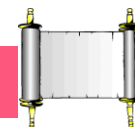




St. Mark Bell



Pastor's Ponderings

St. Mark Lutheran

129 Charles Street
Hanover PA 17331
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Worship

Saturday 5:30pm
Sunday 9:00am
Sunday School on Summer Break

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

On Summer Break

Meetings & Activities

- June 1** - Fellowship Time
Following Worship
- June 5** - 3pm Evangelism Mtg
- 6pm St. Mark Eats @
Dutch Country
- June 6** - D-Day
- **NO BIBLE STUDY**
- June 8** - Day of Pentecost
- Confirmation of
Abby Shermeyer
- Wear Red
- June 10** - 10am Coloring Group
- June 14** - Flag Day
- June 15** - Holy Trinity Sunday
- Father's Day
- June 16** - **OFFICE CLOSED**
- June 19** - Juneteenth
- 7am-7pm UPMC
Blood Drive
- June 20** - 1st Day of Summer
- June 22** - PAL Team B
- June 29** - St. Peter and
St. Paul Festival

"I am about to do a new thing;
Now it springs forth; do you not
perceive it? I will make a way in
the wilderness and rivers in the
desert." Isaiah 43:19

Dear St. Mark:

Do you ever feel like you are stuck in a monotonous spiritual routine? Do you ever feel that your faith isn't growing, expanding, or challenging, but instead you're just going through the motions of

doing the same old thing, day after day? Like walking in a dried-up desert, without substance, without sustenance, without purpose. In the Isaiah 43 quote above, we hear that in those times God is making a new thing, offering a new way. God gives us the ability to be refreshed, renewed, and reinvigorated spiritually and faithfully. All we have to do is follow His way and find life.

But it is not always easy to make a change. Changing how we do things is difficult. Recently the ELCA began a study to examine our own need to change. Over the last few decades, our church denomination has found that we have been stuck in a rut, following the same old patterns of ministry that worked in the middle of the last century. But the problem is, the American culture has moved on past the 1950's and 60's. We live in a new age that is constantly changing, and the church has to learn to adapt, or we will wander in the desert, perishing.

So, on May 8th our national church leaders in Chicago posted a report entitled "Strategic Recommendations for the ELCA." It is a study based on gathered research from the Fuller Leadership Formation and Barna Group. It examines the current trends in the United States and how it impacts the ministry of the church. Part of this study laid out five commitments that the ELCA must embody.

- Commitment 1:* Cultivate congregations that are warmer, more inviting, and more invitational in nature.
- Commitment 2:* Enhance ELCA-wide efforts to nurture and strengthen faith and spiritual formation.
- Commitment 3:* Tangibly and significantly incorporate and empower young people in all levels of the church's life.
- Commitment 4:* Provide greater empowerment, equipping, and tools or lay leaders to carry out the work of ministry and be the Church in the world today.
- Commitment 5:* Rethink, refocus, and reorganize the ELCA's educational systems and structures to serve the current (and rapidly changing) needs of the ELCA.

These seem obvious and easy enough, but the truth is it will take work. Ministry of our own faith is work. The new thing God is making is "a way in the wilderness" that we must learn to follow. The report continues by expanding on each commitment's meaning and listing several strategies and activities to fulfill that commitment. You can download the entire report by going to www.elca.org and choosing "Strategic Recommendations" on the home page. Then think and pray about how you and our congregation of St. Mark can find that new way to spiritual life that God is making for us today. God has made a new thing, now it is up to us to follow.

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



HAPPENINGS AND NEWS IN OUR CONGREGATION

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

April Meeting

- Council met on May 4th for the postponed April meeting.
- After opening prayer, the finance report led the meeting and was reviewed and accepted.
- Council noted several blessings of members filling in during Pastor's absence, the wonderful choir leadership from the front piano, the number of preschool families attending the special Sunday, and the volunteers who have taught Sunday school this year.
- Attendance and roll changes were noted.
- President Merlo noted the resilience of the congregation to adapt and volunteer to meet the needs.
- Pastor shared his statistical report. He further discussed his health issue, giving thanks to all who filled in.
- Evangelism shared the plans for the new coloring group, the Snack Town festival, and the potential for the celebration of the 250th birthday of the nation.
- Worship and Music shared minutes noting the plans for the summer and discussed the future of the Land and Season quarterly folk service.
- Under New Business, council decided to allow the Hospital Auxiliary to have another one of their sales on October 8th-11th. An update was given on the status of the Sanctuary HVAC, which will be completed soon. Council also voted to repair the computer board on the organ using the recent generous donations that were designated for that need.
- Council adjourned with the plans to meet again on May 25th.

