



St. Mark's Lutheran Church

ReMarks and ReMindors

February 5, 2021

FIRST MONDAY COMMUNITY MEAL

That snowstorm we just had caused a big problem with offering the 1^s Monday of the month meal. But good news! Instead of cancelling, it was postponed to this Monday, February 8th! So dinner is on!

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

There is going to be a VIRTUAL Family Fun Night on Friday, Feb. 12th. It will be a game night from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM. Remember how much fun these were last year, pre-covid? Now that we are all 'virtual experts' perhaps we can bring back more of them until we can get together in person. So mark your calendars – Friday, February 12th. Zoom link information will be provided in a future issue.

CAN YOU HELP?

Caring Ministries is organizing meals for Charlie and his brother Tom. This will be once a week, probably Wednesday, and continue indefinitely. If you would like to contribute a meal, please contact Harriet Rapine at hmrap11@gmail.com or call her at 215-679-8844. We can arrange for "contactless" drop off if you would like.

ASH WEDNESDAY

In less than two weeks, it will be Ash Wednesday! February 17th is the day. We are planning to offer two ways to observe the start of our Lenten Journey. The imposition of ashes will be offered in the parking lot from 12 Noon to 1 PM. Ashes will be applied with a cotton swab (using a new swab for each person) by church member, Pastor Paul Bartlett. Please wear a mask. The Ash Wednesday worship service with hymns and music will be available on-line in the evening with Pastor Dave Penman.

A TINY HOUSE COMMUNITY

The Welcome Church has been part of our Outreach programs. They serve the homeless in Philadelphia. I thought you may find the following of interest. An affiliate of The Welcome Church called Sanctuary Village has received a contract from the City of Philadelphia to develop a pilot tiny home village to serve those experiencing homelessness. This village will be built on city-owned land. Here's the website if you want to check it out: www.tinyhousecommunity.org

A REALLY NICE NOTE!

I received a note from Lauren Wolf about her grandmother, Dorothy Hagenbuch, that really touched me. Maybe because I am a grandmother or maybe because I can remember Dorothy. Perhaps some of you remember her also. Here's the note:

Please find enclosed a donation to the church in honor of my grandmother's memory. Dorothy Hagenbuch helped raise me. I spent a lot of time with her, including in the church. She was the sexton for a number of years. She'd give me 50 cents or some other such allowance, and I'd help her polish the brass railings, mop the floor, and sweep the bird seed after weddings. But mostly I was there just to spend time with her. She loved the church and gave back to her community by working there. Now I'd like to give back to the church that took care of her – I know this would've made her happy. I hope this is useful to the church especially during these tough times.

Such a warm and loving tribute! Thank you, Lauren.

CHURCH WEBSITE

You can access the recorded Sunday worship service, the bulletin and the Remarks & Reminders on our website. Our address is: www.stmarkspennsburg.com It's all there for you!

WORD IN SEASON

I have the Jan/Feb/March issue of The Word In Season here in the office. I also have a few of the large print version. If you would like to have one, please stop by or call to have a copy mailed to you.

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Florence Aikens, Lillie Bosler, Lisa Clark, Jack Cross, Marilyn Donis, Randy Dotter, Andrew Erb, Renae Fosbenner, Charlie Greulich, Marie Grubb, David Haines, Harold Hieter, Marie Jones, Dennis Laubach, Steve Law, Barbara Lehmann, Pat Matthews, Kenneth Miller, Deb Mullen, Barbara Opachinski, Lenny Rafalko, and June Reigner.

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