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St. Mark -- A Caring, Christian Community

The mission of St. Mark Lutheran Church is to <u>sow</u>God's Word; celebrate what Jesus has done. <u>Grow</u> in His love and forgiveness, that we may <u>know</u> His peace, freeing us to serve others.

# The Weekly Messenger

## AUGUST 6, 2017

SUN	AUG	6	WORSHIP/HC	10:15 AM
MON	AUG	7	VBS BEGINS THRU FRI AUG 11	6:30 PM
			COUNCIL &	7:00 PM
			BOARDS MTG	8:00 PM
WED	AUG	9	WORSHIP-OUTDOOR	7:30 PM
			ROOT BEER FLOAT NIGHT	
SUN	AUG	13	WORSHIP	10:15 AM

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

AS A CHRISTIAN SERVANT, THERE IS NO TASK TOO SMALL. WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE SELFLESSLY.

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart ... soul ... mind ... Love your neighbor as yourself" (Matthew 22:37-39).



### **CONGREGATION NEWS**

**VBS** Vacation Bible School will start tomorrow, **August 7th - 11th**. The time is from 6:30 to 8:00. This year's theme is "Mighty Fortress"! Call the office (596-3241) if you missed out on the registration form; there's still time and you're welcome to come!

**ROOT BEER FLOAT NIGHT** In conjunction with VBS, our outdoor service on **Wednesday, August 9th** will be our annual Root Beer Float night. Both VBS & Root Beer Float night are sponsored by Thrivent Action Teams.

\*\* The Board of Evangelism could use a couple extra helpers to fill cups & pour soda for our float night. If you are interested, or know you're coming to church and wouldn't mind helping, please let the church office know.

**SCRIP CARD PROGRAM** Don't forget about our scrip program too!! This has been a huge help to our church. Purchase gift cards where you would normally shop (Shopko, Kwik Trip, Fleet Farm, Walmart, etc.) and give the church some money back from your purchase! Many, many stores to choose from! Either stop in the office to purchase or there are order forms by the lock box; just place your order and money inside and we'll get your order to you. Contact the church office if you are interested in purchasing any (even sale items) of the scrip cards. **The following scrip cards are on sale!** - Pet Smart (\$25)- selling for \$20, Cousin Subs (\$10)- selling for \$7, Bass Pro Shop (\$25)- Selling for \$20, and Restaurant.com (\$50)- selling for \$5. Contact the church office if you are interested in purchasing these sale cards.

**FINANCES** God Bless all who are able to give! We made a deposit of \$5,259.40 on July 24th. Of that, \$4,440 was for current expenses. Yes, there is a large negative balance below, but realize many of the expenses due are not just for the end of July, but also into mid-August. If we maintain our offerings, we will continue to hold our own.

Checkbook Balance (as of 7/26/17): \$3,691.22

Monies to Designate (memorials/fundraisers): \$1,014.00 Upcoming Expenses/Payroll & Benefits: \$5,177.73 (includes installment 1 of insurance) Missions Collected: \$1,030.65 Project Fund Collected: \$130.00 (350.00 total collected in July)

Ending balance: - \$3661.16

**ECONO FOODS RECEIPTS** Keep turning in your Econofoods receipts, please! The youth receive money back from each receipt that gets turned in. You can put them in the slot in the triangle bulletin board in the narthex.

**ALTAR FLOWER CHART** Don't forget to sign up on the flower chart! The cost is \$12 per bouquet and you can take them with you after the service. Sign-up sheets are by the lock box on the wall and money can be placed there also.

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

WAUPACA CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CONNECTIONS (WCWC) is hosting their "Summer Finale" dinner on Monday, August 14th from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Cost is \$13 or 2 for \$25. Featuring music group "Broken Road" from Waupaca and Speaker Ann Henzlik, a cancer survivor tells how she found a way out of a no-way situation. Reservations should be made <u>by Monday, August 7th.</u> Call Phyllis at 715-258-2886 or Ruth at 920-596-2492. Flyer on table in narthex with more info.

**POLKA SERVICE** Gene Lettau & II Edition will play at St. John Lutheran (West of Caroline) on **Sunday**, **August 13th** at 10:30 AM. Ice cream social and hot sandwiches to follow. Flyer on table in narthex with more info.

**ISAIAH BURKE ORGAN CONCERT** Isaiah, 17, and blind from birth has been playing a keyboard since he was able to sit up. Come watch him play on **Sunday, August 13th** at 2 PM at Zion Lutheran Church, Zachow (Rural Bonduel). Isaiah will share his strong faith and sense of humor. Meet Isaiah after the concert. Free will offering for Isaiah's further training.

