

ST. MARK LUTHERAN CHURCH

A congregation of the
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

welcomes you!

**June 11,
2023**



**The 2nd
Sunday after
Pentecost**

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

“SHINE” CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 6:00 PM (*1st Saturdays - Chapel*)

SUNDAY

THE DIVINE LITURGY: 9:00AM

in-person & streaming

EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP HOUR: 10:30 AM

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PLEASE wear a **mask/face covering** *if* you are **exhibiting any upper respiratory symptoms consistent with allergies, a cold, or COVID-19** (runny nose, cough, sore throat).

To parents with small children: We are glad your family is worshipping with us today! **“Quiet Bags”** (supplies & activities for use by small children) are available in the Welcome Area. If you or your child need a break from the service, feel free to walk to the Welcome Area/narthex (the service is still audible over the speakers).

Parish Hall and Restrooms are located on the lower level of the main church building. The stairway is off the entrance foyer. An **accessibility lift** to the lower level is located in the Welcome Area. An usher will be happy to assist you.

Assistive listening devices and **low vision items** are available. Please ask one of our ushers for assistance.

PRELUDE & WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *Please STAND as you are able*

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Please KNEEL or remain as you are

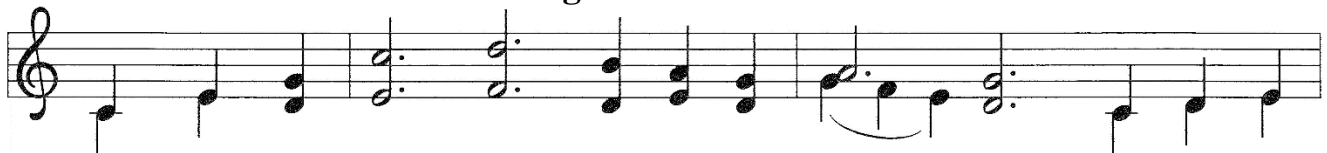
Gracious God, have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

“Morning Has Broken”

ELW 556



1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black - bird has
2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en, like the first
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the



spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet
one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry



morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray... O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Following the prayer, please SIT.

WORD

FIRST READING: Hosea 5:15—6:6

I will return again to my place

until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.

In their distress they will beg my favor:

^{6:1}"Come, let us return to the LORD;

for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;

he has struck down, and he will bind us up.

²After two days he will revive us;

on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him.

³Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD;

his appearing is as sure as the dawn;

he will come to us like the showers,

like the spring rains that water the earth."

⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?

What shall I do with you, O Judah?

Your love is like a morning cloud,

like the dew that goes away early.

⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets,

I have killed them by the words of my mouth,

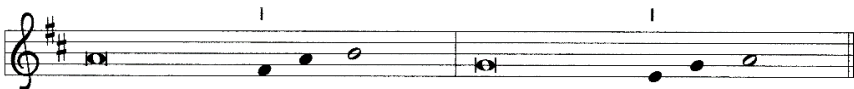
and my judgment goes forth as the light.

⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,

the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 50:7-15 *sung in unison*



"Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you;
for I am God, your God.

⁸I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;
your burnt offerings are always before me.

⁹I will not accept a calf | from your stalls,
nor goats | from your pens;
¹⁰for all the wild animals of the for- | est are mine,
the cattle on a | thousand hills.
¹¹I know every bird | of the mountains,
and the creatures of the | fields are mine.
¹²If I were hungry, I | would not tell you,
for the whole world is mine and all | that is in it.
¹³Do you think I eat the | flesh of bulls,
or drink the | blood of goats?
¹⁴Offer to God a sacrifice | of thanksgiving
and make good your vows to | the Most High.
¹⁵Call upon me in the | day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall | honor me."

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA VERSE *The assembly STANDS to welcome the gospel.*



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. *Repeat alleluia once*

GOSPEL: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as recorded by the apostle Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well.

²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please SIT.