May Meeting

- Council met for their regular monthly meeting on May 25th.
- During the finance report it was noted that, while we are in the black as of the end of April, there is still a need to monitor the heating and electricity levels for the rest of the year. Investments are doing well but this year they have been up and down and have no guarantee.
- Council noted the blessing of the Hero Event that went well. It was also noted that our Sunday school teacher, Amanda Stuckey's, health has been improving steadily and she is doing much better.
- Thank you notes were received from Olivia's House, HACC, Hospital Auxiliary and Tender Care.
- President Merlo lifted up the need to continue to pray for peace.
- Pastor shared his statistical report and noted that the housekeeper hours will be fewer during the summer break.
- Property shared their report of current updates and needs around the building and grounds.
- Under old Business, Council reviewed the Fall Auxiliary Sale, the completion of the A/C repair and the organ repair.
- Under New Business, Council decided to meet again on July 27th following worship and again on October 5th. Other meetings can be called if the need arises.

April's Treasurer's Report





Prayer List for June

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

*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*

IN MEMORIAL

It is with deep regret we must announce the passing of two of our beloved church members since our last newsletter, both of whom entered the everlasting promise found in the living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead:

Larry Rhoten on May 7th

and **Carol Miller** on May 10th

A white rose was placed in the chancel in memory of each on the weekend of May 17th and 18th. Please keep Larry's and Carol's families and friends in your prayers.



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.*

During June we are given the opportunity to contribute to the **Visiting Nurses Association (VNA)** of Hanover and Spring Grove, a hospice program that provides services at home and in nursing homes for people who are at the end of life.



For Us, It's Personal

To contribute to this month's designated need, please mail in your donations or place them in our collection June, specifying "VNA" or "June 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.

Happy Birthday To Our JUNE Birthdays!

June 2 Heather Yeager
June 3 Robert Richter
June 4 Kate Klunk
June 6 Kara Jones
 Michele Smith
June 7 Wendy Bish-McGrew
June 10 Marian Noble
 Jon Wallen
June 11 Linda Gouker
 Owen Reese
June 12 Pr. Kirk Griffin



June 15 Carl Sandruck
June 17 Braydon Bailey
June 19 Camryn Farley
June 20 Erik Long
 Carla Stabley
June 21 JoAnn Berwager
June 24 Martha Howells
June 26 Elsie Wildasin
June 28 Benjamin Shaw
June 29 Jadyn Long
June 30 Daniel Keeney

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

THURSDAY, June 5th (corrected date)

Dinner at Dutch Country at 6:00pm

TUESDAY, July 1st

Dinner at Starlight at 6:00pm

TUESDAY, August 5th

Dinner at C&D Bar & Grill at 6:00pm

St. Mark Eats

Piggy Bank Update

St. Mark collected **\$700** for God's Global Barnyard, the Sunday School project to grow community sustainability in developing countries. The children used the coins and other contributions to purchase the following:

- 5 flocks of chicks
- 5 piglets
- 10 honeybee hives
- 5 water filters
- Fruit tree seedings

Thank you to everyone who helped with this project and to everyone who saved their coins and otherwise contributed to this very good cause!



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Did you know...
 ...that the St. Mark building has two basements? One basement is under the narthex and contains the large blowers for the pipe organ and the duct work for the recently repaired sanctuary air conditioning. The second basement is under the Willow Street entranceway and contains the boilers and the utility hook-ups and leads. An interesting note is that the boiler room basement was the early senior high classroom when the St. Mark building was constructed in 1958. The beatnik generation is still evident by the graffiti they painted on the basement walls. Perhaps you or your own grown children remember those days?
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Office Closed

The Church Office and building will be **CLOSED** on Monday, **June 16th**. Please plan accordingly.





