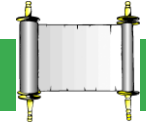




# St. Mark Bell



## Pastor's Ponderings

### St. Mark Lutheran

129 Charles Street  
Hanover PA 17331  
717-637-8904 [stmarkhanover.org](http://stmarkhanover.org)

#### Worship

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

#### Church Office Hours

Mon-Fri 9:00am-12noon

#### Bible Study

Fridays 11:00am-12noon

#### Bells Rehearsal

Most Sundays Following 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

- Mar 2** - *Transfiguration*  
- Fellowship Time Following Worship
- Mar 4** - *Fastnacht Day*  
- *Mardi Gras*  
- *March Forth!!*  
- 1pm St. Mark Eats @ Divino's
- Mar 5** - *Ash Wednesday*  
- 7pm Ash Wednesday Worship Service
- Mar 6** - 3pm Evangelism Mtg
- Mar 7** - *World Day of Prayer*
- Mar 9** - *Spring Forward! & Check Your Smoke Alarms!*  
- Confirmation Class
- Mar 10** - **Preschool Sub Sale Orders Due**
- Mar 11** - 9:30am Property Mtg
- Mar 12** - 6pm Lenten Soup Dinner
- Mar 14** - *Happy Pi Day!*
- Mar 16** - **Easter Flower Orders Due**  
- Confirmation Class
- Mar 17** - *St. Patrick's Day*
- Mar 18** - 1pm Garden Club Mtg
- Mar 19** - 11am-1pm Sub Sale Pickup  
- 6pm Lenten Soup Dinner
- Mar 20** - *1<sup>st</sup> Day of Spring*  
- 1pm Preschool Board Mtg
- Mar 23** - Council Mtg Following Worship  
- PAL Team A
- Mar 25** - *Annunciation of Our Lord*
- Mar 26** - 6pm Lenten Soup Dinner
- Mar 30** - **Deadline to Dedicate Doves**  
- Confirmation Class



"Now I rejoice, not because you were sorry, but because your sorrow led to repentance." 1 Cor. 7:9a

Dear Repentant St. Markians:

Alice felt guilty. She knew what she said had cut to the heart. She could see it in the eyes and shoulders of her longtime friend. But the words had just slipped out, and now Alice felt awful and disgusted with herself. They had been friends for over fifty years, ever since sitting next to each other in grade school. They had grown up together, shared their dreams, stood next to each other when they got married, celebrated when they had their children, comforted each other when they lost their husbands. They knew each other better than anyone else in their lives, and now that relationship was broken. Alice felt horrible, but what could she do?

Each one of us knows what Alice is feeling. We each have had friends and loved ones that we have hurt by a slip of the tongue, a quick lash of words, by actions that are done without thinking, or even an evil thought that we just can't seem to let go. Every time we lie, deceive, ignore, attack, or abuse, we are doing ourselves and others harm. These moments when our sinful nature comes roaring out can be detrimental to any relationship we have with others, with God, and even with ourselves. This is the disease of sin we all carry within us.

The only way to battle this disease is to be honest and recognize we need to turn and repent for that sinful nature. Our confession empowers us to admit that "if we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us." In this Lenten season we have that opportunity to seek forgiveness and practice repentance.

Since we know we are sinners, we are able to follow the three steps of repentance. Our first step is confessing that we have done wrong. We have to honestly admit to ourselves and reflect on the mistakes we have made and the guilt that fills our lives. Part of this process is admitting it is not always someone else's fault but simply our own heart and mind that causes the strife in our lives. The second step is to humbly seek forgiveness. That could mean admitting before someone else that we were wrong and we are sorry. It might mean that we also have to admit it to ourselves and to God. Lastly, the third step in repentance is to turn – physically, spiritually, emotionally – from the wrongdoing and attempt to do better in future situations. This Lenten season, let us enter into repentance and seek forgiveness for our guilt.