SERMON

The Rev. Kenneth R. Tegtmeier, Interim Pastor



1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness of the sea;
 2 There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and a prom - ised grace made good;
 3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures of our mind;
 4 'Tis not all we owe to Je - sus; it is some - thing more than all:



there's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice which is more than lib - er - ty.
 there is mer - cy with the Sav - ior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.
 great - er good be - cause of e - vil, larg - er mer - cy through the fall.



There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heav'n.
 There is grace e - nough for thou - sands of new worlds as great as this;
 But we make this love too nar - row by false lim - its of our own;
 Make our love, O God, more faith - ful; let us take you at your word,



There is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment giv'n.
 there is room for fresh cre - a - tions in that up - per home of bliss.
 and we mag - ni - fy its strict - ness with a zeal God will not own.
 and our lives will be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *The names of those for whom we pray aloud are listed below. Please read only the first names. Other prayer intentions can be found in the Mark Times newsletter. The response to God, in your mercy, is **Hear our prayer...***

Dave Brauer, Gary Dozier, Evelyn Duncan, Curt Gansmann, Mary Hill, Randy Hinkle, Bruce Martens, Dwight Ness, Kim Ott, Kim Palmer, Marilyn Robinson, Kathy Rothgangel, Carol Weshinskey, & Barb Wurdinger

MEAL

PEACE *The assembly is invited to share a greeting of God's peace with one another. Please be respectful to those who wish to do so from a distance. Following **the Peace**, you may be **seated** for a few moments*

Should you wish to leave an offering today, it may be placed in the wooden box on the table near the baptismal font at any point during or after the service.

OFFERINGS

"Great is the Lord"

by Smith/arr. J. Schrader

OFFERING PRAYER

Assistant: Let us pray together... **God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior, Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name, and join their unending hymn:





Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
 God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER *chanted*

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:



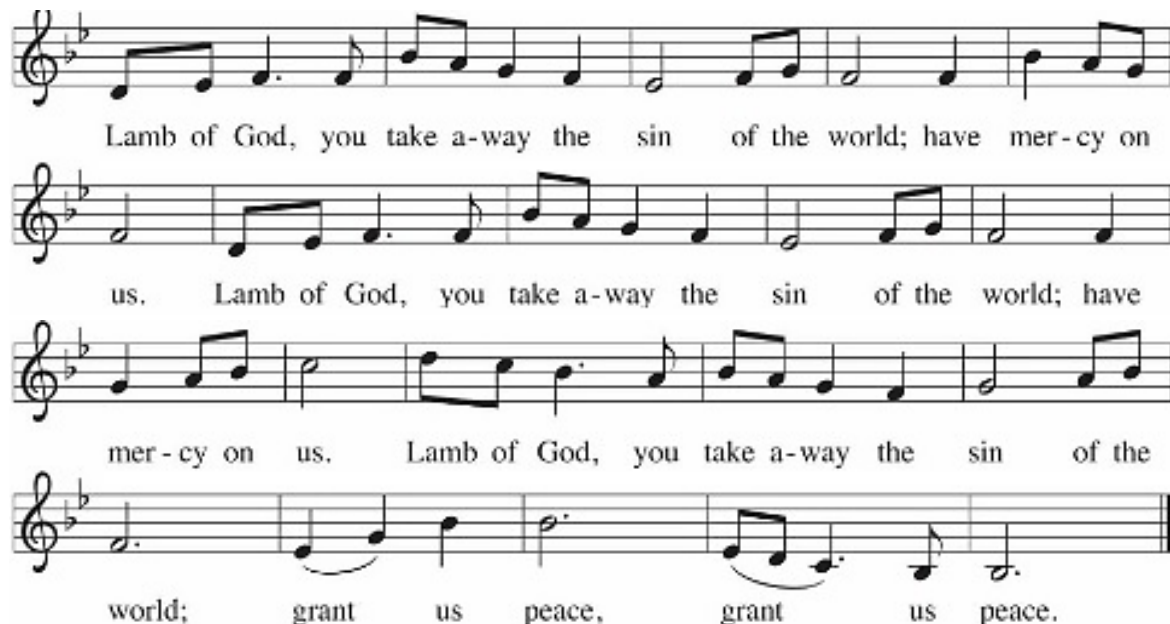
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Our Fa-ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
 your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav-en.
 Give us to-day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins
 as we for-give those who sin a-against us. Save us from the time of tri - al
 and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the pow'r,
 and the glo-ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet for all is now ready.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION *Please SIT*

