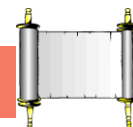




July/August 2025

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

Regular Classes Resume in September

Meetings & Activities

July 1 – 6pm St. Mark Eats @
Starlight Diner

July 4 – *Independence Day*
– **OFFICE CLOSED**
– **NO ACTIVITIES**

July 6 – Fellowship Time
Following Worship

July 8 – 10am Coloring Group

July 10 – 1pm Preschool Board Mtg

July 12 – Snack Town Street Fair

July 16 – 1pm VBS Planning Mtg

July 27 – Council Meeting
– PAL Team A

July 28 thru Aug 1 – 9:30am-12pm
– Vacation Bible School

Aug 1 – **NO BIBLE STUDY**

Aug 3 – Fellowship Time
Following Worship
– Worship & Music Mtg

Aug 5 – 6pm St. Mark Eats @ C&D

Aug 7 – 3pm Evangelism Mtg

Aug 12 – 9:30am Property Mtg
– 10am Coloring Group
– 5pm-8pm PS Fundraiser

Aug 21 – 7am-7pm Blood Drive

Aug 24 – St. Bartholomew
Festival Sunday
– PAL Team B

Aug 25 – 8:30am Toy Washing Day

Aug 27 – PS Orientation (4's)



"Their life shall become
like a watered garden,
and they shall never
languish again."
Jeremiah 31:12b

Dear St. Mark:

Last month I shared in these "Pastor's Ponderings" the national church's new "Strategic Recommendations for the ELCA." It was a study done over several years using denominational statistics

and feedback of congregations relative to their experience in the American culture today. It draws up an overview of the five commitments that the church needs to follow through on if our denomination wants to be relevant in today's world. Even as this was a wonderful overview of the entire church and the culture of the United States, it was still lacking one thing: the emphasis on the individual member to develop and commit to their own faith.

The ELCA can set fine goals and mission statements, but unless the members individually are growing in their faith, in their dedication, in their commitment to the Lord, none of those grandiose plans will flourish. Without the body of the church – the members that individually make up the body of Christ – the denomination cannot and will not meet the needs of ministry today or tomorrow.

So, this month I wanted to ponder with you: how is your faith journey? Is it growing, being cultivated and developed? Or did you put it on hold, not really working at it, happy with the status quo? Or is it deteriorating, falling away, not even a thought crossing your mind? How would you describe your spiritual journey of faith in God?

Once you honestly answer that question, the next step would be to ask yourself if you want to change it for the better, improve it, develop it. If so, it only takes one little step. One simple move forward toward embracing God by reading scriptures, entering into a prayer routine, committing to weekly worship, entering into fellowship practice with other Christians in discussions of faith. It just takes developing those little steps of faith to improve your spiritual life.

It is like growing an abundantly producing tomato plant in your garden. You don't just go to the store and buy a tomato in the produce aisle and come home, plop it down in the yard, and hope that something is going to develop. It takes getting the basics right, beginning with the right seeds or a healthy seedling. Then working at the soil and getting the balance of nutrients just right, which means finding that place where you are fed spiritually, in worship, fellowship, or Bible study. When you have the right soil and the right seedling, then you need to nurture it, work at it, weeding out all that is bad, making sure it gets the good light and water that makes it strong. If you commit to these basic steps, just one step at a time, your faith can develop, flourish, and grow, never languishing again.

It is fine to say the national church has a five-level plan of ministry. But when it comes down to the health of the church, it all starts with you and me, doing our part in growing our faith, making the changes that are needed, and seeking to deepen our spiritual journey. May you begin that growth this summer.

In the peace and grace of God,

Pastor Kirk Griffin

HAPPENINGS AND NEWS IN OUR CONGREGATION

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

While the regular meeting of the St. Mark Congregational Council was cancelled for the month of June, Council will hold a “specially-called” meeting on June 29th to discuss recent building and grounds needs. Through a generous donation from a faithful member, Council will decide its usage as prescribed by the donor. Look for more information soon regarding:

- The completion of repairs to the sanctuary A/C unit.
- A plan to replace wooden doors at the playground entranceway with a new set of electric doors.
- Solutions to landscaping concerns; specifically the proximity of two trees that impact roof shingles and trees near the parking lot that are at the end of their lives.

