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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

JUNE 4, 2017

SUN	JUN	4	WORSHIP/HC	10:15 AM
MON	JUN	5	COUNCIL &	7:00 PM
			BOARDS MTG	8:00 PM
WED	JUN	7	WORSHIP-OUTDOOR	7:30 PM
SUN	JUN	11	WORSHIP	10:15 AM

#### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

JUST AS CHRIST SURRENDERED HIM-SELF TO HIS HEAVENLY FATHER, WE ARE TO HUMBLE OURSELVES TO GOD'S AUTHORITY

"And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross!" (Philippians 2:8).



#### CONGREGATION NEWS

**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

#### FROM ZACH VOSS:

Beloved brothers and sisters of our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

Thank you for your continued support and prayers. It has been a year of ups and downs but God has led us to this new crossroad in life. My academic studies are ending and my vocation as a Pastor will soon begin! As you know I received my call Tuesday, April 25th to St. John's Lutheran in Homestead, IA and Good Shepherd Lutheran, Wellman, IA. Graduation is May 19th and I will be ordained and installed on June 15th! Time has flown by and before this new period of transition takes place, I would like to once again express my heartfelt thanks for all your prayers and support along the way. I can't wait to formally except my call after graduation and begin serving as an under-shepherd of the Good Shepherd in the Lutheran Church. Thanks again and please keep us in your prayers. God bless and his peace be with you, for Christ is Risen! He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

In Christ, Zachary and Kendra Voss

P.S. My ordination and installation service is at 3:00 pm on Sunday, June 18th at St. John's Lutheran Church, Homestead, IA.

**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!

**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.

**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!

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

WCWC (Waupaca Christian Women's Connection) invites you to their "Fashionable Summer" dinner.

**Monday, June 12** from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Cost is \$13 or 2 for \$25. Menu: Hot sandwich buffet, hot roast turkey cooked to perfection and served on fresh rolls. Macaroni salad, garden salads with dressings, chef's choice dessert. Coffee, tea or milk.

Special Feature: Beautiful fashion style show from B & H fashions, Clintonville, WI.

Inspirational Speaker: Arlene Gabrielson, Mankato, MN. "Happily Ever After (Hope for a Broken Heart)" Arlene

discusses her childhood sexual abuse, feelings of inadequacy, seduction, betrayal, depression, shame, grace and forgiveness and God's marriage-saving miracles. Arlene is a mom, grandmother, blogger and hairstvlist.

Reservations should be honored, cancelled or used by a friend.

For reservations call: Phyllis at 715-258-2886 or Ruth at 920-596-2492 or e-mail Ruth at grschoen@wolfnet.net. by Monday, June 5,2017.