Communion is open to everyone. In this sacrament, we believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine. At this service, communion will be served from around the altar rail. At the usher's direction, please come forward and kneel at the altar rail.

- ✘ *After receiving the bread, you may take an individual cup or drink from the chalice.*
- ✘ *You may return to your seat after communing.*
- ✘ *Those who do not wish to commune may come forward for a blessing. Please cross your arms over your chest to indicate this preference.*
- ✘ *Reception of the Eucharist under one kind (bread or wine) is valid communion for those who must avoid either for health reasons.*
- ✘ *If you are unable to go to the altar for communion, please notify an usher or the pastor, so that communion may be brought to you in your pew.*

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HYMNS DURING THE DISTRIBUTION

“Healer of Our Every Ill”

ELW 612

Refrain

Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,
 give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.

1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your

Refrain

peace and glad - ness; Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.
 still un - fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.
 ev - 'ry broth - er; Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.
 way of heal - ing; Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

“Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether”

ELW 410

1 All glo - ry be to God on high, who has the world be -
 2 O Fa - ther, for your lord - ship true we give you praise and
 3 Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, cre - a - tion's
 4 O Ho - ly Spir - it, per - fect gift, who brings us con - so -

friend - ed; to us no harm shall now come nigh, the
 hon - or; we wor - ship you; we trust in you; we
 au - thor, re - deem - er of your wan - d'ring ones, and
 la - tion: to men and wom - en saved by Christ as -

strife at last is end - ed. God shows good - will to
 give you thanks for - ev - er. Your will is per - fect,
 source of all true plea - sure; O Lamb of God, O
 sure your in - spi - ra - tion. Through sick - ness, need, and

one and all, and peace when trou - bled sin - ners call. Thank
 and your might re - lent - less - ly con - firms the right; your
 Lord di - vine, con - form our lives to your de - sign, and
 bit - ter death, grant us your warm, life - giv - ing breath; our

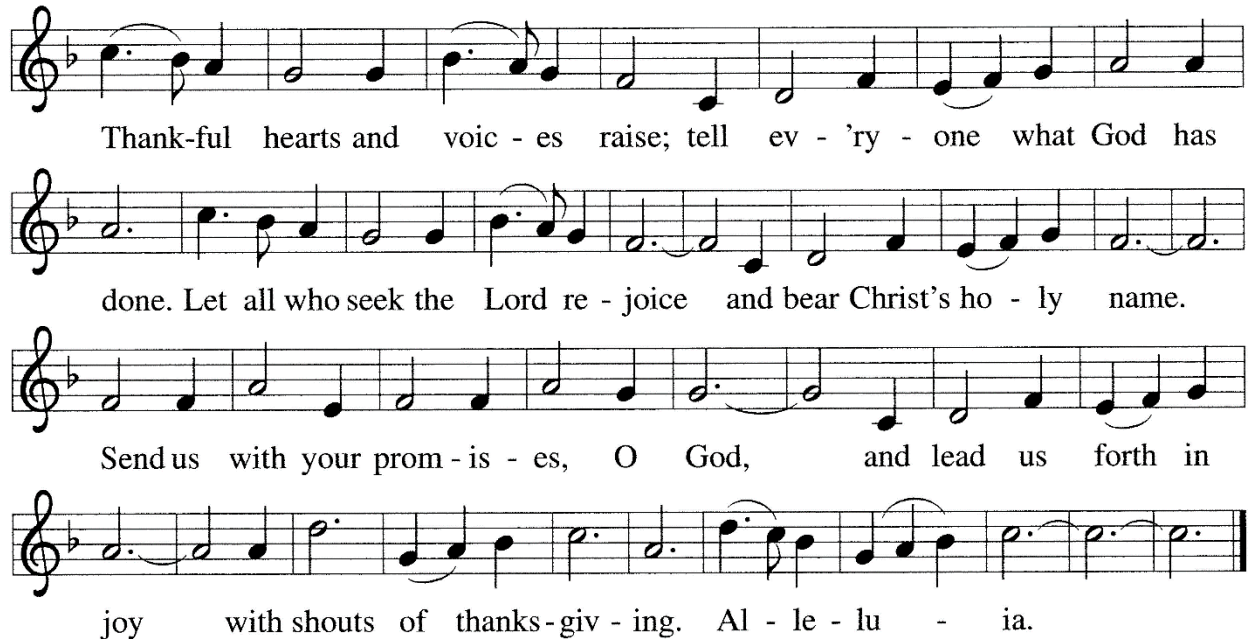
God for grace and mer - cy!
 lord - ship is our bless - ing.
 on us all have mer - cy.
 lives are in your keep - ing. A - - - men.

