



MARK TIMES



November 11, 2018 + Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



Pumpkin-Palooza Today! Our second **Pumpkin-Palooza Bake Sale** is **this morning** in the Parish Hall. Proceeds benefit the St. Mark/St. George Food Pantry. Please join us in the Parish Hall after service and enjoy the deliciousness for a good cause!

Boy Scout Food Drive 11/17

This year's Boy Scout Food Drive will take place on **Saturday, November 17**. We need **volunteers** to help **sort food** in the **Parish Hall** from about **9:30AM to 12:00PM**.



St. Mark Game Day will be **NEXT Saturday, November 17** from 2-4PM in the Parish Hall. Drinks and popcorn will be provided. Bring board games you want to play!



FROGs Service Project

Join us **next Sunday, November 18** for our FROGs service project in the Parish Hall from **11:30AM-2:30PM**. We will be making meals to hand out. Food item sign-up on **Sign-up Genius** at _____. We will have pizza for lunch before we "get cooking." RSVP to Natalie H. or to Melanie!



No Confirmation Class Today due to students attending the C/SIS retreat in Carlinville. The remaining dates for this session on the *Small Catechism* are: Nov. 18, 25, and December 2.

Adult Forum: Heresies and Schisms TODAY at 10:30AM Pastor Brian continues his series examining some of the primary heresies & schisms of the first five centuries of the Christian Church. Due to last week's class being preempted by a late start to our fellowship time, we will today explore the **Donatists and Arianism**.



There's a chill in the air! The Evangelism/Social Ministry committee will be collecting children's **gloves, hats, and socks** for those less fortunate this winter. Collection continues until **December 16**. Put your donation in the **blue tub** in the **Welcome Area**.

St. Mark Table Talk This Week Bring a lunch and join us **THIS Wednesday, November 14** at **11:30AM** in the conference room as Pastor Brian leads discussion on *From Supper to Sacrament: The Evolution of the Last Supper*.



CLEANING DAY Before Christmas decorations are set up, there will be a **CLEANING DAY** for both the church and chapel on **Saturday, December 1** at **9:00AM**. This is a joint effort by the altar guilds of St Mark and St George, but **ALL** are encouraged to come and help!

From Your Parish Nurse...

As we enjoy the fall season, I'd like to share with you this Sunday and next Sunday a few tips to keep your family healthy and happy.

Take steps to prevent the flu. Get a flu shot. Cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze. The new practice is to sneeze into your elbow if you don't have a tissue handy. Stay home if you are sick!

Get smart about antibiotics. Antibiotics treat bacterial infections, but not viral infections. The common cold and the flu are viral infections. Using antibiotics when they are not needed can cause some bacteria to become resistant to antibiotics and harder or impossible to kill. See your health care provider to find out if you have a virus or a bacterial infection. If prescribed antibiotics, always complete the entire prescription.

If you didn't get around to doing so last weekend, **replace your smoke detector and carbon dioxide detector batteries!**

Keep food safe. Food is very important with our fall celebrations. Make sure to wash hands frequently and keep surfaces clean. Separate foods to avoid cross contamination. Use a meat thermometer to cook meat to proper temperatures. Chill food promptly rather than allowing food to sit out for hours.

Watch here for more autumn health tips next Sunday! *-June Benedick, RN*



Health & Wellness Needs Assessment Last week you should have been handed or emailed a "needs assessment" survey put together by our Health & Wellness Ministry team. The committee is surveying the congregation regarding health concerns and needs over the first two weeks of November. We ask that each adult (18 and older) complete a questionnaire. You may fill out the survey online and email it to the church office, return it via "snail mail," or place it in the offering basket on Sunday mornings. Outcomes of the survey will be reported at the annual meeting on Dec. 2. **Your participation will help determine the future direction of the H & W ministry, and how we can best support the congregation, Pr. Brian, and Nurse June.**

Offerings

November 4, 2018

Sunday worship attendance:	123
Shine worship attendance:	23
General Fund Donations:	\$4,712
Coffee Fund	\$107.90

Month to Date

November Offerings:	\$4,712
Expenses:	\$245.33
Difference:	\$4,466.67

Next Sunday's Worship Leaders

Sunday, November 18, 2018

Presider & Preacher: The Rev. Brian M. Robison

Assisting Minister: Greg M.

Acolyte: Jackie L. **Crucifer:** Frank D.

Chalice Bearer: Tom P. **Lector:** Cheryl N.

