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St. Mark -- A Caring, Christian Community

The mission of St. Mark Lutheran Church is to **sow** God's Word; celebrate what Jesus has done.

Grow in His love and forgiveness, that we may **know** His peace, freeing us to serve others.

The Weekly Messenger

JUNE 11, 2017

SUN	JUN	11	WORSHIP	10:15 AM
WED	JUN	14	WORSHIP- INDOOR/HC	7:30 PM
THU	JUN	15	REACH OUT/HC	11:15 AM
SUN	JUN	18	WORSHIP/HC- FATHER'S DAY	10:15 AM

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

**HOW WE FEEL INSIDE CAN BE SEEN
IN OUR FACES. GOD'S LOVE WITHIN
US SHOULD HELP US PUT ON A
HAPPY FACE.**

“But the meek inherit the land and enjoy
great peace” (Psalm 37:11).



CONGREGATION NEWS

SCRIP CARD CLEARANCE 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.

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.

FINANCES God Bless all who are able to give! We will get through the month of May with little excess, but we did it! With summer, we know unfortunately that our attendance declines. We will plan accordingly and God's grace will see us through!

Checkbook Balance (as of 5/31/17): \$12,755.73

Monies to Designate (memorials/fundraisers): \$2,653

Upcoming Expenses/Payroll & Benefits: \$7,402.76 (includes fuel due at the end of June)

Missions Collected: \$1,598.55

Project Fund Collected: \$385.00 (305 toward parking lot)

Ending balance: \$716.42

ORDINATION INVITATION:

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

"Then He said to His disciples, the harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest." Matthew 9:37-38. The Lord of the Church has answered the prayers of our parish and has sent Candidate Zachary Voss to be our new shepherd. Candidate Voss will be ordained and installed on **Sunday, June 18th at 3:00 p.m.** The service will take place at St. John Lutheran, rural Homestead.

We invite you to come and celebrate this joyous occasion with us. A light lunch will be served following the service. Participating clergy are asked to bring a red stole. If you have any questions, please contact me at 319-350-9564.

On behalf of St. John Lutheran and Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd,

Rev. Dr. Dean F. Rothchild, Vacancy Pastor

PARKING LOT There is a need for the parking lot to have cracks filled and be sealed. It should be done this year yet. Otherwise, the cracks will get wider from water and cause more problems. The estimated cost is around \$3,000. Any contributions are welcomed toward this project!

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. What an easy way to support our youth!

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.

HOSPITAL VISITS Pastor wanted everyone to know that many hospitals are no longer contacting the church if you are hospitalized. It is up to the individual/family to ask the hospital to contact the church. Please consider this if you would like a visit from Pastor.

CHURCH GROWTH EVENT We at St. Mark and St. Luke would like to have several people attend with Pastor Smiles. If you are interested in attending this event, please contact the church office by July 2. Transportation to the event will be provided.

Tried Everything? Still Struggling?

Discover a VALUABLE untapped resource for Church Growth ready to:

- help every congregation grow AND
- help struggling congregations not only survive but thrive!

ATTEND: “A Church Growth Event”

Wednesday, July 19th 2017
from 7-9pm

Zion Lutheran Church, Zachow
(Rural Bonduel)
N4437 County Road F,
Bonduel, WI 54107

Leave primed for church growth with six years of resources made available for a donation by Family Crossfires Ministries to assure every congregation can afford to grow.

A free will offering will be taken

Registration is Required for Resources and Refreshments

For questions or to register

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