



St. Mark's Lutheran Church

ReMarks and ReMindrs

September 9, 2021

LAST CHANCE

If you want to place an order for hoagies, this is your last chance. Call the church office and I will get your order to the Heavenly Helpers. Pick up for hoagies is Thursday, September 16th between 6 – 6:30PM in the social room. Heavenly Helpers only runs this hoagie fundraiser during the summer months, June through September. The funds raised with those delicious cook's-night-off dinners enable them to reach out in so many ways to people in need. Thank you for your support!

CHURCH COUNCIL NEWS

At their August meeting, Church Council approved a new job position and job description for the Director of Christian Education to become effective October 1, 2021. The old position of Director of Family Ministries will expire as of September 30, 2021.

Congregation members interested in the position should take note of the following:

Director of Christian Education: St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Pennsburg is seeking a Director of Christian Education. The position involves the coordination of all education ministries including Sunday School, Confirmation class and other related education programs. A college degree is not required but experience in the religious education field is desirable. The position is parttime and salaried, with an anticipated average of 15 hours per week. Interested parties can call 215-679-9015 or send a resume to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 81 Main Street, Pennsburg, PA 18073 or email to: stmarks@stmarkspennsburg.com

Installation Service: As you may have seen in the letter that was sent out recently, we will be holding an installation service for Pastor Russ on September 26th at 2:00 PM. This is a special service marking a new chapter in the life of St. Mark's. We will celebrate with music and guests from the Synod. There will be light refreshments following the service. So mark your calendars and help make this day a celebration for St. Mark's and an official welcome for Pastor Russ. Please let us know if you are planning to attend.

SEPTEMBER IS FILLED WITH EVENTS!

Tomorrow is Bingo night! Join Outreach at 6:00 PM Friday in the social room for a family friendly (ALL ages) game of Bingo. The game and the snacks will all be done with safety precautions. So come and enjoy a fun night out.

On Saturday, September 11th, East Greenville is holding a Community Day! It's from Noon to 4PM. Youth Outreach is setting up in front of our church with hot dogs, popcorn, water and baked goods. All donations will go to their ALS goal. Be sure to visit them while you are enjoying the day's activities!

We will return to two worship services on September 12th – 8AM and 10:15AM. Both will offer Holy Communion. Please consider signing up to help with worship. Pastor Russ is looking to increase the roster of Assisting Ministers. The September/October dates are filled for Ushers and Greeters. Thanks for helping out! The next greeter/usher time slots to be filled will be for November and December dates – and it's the end of the year! How did that happen so fast??

September 12th is also Rally Day for Sunday School. Rally Day will start at 9:00 AM in the Social Room. We will also have **Blessing of the Backpacks** at both the Rally and during the worship service. So kids – **of ALL ages** – even those in college, those learning a new skill or trade – bring your tools of education and tools of trade to worship for a blessing.

Also beginning on September 12th will be Adult Bible Study. They will be meeting in the library. They do have a Zoom option for those who cannot attend in person. If you wish to join this class, please contact Deb! New members are always welcome! For Zoom link information, please contact Deb Long at Debra.reed588@comcast.net

If you are planning to attend the Sept. 14th.WELCA luncheon meeting, please call Elaine (215-913-2265) or Lucy (215-679-6724). The Pub needs a headcount to prepare tables. Thanks! The meeting begins at 11:30AM.

The Red Cross Blood Drive will take place in our social room on both days – September 14 & 15 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Call Maribeth Reigner with any Questions. Her number is 215-679-8563.

YOUTH OUTREACH

Youth Outreach continues to work towards donations and sponsors for their team. The Walk For ALS takes place in October. You can use a pew envelope and the form below to place in offering plate Or go to web.alsa.org/goto/SMLCYO You can even sign up to walk with them! The name of their team is Team Lenny's Light.

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

Name _____ Env.# _____

Donation Amount \$ _____

Place in offering plate or drop off at church. Donations are due October 3rd. The Walk For ALS is October 9th in Allentown.

Thank you from Youth Outreach

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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 _____

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Yes! I / We plan to attend the Installation Service on Sept. 26th at 2:00 PM

Name _____ # Attending _____

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Elsie Antonio, Ed Bieler, Lillie Bosler, Lisa Clark, Jack Cross, Barbara Diehl, Carol Diehl, Marilyn Donis, Andrew Erb, Marie Grubb, John Gruver, David Haines, Jill Haldeman, 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.