



St. Mark Bell

April 2023



St. Mark Lutheran

129 Charles Street
Hanover PA 17331
717-637-8904
stmarkhanover.org

Worship

Saturday 5:30pm
Sunday 9:00am
Sunday School Classes Following
Worship

Church Office Hours

Mon-Fri 9:00am-12noon

Bible Study

Fridays 11:00am-12noon

Bells Rehearsal

Following Sunday Worship

Quilting Group

Thursdays 9:00am-12noon

Preschool:

M/W/F (4's) 9:00-11:45am &
12:30-3:15pm

M/W & T/Th (3's) 9:00-11:15am

Meetings & Activities

- Apr 1** – April Fool's Day
Apr 2 – Special Holy Week Fellowship
Apr 4 – 1pm St. Mark Eats @ Chili's
– 3pm Evangelism Mtg
Apr 6 – 7pm Maundy Thursday Service
Apr 7 – 7pm Good Friday Service
Apr 8 – 10:30am Easter Egg Hunt
– 5:30pm Easter Vigil Service
Apr 9 – Easter Sunday
– No Activities Following
Worship – Celebrate Easter
Resurrection!
Apr 13 – 7am-7pm UPMC Blood Drive
Apr 14 – No Bible Study
Apr 17 – 7pm Finance Mtg
Apr 18 – 1pm Garden Club Mtg
– 7pm Future Task Force Mtg
Apr 20 – Fellowship Meeting Canceled
Apr 22 – Earth Day
– 12pm-4pm Private Event in
Fellowship Hall
Apr 23 – Confirmation Class
– PAL Team 1 Serves at HACC
Apr 25 – 5pm Council Mtg
Apr 26 – Administrative Professionals Day
Apr 28 – Arbor Day
Apr 30 – Preschool Sunday

*"Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest heaven!" Matthew 21:9b*

Dear Faithful Easter Seekers:

After going through a deceased friend's home, a neighbor recently returned some keepsakes and clippings concerning St. Mark. Included in this was a Holy week invite sent out by Rev. John Tome nearly a hundred years ago. The words in that note still call out to us today to boldly come with loving hearts to enter Holy Week:

Dear fellow Christians:

Once again we join hands with a great multitude of those who call Jesus "Lord" and rejoice in His victory over sin and death. It is the Easter Season, and our hearts are happy, and our souls are thrilled at the meaning of the Easter message to our own lives.

Palm Sunday, the day of His triumphant entry, stands at the beginning of Holy Week with its plaudits, threats, tears, and its message of Hope. Palm Sunday calls us to mind the cheering multitudes who hailed Jesus as a conquering King. It is a day of victory, but Jesus was not deceived by the words of any for He knew that, all too soon, these same followers would be shouting "Crucify Him!"

Jesus had set his feet upon the path that led to a cross-crowned Calvary. He was free from fear and indecision because of His unparalleled devotion to the will of God; and for a soul of such heroic stature there could be no turning back. The road required eyes unwavering and heart unflinching. And this Palm Sunday, Jesus would have us keep close to the events of Holy Week and thus come to Easter Day with a triumphant song in our hearts, being like Him, forgetful of self in our love for others.

Sincerely your Pastor, John S. Tome

Holy Week is the highest pinnacle of celebration in the church. Just as Pr. Tome wrote a century ago, the gift of Jesus and his sacrifice and resurrection is the reason we can have that "triumphant song in our hearts." Without the events of Holy Week, we would have no hope – death would have the final victory. But thanks be to God, we have a living Savior that has won the victory over death for each one of us and opens the grave so that we will have a place with him in his eternal kingdom. That joy, hope, and celebration is why we can enter Holy Week and look to the victory that is coming. Make sure to join us this Holy Week to worship and give thanks to God for his great victory of life that was given to you.