After the distribution is complete, please **STAND** as you are able for the blessing.

TABLE BLESSING

The Body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

CANTICLE AFTER COMMUNION “Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise” ELW 206



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry - one what God has
done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in
joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Assistant: Let us pray together...

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever. **Amen.**





1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.
 2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,
 3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,
 4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar - row's fall,



Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.
 so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.
 that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.
 whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:



The heart of God, the heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme
 Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone,
 We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield
 come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,



to write God's love in hu - man deeds, e - ter - ni - ty in time.
 and help us bear an - oth - er's pain as though it were our own.
 that through our life and min - is - try your love may be re - vealed.
 whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac - ri - fice of praise!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Assistant: Go in peace. Serve in love.

Thanks be to God!

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Presider & Preacher: The Rev. Ken Tegtmeier + **Assisting Minister:** Sherri Foppe

Crucifer: Frank Dressel + **Chalice Bearer:** Tom Partelow

Lector: Jan Litherland + **Organist:** Evelyn Duncan

Ushers: Rick Crosby & Rex Rothgangel + **Trained Responder:** Missy Kimbrell

Guest Musician: **Wally Kleist**

NEWS & NOTES FOR JUNE 11, 2023

**Pastor Brian is on sabbatical until August 28.
See below for pastoral contact information.**

Pastor Ken's Contact Information

Pastor Ken Tegtmeier is serving as the "interim" pastor for St. Mark during Pastor Brian's summer sabbatical. In addition to Sundays, he is working 12 hours through the week, which will include time for office work, visitations, et al. Pastor Ken's regular days in the office will be **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday**. To make an appointment, feel free to call, text, or email him:

Cell phone: **314-202-1055**

Email: **kft6582@gmail.com**



Belleville Summer Sack Lunch Program is Back!

The Evangelism/Social Ministry Committee is excited to continue our partnership with Westview Baptist Church to provide free lunches for low-income children this summer! We are thrilled that Hough Park is again a distribution stop, which allows Franklin School students to receive free lunches! Last year 40-45 lunches were given out at this stop each day! **Sherri Foppe** serves as the project coordinator again this year. A co-coordinator would be helpful if anyone would like to volunteer.

We are collecting individual size bags of Cheez-its, potato chips, nacho chips, individually wrapped store-bought cookies, and fruit juice pouches (i.e., Capri Sun), for the lunches. No peanut butter please! Donations may be brought to church on Sundays or contact Sherri to drop off at her house or arrange pick up.

We will continue to be COVID and food safety conscious but may change as conditions change:

1. Everyone handling unwrapped food items while package lunches must wear a mask and gloves.
2. Drivers and co-pilots in a vehicle may wear a mask if preferred.

