



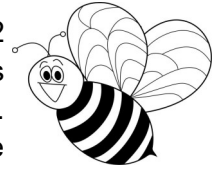
# MARK TIMES

January 27, 2019 + The 4th Sunday after Epiphany



**Adult Forum: A History of Christian Baptism** This morning Pastor Brian will begin a new adult education series that explores the history of Christian Baptism, with particular emphasis on some of the theological arguments for & against various baptism practices and beliefs.

**Be Like Jesus** This spring's "Be Like Jesus" event for grades 3-12 will be held at **Faith Lutheran** (O'Fallon) on **March 29-30**. The cost is \$35 (grades 3-8) and \$10 (grades 9-12, who serve as junior leaders). Forms & money are due to Melanie by February 10. Adults are welcome to volunteer! Please see Melanie for forms and details!



## Trivia Night 2019!



Shake off the holiday fog at Lutheran Campus Ministry's annual trivia night **THIS Saturday, February 2** at 6:30PM! Register at <http://lcmstl.org/trivia/> \$20 per person or \$160/table of 8.

**SHINE Worship THIS Saturday, February 2** at **6:00PM**. Join us for less-formal worship with contemporary Christian music in the **chapel**.



## Star Trek Saturday



Join us for out-of-this-world adventure and conversation on **February 9 at 5:00PM** for Star Trek Saturday, hosted by Greg & Nancy Guenther. We are pleased to welcome special guest (and Star Trek fan!) **Bishop John Roth** to lead our discussion. Bring a dish to share (but not revenge - it's a dish best served cold anyway).

**Thank you** to Sarah Bender and David Buckley (of St. George) for cleaning out the Parish Hall storage room. Anything on the table in the far end of the Parish Hall can be reclaimed or taken. Whatever is left on **Feb. 3** will be donated.

## Welcome Bishop Roth!

Our Central/Southern Illinois bishop, John Roth, will join us for worship and serve as our guest preacher on **Sunday, February 10**. During fellowship time, Bishop Roth will lead informal discussion of synod affairs and reflection on his recent three-month sabbatical.



## From Your Pastor...

Last Saturday was the **2019 Women's March**. Now in its third year, the March intends to address issues affecting women such as violence against women, immigrant rights, civil rights & liberties, and environmental justice.



Today, January 27, happens to be the day of commemoration for **three women of outstanding faith** we find in the New Testament.

Luke recorded that in the 40's **Lydia**, a merchant of expensive purple cloth, was a believer who offered her house in Thyatira (Turkey) in service to the Christian community, perhaps for worship purposes (Acts 16:14-15).

Luke also recorded that again, in the 40's, **Dorcas**, also named Tabitha, a resident of Joppa (in Israel), was beloved for her assistance to the poor. When she died, Peter restored her to life (Acts 9:36-43).

In the mid-50's, Paul wrote commending the work of **Phoebe** (Romans 16:1). She is praised as a benefactor of the Christian mission in Cenchreae (Greece). Paul calls her a "deacon," which title has occasioned much discussion about what role she played and what were her responsibilities in the church.

These three women represent three different Christian ministries: Lydia, a woman of wealth, was known for her hospitality; Dorcas was dedicated to care for the poor; and Phoebe had a leadership position in the church in Greece. Their names can stand for many other women who served as faithful witnesses to the faith.

*Adapted from More Days for Praise: Festivals and Commemorations in Evangelical Lutheran Worship.*

*Pastor Brian*

### Offerings & Attendance

*January 20, 2019*

**Sunday worship attendance:** 76  
**General Fund Donations:** \$4,624  
**Designated Fund Donations:** \$15  
**Food Pantry:** \$5

### Month to Date

January Offerings: \$11,631

**Avg. Monthly Expenses:** \$16,688

### Next Sunday's Worship Leaders

**Sunday, February 3, 2019**

**Presider & Preacher:** The Rev. Brian M. Robison

**Assisting Minister:** TBD

**Acolyte:** Braden V.      **Crucifer:** Rex R.

**Chalice Bearer:** Braden V.

**Lector:** Sherri F. **Ushers:** Rick C. & Curt G.

**Basket Holders:** Corbin & Abby M.

### SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Jeremiah 1:4-10    Psalm 19

1 Corinthians 13:1-13    Luke 4:21-30

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**Weekly Health Tip!** When traveling where water cleanliness is questionable, pack hand gel or hand sanitizer for an easy way to clean hands before meals.