In the peace and grace of God, **Pastor Kirk Griffin**

## HAPPENINGS AND NEWS IN OUR CONGREGATION

### Congregational Council Happenings – February 16<sup>th</sup>

- Council met on Sunday, February 16th, following morning worship and fellowship of cupcakes and coffee.
- Council discussed the January Treasurer report as presented. January always starts off in the positive due to fourth quarter investment proceeds being deposited in the first month of the New Year. We also started off the year, as usual, over budget in building and administrative expenses due to heating season and paying insurance and end-of-year payroll fees. So, overall, expenses are a bit up from last year, but investments are up also, giving us a good start to the year.
- Council shared recent blessings and concerns:
  - Council can meet following morning worship so that everyone can be involved.
  - We give thanks to Jeff Kindschuh for his years of service and for bringing us this month's finance report.
  - It was noted that, despite weather, we have remained able to have in-person worship available.
  - Continued prayers for member and elementary Sunday School teacher, Amanda Stuckey, and her family.
- Council approved minutes and reviewed congregational meeting minutes.
- Council reviewed a thank you note from Lutheran Disaster Response and circulated the CPIC signup sheet, while reviewing the attendance and roll updates.
- Council President Mike Merlo gave a positive review of the working and meshing of the council and entire congregation as we continue to move ahead in our ministry.
- Pastor gave his statistical report.
- Evangelism Committee gave report noting the prayer cards that were sent out and the welcome bags that are available to visitors by the guest book. The Glory Project is still going, and an announcement will be shared.
- Worship and Music Committee gave report as they planned ahead for Lent and the Easter Seasons.
- During the Preschool report, it was noted that most of the classes have already been filled for next year. It seems that we have a great reputation in the community for our preschool program, and it was suggested that we work towards involving the congregation more into the outreach of our preschool programs.
- Pastor reported on the last HACC Board meeting and told Council that we need to have a new delegate from St. Mark to the Board.
- Council reviewed the listing of Dale Dull's regular contributions as a member of Property. Various items will need to be picked up by the sexton, and other items will depend on church members to complete as needs arise.

### January's Treasurer's Report





## Prayer List for March

- |                         |                             |   |                                  |                     |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| • Dora                  | • Jean Eshbach              | • Donna Jones                           | • Leah Moul                      | • Pr. Jerry Smith   |
| • Grayson               | • Carol Fadenrecht & Family | • Debbie Kellenbenz                     | • Merle Mummert                  | • JoAnn Smith       |
| • Al Allison            | • Dennis Fahey              | • Craig King                            | • Pam Mummert                    | • Sarah Smith       |
| • Daniel Ard            | • Nancy Fridinger           | • Shawn Klunk                           | • Wayne Noel                     | • Jody Spellman     |
| • Katherine Borsella    | • Nancy Gill                | • Kelly Koontz                          | • Carolyn Neumyer                | • Amanda Stuckey    |
| • Patrick Brady         | • Vickie Gouker             | • Norma Kreidler                        | • Marian Noble                   | • Phyllis Tasto     |
| • Susan Bucher-Laughman | • Dane Graham               | • Family & Friends of Mary Lou Krummeck | • Susan O'Brien                  | • Jennie Tome       |
| • Frances Claybaugh     | • Tom Greenholt             | • Allen Kuhns                           | • Kelly Perdue                   | • George Tracy      |
| • Tom Cowan             | • Bob Groft                 | • Jo Kuhns                              | • Mary Riley                     | • Allison Trump     |
| • Oscar Crow            | • John Hagerman             | • David Kunkel                          | • Wally Rodenhaver               | • Erin Viozzi       |
| • Pastor David DeLong   | • Chase Henry & Family      | • Jean Lawrence                         | • Carl Sandruck                  | • Ed Wagaman        |
| • Lisa Dickensheets     | • Carrie Hernden            | • David Sandruck                        | • David Sandruck                 | • Gloria Wagaman    |
| • Diane Duffy           | • Peg Hippensteel           | • Lucus Schneider                       | • Jim Schuman                    | • Jody Walter       |
| • Robin Eline           | • Michael Humes             | • Bob and Cecelia Sell                  | • Bob and Cecelia Sell           | • Naomi Warren      |
| • Tarek Elnaggar        | • Martha Howells            | • Ronnie Lippy                          | • Julie Sell-Smith               | • Barb Watson       |
|                         |                             | • Naura Luqman                          | • Bob Shue                       | • Ron Wentz         |
|                         |                             | • Carol McDermitt-Humes                 | • Family & Friends of Dawn Slate | • Kathy Wildasin    |
|                         |                             | • Carol Miller                          | • Luanne Slusser                 | • Rebecca Wisotzkey |
|                         |                             | • Merita Moore                          | • Denise Smith                   |                     |
|                         |                             | • Ed Moran                              |                                  |                     |
|                         |                             | • Emily Moul                            |                                  |                     |