The next regular Council meeting will be held on July 27th following worship.

May's Treasurer's Report



- Dora
- Grayson
- Daniel Ard
- Katherine Borsella
- Patrick Brady
- Susan Bucher-Laughman
- Kath Campbell
- Lucas Cherry
- Frances Claybaugh
- Oscar Crow
- Pastor David DeLong
- Lisa Dickensheets
- Diane Duffy
- Robin Eline
- Tarek Elnaggar
- Jean Eshbach
- Landon Evans
- Dennis Fahey
- Nancy Fridinger
- Nancy Gill
- Vickie Gouker
- Dane Graham
- Tom Greenholt
- Bob Groft
- John Hagerman
- Chase Henry & Family
- Carrie Hernden
- Peg Hippensteel
- Michael Humes
- Martha Howells
- Donna Jones
- Pat Keefer
- Debbie Kellenbenz

Prayer List for July/August

- Craig King
- Shawn Klunk
- Kelly Koontz
- Norma Kreidler
- Winchester Kuhn
- Allen Kuhns
- Jo Kuhns
- David Kunkel
- Russell Laughman
- Jean Lawrence
- Tom Lawrence
- Ronnie Lippy
- Naura Luqman
- Carol McDermitt-Humes
- Merita Moore
- Family & Friends of Ed Moran
- Emily Moul
- Leah Moul
- Merle Mummert
- Pam Mummert
- Wayne Noel
- Carolyn Neumyer
- Marian Noble
- Susan O'Brien
- Kelly Perdue
- Mary Riley
- Carl Sandruck
- David Sandruck
- Lucus Schneider
- Bob and Cecelia Sell
- Bob Shue
- Luanne Slusser
- Denise Smith
- Pr. Jerry Smith
- JoAnn Smith
- Sarah Smith
- Jody Spellman
- Amanda Stuckey
- Phyllis Tasto
- Jennie Tome
- George Tracy
- Allison Trump
- Betty Tyson
- Erin Viozzi
- Ed Wagaman
- Gloria Wagaman
- Jody Walter
- Naomi Warren
- Barb Watson
- Ron Wentz
- Bill Whelan
- Kathy Wildasin
- Family & Friends of Edward Wiltrout
- Rebecca Wisotzkey
- MMI Dominican Republic Mission Team including Gary Laabs and Victoria, His Granddaughter

*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 FUNDS

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

July

During July, we are given the opportunity to contribute to **MMI (Medical Ministry International)**, a group which organizes medical missions to all parts of the world. It is the group responsible for planning and organizing the mission trips taken by Gary Laabs.



August

During August, we are given the opportunity to contribute to **Hanover Area Council of Churches – Ruth's Harvest**, the program which makes sure the elementary school kids who rely on daily meals at school also have some meals for the weekends.

To contribute to each month's need, please specify on your check or the *Other* line of your offering envelope: "**MMI**" (or "**July's Designated Need**") or "**Ruth's Harvest**" (or "**August's Designated Need**"). 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.

TUESDAY, July 1st

Dinner at Starlight at 6:00pm

TUESDAY, August 5th

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

TUESDAY, September 2nd

**Dinner at Gateway Diner
Gettysburg at 6:00pm**

St. Mark Eats



Inspiration Packets

Wow! Thank you to the Evangelism Committee for preparing and sharing 7,511 individual inspiration index cards in 2024!!!

July 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 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.

inspiration



Did you know...

...that we have a nice fellowship hall available for members to use for special events?

We also allow members to borrow metal folding chairs, 8' banquet tables, and large coffee pots for functions outside of the church.

We do ask that the hall be returned to its original condition (cleaning supplies are provided) and equipment be returned in the same condition in which it was borrowed and in a timely manner (preferably the day after the event is over).

If you're interested in using the hall or borrowing event equipment, contact the office.

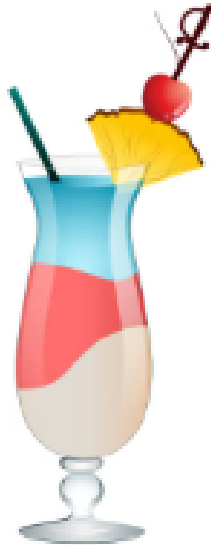
Sometimes it's just good to know you have available options when you're hosting an event for your family and friends!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To Our **JULY** Birthdays!