Minimum of 4 volunteers are needed to help pack **150-200 lunches at Westview Baptist** on the following **Wednesday evenings** from **5:00-5:45PM**:

Jun 14, Jun 21, Jun 28, Jul 5, Jul 12, Jul 19, Jul 26, Aug 2 and Aug 9.

One volunteer driver and one co-pilot are needed to help **deliver the lunches** from 10:35AM to approximately 12:45PM on the following Thursdays:

Jun 15, Jun 22, Jun 29, Jul 6, Jul 13, Jul 20, Jul 27, Aug 3 and Aug 10.

To volunteer or if you would like more information, please contact Sherri Foppe at 618 791-6148 or cookinsherri2@gmail.com or Ann Martens at 618 235-7762 or ga72mart@charter.net

St. Mark T-SHIRT Design Campaign

What would *you* like *our* message to *our* community to be via *our* t-shirt design?

The Evangelism/Social Ministry team wants your ideas! The design campaign idea board will be available now through mid-August in the Parish Hall for you to add your message. Ideas may also be submitted to Sherri Foppe at cookinsherri2@gmail.com or by calling/texting Sherri at 618 791-6148.

Submitted ideas will be compiled then a winner will be selected using a "sports bracket style" elimination. Selection voting will take place in September!

Calling all Pilgrims to the Holy Land!!!

St. George's is planning a pilgrimage tour of the Holy Land for February 17-28, 2025, and St. Mark members are welcome to join! Here is just a small sample list of the historical and biblical sites to be visited:

- The Sea of Galilee
- Nazareth, where Jesus grew and began his ministry
- Migdal, the home of Mary Magdalene, and Capernaum, the home of Peter's mother-in-law
- The Jordan River where we will remember our baptisms
- Mt. Tabor and the Church of the Transfiguration
- Bethlehem, the birthplace of Jesus
- Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered
- The holy city of Jerusalem where we will walk the Via Dolorosa to the site of the crucifixion and the empty tomb

Throughout the journey, we will be led by a professional tour guide and Father Mark will provide spiritual instruction and lead us in daily worship.

The estimated cost is \$4675, which includes round-trip airfare from St. Louis, hotel accommodations, transportation on site, and all dinners.

For questions or more information, please contact Bob or Sue Vaughn or Dawn Jung. To obtain a copy of the full brochure, please contact Henry in the church office.

“God’s Work. Our Hands.” T-shirts

The ELCA's National Day of Service - known as “God’s Work. Our Hands” Sunday - is on **September 10**. We want to provide the opportunity for members to purchase new or replacement GWOH yellow shirts to wear on the workday. A **sign-up sheet** is in the Parish Hall near the coffee stand. Cost is **\$9.50** each for children's sizes through adult XL, with additional charges for larger sizes. We must have a **minimum of 10** to **get our name put on the back** of the shirt. **Please have all orders in by Sunday, July 30.**



Something to think about while Pastor Brian is on Sabbatical

In his May 28 adult forum class, *Sabbatical 105*, Pastor Brian outlined four possible routes for us as a congregation to consider when plotting our course for future ministry. Those four routes are:

1. Continue our current ministries as they are, but consider if there are possibilities for expanding those ministries given the connections already made through them (i.e., Food Pantry, Franklin school)
2. Starting new ministries utilizing the resources we already have (building, parking lot, et al)
3. “Fresh Expressions” – meeting people where they are out in the greater community
4. Getting out the good word about our moderate-to-progressive Christian congregation, given that it's the “bad news Christians” that make the headlines

You should have received by now via email a copy of Pastor's class that provides more detail about each of these routes.

We ask that you keep these in mind as you go about your summer and be alert should the Spirit nudge you with any ideas! Bring those to the sessions we will hold after Pastor returns from sabbatical.

St. Mark Offerings Report for June 4:

General Fund: **\$3,299.11** (includes online offerings received by 5/26); Food Pantry: \$525;
ELCA World Hunger: \$176.54