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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 21 & 25, 2017

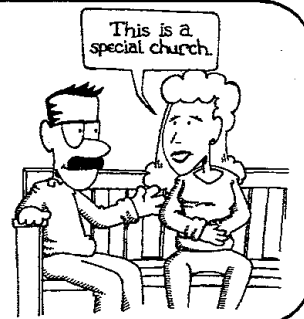
WED	JUN	21	WORSHIP-INDOOR	7:30 PM
SUN	JUN	25	WORSHIP	10:15 AM
WED	JUN	28	WORSHIP/HC- OUTDOOR	7:30 PM
FRI	JUN	30	NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY	
SUN	JUL	2	WORSHIP/HC	10:15 AM

Thank you to Rev. Alliet for leading our Worship services!!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

**THROUGH WORD AND SACRAMENT,
GOD ENRICHES US, AND WE ARE
EQUIPPED TO DO ACTS OF SERVICE.**

“Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another . . .” (Hebrews 10:25).



CONGREGATION NEWS

THANK YOU! Thank you to all for their thoughts and prayers, who sent a card, and/or attended the service. The outpouring of help and support with the loss of my Mom was amazing! I (and my family) appreciated it so much. What a blessing to have such a gracious church family!

Tracy Heideman

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.

IOLA CAR SHOW WORKERS The next work day will be **Wednesday, July 5th** (Lunch from Noon-1 p.m. & Dinner from 7-8 p.m.). All work must be completed by the end of June.

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.

FINANCES God Bless all who are able to give! We made a deposit of \$5788.17 on June 12th; \$5094.64 was to current expenses. After paying the expenses due mid June including the last fuel bill, we were left with the balance below of 6,815.70. We have upcoming end of June expenses so far totaling the bottom amounts. We will carry over a small balance into our next count. Bear in mind, at the end of May, we were still \$5,500 behind our budgeted amount for current expenses.

Checkbook Balance (as of 6/14/17): \$6,311.31

Monies to Designate (memorials/fundraisers): \$2,148.61 (934.61 already deposited)

Upcoming Expenses/Payroll & Benefits: \$3,957.73

Missions Collected: \$473.53 (includes Qtrly chaplaincy)

Project Fund Collected: \$345.00 (Already deposited)

Ending balance: \$666.05

PARKING LOT UPDATE 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. We have currently about \$4800 in our project account, which should cover the amount of the project! However, this would take our project account balance way down for any future needs. Any contributions would still be appreciated to the project fund!

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.

CHURH 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

e-mail: info@familycrossfires.org

COMMUNITY NEWS

WCWC EVENT Waupaca Christian Women's Connection is hosting their "Beauty with a purpose" dinner on **Monday, July 10th** from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Cost is \$13 or 2 for \$25. Menu includes WI bratwurst & kraut or hamburgers, baked beans, potato chips, dessert, coffee, tea, or milk.

Special feature: Christine Reiter from Iola. Inspirational speaker: Phyllis Heitke from Stoughton, WI- "Beauty with a purpose"; hair stylist and cancer survivor. Many struggles in life, but found God is real and has a purpose for her life! Reservations by Monday, July 3rd. Call Phyllis at 715-258-2886 or Ruth at 920-596-2492.