July 1 Karen Feeser
Norma Kreidler
Douglas Rockafellow
July 2 Linda Sterner
July 4 Melissa Brown-Hoster
Debra Teal
July 5 Emily Brodbeck
Raelyn Hull
Pat Keefer
July 6 Pr. David DeLong
Bob Groft
July 7 Grant Brown
July 8 Courtney Zinn
July 9 Susie Bucher-Laughman
July 11 Stella Rice
July 12 Vicki Brown
Nathan Keefer



July 14 Holly Hoke
July 15 Hunter Shaw
July 17 Michael Buck
July 19 Sophia Warehime
July 21 Katie Little
July 22 Susan O'Brien
July 23 Michael Brown
David Kunkel
Ryan Leppo
July 25 Don Seidenstricker
July 27 Shirley Hippensteel
Dale Glass
July 28 Pam Mummert
July 29 Kate Hoster
July 30 Charles Bell

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To Our **AUGUST** Birthdays!

August 1 Sandra Connelly
August 5 Tammy Snyder
August 6 Eileen Laabs
August 10 Noah Shermeyer
August 11 Bethany Hoke
August 12 Zachary Hardin
Marilyn Kirschner
August 14 Olivia Brodbeck
August 15 Barbara Kerr



August 17 David Snyder
August 18 Barbara Noble
August 20 Braelon Jones
August 21 Ashley Hoke
John Peterson
August 24 Gil Carter
August 29 Heather Farley
Becky Wisotzkey

**If you ever notice a missing birthday – please contact the office at 717-637-8904.*

New Church Directory



The directory has been updated for July as of June 27th. Hard copies are available to pick up in the bell tower room.

If you'd like a digital copy emailed to you, please contact Joni at 717-637-8904 or offcoor129@gmail.com.

Snack Town Street Fair

Saturday, **July 12th**, 8:00am to 4:00pm.

The Evangelism Committee requests volunteers to help man their canopied booth. This is a great opportunity to spread goodwill toward St. Mark in the community. A signup is posted in the narthex or call 717-637-8904.



Geraniums

Thank you to Linda Bolin and Gil Bishop for making our church gardens beautiful by planting the red geraniums from Pentecost. And thank you to Wally Rodenhauer for buying the mulch and helping to mulch the beds once the flowers were planted.

from the ELCA

Thank you for your generous gift of \$700 to ministries of the ELCA through ELCA Good Gifts. Through resources such as seedlings and seminary courses, vaccinations and vegetable gardens, Bibles and blankets, you equip God's people – around the world and around the corner – with what they need to live abundant lives. Thank you for your gracious gifts. You make God's love real.

With gratitude, Rachel Wind, Executive for Development

to Our Congregation

As we near the completion of the air-conditioning project, we have faith that our sanctuary will soon be comfortable and safe for weekend worship – even on 98 degree days. Until then we give thanks for the patience and flexibility of our congregation. Although we had hoped to worship solely in the sanctuary this summer, we appreciate everyone's understanding as we shift temporarily to the fellowship hall as needed. We also give thanks for all who help set up and clean up the worship space.

Pastor Kirk

"God's work. Our hands." Sunday

This September, for "God's work. Our hands" Sunday, we'll once again be assembling school kits to children in need here in the U.S. and around the world.

Even though that Sunday (**September 7th**) is over two months away, we're letting everyone know now since school supplies go on sale well before the start of the school year. July is typically the month when supplies go to rock bottom prices at Target and other retailers. We hope to assemble as many kits as possible.

We also appreciate financial donations to help pay for the sling sacks we're packaging them in, as well as to finish incomplete kits. Please mark your envelope "School Kits."

Each kit needs:

- (4) **70-sheet spiral notebooks** (wide or college-ruled paper)
- (1) **30-centimeter ruler** (12 inches)
- (1) **pencil sharpener**
- (1) **pair of blunt kid's scissors**
- (5) **unsharpened #2 pencils** (with erasers)
- (5) **black or blue ballpoint pens**
- (1) **box 24 crayons**
- (1) **2-½" eraser**

God's work. Our hands.