*We ask that you keep all our shut-ins and those needing special help in your daily prayers. If you know of someone in need of prayer, please contact the church office or add them to the prayer list located on the brass stand in the narthex*

## St. Mark's Designated Fund

*St. Mark's **Monthly Offering for Designated Needs** gives us an opportunity as a congregation to support specific domestic and international needs.*

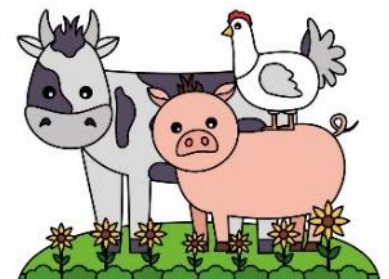
March's offering benefits **Olivia's House of Hanover**. Olivia's House is an organization of caregiving professionals and volunteers committed to supporting grieving children. Its purpose is to facilitate healing through grief and loss education.



To contribute to this month's designated need, please mail in your donations or place them in our collection plates, specifying "Changing Lives" or "February Designated Giving" on your check or the *Other* line of your offering envelope. Donations made on the *Other* line that have no written designation will automatically be given to that month's ministry fund. Thanks for your support.

## God's Global Barnyard

Don't forget to keep collecting loose change from now until Easter Sunday to fill your piggy banks for God's Global Barnyard. The Sunday School will put your coins to good use, helping international communities purchase animals and other necessities to build new lives and escape the cycle of poverty and hunger. Watch for the glass collection box soon. THANK YOU!



# Happy Birthday To Our MARCH Birthdays!

**March 1** Natalie Ormond  
Julie Sell-Smith  
**March 3** William Nail III  
Michele Smeach  
Phyllis Tasto  
Deborah Wilson  
**March 4** Melissa Wise  
**March 6** Matthew Smith  
**March 7** Bill VandenHeuvel  
**March 10** Alison Peterson  
**March 13** Madlyn Farley  
Bill Sterner  
**March 14** Jackie Brown  
**March 15** Barb Watson  
**March 17** Marian Stabley



**March 19** Ruth Noble  
**March 20** Norma Leshar  
Julie Ruth  
**March 21** Emma Hagarman  
Susan Zamudio  
**March 22** Christopher Hoke  
Marcus Lobaugh  
**March 24** Jeffrey Little  
Faith Warehime  
**March 28** Toni Garman  
Breita Stahl  
Shane Stambaugh  
**March 31** Ashley Yelton

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

## Fellowship Hosts Needed

If you enjoy our donuts and coffee tradition on the first Sunday of each month, please consider signing up to set up/clean up the refreshments. The signup sheet is on the narthex bulletin board.