In the peace and grace of God, Pastor Kirk Griffin

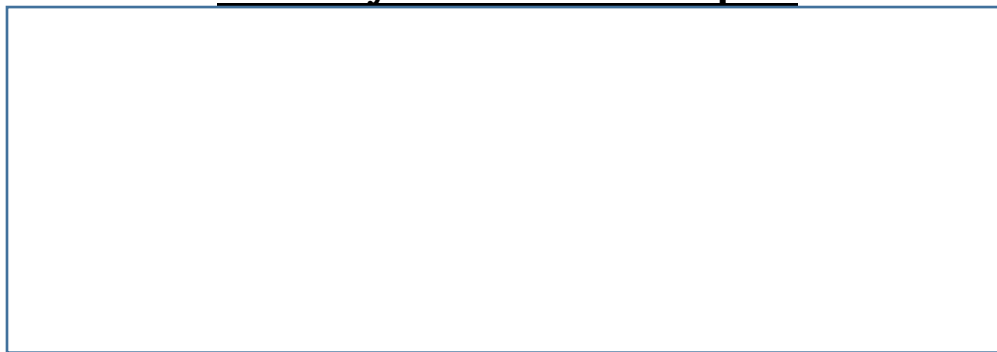
Happenings and News in our Congregation

Council Happenings at February 28th meeting

March's Council Meeting notes will be included in the May newsletter, as the meeting will occur after the printing of this newsletter.

- Council opened with prayer, accepting minutes and acknowledging the blessing of the choir's strong leadership and the wonderful Ash Wednesday worship.
- Martha Lippy volunteered to be a delegate to the 2023 Synod Assembly along with Mike Noble and Pastor Kirk.
- Pastor noted that a scam text/email was circulating in his name asking for assistance to privately provide gift cards. Gift cards are never given out, and any type of email that seems suspicious should first be validated by calling the Church office before replying in any manner.
- Evangelism is working on many activities, including a new outreach method of providing "Blessing-a-Day" packets for members to use and share with others.
- Fellowship continues to plan for St. Mark *Eats* and possibly a June Progressive Dinner between a couple of churches.
- Worship and Music is planning for the Lenten and Easter Season and looking forward to other special celebrations (Music Sunday, Preschool Sunday, Mother's Day and Father's Day).
- St. Mark Preschool gave a report on finishing up the year strong and are already filling up most of the classes for next year.
- The Treasurer's report was given and, since the year started off well with the 4th quarter investments being deposited, we have a good positive beginning to the year.
- Since our September designated fund, "Sweet Charities," is dissolving, Council voted to replace the appeal fund with Habitat for Humanity, splitting donations between the York and Adams County chapters.
- The yearly parochial report to the ELCA was reviewed.
- It was also suggested the Face of the old Tower clock (if not the whole clock) be displayed at entrance.

February's Treasurer's Report



God's Global Barnyard Project: Don't forget to bring back your piggie bank by Easter Sunday. The Sunday School will put your loose change to good use by purchasing farm animals and other necessities for impoverished international communities. Through this program, we can help so many families become self-sustaining and educated in better farming techniques that will help entire villages grow out of poverty. THANK YOU for your donations!



St. Mark's Monthly Offering for Designated Needs

gives us an opportunity as a congregation to support specific domestic and international needs which are pre-determined by our Council each year. April's offering benefits **Itete Hospital of the Konde Diocese, Tanzania**. Of the various partners who support Konde Diocese, through the work of our Konde Medical Needs Committee, we, as the Lower Susquehanna Synod, are the only partner providing ongoing support for the Itete Hospital. The Lutheran Hospital provides a wide variety of services such as surgery, gynecology, obstetrics and internal medicine. The hospital has OPD, an operating theatre and the following wards: male ward 32 beds, pediatric ward 29 beds, maternity 19 beds, female ward 34 beds and two isolation wards for tb and diarrheal diseases. In addition, malnourished children have their own rooms. There are also 6 dispensaries, 1 health center and 4 mobile clinics that are served from Itete. The hospital has 1 doctor, 4 clinical officers, 28 nurses and total number of staff is 80. Over 40,000 people are served from this one hospital. Please pray and support their ministry.



