

Card Ministry: If you know of someone that is sick or in the hospital, or has lost a loved one, or just to let them know they are being thought of, please let me know so a card may be sent to them. They do not have to attend our church. It could be a friend or a co worker etc. You may contact me by phone or text at 419-771-0795 or email ahickerson55@gmail.com. Alicia Hickerson

Attention All Parishioners: Please know that we have had a number of people asking about why they have not received the June newsletter. The newsletter was mailed on Thursday, May 30th at the Van Wert Post Office. We do not know the reason why but the post office seems to be behind in its deliveries. If you have not received your copy, you can pick one up in the office. Thank you, Meisa

Bread & Bowl is on Friday, July 12th at First UM Church. Please consider donating a dessert for this Bread & Bowl. Desserts can be left on Friday, July 12th at First United Methodist Church on Central by 4:30 p.m. (doors open around 4:00). Additionally, we are in need of volunteers to help set-up, serve or clean up that day. Please sign up on the Dreamboard sign-up sheet for desserts and to help work. Thank you for your support of this outreach program. Teresa & Kelly Glossett

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Kyrie

1,3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
 2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.
 1,3 Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . have mer - cy.
 2 Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
 Chris - te e - le - i - son.
 Lord, . . . have mer - cy.
 Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

Music: Russian Orthodox traditional

ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Prayer Request e-mail: stmprayer@stmarkslutheranvw.com

Church Website: www.stmarkslutheranvw.com

Rev. William C. Haggis, II

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

FATHER'S DAY

JUNE 16, 2024

Pre-Service Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Pastoral on "St. Anthony's Chorale"

Confession and Forgiveness (page 94)

Hymn "My Life Flows On in Endless Song" # 763

Prayer of the Day

Noah's Park Children's Church (10:00 service)

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 and Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15 (pg. 2 & 3 of bulletin)

2 Corinthians 5:6-17 and Mark 4:26-34 (pg. 3 & 4 of bulletin)

Message

Hymn "As Rain from the Clouds" # 508

Apostles' Creed & Intercessory Prayers (see pg. 8—10:00 service)

The Peace (pgs. 105-106)

Offering: offering boxes, website, text 419-273-9947

Holy Communion (pages 107-109; 10:00 service)

Lord's Prayer (page 112)

Blessing & Dismissal (pages 114-115)

Hymn "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" # 547

Doxology Sung by the Congregation HYMN #884

Postlude "The Light From on High"

Get to Know Us



on:

Prayer of Illumination

R: Before reading from the Bible,
we seek the illumination of the Holy Spirit that
we become receptive to the life-giving Word
which comes to us through both
the reading and proclamation of Scripture.

C: **Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power
of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read
and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy
what you say to us today. Amen.**

1 Samuel 15:34—16:13

³⁴ Then Samuel went to Ramah, and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. ³⁵ Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the LORD was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

David Anointed as King

¹ The LORD said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” ² Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the LORD said, “Take a heifer with you and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.’” ³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do, and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” ⁴ Samuel did what the LORD commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, “Do you come peaceably?” ⁵ He said, “Peaceably. I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. ⁶ When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely his anointed is now before the LORD.” ⁷ But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him, for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” ⁸ Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” ⁹ Then Jesse made

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Attention New Visitors to St. Mark’s: Located in the pews are blue Welcome Cards for our new guests. Please fill out this card and leave it on the pew when you leave the sanctuary. Greeters will be around to collect them after the service. This information is only to keep you informed of activities at St. Mark’s and does not leave the office. We hope you will continue to join us for services and we are so glad you came to St. Mark’s. We hope to see you again next Sunday.

Scholarship Recipients: I and the scholarship committee would like to congratulate the following for being awarded a \$1000 St Marks College Scholarship: Nicholas Evans, Trey Evans, Evan Sroufe, Sam Moonshower, Kendall Rauch, Sydney Rauch, and Raegan Roehm. Please join us on Sunday, June 30th at the 10:00 service as we recognize them for their achievement and acceptance of their award.

Rick Roehm (chair) and Scholarship Committee

Reminders: **Bulletin deadline is Wednesday by 1:00 p.m. AND**
The deadline for July newsletter is June 22nd.

TIN CAPS BASEBALL—Save the Date! July 6th—Saturday evening at 6:00 p.m. We’re going to watch the Tin Caps play ball at Fort Wayne’s Parkview Field. FREE tickets to the game plus a picnic supper will be available soon. If you are interested in free tickets while they last, please sign up on the Dream Board.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR BLESSING BOX: The following items are what we usually provide in the blessing box: peanut butter, spam, mac and cheese, pork and beans, chili, canned beef and/or chicken, green beans, corn, peas, crackers, ramen noodles, pop tarts, canned fruit, peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers, breakfast bars, and granola bars. Thank you, AIM Committee

CHURCH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2024—FATHER’S DAY

- 8:00 a.m. Worship Service
10:00 a.m. Holy Communion Service
10:10 a.m. Noah’s Park

TUESDAY

- 7:00 p.m. *Church Council Meeting*

WEDNESDAY

- 10:00 a.m. *Bible Group Mtg. at Biggby Coffee*

THURSDAY—FIRST DAY OF SUMMER

- 11:30 a.m. *Community Meal in Fellowship Hall*
6:00 p.m. *Men’s Cornhole*

SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion Service
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
10:10 a.m. Noah’s Park

THE ALTAR FLOWERS

are to the Glory of God by Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Van Eman and family in memory of departed loved ones.

ASSISTING MINISTERS THIS WEEK

- Greeters (8:00) Bob Evans
Lector (8:00)..... Warren Bowery
Greeters (10:00) Roger Overholt
Lector (10:00)..... Juli Hamilton
Acolytes (10:00)..... Connor Donaldson
Communion Servers Marilyn Morgan & Tom Rhoades

Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.”¹⁰ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen any of these.”¹¹ Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him, for we will not sit down until he comes here.”¹² He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. The LORD said, “Rise and anoint him, for this is the one.”¹³ Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15

Thanksgiving for Vindication

R: It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

to sing praises to your name, O Most High,

**C: to declare your steadfast love in the morning
and your faithfulness by night,**

R: to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.

**C: For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.**

R: The righteous flourish like the palm tree
and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

**C: They are planted in the house of the LORD;
they flourish in the courts of our God.**

R: In old age they still produce fruit;
they are always green and full of sap,

**C: showing that the LORD is upright;
he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.**

2 Corinthians 5:6-17

⁶ So we are always confident, even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—⁷ for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸ Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹ So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to be pleasing to him. ¹⁰ For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive due recompense for actions done in the body, whether good or evil.

The Ministry of Reconciliation

¹¹ Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade people, but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. ¹² We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. ¹³ For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. ¹⁴ For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. ¹⁵ And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves but for the one who for their sake died and was raised. ¹⁶ From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we no longer know him in that way. ¹⁷ So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; look, new things have come into being!

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

P: The Good news in Mark's Gospel.

C: **Glory To you O Lord!**

Mark 4:26-34 The Parable of the Growing Seed

²⁶ He also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground ²⁷ and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸ The earth produces of itself first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹ But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle because the harvest has come."

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

³⁰ He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? ³¹ It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, ³² yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

The Use of Parables

³³ With many such parables he spoke the word to them as they were able to hear it; ³⁴ he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

P: Word of God. Word of life.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**