**TUESDAY, March 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Lunch at **Divino's** at **1:00pm**  
**TUESDAY, April 1<sup>st</sup>**  
Lunch at **Chili's** at **1:00pm**  
**TUESDAY, May 6<sup>th</sup>**  
Lunch at **Railside** at **1:30pm**



## St. Mark Eats

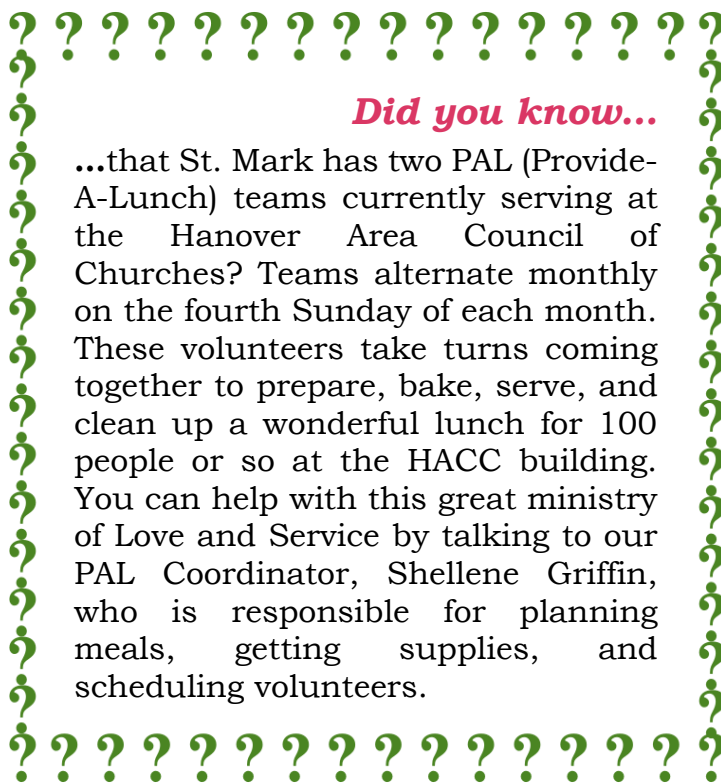
### Inspiration Packets

March inspiration packets are now available. Be sure to pick up a packet of cards, not just for yourself, but also one or more to share! And don't forget, forms are now available to order back issues. They're in the inspirations box in the narthex – just fill out a form and turn it in to the church office.

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### Did you know...

...that St. Mark has two PAL (Provide-A-Lunch) teams currently serving at the Hanover Area Council of Churches? Teams alternate monthly on the fourth Sunday of each month. These volunteers take turns coming together to prepare, bake, serve, and clean up a wonderful lunch for 100 people or so at the HACC building. You can help with this great ministry of Love and Service by talking to our PAL Coordinator, Shellene Griffin, who is responsible for planning meals, getting supplies, and scheduling volunteers.





# EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORM

**FLOWER DEADLINE: March 16<sup>th</sup>**

**DOVE DEADLINE: March 30<sup>th</sup>**



If you are ordering more than one flower type, please specify which type is dedicated to whom.

_____ Lily(ies) @ \$13.00 each	=	_____
_____ Hyacinth(s) @ \$13.00 each	=	_____
_____ Tulip(s) @ \$13.00 each	=	_____
_____ World Hunger Dove(s) @ \$5.00 each	=	_____
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	= _____

*In Memory Of:* \_\_\_\_\_

*In Honor Of:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Presented By:* \_\_\_\_\_

Office Use Only:  L  H  T  D

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

## DON'T BE LATE! SPRING FORWARD



This winter's been pretty miserable, but one day spring will come! However, spring also means giving up an hour of sleep. Don't forget to "spring" your clocks forward/set them ahead so you're not late for church on **March 9<sup>th</sup>**!

And while you're at it, change those smoke detector batteries! Because how else will the 9V battery manufacturers stay in business???



Thank you to Karen Feeser for this graphic!

## Souper Bowl Update

Thanks to the generosity of St. Markians, we were able to take **107 food items and \$50** in cash to HACC's food pantry. Thank you to all who donated to this very good cause! With over 1145 other groups, we were able to collect \$18 million in money and food over Super Bowl weekend to help those in need!



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Slagle Scholarship

The deadline to turn in applications for the Slagle Scholarship is coming sooner than you think! If you know of a graduating senior of Hanover HS or SWHS who plans to enter the nursing profession, the ministry or other religious work, or attend a vocational school, tell them to contact Martha Lippy at 717-637-8891. Completed applications must be **received by the church office on or before noon on April 4<sup>th</sup>**.