To contribute to this month's designated need, please mail your donations to our office or place them in our weekend collection plates by specifying "Itete Hospital" or April Designated Giving on your check or the *Other* line of any of our weekly offering envelopes. Whenever a donation is made on the *Other* line that does not have a written designation, it will automatically be given to the ministry fund designated for that month. Thank you for your support.



Prayer List: We ask that you keep all our shut-ins and those needing special help in your daily prayers. We will keep the shut-ins on the list indefinitely, and those needing extra prayers will be removed after one month unless hearing otherwise. To add a name to the prayer list, please write it on the list on the narthex brass stand or call the office. This month keep in your prayers:

Carolyn Anderson, Barb Baublitz, Nancy Bittinger, Larry Bolin, Katherine Borsella, Allen Bowersox, Pat Brooks, Rodney Button, Wilma Crawford, Jada Crow, Irene DeMart, Gail Dorsey, Diane Duffy, Robin Eline, Tarek Elnaggar, Jean Eshbach, Gwenyeth Eyler, Julia Eyler, Family of Jeff Eyler, Nancy Fridinger, Vickie Gouker, Dane Graham, Tom Greenholt, Carol Ann Haines, Shirley Hippensteel, Ginny Holmberg, Jean Huskin, Don Jamison, Donna Jones, Craig King, JoAnn Kirkpatrick, Norma Kreidler, Robert Krick, Mary Lou Krummeck, Allen Kuhns, David Kunkel, Family & Friends of Zachary Livelsberger, Naura Lugman, Ricky Mai, Dave & Denise Martin, Mary Ellen Melhorn, Carol Miller, Merita Moore, Leah Moul, Merle Mummert, Pam Mummert, Tammy Mummert, Carolyn Neumyer, Marian Noble, Sis Rhodes, Mary Riley, Charles Rupp, Tony Schuman, Bob and Cecelia Sell, Luanne Slusser, Pr. Jerry Smith, Beverly Snyder, Alex Spalding, Phyllis Tasto, Jennie Tome, Anna Turvin, Lois VandenHeuvel, Naomi Warren, Barb Watson, Diana Weaver, Ron Wentz, Sam Wise, Rebecca Wisotzkey, Shannon Yoeman.



Lenten Diaper Drive: Thank you to all who have donated diapers thus far – they will be much appreciated! As Lent draws to a close, we're putting out one more call for diaper donations, which we'll be taking to Tender Care Pregnancy Center right after Easter. You can drop off your donations of new diapers and wipes any time during church office hours, Monday through Friday, between 9:00am and 12noon, or just bring them to church when you attend worship.



-To Everyone at St. Mark: *I would like to thank everyone for the cards, especially Emmie for the Valentine, and all the prayers during my recent illness. You are a great congregation, and I appreciated your support. Thank you all and God Bless. – From Pat Keefer*

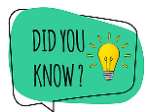
-To the Family of St. Mark's: *Thank you so much for all the prayers, caring and beautiful flowers in memory of Bob. He was a good guy and I miss him terribly but find comfort in knowing he is now at peace. Many thanks again. – From Joan Frock*

-To Church Members: *Thank you for spreading the message of Jesus Christ, our Lord. I know your members are very busy and really have the faith of God. Keep strong and working for God. I wish you all bright days ahead. – Mary Cullison (after receiving a devotional inspiration packet)*

-To St. Mark Lutheran Church: *Thank you for your gift given to your synod, received by Lutheran Disaster Response in December 2022... Your Spirit-filled generosity helps families and communities reeling from disasters here in the United States and across the globe. No matter the disaster, no matter the need, your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response enable people to rebuild their lives and livelihoods now and far into the future. Jesus was born to reign in us forever. Now you are inviting countless others into his gracious kingdom. In Christ. – Amanda White, Director, Congregational Generosity, ELCA*

