



St. Mark's Lutheran Church

ReMarks and ReMindrs

AUGUST 20, 2021

OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. MARK'S

Church Council: We have 5 members who must go off Council at the end of this year to be in compliance with term limits in our by-laws. The Council is a great way to understand all that goes into the operation of our church. Issues are discussed. Opinions are heard. It is a friendly group whose common goal is to do what is best for the congregation of St. Mark's! Leave your name & phone number with the church office (215-679-9015) and a council member will call you with more information.

Committees: Being on a committee is a great way to get involved with life and activities at St. Mark's. It is here that ideas are explored, activities are energized, and expertise is welcomed. The committees include Outreach, Worship, Caring Ministries (which has many sub-committees such as Happy Lutherans, Meals of Caring, Forget-Me-Not), Fellowship, Property, Altar Guild and more – some meet once a month; others as needed. Whatever your interest is, there's a committee who is waiting for you!

Greeters & Ushers: We will be returning to two services beginning September 12th. There will be an 8:00 AM service and a 10:15AM service. It is always so welcoming to have people greet and provide a bulletin to those coming in for worship. Ushers are needed to do the offering collection and to guide people during Communion. If you are planning to be at church, please consider signing up as a Greeter and/or Usher. A sign-up sheet is on the board in the narthex – or just use the form at the end of this bulletin. Thank you!

Assisting Ministers: Pastor Russ would like to get more people involved with our worship service. One way to do this is to sign-up to be an Assisting Minister. You will be reading prayers and helping him with Communion. If you are interested, please call the church office. He would love to speak with you!

Acolytes: Our CAT Class youth all participate as acolytes. However, you do not need to be in CAT Class to help. If you would like to light the candles and help with Communion and receive the offering, please consider signing up to be an acolyte.

Everyone has schedules to be kept. That is understood. How often you wish to participate as an Usher, Greeter, Assisting Minister, or Acolyte is determined by

you. Your willingness to be part of our worship service is greatly appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS!

The Endowment Fund Committee has awarded scholarships in the amount of \$900.00 to each of the following 2021 St. Mark's Scholarship Recipients:

Jacob Bardsley
Jenna Folk
Keegan Fonder
Connor Mack
Jessica Pyne
Adam Schultz

Congratulations to all as they begin or continue their education goals!

CELEBRATIONS

You truly made Pastor Paul and Ruth Ann's anniversary celebration special. They sent in the following note:

Many thanks for all the anniversary cards and well wishes we received from the people of St. Mark's. What a delight to hear from you! Over the past 50 years we have been blessed in many ways, and you have been one of them.

Another reason to celebrate occurred just this week. It was Pastor Russ' birthday! Be sure to mention it when you see him.

CALENDAR NOTES:

Sunday, August 22	CAT Class Orientation 11:15 AM (social room)
Monday, August 23	Courtyard Hours 9 to 11AM
Tuesday, August 24	Courtyard Hours 1 to 3PM
Wednesday, Aug 25	Al-Anon 1PM Youth Outreach 6:30 PM
Tuesday, August 31	CAT Class Orientation 6:30 PM

*Please note that beginning in September, the Youth Outreach meetings will change to Monday at 6:30PM.

LOOKING AHEAD:

September 10	Friday Fun Night – Bingo 6 to 8PM
September 11	East Greenville Community Day
September 12	Rally Day – Sunday School 9AM Returning to 2 worship services
September 14	WELCA – lunch meeting at PC Pub Red Cross Blood Drive – 2 to 7PM at St. Mark's
September 15	Red Cross Blood Drive – 2 to 7PM at St. Mark's

- Our regular schedule begins on September 12th. The Sunday School will hold a Rally Day at 9AM in the Sanctuary. Worship services will be held at 8:00 AM and 10:15 AM.

HELP US RAISE MONEY TO FIND A CURE FOR ALS!

Hey St. Marks Congregation!

The Youth Outreach Committee at our church has a new project, and we need your help! A member of our congregation, named Lenny, has been diagnosed with ALS, sometimes called Lou Gehrig's Disease.

“ALS is an always fatal neuro-degenerative disease in which a person's brain loses connection with the muscles. People with ALS lose their ability to walk, talk, eat, and eventually breathe.” In honor of Lenny, the youth decided to participate in an ALS walk to raise money to find treatments for ALS. This walk will take place on October 9 in Allentown. Our team has registered under the name Team Lenny's Light. We will have various upcoming events to raise money for the walk, such as a bake sale on August 8. **If you would like to sponsor our team** you can visit: web.alsa.org/goto/SMLCYO or complete the form at the bottom, put it in a pew envelope with your donation and place it in the offering plate. **Want to walk with us? Use the same link!**

If you have any questions email: youthoutreach@stmarkspennsburg.com **Thank you** for your time and consideration!

St. Mark's Youth Outreach

Yes! I would like to donate to Team Lenny's Light for ALS!

Name: _____ . Env No _____

Donation Amount: \$ _____ (use pew envelope or mail to / drop off at church)

Donations are due by October 3, 2021



Yes! I would like to find out more about:

Joining Church Council _____ Joining the _____ Committee

Being an Assisting Minister _____ Being an Acolyte _____ Being an Usher _____

Being a Greeter _____

Name _____ Phone _____

The pastor, a council member or a committee member will call you to give you more information. Thank you for your interest!



PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Elsie Antonio, Lillie Bosler, Lisa Clark, Jack Cross, Barbara Diehl, Carol Diehl, Marilyn Donis, Andrew Erb, Marie Grubb, John Gruver, David Haines, Harold Hieter, Lisa Krause, Marie Jones, Dennis Laubach, Barbara Lehmann, Pat Matthews, Kenneth Miller, Deb Mullen, Barbara Opachinski, Lenny Rafalko June Reigner, Mary Jane Schaeffer, Patsy Wampole and Charlene Wilson.

Please call the church office (215-679-9015) with any changes/additions.