### Stolte Scholarship

This is a scholarship that awards \$1,000 for a Hanoverian pursuing a career in ministry, missions, or humanitarian service. The deadline is **April 25<sup>th</sup>**. Please contact HACC at 717-633-6353 for more information.

### Ruth's Harvest

HACC's Ruth's Harvest program makes sure kids don't go hungry when schools are closed. They need single-serve packages of nutritious food to hand out to kids on Fridays. Please place donations in the HACC shelter bin near the Church Office.



### Heroes Celebration 2025



We invite you to our **3rd Annual Heroes Celebration** event where we're honoring everyone who contributes to our community's safety and well-being: active military and veterans, law enforcement/fire/medical personnel, and all other community heroes. On Sunday, **May 18<sup>th</sup>**, enjoy family activities and displays starting at 5:00pm with a patriotic concert/sing-a-long at 7:00pm, followed by free root beer floats. All activities are free, and there will be food trucks offering paid refreshments.

**For more info or to apply to be a vendor, go to [stmarkhanover.org](http://stmarkhanover.org), or contact Gary Laabs at [laabs5479@gmail.com](mailto:laabs5479@gmail.com) or 717-632-5479.**

### Diaper Drive



Starting **March 5<sup>th</sup>** and continuing through Lent, St. Mark is collecting diapers and wipes on behalf of Tender Care Pregnancy Center. You can

drop off your donations of new diapers any time during church office hours, Monday through Friday between 9:00am and 12noon, or just bring them to church when you attend worship.

## EGG HUNT COMING SOON!



This year's Easter Egg Hunt is **April 19<sup>th</sup>** at 10:30am. All children, nursery age to 10 years old, are welcome, even those who don't attend St. Mark. If you know of anyone whose children, grandchildren, etc., would enjoy looking for sweet treasures, please let them know about the hunt. They can sign up in the narthex or call the church office at 717-637-8904.

### EASTER BUNNY BE BROKE...

...and needs a little help filling his eggs! Can you help him out?? We're requesting candy donations for the annual Easter Egg Hunt. All items should be individually wrapped and small enough to fit into a plastic egg. Watch for a candy donation box in the narthex coming soon!



# THE SEASON OF LENT

## Lent Begins March 5<sup>th</sup>

Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent with a 7:00pm service on **March 5<sup>th</sup>**. Please join us.



## Break Bread, Eat Soup, and Study with Us

If we have enough participants, we will then kick off our weekly Wednesday Lenten Soup Dinners on **March 12<sup>th</sup>** at **6:00pm** and continue through **April 9<sup>th</sup>**. Our theme this year is the Stones of Lent.

If you're able to bring soup and/or bread or would just like to join us, **please sign up** in the church office hallway as soon as possible, so that we will know how many to expect.

## UPCOMING WORSHIP & DISCUSSIONS

**March 5<sup>th</sup> – Ash Wednesday (7:00pm Worship)**

*Service of Imposition of Ashes with Holy Communion*

**March 12<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of Lent (6:00pm 1<sup>st</sup> Lenten Soup Dinner)**

*Altar Stones*

**March 19<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of Lent (6:00pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Lenten Soup Dinner)**

*Marker Stones*

**March 26<sup>th</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of Lent (3<sup>rd</sup> Lenten Soup Dinner)**

*Two Tablets of Stone*

**April 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of Lent (6:00pm 4<sup>th</sup> Lenten Soup Dinner)**

*Chief Cornerstone*

**April 9<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of Lent (6:00pm Final Lenten Soup Dinner)**

*Sealed Stone*

**April 13<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday (9:00am Worship)**

*Welcoming the King of Glory into Our Lives*

**April 17<sup>th</sup> – Maundy Thursday (7:00pm Worship)**

*Gathering at the Last Supper and Out to the Garden*

**April 18<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday (7:00pm Worship)**

*Witnessing Christ's Sacrifice and Death*

**April 20<sup>th</sup> – Easter Sunday/Resurrection of our Lord (9:00am Worship)**

*Celebration of the Risen Lord, the Grave Is Empty!*



## MARCH ALTAR VASES

Both Vases Given in Honor of Our Daughter, Michelle Burr, and Our Son-in-Law, Ken Burley, for Their Birthdays on March 2<sup>nd</sup>

By David and Kathy Gates



### Cupcakes with Love Sunday:

Thank you to all who brought cupcakes on February 16<sup>th</sup> and all who stayed to share treats and fellowship.