Jewelry Sale

Dear Church Leadership,

We sincerely appreciate your generosity in allowing us to use your facility. Your kindness and hospitality always make a meaningful difference to our events, and we are truly grateful. Thank you for providing such a welcoming space.

With gratitude, Hanover Hospital Auxiliary

from the Laughmans

Friends,

Thank you for the prayers...They were greatly appreciated. Also thank you to the children who made Easter cards. Claire and Olivia...did a great job at making the cards. They brightened our day. God bless you all.

Russ & Judy Laughman

from HACC

Dear. St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church,

On behalf of our entire team, thank you for your generous donations of \$200 to Ruth's Harvest, \$40 to PAL, and \$1,450 to the Changing Lives Shelter...Thank you for your kindness and support. Together, we are making a lasting difference.

Erika Gonzalez, Interim Executive Director

Honoring Our Heroes

Thank you to everyone who helped make a success of our May 18th event to honor our community heroes! Be sure to check out the last page of this newsletter for photos...

Pastor Kirk Griffin

from Tender Care

Thank you so much for having a diaper drive during Lent for our clients. Our clients will be blessed by your kindness. God bless.

Tender Care

from Olivia's House

Dear. Rev. Griffin and Congregation,

Your generous donation of \$635 means everything to us. Because of this gift, our families know that their community is behind them. They know that they are not alone. They know that there is hope that their hearts CAN heal. In a world where everything comes at a price, your donation has ensured that healing does not. Thank you, from the bottom of our hearts, for choosing to support our mission. We couldn't do it without you.

K. C. Delp, Executive Director



Congratulations to These Grads and Their Proud St. Mark Families

Son (and Member), **Marcus Lobaugh**, graduates from South Western High School on May 30th. He will be studying Park and Resource Management at Slippery Rock University.

~ Martha & Michael Lobaugh

Granddaughter, **Abigail Gates**, graduated from Sherando High school in Winchester, Virginia. She will be working with sales.

Grandson, **Nathan Burley**, graduated from Finger Lakes College in Canandaigua, New York. He will be going into SUNY Brockport to study Fish Biology.

Grandson, **Ryan Burley**, graduated from Dansville High School in Dansville, New York. He will be studying Cybersecurity at Finger Lakes College.

~ Dave & Kathy Gates

Daughter, **Sarah Kindschuh**, graduated from Johns Hopkins on May 20th with a Doctor of Nursing Practice (NP). She is preparing for her Nurse Practitioners Certification Board and looks forward to applying the knowledge she has gained over the past 3 years to help patients.

~ Jeff & Chris Kindschuh

Stepson, **Ethan Miskimon**, graduated from Hanover High School on May 29th and will be entering the U.S. Army in June.

~ Danielle Miskimon, St. Mark Housekeeper

Grandson, **Gavin Reese**, graduated from Venice High School in Venice Florida.

~ Bill & Carol Reese

Grandson, **Andrew D. Rockafellow**, graduated with his MBA from the University of New Hampshire.

~ Janet & Doug Rockafellow

Grandson, **Tyler Fett**, graduated from New Oxford High School. He will be attending Bethany University in West Virginia, studying Exercise Science.

~ Wally Rodenhaber, St. Mark Sexton

Grandson, **Jacob Xavier Smith**, graduated from McNicholas High School in Cincinnati, Ohio. He will be attending Xavier University, majoring in Mathematics, Computer Science, and Data Science.

~ Tim & Sue Sell

Grandson, **Byron Rhodes**, and his fiancé, **Corianna Jensen**, graduated from the United States Naval Academy on May 23rd. They will attend flight school in Pensacola, Florida.

Grandson, **Calvin Rhodes**, graduated from Chelsea Academy on May 29th and will be attending Benedictine College in Kansas.

~ Bill & Linda Sterner

CONGRATULATIONS to our graduates!

Our prayers for your future as you continue your education,
serve our country, or join the working world.

