

**ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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**September 18, 2022**

Prelude 8:00/10:30 *"Assurance"*

Welcome and Announcements

Brief Order of Confession & Forgiveness (pages 94-96)

Hymn "Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven" # 864

Prayer of the Day

Noah's Park Children's Church (10:30 service)

Amos 8:4-7 and Psalm 113

1 Timothy 2:1-7 and Luke 16:1-13

Message

Hymn "Let Justice Flow Like Streams" # 717

Musical Meditation

Apostles' Creed, Intercessory Prayers, The Peace (pages 105-106)

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

Holy Communion (pages 107-109; 10:30 service)

Lord's Prayer (page 112)

Blessing & Dismissal (pages 114-115)

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

Doxology Sung by the Congregation HYMN #884

Postlude *"Praise Him With Pipes"*

THE ALTAR FLOWERS  
are given to the Glory of God by Jim & Elaine Rhoades in memory of Paul "Dusty" & Betty Lou Rhoades and Lowell Schaberg and in honor of Joan Schaberg.

**ASSISTING MINISTERS THIS WEEK**

Greeters (10:30).... Phil McClure  
Acolyte (10:30).... Bobby Tyas  
Comm. Servers (10:30).... Monica Campbell &  
Barbie Wappelhorst

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

Amos 8:4-7 Vision of the Summer Fruit

<sup>4</sup> Hear this, you who trample the needy and do away with the poor of the land, <sup>5</sup> saying, “When will the New Moon be over that we may sell grain, and the Sabbath be ended that we may market wheat?”—skimping on the measure, boosting the price and cheating with dishonest scales, <sup>6</sup> buying the poor with silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, selling even the sweepings with the wheat. <sup>7</sup> The LORD has sworn by himself, the Pride of Jacob: “I will never forget anything they have done.

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Psalm 113 The Majesty of God

R: Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD, you his servants;  
praise the name of the LORD.

**C: Let the name of the LORD be praised,  
both now and forevermore.**

R: From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets,  
the name of the LORD is to be praised.

**C: The LORD is exalted over all the nations,  
his glory above the heavens.**

R: Who is like the LORD our God,  
the One who sits enthroned on high,

**C: who stoops down to look  
on the heavens and the earth?**

R: He raises the poor from the dust  
and lifts the needy from the ash heap;

**C: he seats them with princes,  
with the princes of his people.**

R: He settles the childless woman in her home  
as a happy mother of children.

1 Timothy 2:1-7 Instructions on Worship

<sup>1</sup> I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—<sup>2</sup> for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. <sup>3</sup> This is good, and pleases God our Savior, <sup>4</sup> who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup> For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time. <sup>7</sup> And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and an apostle—I am telling the truth, I am not lying—and a true and faithful teacher of the Gentiles.

**R: The word of the Lord.**

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation (10:30 service)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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P: The Good news.....

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

Luke 16:1-13            The Parable of the Shrewd Manager

<sup>1</sup> Jesus told his disciples: “There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. <sup>2</sup> So he called him in and asked him, ‘What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.’ <sup>3</sup> “The manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I’m not strong enough to dig, and I’m ashamed to beg— <sup>4</sup> I know what I’ll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.’ <sup>5</sup> “So he called in each one of his master’s debtors. He asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ <sup>6</sup> “‘Nine hundred gallons of olive oil,’ he replied. “The manager told him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred and fifty.’ <sup>7</sup> “Then he asked the second, ‘And how much do you owe?’ “‘A thousand bushels of wheat,’ he replied. “He told him, ‘Take your bill and make it eight hundred.’ <sup>8</sup> “The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. <sup>9</sup> I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings. <sup>10</sup> “Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. <sup>11</sup> So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? <sup>12</sup> And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else’s property, who will give you property of your own? <sup>13</sup> “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

P: Word of God. Word of life.

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

## CHURCH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022**

- 8:00 a.m.    Worship Service
- 9:00 a.m.    Coffee Hour
- 9:15 a.m.    Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m.    Holy Communion Service
- 10:40 a.m.    Noah’s Park
- 11:45 a.m.    *Worship & Music Committee Meeting***
- 2:00 p.m.    *PLC Walk for Life @ Franklin Park***

### **TUESDAY**

- 9:00 a.m.    Piecemakers
- 4:00 p.m.    Handbell Choir Practice
- 7:00 p.m.    *Church Council Meeting***

### **WEDNESDAY**

- 10:00 a.m.    *Brewed Expression Discussion Group***
- 6:00 p.m.    *Supper***
- 6:15 p.m.    **The Anchor****
- 6:15 p.m.    *Catechism***
- 6:30 p.m.    *Kid Min***

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion Service
- 9:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- 10:40 a.m. Noah's Park
- 11:45 a.m. *Holy Land Trip Meeting with Tony Abuaita*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Bread & Bowl:** Bread & Bowl will be October 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at First UM Church. I am in need 4-6 volunteers to work and serve at Bread & Bowl. I also need 5-6 volunteers to make chili to serve 12 people. Additionally, I need volunteers make fall salads and fall desserts and have one or two to make sugar free for those few who can't have sugar. If you can help serve/clean up or if you can make food, please contact Barbie Wappelhorst at 419-771-7358 or [hippinbarbiewappelhorst71@gmail.com](mailto:hippinbarbiewappelhorst71@gmail.com) or call the church office at 419-238-6336. Thank you, Barbie Wappelhorst

**Hanna Circle Meetings:** The next Hannah Circle Meeting is on Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup> in the Gathering Place at the church. We will order food from Collin's Fine Food for lunch and then Bible Study at 1:00 p.m. ALL ladies of the church are welcome!