-To the Office Assistant Volunteers: *Thank you to all the ladies who've been helping to collate, staple, and fold the newsletters and bulletins each month. We really appreciate your help – it would be tough to do it without you! And a special shout-out to Marilyn Kirschner, who helps out with many other office jobs, sometimes at a moment's notice. Thank you! – Joni and Pastor Kirk*

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Did You Know: Did you know that St. Mark's Social Ministry Committee has been inactive this past year because it needs a chairperson? This ministry used to reach out to the community by volunteering at Utz Terrace, collecting donations and hosting fundraisers for community agencies, helping with visitations, and ministering to seniors and shut-ins. While members are still active in outreach and giving towards the many funds and collections we do throughout the year, it would be good to have a chairperson who can oversee it all. If you think that this ministry is important and feel called to re-invigorate it, please talk to Pastor Kirk.

Easter Flowers Pickup: If you've dedicated Easter tulips, hyacinths, lilies, and/or doves to loved ones, your honorariums and memorials will be printed in a handout on Easter Weekend. Once services are over that day, you may take home your flowers and/or doves. You're also welcome to come in the following Monday or Tuesday during office hours (9:00am to 12noon) to pick them up instead. Thank you for helping us provide a beautiful chancel for the Easter service.



Host a Fellowship Time: Do you enjoy gathering after Sunday service to socialize and, more importantly, indulge in sweet baked goods? If so, we'd love to have you as a host for one of our monthly gatherings. The job entails setting out the coffee and treats (typically provided by the church) and then cleaning up after. Please consider helping with this job so we can continue our social fellowship events.

Special Fellowship Time in April: Please join us after the worship service this Palm Sunday, **April 2nd**, to participate in a special Palm Sunday Easter Week Fellowship Celebration! Hope to see you all there.



Happy Birthday To Our APRIL Birthdays!

April 2 Bethany Zinn
 April 3 Robert Rhoten
 April 4 Susan Rizer
 April 7 Haley Luckabaugh
 Shirley Szwoyer
 April 8 Dorothy Williams
 April 9 Lynn Gross
 April 10 Richard Mondorff
 April 11 Louis Reifsnider
 April 13 Carol McDermitt
 April 14 Nancy Sandruck
 April 15 Carter Brown
 April 16 Tom Long



April 17 Chris Kindschuh
 April 19 Susie Laughman
 April 21 Mary Ellen Melhorn
 April 22 Matthew Funke
 Cecelia Sell
 April 23 Brynn Seidenstricker
 April 26 Brian Wilson
 April 27 Clay Brown
 Lynn Peterson
 April 28 Morgan Brown
 April 29 Mary Bowman
 April 30 Peggy Sue Potter

If we've missed anyone, please let us know at 717-637-8904.



APRIL Altar Vases

APRIL 2ND

Altar Vases: Given by Pat Ormond and Julie Ruth and Families in Memory of Helen Ruth

APRIL 9TH

Altar Vase: Given by Carol and Bill Reese in Honor of the 56th Wedding Anniversary of Carol and Bill Reese

Altar Vase: Given by Melanie, Sally & Pete, and David & Romi in Honor of Our Wonderful Parents, Carl & Nancy Sandruck, on Their 68th Wedding Anniversary on April 14th (Which Is Also Nancy's Birthday)

APRIL 16TH

Altar Vase: Given by Marian Stabley in Memory of Vance Stabley

Altar Vase: Given by Carla and Vance Stabley II in Memory of Their Father, Vance Stabley

APRIL 23RD

Altar Vase: Given by Kate Klunk and Jared Laird and Family in Memory of James P. Kunkel

Altar Vase: *Open for Dedication*

APRIL 30TH

Altar Vases: *Open for Dedication*



Get Inspired: The Evangelism Committee reports giving out 57 envelopes full of daily inspirational cards in March. And they were happy to receive a comment from someone outside of St. Mark's: "Your church has the spirit of God working inside and outside!" If you need more inspiration in your life, please feel free to take an envelope for yourself and some to share. The committee would also appreciate donations of index cards (3x5 ruled) and envelopes (6x9 clasp type) to keep this project going.