Vacation Bible School



Vacation Bible School, co-hosted again with St. Paul York Street, will take place here at St. Mark **July 28th through August 1st**. Our theme this year is:

Growing Faith in God's Garden

Registration is open and **spots are filling up quickly**. To register, go to:

stpaulsyorkst.org/vbs-registration

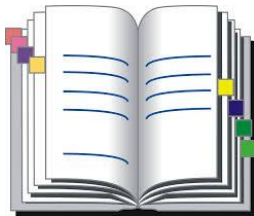
or

stmarkhanover.org (click on the VBS flyer)

We still really need two more volunteer guides to escort the groups of children to and from the activities, so sign up in the narthex as soon as possible. Without our volunteers, VBS will not be possible – please sign up!

Time to Double-Check!

In July we'll publish an updated directory. **Please check the current directory** (found in the bell tower room) and confirm your contact information is correct. Or contact the church office at 717-637-8904 or offcoor129@gmail.com, and we'll email one to you.



Geranium Planting

Thank you to all who dedicated geraniums to adorn our Pentecost altar. If you can help plant them in our church gardens during the **week of June 8th**, please contact the church office or talk to Pastor Kirk.



Spread the Good Word



A signup sheet is now in the narthex for Hanover's Snack Town Street Fair. St. Mark will again have a booth at the fair to spread the Word and invite fairgoers to St. Mark. This year's fair is on Saturday, **July 12th**. Please sign up if you can help. We appreciate anyone who can staff the booth at some point during the day so we can continue this evangelizing effort!

St. Mark Rep Needed

HACC holds their board meetings four times each year, usually on a Monday evening. St. Mark's former representative at these meetings is no longer able to attend. We are looking for someone to take her place and attend these meetings. Please contact Pastor Kirk or the church office if you're able to help with this. Thank you!



Blood Drive

Our next blood drive is Thursday, **June 19th**.

By giving one unit of blood, you have the potential to save many lives in our community.

To register for an appointment to donate, go to 717giveblood.org and look for "UPMC" in the Donate Now dropdown menu.



Scholarship

Congratulations to Alison Keith!



This year the St. Mark Scholarship Committee reviewed six applications for selection of the Robert Slagle and Ann Sell Slagle Scholarship recipient. The 2025 recipient is Alison Keith.

Alison will graduate from South Western High School. She will study nursing at the University of Virginia. This year's award is \$1,000.

Serving on the committee from St. Mark to make the selection this year were Susan Miller and Pastor Kirk Griffin. Thank you to these committee members.

– Martha Lippy, Chairman,
Scholarship Committee

Now We're Chillin'!



STAY COOL

Yes, the sanctuary air-conditioning renovation is almost complete! Our contractor, Walton, is finalizing the project with some tests, and all signs point to cool worship services in the upcoming heat of summer!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this project, both monetarily and by researching and helping to determine our best course of action.



Help Us Feed Our Neighbors

St. Mark's two Provide-A-Lunch teams serve lunch each month at HACC and provide the ingredients for each meal. To help us continue this mission, please consider donating to our PAL Supply fund.

To contribute directly to St. Mark's PAL efforts, please note "PAL SUPPLIES" (be sure to specify "supplies" so that your donation is directed to the right place) on the *Other* line of your offering envelope. Thank you!



Pentecost Sunday



Please join us on Sunday, **June 8th**, for our Day of Pentecost worship service and the confirmation of **Abby Shermeyer**. Then we'll enjoy cake and ice cream following worship to celebrate our newest confirmand!

And don't forget to **WEAR RED!**



Keeping Fresh Flowers on Our Altar

We still have lots of vases open this summer: two on **June 22nd**, two on **July 27th**, and **almost all of August**. If the birthday of a loved one or perhaps an anniversary is coming up, this is a great time to honor a loved one or their memory. Just fill out the altar flower book (on the stand next to the narthex shelf) or contact Joni in the church office. Thank you for helping us keep fresh flowers on the altar!