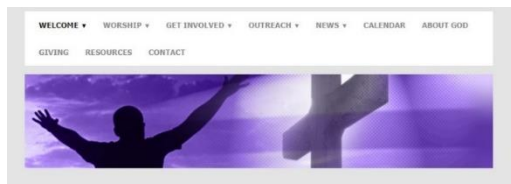


**Quick Reminders:** *Bulletin deadline is*

*Wednesday by 1:00 p.m.*

*The deadline for October newsletter is **September 19<sup>th</sup>**.*

**Check out "Table Talks with Pastor Will"** on Social Media. These mid-week talks are posted on our Facebook, Instagram, YouTube pages and our Website. If they touch you . . . please "Like" or "Share" them.



<https://www.stmarkslutheranvw.com>

## TODAY'S THE DAY!!

YOU have already played a huge part in helping the Pregnancy Life Center meet their budget goal of \$50,000. We have gone beyond the \$300 needed to be a sponsor of the PLC Walk for Life. The additional money given for the sponsorship will be put on a pledge form and turned in the day of the walk. That day is TODAY! Come and join us for a walk around the park. Where? Franklin Park on S. Walnut, 2:00. It's a ambling two mile walk with lots of visiting and laughing going on. THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

**Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 11:45 a.m.** in the Gathering Place there will be a final Q & A meeting with Tony Abuaita, owner of Good Shepherd Travel. This meeting is for those who are interested in going, and those who are committed to going, on the January 20-30, 2023 Holy Land Trip. Tony will be joining us on Zoom. If you are out of town that day but can still join us on Zoom then click on the link in this week's upcoming Congregation Mid-week Email. For further details you can contact Pastor Will.

**Help Us assemble Kids Against Hunger meals for the hungry:** This year on October 1, 2022 we would love to see the fellowship hall bustling with lots of workers ready to help assemble the rice kits. All ages are welcome and many hands make lighter work. We definitely need your help. This is truly a worthy cause to help feed people in Van Wert and around the world. Mike Burwell will be here at 8 a.m. with our supplies for the kits. We need help unloading the meal ingredients, the packing boxes and all supplies. Additionally, these items are taken down the church elevator, and then the boxes are opened and labeled, the bags are labeled and everything used in its location, for a fun fellowship morning. Everyone who has helped in the past knows the routine and can help guide anyone new to the process. We need help from 8AM, to 12:00ish. So please think and pray about this and remember you are doing God's work to help others who hunger. Drinks, rolls, cookies, and scotch-a-roos will be available for you. If you can help, call Joan Holland 419-203-9754 or the church office 419-238-6336. Thank you, Joan

**GriefShare—Grief Support Group:** GriefShare is a support group that meets weekly. The program is nondenominational and features biblical concepts for healing from your grief. Learn more at [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org). Fall Sessions began September 6<sup>th</sup> thru November 29<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Calvary Evangelical Church in Van Wert. Workbooks are \$20.00. You can contact Linda Taylor at 419-605-2247 or at [ldtaylor1947@yahoo.com](mailto:ldtaylor1947@yahoo.com) for more information.

**50 Year Members:** Here is the listing we have for our 50 Year new members for 2022: **Gene Goodwin, Steven Johnston, Edward Mosier, Anthony Noggle, Abbigail (Joseph) Price and Catherine Suzanne Woodyard.** If you or someone you know is not on this list and you believe them to be a 50 year member, please contact the church office at 419-238-6336. *50 Year Member Sunday is Sunday, October 16, 2022. Reception at 9:15 AM in the Gathering Place!*



**Medical Supply Room:** Just a quick reminder if you are in need of any medical supplies/items, don't forget to check out the supply room in the balcony. There is a sign out sheet so if you borrow something please sign it out. Thanks

**Piecemakers:** Piecemakers began sewing on Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. A new addition to the Piecemakers room this year is air conditioning so no more working in the heat. If you would like to join this group, please contact Carol Doner 419-513-1070 or Sharon Blank 419-203-4383.

**Homemaker Service:** VW Council on Aging has started a Homemaker Service which provides light and heavy housework for seniors that reside in the City of Van Wert and surrounding areas outside of the city. First consideration is given to those most in need. Included are those who are low income/low resource, disabled, ill or isolated without a network of support from others. The employees undergo a background check and drug screening. Cost is \$15.00 for a one hour service unit. Those that are low income/low resource may be able to get help through grant funding at VW Council on Aging. If interested, please contact the Council on Aging at 419-238-5011. Kevin Matthews, Director

**New Outreach Program:** Our first Community Lunch was a success! **This luncheon is free to the public.** The next luncheon will be **October 20<sup>th</sup>** (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday) - Lunch begins at 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to help serve or prepare food, please contact Anna or Amanda.



We are asking the congregation for **gently used clothing donations** to be made available at these lunches. If you have clothing items for children through adult, please bring to church and place in the designated shopping cart.

If you would like to donate simple dessert items for these lunches, please contact anyone on the committee for more information. Thank you for your support of this community outreach.

The AIM Luncheon Committee: Anna Bash [annabash@ymail.com](mailto:annabash@ymail.com), Amanda Stauffer [amandabashstauffer@gmail.com](mailto:amandabashstauffer@gmail.com), Marilyn Morgan [mnmsews@gmail.com](mailto:mnmsews@gmail.com), Christine Krugh, Mark Schaberg and Pastor Will



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