from the New International Version)

Praise the Lord.
How good it is to sing praises to our God,
how pleasant and fitting to praise him!

It has been a joy to make music and sing praises with you in the months since I started here. Thank you for the kindness you have shown me. Going forward, please be sure to let me know if you have any special requests for hymns or songs you would like to sing at worship. I will see where I can fit them in. Also, if you play an instrument and would like to share, we'd love to have you! Just stop up after church to talk to me, or you can email me at lisa.molitor@yahoo.com

Blessings to you!
Lisa

Bible Study Opportunities

Morning Adult Bible Studies

Every Tuesday @ 10:00 am.

No Bible Study April 12th & 19th.

The First Wednesday of the month @ 11:00 am.

Please join us



WELCA Info

- Next WELCA meeting April 6th @ 10:00 am
- Big thank you to the WELCA members who cleaning and organizing the kitchen.
- Be sure to check out the back counter in the dining room for any items you might be missing, they will remain there until 4/30/22.

Our Email Address is changing

We are changing our email address because of some changes needed by our internet service.

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

Please contact Dixie if you have any trouble receiving our emails.

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, 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.



BLOOD DRIVE

Thank you to all the volunteers that donated blood and those who helped with the Blood Drive!

We couldn't do it without you!



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.

Food Shelf Food Needs

The food shelf is in need of these items:

Powdered Sugar

Canned Pineapple - all varieties

Cookies

Granola Bars

Pop Tarts

Yellow Mustard

Corn Beef Hash

Fruit Cups

Saltine Crackers

Tomatoes - Diced, Stewed or whole

Glass Cleaner

Soap Pumps for Hand Washing Liquid

Mixed Vegetables.

Randolph FFA Tractor Parade

Parade is Friday, April 8th at 9:00 am.

Saint Mark's Lutheran Church

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Sunday Worship
10:00 am
& Streamed on Facebook

The Small Church
with a Big Heart

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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