**St. George's White Chili** The **Super Bowl Sunday** tradition continues! **White chili** (both mild and hot) will be sold **NEXT Sunday, February 3**, from noon to 3:00PM in the parish hall. Proceeds will benefit **Beacon Ministry**.



Cost is \$9 / quart when ordered in advance with payment; \$10/quart for walk-ins. Orders with payment can be made to Henry in the office or by mail to St. George's.

**Gift Cards!** Check with **Jan D., Evelyn D. or Melanie R.** after church for gift cards available for purchase through the TURTLES youth group. The TURTLES get a % of each order!



*Food Pantry Needs*

**Food Pantry Needs toilet paper, bar soap, dish detergent, and laundry detergent!** If you're able to donate any, please bring it to the Welcome Area or to the office. Thank you!

**Prayer Requests** If you have friends/loved ones that you'd like to be remembered in the Prayers of Intercession during worship, **or** if a name can be removed from the list, please notify Pastor or Randi.



**In case you were wondering...**

This year, **Ash Wednesday** is **March 6**, and **Easter Sunday** is **April 21**.

### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, 1/28	6:00PM	Pastoral Care
	7:00PM	Church Council
Thursday	7:00PM	Bells Rehearsal
	8:00PM	Choir Rehearsal
Saturday	<b>6:00PM</b>	<b>SHINE Worship</b>
<b>Sunday, 2/3</b>	<b>9:00AM</b>	<b>The Divine Liturgy</b>
	10:20AM	Coffee & fellowship
	10:30AM	Sunday School
	10:30AM	Adult Forum: <i>A History of Christian Baptism, Pt. 2</i>

## WE PRAY FOR THE ILL AND CONFINED

*(Please say only **first** names during Prayers of Intercessions)*

<i>St. Mark Parishioners</i>		
<b>Ken</b> Augustine	<b>Kathryn</b> Bjornstadt	<b>Ellen</b> Buehler
<b>Gary</b> Dozier	<b>Maxine</b> Elmore	<b>Mike</b> Foppe
<b>Lila</b> Frerichs	<b>Roland</b> Jacquot	<b>Geri</b> Jolley
<b>Bruce</b> Martens	<b>Bob</b> McConnell	<b>Don</b> Muller
<b>Tim</b> Richards	<b>George</b> Shafer	<b>Richard</b> Shroat
<b>Gary</b> Weshinskey		

<i>Family &amp; Friends</i>		
<b>Judy</b> Betz friend of Mary Skifton	<b>Marilyn</b> Billings aunt of the Martens'	<b>Christine</b> Private prayer request
<b>Hudson</b> Combs family of Robinsons	<b>Cheryl</b> Ellison stepmother of Julie Valerius	<b>Katrina</b> Fenner friend of Art Engelage
<b>Joni</b> Giordano friend of Barb Wurdinger	<b>Margy</b> Groennert aunt of the Martens'	<b>Stephanie</b> Groennert cousin of the Martens'
<b>Dennis</b> Herbert friend of the Robinsons	<b>Imogene</b> Kuykendell friend of Lucy Montgomery	<b>Kyle</b> Langrehr friend of Curt Gansmann
<b>Pat</b> Likness mother of Jan Dressel	<b>Allen &amp; Mary Jane</b> Martens uncle/aunt of the <b>Martens'</b>	<b>John</b> Martfeld friend of Ruth Carnaghi
<b>Dorothy</b> May mother of Jan Richards	<b>Jim</b> Outland family of Anita Robinson	Pr. <b>Ron &amp; Debbie</b> Neustadt friend of St. Mark
<b>Tim &amp; Missy</b> Partelow brother of Tom	<b>Darnell</b> Rideout stepfather of Mike Cardoza	<b>Eileen</b> Robertson niece of the Shafers
<b>Darrell</b> Robinson husband of Anita Robinson	<b>Dave</b> Schaaf former parishioner	<b>Stefanie</b> Schroeder friend of St. Mark
<b>Kris</b> Whitley sister to Kim O. & Kathy R	<b>Cody</b> Willard friend of the Duncans	<b>David</b> Wilkey son of <b>June Isselhardt</b>
<b>Linda</b> Wrisley sister of John Downing	<b>Jane</b> friend of Julie Valerius	

## THANKSGIVINGS AND INTERCESSIONS

*We pray for those who celebrate their birthday this week:*

**Natalie Ott** (1/30) and **Rylee Smith** (1/31)

*We pray for those who mourn the loss of loved ones this week:*

The family and friends of **Bea Whiteside**