Holy Week Schedule: Please join us for Holy Week, **April 2nd through the 9th**, and invite your neighbors and friends to join you as we walk with Jesus through the week that leads up to the Resurrection Celebration. We've prepared a special bulletin for the week – please take one as you enter and keep your bulletin to use throughout the week.

Palm Sunday 9:00am - April 2nd

We will enter into worship rejoicing and singing our “Hosannas” and lifting our palms and prayers to our coming King of Glory.

Maundy Thursday 7:00pm - April 6th

We will come to the table of the Lord and join in prayer of the Passover.

Good Friday 7:00pm - April 7th

We will travel with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to the cross, hearing his prayers of sacrifice.

Easter Vigil 5:30pm - April 8th

From creation and the fall to the restoration of new life, in Christ we give thanks in prayer and scripture readings.

The Resurrection of our Lord Sunday 9:00am - April 9th

Easter has arrived. Our Prayer is answered as we see the empty grave and celebrate salvation!

Pentecost Geraniums: The Day of Pentecost is May 28th this year. We'll need to order our geraniums from Auchey's the week of **May 7th**, so please plan to have your orders in by that Sunday. As always, we'll plant the geraniums to beautify the church gardens following the service. If you'd like to volunteer to help with the planting, call the church office (637-8904). To dedicate geraniums to a loved one, please use the form below or contact the church office. Again, the deadline to order is **May 7th**.

ORDER FORM

GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST

The cost of each plant is **\$4.50**.

DEADLINE for ordering is Sunday, May 7th.

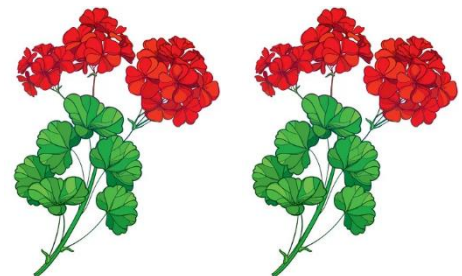
I would like to order: _____ Geraniums @ **\$4.50** each

Total \$_____

In Memory Of: _____

In Honor Of: _____

Presented By: _____



Contact: Joni @ offcoor129@gmail.com | 717-637-8904 | **Mail:** St. Mark, 129 Charles Street, Hanover, PA 17331



APRIL Worship Helpers

April Altar Care: *Need Volunteer*



April 2nd

CPIC: Kathy Gates
Lector: Pat Keefer
Comm. Assts: Gail Merlo | Mike Merlo
Acolytes: Noah Shermeyer | Morgana Lobaugh

April 6th (Maundy Thursday)

CPIC: Linda Bolin
Lectors: Linda Bolin | Martha Lippy | Karen Feeser | Kathy Gates | Pat Keefer | Carol Reese | Susan Miller | Pastor Kirk
Comm. Assts: *Need 2 Volunteers*
Altar Helpers: Mike Noble | Karen Feeser | Shellene Griffin

April 7th (Good Friday)

CPIC: Linda Bolin
Lectors: Linda Bolin | Martha Lippy | Karen Feeser | Pennie Highlands | Pat Keefer | Susan Miller | Hollis Long | Pastor Kirk | *Need 2 More Volunteers*
Acolyte: Shellene Griffin

April 8th (Easter Vigil)

Lectors: *Need 7 Volunteers*
Acolyte: Shellene Griffin

April 9th (Easter Sunday)

CPIC: Hollis Long
Lector: Hollis Long
Comm. Assts: Gail Merlo | Mike Merlo
Acolytes: Noah Shermeyer | Morgana Lobaugh

