



St. Mark's Lutheran Church

ReMarks and ReMindørs

April 29, 2021

IT'S ALMOST MAY!

The trees and shrubs put on quite a flowering show. Everywhere I looked I saw white, light pinks and dark pinks, even some yellows holding on. Now we can all begin to see red – as in red geraniums! Pentecost is May 23rd. Wouldn't it be great to decorate the courtyard with geraniums to celebrate this day! I will add an order form at the end of this issue. The geraniums are \$4.50 each and the deadline for ordering is May 10th. Please drop your order off at church. You will be able to pick up your geraniums right after the worship service on May 23rd. There's something about red geraniums in a terra cotta flower pot that makes me forget all about winter's cold.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

We will be holding worship services every Sunday at 10:15 AM in the courtyard. In case of rain, or if you wish to remain in your car, these services will also be transmitted through your car radio. Just tune in to 99.3 FM. If you plan to be in the courtyard, please bring your own chair. Masks are required and we ask that you follow safety distance guidelines. Holy Communion will be offered both in the courtyard and to those remaining in their car. Please sign and date the insert in the bulletin so we can keep communion records current. Thanks!

If you are planning to view our services over the internet, you can access the link from our website.

COURTYARD OFFICE HOURS

Due to a previous appointment, Pastor Russ will not be holding courtyard hours this Monday, May 3rd. The Tuesday afternoon courtyard hours (1 – 3PM) will take place. No appointments are necessary – just come and say hello, chat for awhile and get to know Pastor Russ. He would like to meet you! If you would like, this can also be a time to pray, discuss scripture, and take Holy Communion.

Pastor Russ plans to hold these courtyard office hours through the summer and into fall. So stop by. Say hello!

CEMETERY NEWS

St. Mark's Cemetery has an open position for part-time help. They need someone to help with weeding and able to use a weed-whacker. If you are interested, please contact Charlie Schultz – our cemetery caretaker – for more information. His phone number is: 610-462-8284.

The Cemetery Committee would like to remind you that planting is not allowed in the cemetery. If you have planted flowers, please arrange to remove them. Plantings make it difficult for cemetery upkeep. Thanks for your help with this.

THE BELL

Every week the mail brings in a few more pledges and donations designated for The Bell. Church Council thanks you for your response to our capital campaign. We understand that this is quite an undertaking. Every donation helps. You will be helping make St. Mark's Bell ring once again!

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

The adult bible study group meets every Sunday at 8:30AM via Zoom. Please note the new time. If you like to listen, like to learn, like to share then this is the group for you. Please contact Deb at Debra.reed588@comcast.net - she will send you the zoom link to use.

CALLING ALL COOKS

Caring Ministries continues to organize meals for Charlie and his brother Tom. They are enjoying the delicious dinners you are providing! If you would like to contribute a meal, please contact Harriet Rapine at hmrp11@gmail.com or call her at 215-679-8844. From what I hear, the menu is wide open! They like all kinds of food!

IN OTHER NEWS

If you go to the website for The Open Link you will find information about their upcoming Planting Hope 2021 fundraiser. You will be able to register for the auction and see the items up for auction. There are some pretty interesting things there.

If you remember, Charlene Wilson was severely injured in an automobile accident back in March. She has recently been moved to Lehigh Valley Hospital

in Muhlenberg for continued recuperation and therapy. If you wish to send her a note or a card, her current address is:

Charlene Wilson
LVH – Muhlenberg, Room 3010
2545 Schoenersville Road
Bethlehem, PA 18017

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Buddy Allen, 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 June Reigner, Mary Jane Schaeffer and Charlene Wilson.

Please call or email me with any changes or additions. The church office phone is 215-679-9015. Email address is: stmarks@stmarkspennsburg.com

RED GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST

We will be decorating the courtyard with red geraniums to celebrate Pentecost. If you wish to order geraniums to help celebrate this day, please fill in this order form and drop it off at church. The geraniums are \$4.50 each and the deadline for ordering is May 10th. You may take your geraniums home after the worship service on May 23rd – the day of Pentecost.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Of Plants _____ @ \$4.50 each TOTAL DUE WITH ORDER \$ _____