### Thank You from LDR:

Thank you for your gift of \$1,481.50 to Lutheran Disaster Response...Your Spirit-filled generosity helps families and communities reeling from disasters. No matter the variety of disaster, no matter the variety of need, your gifts to LDR enable people to rebuild their lives and livelihoods now and far into the future.

Thank you for your gracious gifts. The glory of God shines through you.

– *The Rev. Daniel Rift, Director, Giving, Service, and Justice, ELCA World Hunger and LDR*

### Grounds Maintenance:

Thank you to everyone who has pitched in so far with keeping the grounds neat and the sign updated while Wally is out. Not only does it demonstrate our pride in our church to the community, but it's one less thing for Wally to worry about while he recovers.

## MARCH Worship Helpers

### March 2<sup>nd</sup>

**CPIC:** Gail Merlo  
**Lector:** Karen Feeser  
**Comm. Assts:** Gail Merlo | Kathy Gates  
**Greeter:** *Need Volunteer*

### March 16<sup>th</sup>

**CPIC:** Hollis Long  
**Lector:** Kathy Gates  
**Comm. Assts:** Hollis Long | Jeff Kindschuh  
**Greeter:** Bill Leppo

### March 5<sup>th</sup> (Ash Wednesday)

**CPIC:** Tom Long  
**Lector:** Karen Feeser  
**Comm. Assts:** Tom Long | *Need Volunteer*  
**Greeter:** *Need Volunteer*

### March 23<sup>rd</sup>

**CPIC:** Mike Merlo  
**Lector:** *Need Volunteer*  
**Comm. Assts:** Mike Merlo | Jeff Kindschuh  
**Greeter:** Bill Leppo

### March 9<sup>th</sup>

**CPIC:** Martha Lippy  
**Lector:** Grace Groft  
**Comm. Assts:** Martha Lippy | *Need Volunteer*  
**Greeter:** Bill Leppo

### March 30<sup>th</sup>

**CPIC:** Kate Klunk  
**Lector:** Kate Klunk  
**Comm. Assts:** Kate Klunk | *Need Volunteer*  
**Greeter:** Bill Leppo





## NEWS AND HAPPENINGS IN OUR COMMUNITY

### Provide-A-Lunch at Hanover Area Council of Churches

**Provide-A-Lunch Team A will be serving at HACC on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.** Our primary team members include: **Nancy Beimler, Linda Bolin, Melanie Brady, Shellene Griffin, Braelyn Jones, and Nancy Sandruck.**

PAL is an important program hosted by HACC to make sure local people in need get at least one hot meal per day, 365 days a year. To maintain our teams, we can use more PAL volunteers. Teams alternate monthly. Any help is appreciated. Call or just come to one of our serving events at HACC on Carlisle Street.



### HACC News and Special Needs

**PAL (Provide-a-Lunch) Program:** Canned Vegetables, Sugar, Ziploc Bags (Sandwich- and Gallon-Sizes), Grocery Bags, Shopping Bags

**Ruth's Harvest:** Single-Serve Fruit Cups, Single-Serve Cereals, Macaroni & Cheese Cups, Canned Vegetables, Juice Boxes / Packs

**Meals On Wheels:** Thermal Socks, No-Slip Slippers, Sugar-Free Candy / Snacks, Throw Blankets, Pet Food (Cats & Dogs)

**Clothing Bank:** Men's Jeans Waist Sizes 30-34, Shoes / Sneakers (All Sizes), Grocery Bags, Shopping Bags, Reuseable Bags, Dryer Sheets, Winter Wear Items