April 16th

CPIC: Martha Lippy
Lector: Karen Feeser
Comm. Assts: *Need 2 Volunteers*
Acolyte: Morgana Lobaugh

April 23rd

CPIC: Karen Feeser
Lector: Hollis Long
Comm. Assts: *Jeff Kindschuh | Need Volunteer*
Acolyte: Noah Shermeyer

April 30th

CPIC: Pennie Highlands
Lector: *Need Volunteer*
Comm. Assts: *Need 2 Volunteers*
Acolyte: Marcus Lobaugh

Please Help Us Worship on Sundays: We are always in need of helpers to make our Sundays and special services run smoothly. Please help by volunteering as Lector, Communion Assistant, and/or Altar Guild. See the various narthex signups. Thank you!



St. Mark Eats: We've been enjoying our lunchtime outings to local restaurants and hope you'll join us! This month, we'll be dining at Chili's. Please sign up so we can include you in our reservations. **NOTE: Although we usually dine out on the first Tuesday of the month, several of our events are on different days so please take note of each listing.** Future *Eats* will take place on:

Tuesday, May 2nd: Firepit

Thursday, June 8th: Dutch Country

Thursday, July 6th: Fratelli's

Saturday, August 5th: Potluck Picnic after Worship

We have not decided on a time yet for our upcoming St. Mark *Eats*, as some want to keep it at 1:00pm or switch back to 6:00pm for dinner. Watch upcoming announcements for the times.

Save The Date: **June 11th**, 3:00pm, will be the return of the Church Progressive Dinner. Mt. Carmel Lutheran will host appetizers, St. Paul (Broadway) will serve the main course, and we'll end at St. Mark with desserts. Look for a signup in May. Come and join us for the fun!



The Easter Bunny's Coming! On **April 8th**, we'll be holding our annual St. Mark's Easter Egg Hunt at 10:30am. Your child/grandchild/friend's child doesn't need to attend St. Mark – the hunt is open to all kids aged 10 and under. If you know of anyone who'd like to participate, ask them to call 637-8904 or sign up in the narthex. The Evangelism Committee would also appreciate individually wrapped candy to put inside the plastic eggs and helpers to stuff the eggs.

Altar Care: We give thanks for our altar care people who help clean up the altar area after worship. This only takes a few minutes of care here at the church. **Altar flowers will no longer be delivered by altar guild members** (unless, of course, you would be willing at times). We could really use some helpers to fill in one of the empty months. If you can help, call the office or sign up on the bulletin board by the flower book.

January – Linda Bolin
April – **OPEN**
July – **OPEN**
October – **OPEN**

February – Linda Bolin
May – Shellene Griffin
August – **OPEN**
November – Susan Miller

March – Sandra Haymaker & Jo Kuhns
June – **OPEN**
September – **OPEN**
December – **OPEN**

News and Happenings in Our Community

Provide-A-Lunch Team #1 will be serving at HACC on April 23rd: Our team members include: Melanie Brady, Dale Dull, and Nancy Sandruck. To maintain our three teams, we can use more PAL volunteers. Each team only serves **once every three months**, so it's not a huge time commitment. Any help is appreciated. Call or just come to one of our serving events at HACC on Carlisle Street.

HACC NEWS & SPECIAL NEEDS THIS MONTH:

PAL (Provide-a-Lunch) Program: Single-serve fruit cups, cans of mixed vegetables, butter, tomato sauce, eggs, coffee, creamer, sugar, milk, snacks, scalloped potatoes.

Clothing Bank: Gently used clothes, kids' clothes, adult gloves, hats, & underwear, household items, new underwear & socks, men's 32/34 pants, adult sweatshirts & sweatpants.

Shelter: Razors, deodorant, shampoo, body wash, Comet, bathroom cleaner, Clorox wipes, disinfectant spray, women's deodorant, men's boxer underwear.