JUNE ALTAR VASES



**Both Vases Given in Loving Memory
of Wilma Crawford on Her Birthday**

By Karen Crawford



**Vase Given in Honor of the High School Graduation
of Gavin J. Reese, Our Grandson**

By Carol & Bill Reese



Vase Given in Honor of Kate Klunk's Birthday

By Jared, Grace, and Claire Laird

Vase Given in Honor of Marian Noble's 101st Birthday

By Her Family



**Vase Given in Honor of
Carl Sandruck's 90th Birthday on June 15th**

**By His Wife, Nancy Sandruck, and Their Children,
Melanie, Sally & Pete, and David & Romi**



Both Vases Available for Dedication

Vases can be sponsored for \$17.00 – please contact the church office

Vase Given in Honor of Elsie Mae Wildasin's 10th Birthday

By Thomas & Hollis Long

Vase Given in Honor of Our Wedding Anniversary

By Nancy & Glenn Mummert

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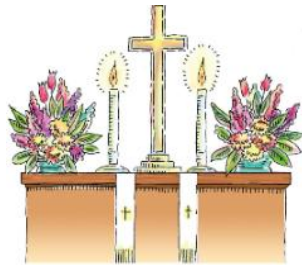
Worship Helpers

June 1st

CPIC: Alex Spalding
Lector: Grace Groft
Comm. Assts: Alex Spalding | Kathy Gates

June 8th

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



June 15th

CPIC: Tom Long
Lector: Mike Merlo
Comm. Assts: Tom Long | *Need Volunteer*

June 22nd

CPIC: Alex Spalding
Lector: *Need Volunteer*
Comm. Assts: Alex Spalding | *Need Volunteer*

June 29th

CPIC: Gail Merlo
Lector: Hollis Long
Comm. Assts: Gail Merlo | Jeff Kindschuh

NEWS AND HAPPENINGS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Provide-A-Lunch at Hanover Area Council of Churches

Provide-A-Lunch Team B will be serving at HACC on **June 22nd**. Our primary team members in June include: **Nancy Beimler, JoAnn Berwager, David DeLong, Stacey DeLong, Shellene Griffin, Lynn Gross, and Liz Robinson.**

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.

St. Mark's two teams serve lunch each month and provide the ingredients for each meal. To help us continue this mission, please consider donating to our PAL Supply fund. **To contribute directly to St. Mark's PAL efforts, please note "PAL SUPPLIES"** (be sure to specify "supplies" so that your donation is directed to the right place) on the *Other* line of your offering envelope. Thank you!



HACC News and Special Needs

PAL (Provide-a-Lunch) Program: Reuseable Plastic Grocery Bags, Canned Vegetables, Fresh Fruit, 3-Compartment Clamshell Takeout Containers

Meals On Wheels: Sugar-Free Candy, Word Search/Crossword Puzzle Books, Colored Pencils, Easy-Chew Snacks (Applesauce, Fruit Cups, Crackers)

Clothing Bank: Dryer Sheets, Plastic Hangers, Men's Clothing (All Sizes), Children's Clothing (5T and Up)

Shelter: Shampoo, Conditioner, Bar Soap or Body Wash, Hairbrushes, Flip Flops (Adult Sizes), Scent-Free / Bleach-Free Laundry Pods, Washcloths

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

Fun Day with Jesus



Praise in the Park

Saturday, **June 14th**

12:00pm to 5:00pm

Wirt Park

~ FREE ~

Fish Fry | Hamburgers & Hot Dogs
Games | Children's Bounce House
Face Painting | Praise and Worship Music

For more information:

Pastor Ronald Thomas

223-291-1208



Church Yard Sale

Saturday, **June 14th**

8:00am to 2:00pm

Rain or Shine

Vendor Spaces: \$15

717-637-5772

All Saints Episcopal

890 McCosh Street

Historical Society Events



Summer Concert Series

1st Wednesday of Each Month | 6:30pm

Warehime-Myers Mansion

Lectures & Demonstrations

Sheep Shearing Reading & Demonstration

June 7th | 12:00pm to 3:00pm

Neas House Lawn

D-Day WWII: The Normandy Diary of Marie

Louise Osmont 1940-1944

June 10th, 10:15am

Guthrie Memorial Library

(Call 717-632-5183 for Reservations)

Hanover Motor Car: 1921 Roadster

June 17th | 7:00pm

HAHS Museum

(Call 717-632-3207 for Reservations)

Early American Demonstrations

(Rug Hooking, Hearth Cooking, Tinsmithing)

June 21st | 12:00pm to 3:00pm

Neas House

Please contact the HAHS at:

office@hanoverpahistory.org

or go to hanoverpahistory.org.