**Shelter:** Shampoo, Conditioner, Bar Soap or Body Wash, Hair Brushes, Scent-Free / Bleach-Free Laundry Pods, Hot Hands / Hand Warmers

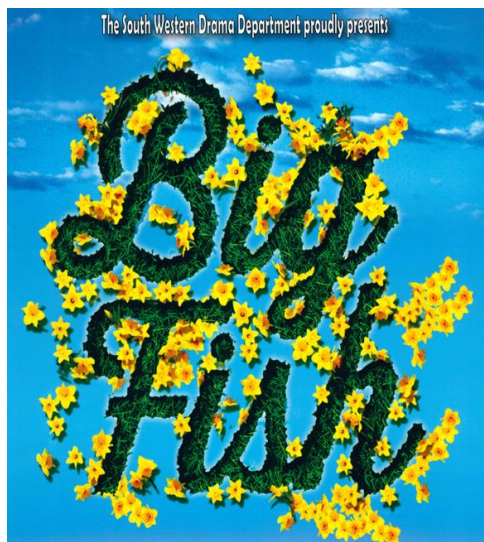
*Please place donations in the bins by the office on the corner table at end of hall.*



### South Western's Spring Musical

#### *Big Fish*

**March 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00pm in the SWHS Auditorium. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door. Call 717-633-4807 for more information.



### Property Tax/Rent Rebate Help

On **March 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>**, Rep. Kate Klunk's office is offering help filing applications for the Property Tax/Rent Rebate program, which offers rebates for taxes and rent paid in 2024.



**Call 717-630-8942 to make an appointment and discuss necessary documentation.**

## NEWS FROM ST. MARK PRESCHOOL

### Registration Updates

St. Mark Preschool is still accepting applications for the **3-year-old Tuesday/Thursday class** to register for the 2025/2026 school year.

For more information about our preschool program and to download a registration form please visit:

[stmarkpreschoolhanover.weebly.com](http://stmarkpreschoolhanover.weebly.com) (Preschool website)

[stmarkhanover.org](http://stmarkhanover.org) (St. Mark Church's website)



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

**3-YEAR-OLD CLASS (TUE/THU)**  
from 9:00am to 11:15am (6 spots open)

**THE 3-YEAR-OLD MON/WED,  
THE 4-YEAR-OLD AM,  
AND THE 4-YEAR-OLD PM CLASSES ARE FULL**

To register, please submit an application form along with a **\$45 registration fee**. Forms can be **mailed to St. Mark Preschool** (129 Charles Street) **or dropped off** at the church office (Willow Street entrance closest to Allegheny) any weekday between 9:00am and 12:00pm.

Registrations will be processed in the order they arrive. You will be notified that we received the form and whether your child will be in the class you requested. If you are interested in signing up your child or know of someone who may be interested in the upcoming preschool year, **please register ASAP** as we tend to fill up quickly.

For questions about 2025/2026 registration, or if you would like to set up a tour of our preschool, please contact Idonia Klunk at 717-451-4803.

– Idonia Klunk and Allison Wentz,  
Preschool Co-Directors

**ATTENTION:  
DELICIOUS  
FUNDRAISER  
ALERT!!**

### Sub Sale

We're now taking orders for our spring **R & K Sub Sale Fundraiser**. Order forms are available on the church office hallway table. Orders and payment are due **March 10<sup>th</sup>**, with pickup on Wednesday, **March 19<sup>th</sup>**, between 11:00am and 1:00pm in the fellowship hall.