Meals on Wheels: Adult coloring books, pencils, pencil sharpeners, word search books, fuzzy socks.

Ruth's Harvest: Single-serve fruit cups, single-serve entrées, single-serve cereal.

Please place donations in the bins by the office on the corner table at end of hall.



A Walk Through Bethlehem: St. Paul's on York Street invites our members to participate in a Christmas event they're planning for **December 8th and 9th** of this year. A Walk Through Bethlehem will be a production at the church to share the story of Jesus' birth with the community. At this stage, they're looking for people to help out by sewing costumes, building sets/props, acting, directing, crafting, baking, and participating in setup and teardown. If you're interested in hearing more, contact Karen Mummert at kmum51@gmail.com or 717-476-0620.

April Blood Drive at St. Mark: We're hosting another UPMC Blood Drive on **April 13th** from 7:00am to 7:00pm. To register, go to 717GiveBlood.org and click on Donate Now or call 800-771-0059.



Hershey Handbell Ensemble Concert: As part of their free concert series, Emmanuel UCC presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble on Sunday, **April 30th** at 3:00pm. For tickets, call 717-632-8281. And don't forget if you attend this concert and get inspired to learn, our St. Mark TrebleBells practice almost every Sunday after worship. We always are socializing, having fun, and even learning about music and handbells. No experience or musical abilities necessary. Come join us!



The Lutheran Camping Corporation

Spring Events: The Lutheran Camping Corporation is offering these events this spring:

Kirchenwald Earth Day Celebration: **April 23rd**, \$15 (includes dinner), please **register by April 14th**.

Nawakwa Open House: On **April 16th** camp will be open to all to take tours, hike the grounds, and see the facilities. Come out and learn about camping at Nawakwa. For more information on either of these, call 717-677-8211 or go to LutheranCamping.org.

Our Synod's Women's Retreat: St. Bartholomew's United Church at 1204 Grand Valley Road is hosting a women's retreat presented by the ELCA on **April 29th** from 9:30am to 3:00pm. Guest speaker Rev. Sheila Ireland will be speaking on "Women Who Know and Understand the Ways of God." The cost of \$25.00 includes breakfast, snacks, and lunch. If you'd like to attend, please contact Edna (637-5722) or Marlene (637-0185) to register by **April 17th**. Forms are also available in the office of St. Mark.



Alzheimer's Presentation: Kim Korge, Memory Care Coordinator at Cross Keys Village, will be presenting information on Alzheimer's at St. David's UCC, 142 Hobart Road, on **April 19th** at 6:00pm.

Spring Market Place at South Western High School: On Saturday, **April 15th**, the high school Music Department is hosting a yard sale and craft sale event. They're currently looking for vendors. Contact bill_kirsch@southwestersd.org or call 632-2548 ext 21820 for more information.



National Night Out: The Hanover Area Night Out event will be held Tuesday, **August 1st** at 6:00pm in the Gateway Shopping Center parking lot. They are looking for vendors. If you're interested, contact bwheeler@pennpolice.com.

National Drug Take Back: Saturday, **April 22nd** from 10:00am – 2:00pm. Too often, unused prescription drugs and over-the-counter medicines find their way into the wrong hands or into sewers and water filtration systems. That's dangerous and often tragic. Proper disposal of drugs is important. Conewago Police Station and McSherrystown Moose Lodge are two sites that will be participating this year in National Drug Take Back Day. Also for your convenience, Penn Township police station has a bin in their building year around during the regular business days. Keep Safe, Clean Them Out, Take Them Back!





Preschool Sunday: We're excited to announce a new St. Mark event – Preschool Sunday on Sunday, **April 30th**. Our preschoolers will be extra special guests at our 9:00am worship and will add to the service by performing a song during Children's Time. This will be an enjoyable time for all!