Ushers: Sherri F. & Danielle T.

Basket Holders: Jackie L. & Ash R.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Daniel 12:1-3

Psalms 16

Hebrews 10:11-14, [15-18], 19-25

Mark 13:1-8

Weekly Health Tip! The **Great American Smoke Out** is November 16. If you smoke, try to quit for 1 day.



Monthly Charitable Donation November’s Evangelism/Social Ministry charity designation is for the **Campaign for the ELCA**. You may add to this donation by writing a check to St. Mark with “Campaign for the ELCA” in the memo line.

Handicapped Parking

St. George’s has asked us to remind everyone of the challenges related to sharing the **handicapped parking lot** on the circle drive.



If you are the primary/only driver and need to use these spaces in the circle drive, or if you require use of a wheelchair or other significant assistance, please use these spaces—**they are for you!**

But if you have a driver who is able to walk well, please *consider* using the **circle driveway** to **drop off the person who needs assistance before parking your vehicle in the main parking lot** or on the street.

Thank you for your patience and understanding!



Annual Reports from Committee Chairs are due to Randi no later than **3:00PM** on **Wednesday, November 28**. The Annual Meeting is Sunday, December 2 at 10:30AM in the chapel.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday		<i>Office Closed — Veteran’s Day</i>
Wednesday	11:30AM	Table Talk: <i>From Supper to Sacrament: The Evolution</i>
Thursday	6:30PM	Bells Rehearsal
	8:00PM	Choir Rehearsal
Saturday	9:30AM-	Boy Scout Food Drive — Parish Hall
	2:00PM	Game Day — Parish Hall
Sunday, 11/18	9:00AM	The Divine Liturgy
	10:20AM	Coffee & fellowship
	10:30AM	Sunday School
	10:30AM	Adult Forum: <i>Heresies & Schisms in the Early Church: Pelagianism & Nestorianism</i>

WE PRAY FOR THE ILL AND CONFINED

St. Mark Parishioners

Ken Augustine
Kathryn Bjornstad
Gary Dozier
Jan Dressel

Mike Foppe
Lila Frerichs
Geri Jolley

Bob & Irma
McConnell
Don Muller

Tim Richards
George Shafer
Bea Whiteside

Family and Friends

Lavone Alvarez (friend of the Hinkles)
Judy Betz (friend of Mary Skifton)
Marilyn Billings (aunt of the Martens' family)
Joe Bohnenstiehl (nephew of Amanda Kilzer)
Christine (Private prayer request)
Hudson Combs (family of Robinsons)
Johnell Cook (mother of Carolyn Simard)
Katrina Fenner (friend of Art Engelage)
Craig Gentsch (son of Lois Gentsch)
Joni Giordano (friend of Barb Wurdinger)
Asia Graham (friend of the Kilzers)
Margy Groennert (aunt of the Martens'
Stephanie Groennert (cousin of the Martens'
family)
Arlene Hunt (friend of the Robisons)
Imogene Kuykendell
(friend of Lucy Montgomery)
Pat Likness (mother of Jan Dressel)

Allen & Mary Jane Martens (uncle/aunt of the
Martens' family)
John Martfeld (friend of Ruth Carnaghi)
Dorothy May (mother of Jan Richards)
David Moehle (friend of Don Muller)
Pr. **Ron** Neustadt (friend of St. Mark)
Tim Partelow & family (brother of Tom)
Jeff Pence (brother of Pam Clark)
Eileen Robertson (niece of the Shafers)
Darrell Robinson (husband of Anita Robinson)
Dave Schaaf (former parishioner)
Stefanie Schroeder (friend of St. Mark)
Jo Smith (friend of the Moellers)
Kris Whitley (sister to Kim O. & Kathy R)
Cody Willard (friend of the Duncans)
David Wilkey (son of June Isselhardt)
Linda Wrisley (sister of John Downing)

THANKSGIVINGS AND INTERCESSIONS

We pray for those who celebrate their birthday this week:

Michelle Bartok (11/11), **Dee Zopp** (11/13), **Kathleen Brighton** (11/13), **Ellen Buehler** (11/14),
Mark Sidney (11/14), **Anita Robinson** (11/14), **Monica Lynch** (11/14), **Ella Anderson** (11/16),
and **Mike Murakami** (11/17)

We pray for those who celebrate their wedding anniversary this week:

Greg & Ann Martens (11/11)

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