# Check Out These Sweethearts with Their Sweet Hearts







# From St. Mark Preschool's 4-Year-Old Classes

## If I were President, I would...

- ...go out on a big big boat with my family. **Evie**
- ...watch TV! **Vivienne**
- ...have a fancy pink car and go out for pizza. **Lucy**
- ...have everyone go to a pool and get ice cream. **Ahraiah**
- ...make hunting day every day! **Liam W**
- ...watch tv every day. **Roslyn**
- ...have baseball every day. **Logan**
- ...make an ice cream day! **Mylie**
- ...have a choo choo day. **Preston**
- ...hug everyone. **Remington**
- ...make sure everyone is safe and have extra desserts. **Landon**
- ...have a camping day. **Braxten**
- ...tell everyone I like them. **Mialeise**
- ...have a special day just to play. **Zayah**
- ...tell everyone to love each other. **Kate**
- ...have a video game day. **Jason**
- ...do everything. **Zabir**
- ...have everyone clean their shoes every day. **Evelyn**
- ...fly to New York with my mom and sister. **Aiden**
- ...have a cleanup day for everyone. **Kyndal**
- ...make cookies in the White House with my mom. **Liam H**
- ...have a vacuum day. **Brynlee**
- ...swim in the pool all day and sleep a lot. **Maura**
- ...give everyone I meet a "love you" card. **Zelyphie**
- ...have a Florida day. **Aubree**
- ...sleep a thousand days and go to the pool a million days. **Vance**
- ...have a fishing day. **Stella**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Transfiguration of Our Lord</b> 2 9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School  <b>Fellowship Time</b> <b>Following Worship</b> Bells Rehearsal	9:00am-12noon Office Open	9:00am-12noon Office Open <b>1pm St. Mark Eats @</b> <b>Divino's</b>  FASTNACHT DAY & MARDI GRAS	9:00am-12noon Office Open  <b>7pm Ash Wednesday</b> <b>Worship Service</b>  ASH WEDNESDAY	9:00am-12noon Office Open 9:00am-12noon Quilting Group <b>3pm Evangelism Mtg</b>	9:00am-12noon Office Open 11:00am Bible Study  WORLD DAY OF PRAYER	5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word
<b>1st Sunday in Lent</b> 9 9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School <b>Spring Forward!</b> & <b>Check Your</b> <b>Smoke Alarms!</b> <b>Confirmation Class</b> Bells Rehearsal	9:00am-12noon Office Open  <b>Preschool Sub Sale</b> <b>Orders Due</b>	9:00am-12noon Office Open <b>9:30am Property Mtg</b>	9:00am-12noon Office Open <b>6pm Lenten Soup Dinner</b> 	9:00am-12noon Office Open 9:00am-12noon Quilting Group	9:00am-12noon Office Open 11:00am Bible Study <b>HAPPY PI DAY</b> 	5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word
<b>2nd Sunday in Lent</b> 16 9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School <b>Easter Flower</b> <b>Deadline</b> <b>Confirmation Class</b> Bells Rehearsal	9:00am-12noon Office Open  ST. PATRICK'S DAY	9:00am-12noon Office Open <b>1pm Garden Club</b>	9:00am-12noon Office Open <b>11am-1pm Sub</b> <b>Sale Pickup</b> <b>6pm Lenten Soup Dinner</b> 	9:00am-12noon Office Open 9:00am-12noon Quilting Group <b>1pm Preschool Board Mtg</b>  1ST DAY OF SPRING	9:00am-12noon Office Open 11:00am Bible Study	5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word
<b>3rd Sunday in Lent</b> 23 9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School <b>Council Mtg</b> <b>PAL Team A</b> Bells Rehearsal	9:00am-12noon Office Open	9:00am-12noon Office Open  ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD	9:00am-12noon Office Open <b>6pm Lenten Soup Dinner</b> 	9:00am-12noon Office Open 9:00am-12noon Quilting Group	9:00am-12noon Office Open 11:00am Bible Study	5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word
<b>4th Sunday in Lent</b> 30 9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School <b>Deadline to Dedicate Doves</b> <b>Confirmation Class</b> Bells Rehearsal	9:00am-12noon Office Open	ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD				

\*NOTE: St. Mark Preschool classes are in regular session MONDAY through FRIDAY each week between the hours of 8:30am and 4:00pm.  
 Please see the preschool calendar for more information.

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