Registration Updates: St. Mark Preschool is still accepting applications to register for the 2023/2024 school year. For more information about our preschool program and to download a registration form please visit: stmarkpreschoolhanover.weebly.com (Preschool Website) stmarkhanover.org (Church Website)

At this time, we have openings in the following classes:

4-Year-Old PM Class (Monday, Wednesday & Friday) from 12:30pm-3:15pm – 1 spot open


3-Year-Old Tuesday/Thursday Class from 9:00am-11:15am – 3 spots open

3-Year-Old Monday/Wednesday Class is FULL.

4-Year-Old AM Class is FULL.

Any questions about 2023-2024 registration or if you'd like to set up a tour of our preschool, please contact Idonia Klunk at 717-451-4803.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						¹ 5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word  APRIL FOOL'S DAY
² Palm Sunday  9:00am Worship 10:20am Sunday School Special Holy Week Fellowship Following Worship  Bells Rehearsal	³ 9:00am-12noon Office Open  FIND A RAINBOW DAY	⁴ 9:00am-12noon Office Open 1pm St. Mark Eats @ Chili's 3pm Evangelism Mtg	⁵ 9:00am-12noon Office Open	⁶ 9:00am-12noon Office Open 9:00am-12noon Quilting Group 7pm Worship Service 	⁷ 9:00am-12noon Office Open 11:00am Bible Study Group 7pm Worship Service 	⁸ 10:30am Easter Egg Hunt 5:30pm Easter Vigil
⁹ Easter Sunday 9:00am Easter Service  NO ACTIVITIES FOLLOWING WORSHIP	¹⁰ 9:00am-12noon Office Open  NAT'L FARM ANIMALS DAY	¹¹ 9:00am-12noon Office Open	¹² 9:00am-12noon Office Open  WALK ON YOUR WILD SIDE DAY	¹³ 9:00am-12noon Office Open 9:00am-12noon Quilting Group 7am-7pm Blood Drive	¹⁴ 9:00am-12noon Office Open 11:00am Bible Study NO BIBLE STUDY	¹⁵ 5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word
¹⁶ 2nd Sunday of Easter 9:00am Worship 10:20am Sunday School Bells Rehearsal	¹⁷ 9:00am-12noon Office Open 7pm Finance Mtg.	¹⁸ 9:00am-12noon Office Open 1pm Garden Club Mtg 7pm Task Force Mtg 	¹⁹ 9:00am-12noon Office Open	²⁰ 9:00am-12noon Office Open 9:00am-12noon Quilting Group	²¹ 9:00am-12noon Office Open 11:00am Bible Study	²² 5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word 12pm-4pm Private Event in Fellowship Hall  EARTH DAY
²³ 3rd Sunday of Easter 9:00am Worship 10:20am Sunday School Confirmation PAL Team 1 Bells	²⁴ 9:00am-12noon Office Open	²⁵ 9:00am-12noon Office Open 5pm Council Mtg	²⁶ 9:00am-12noon Office Open 	²⁷ 9:00am-12noon Office Open	²⁸ 9:00am-12noon Office Open 11:00am Bible Study 	²⁹ 5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word 

St. Mark Preschool classes are usually in session MONDAY through FRIDAY each week between the hours of 8:30am and 4:00pm

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Visit us online at stmarkhanover.org

By the grace of God in and through Jesus Christ, the mission of the people of St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hanover, Pennsylvania, is to hear and share the Good News of Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament ministry. Since our founding in 1864 it has been the mission of the people of St. Mark to testify in word and deed that no one is outside God's mercy in Jesus Christ.

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ST. MARK BELL NEWSLETTER

St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church
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Office Email: offcoor129@gmail.com

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00am-12:00pm

Church Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Kirk Griffin 717-808-1986; prkirk129@gmail.com

Office Coordinator: Joni Gonzales 717-637-8904

Director of Music: Melinda Elnaggar

Organist: Martha Lobaugh

Sexton: Wally Rodenhaber

Housekeeper: Tammy Wiseman

Preschool Co-Directors: Allison Wentz / Idonia Klunk

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