



St. Mark's Lutheran Church

ReMarks and ReMindørs

November 23, 2020

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Bishop Davenport, Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod, strongly recommended that churches switch to on-line worship for the duration of this year. Church Council considered the Synod's position and then voted to suspend in-person worship services. We will go to recorded services beginning with November 29 – the first Sunday of Advent. Planning has already begun to provide you with the best Advent and Christmas celebration that we can. The services will be available for viewing beginning Sunday morning on our website.

CHURCH WEBSITE

Our website address is: www.stmarkspennsburg.com If you visit the website, you will find links to click on for our recorded Sunday service, as well as the website bulletin and the Remarks & Reminders.

PHOTOS

Once again, we need your photos! You always send in such terrific photos. This week is the first Sunday of Advent. Please help make our trip back to recorded services special – like you did earlier this year. We are looking for photos of the dawning of the day. Like a sunrise, or a rooster crowing – something marking the beginning of a special time. Then upload your photo for the Nov. 29th service to <https://tinyurl.com/StMarksPhotos>.

NEEDED: FRUIT BASKET SPONSORS!

This year St. Mark's congregation has more members who are 'home' than ever before....members who don't get out at all, or very little. The Outreach Committee would love to reach all of these members with our traditional Holiday Fruit Basket. This year we will be ordering them pre-made from Redner's (to keep things safe for all).

If you would like to “sponsor” a fruit basket (\$14 per basket), please contact Connie Taglieber (gettycivil@yahoo.com OR 267-372-6734). When you contact Connie, let her know how many baskets you would like to sponsor, if you want to deliver your basket yourself (you don’t have to), and what area you are able to deliver in. If you would like to sponsor a basket, please contact Connie by November 30.

Thanks so much for reaching out to our Church Family!

IT IS WITH SADNESS

Maude Schultz passed away at home this morning, Tuesday, November 23rd. Harold said it was due to heart failure. He will be meeting with Mann Slonaker to make arrangements. If you wish to extend condolences to Harold, his address is 343 Cherry Street, East Greenville, PA 18041.

TWELVE DAYS OF HOLIDAY DONATIONS

Outreach is also holding this 12 days of giving program. On the times listed for each date, you can drop off the corresponding donation (or all of them at once if you prefer) right here in the St. Mark’s parking lot. On the Noisy Offering weekend days, bring your change! All items will be donated to The Open Link, The Welcome Church, or the PJ Project. This is so much easier than bringing a partridge, or a turtle dove, or golden rings – and so much more practical!! I put the whole list here, but I will mention the dates and items as we go along.

Dec.1 (9am-11am)--Open Link Gift Cards (Walmart, Target, Kohls and local eateries)

Dec. 2(6pm-8pm)- Socks all kinds

Dec. 3(6pm-8pm)- Scarves, hats and gloves (new or gently used)

Dec. 4-(5pm-7pm) Toiletries travel size for the shelter. Regular size for the Open Link

Dec. 5(2pm-4pm)- Laundry items. Compact and light if possible. NOISY OFFERING!!

Dec. 6(10am-12pm)- Coats/Jackets NOISY OFFERING!

Dec 7 (2pm-4pm)- Food donations (non perishable) for Open Link

Dec. 8(9am-11am)- Items such as coffee, creamer and sugar for the homeless shelter outdoor worship time

Dec.9(6pm-8pm)- Sanitizer, sanitizing wipes, Tissues(regular and purse packs) and cough drops

Dec.10(6pm-8pm)- \$5.00 Gift Cards from Target, Dunkin Donuts and CVS for the homeless shelter

Dec. 11(5pm-7pm)- Cereal Day (Hot/cold cereals, non perishable breakfast items)

Dec. 12(2pm-4pm) – PJ Project (new or gently used pajamas and/or Christmas book for children in need at women’s shelters) NOISY OFFERING!!!

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Harold Hieter will be 90 years old on November 26th – Thanksgiving Day! If you can, please send him birthday wishes to help celebrate this milestone day! His address is:

Harold Hieter
2320 Hieter Road
Quakertown, PA 18951

LIFE LINE SCREENING

Life Line Screening will be returning to St. Mark’s on Wednesday, December 16th. They will offer ultrasound screening to identify five risk factors: Carotid Artery – plaque build up which can lead to stroke.. Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm – risk of ruptured aorta. Peripheral Arterial Disease – hardening of arteries in the legs. Heart Rhythm Screening – an EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation (irregular heartbeat). Osteoporosis Risk Assessment.

Life Line will be adhering to strict safety protocols. If you wish to register for one or more of these screenings, please go to:

www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle or you can call: 1-800-679-5609.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

The Adult Bible Study class invites you to join us for a Zoom discussion on Sundays at 8:30 AM. We are continuing 13 week unit called “The Many Faces of Wisdom”. No Bible knowledge needed, just a willingness to listen, learn and share. No long term commitment – each week’s lesson is separate. If you are interested, please contact Deb Long at debra.reed588@comcast.net A Zoom link will be sent to you for the class. Added bonus: you get to see and talk with other members of St. Mark’s!

WHEN YOU SHOP

St. Mark’s Evangelical Lutheran Church (that’s us!) is listed on the AmazonSmile donation list. So, when you are shopping, please look first at smile.amazon.com.

Simply go to smile.amazon.com/ch/23-1857012 to shop and part of your purchase will be donated to St. Mark’s! There is no cost to you. With all the shopping happening this time of year, it might be pretty good for St. Mark’s.

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Lillie Bosler, Lisa Clark, Jack Cross, Marilyn Donis, Randy Dotter, Andrew Erb, Renae Fosbenner, Marie Grubb, Catherine Gruber, David Haines, Paul Hausmann, Harold Hieter, Marie Jones, Dennis Laubach, Merle Leh, Barbara Lehmann, Kenneth Miller, Deb Mullen, Barbara Opachinski and Lenny Rafalko.

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

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