Summer Cool Camp



July 14th through July 18th

8:30am to 4:30pm

Guest Presenter:

Joe Bruce, Ventriloquist

\$80 for the week includes:

Lunch | Swimming | Roller Skating
Games | Cool Crafts | Songs | and More!

Hanover SDA Church

865 Gitts Run Rd in Hanover

For more information:

Ruth Craigle

717-586-5210

RC's Summer Movie Series

June 17th through August 6th

Tuesdays & Wednesdays

10:00am

~~ \$1 Movies ~~

including Sensory-Friendly Showings



For details visit:

rctheatres.com/summermovies2025

NEWS FROM ST. MARK PRESCHOOL

PRESCHOOL

A Fond Farewell to Another Awesome Year!

The preschoolers ended an amazing year with fun-filled carnivals and the 4/5-year-old Graduation Celebration! We were blessed with a wonderful year, and we look forward to the upcoming school year ahead.

*Idonia Klunk and Allison Wentz,
Preschool Co-Directors*

One Spot Left!

We have one opening available in our 3-year-old Tuesday/Thursday class for the upcoming school year that begins this fall.

All other classes are full at this time.

If you're interested in our program or know anyone who is, please contact:

Idonia Klunk at 717-451-4803.

Or visit one of these websites:

stmarkpreschoolhanover.weebly.com

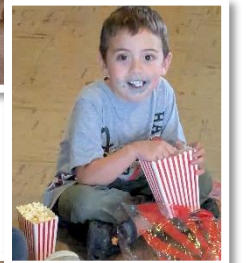
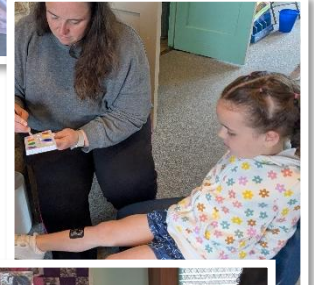
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**Please enjoy photos from the closing carnival
of our preschool year on this page and the next.**







Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7th Sunday of Easter 1 9:00am Worship Fellowship Time Following Worship  <i>Bells Rehearsal</i>	2 9:00am-12noon Office Open 	3 9:00am-12noon Office Open  WORLD BICYCLE DAY	4 9:00am-12noon Office Open	5 9:00am-12noon Office Open 9:00am-12noon Quilting Group 3pm Evangelism Mtg 6pm St Mark Eats @ Dutch Country	6 9:00am-12noon Office Open 11:00am Bible Study NO BIBLE STUDY 	7 5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word 
Pentecost Sunday 8 9:00am Worship  Confirmation of Abby Shermeyer WEAR RED <i>Bells Rehearsal</i>	9 9:00am-12noon Office Open	10 9:00am-12noon Office Open 10am Coloring Group 	11 9:00am-12noon Office Open	12 9:00am-12noon Office Open 9:00am-12noon Quilting Group	13 9:00am-12noon Office Open 11:00am Bible Study	14 5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word 
Holy Trinity Sunday 15 9:00am Worship 	16 9:00am-12noon OFFICE CLOSED 	17 9:00am-12noon Office Open  EAT YOUR VEGGIES DAY	18 9:00am-12noon Office Open	19 9:00am-12noon Office Open 9:00am-12noon Quilting Group 7am-7pm Blood Drive 	20 9:00am-12noon Office Open 11:00am Bible Study  1ST DAY OF SUMMER	21 5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word
2nd Sunday after Pentecost 22 9:00am Worship PAL Team B	23 9:00am-12noon Office Open 	24 9:00am-12noon Office Open	25 9:00am-12noon Office Open	26 9:00am-12noon Office Open 9:00am-12noon Quilting Group	27 9:00am-12noon Office Open 11:00am Bible Study	28 5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word
St. Peter & St. Paul Festival 29 9:00am Worship 	30 9:00am-12noon Office Open					

NOTE: St. Mark Preschool classes are on summer break until September.



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June 2025

ST. MARK BELL NEWSLETTER

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