September 7, 2025

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: GROWING FAITH IN GOD'S GARDEN



Co-Hosted by St. Mark and St. Paul York St

When: July 28th through August 1st, 9:30am to 12:00pm

Where: St. Mark's Fellowship Hall

Who: Participants Welcome Up to Age 10*
Helpers and Guides Welcome at Any Age,

Participant Registration Link: stpaulsyorkst.org/vbs-registration

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!

**Must be potty-trained | If dropping off more than one preschool-aged child, they must be accompanied by an adult.*

MEDICAL MISSION



Gary Laabs and his granddaughter, Victoria, made it safely to the Dominican Republic for their mission trip with Medical Ministry International and are staying at a retreat center for nuns.

They're there for the last week of June to provide much-needed medical support to the community, as well as to share the Word of God.

Thank you to all who helped Gary make this happen, through monetary donations, medical donations, and prayer. Please continue to pray for the people in the community and the success of the mission.



OUR NEWEST CONFIRMAND

On Sunday, June 8th, Abby Shermeyer reaffirmed her baptism and celebrated her first Holy Communion.



Congratulations, Abby!

Blood Drive Followup

Thank you to all who supported and/or participated in the June 19th Blood Drive.

Central Penn Blood Bank collected **46** units of blood, potentially saving **138** local lives.

Please mark your calendars for our next blood drive on **August 21st**.

Keeping Fresh Flowers on Our Altar

We still have lots of vases open this summer: 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. Thank you for helping us keep fresh flowers on the altar!

JULY ALTAR VASES



July 6th

Vase Given in Celebration of Robert Groft's Birthday

By Robert & Grace Groft



July 13th

Vase Given in Celebration of Pr. David DeLong's Birthday

By Robert & Grace Groft

Vase Given in Honor of My Grandson, Nathan Keefer

By Pat Keefer



July 20th

Vase Given in Honor of the Wedding Anniversary of Robert & Grace Groft

By Pr. David & Stacey DeLong

Both Vases Given in Loving Memory for the July Birthdays of Howell and Gene Crawford

By Karen Crawford

July 27th

Both Vases Available for Dedication

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

AUGUST ALTAR VASES



August 3rd

Both Vases Available for Dedication

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

August 10th

Both Vases Available for Dedication

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

August 17th

Both Vases Available for Dedication

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



August 24th

Vase Given in Honor of Gage Mummert's August 25th Birthday

By Glenn & Nancy Mummert

Vase Given in Honor of Neil Mummert's August 23rd Birthday

By Glenn & Nancy Mummert

Vase Given in Memory of Loved Ones

By Vivian Cullison

Vase Available for Dedication

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

JULY

Worship Helpers

July 6th

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

July 13th

CPIC: Hollis Long
Lector: Kathy Gates
Comm. Assts: Hollis Long | **Need Volunteer**

July 20th

CPIC: Gail Merlo
Lector: Grace Groft
Comm. Assts: Gail Merlo | **Need Volunteer**

July 27th

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

AUGUST

Worship Helpers

August 3rd

CPIC: Kathy Gates
Lector: Hollis Long
Comm. Assts: Kathy Gates | **Need Volunteer**

August 10th

CPIC: Gail Merlo
Lector: **Need Volunteer**
Comm. Assts: Gail Merlo | **Need Volunteer**



August 17th

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

August 24th

CPIC: Martha Lippy
Lector: **Need Volunteer**
Comm. Assts: Martha Lippy | **Need Volunteer**

August 31st

CPIC: Gail Merlo
Lector: **Need Volunteer**
Comm. Assts: Gail Merlo | **Need Volunteer**

HAPPENINGS AND NEWS IN OUR COMMUNITY

HACC Special Needs

PAL (Provide-a-Lunch) Program: Reuseable Plastic Grocery Bags, Hot Dog/Hamburger Rolls, Fresh Fruit, Fresh Vegetables, 3-Compartment Clamshell Takeout Containers
Meals On Wheels: Portable Fans, Word Search/Crossword Puzzle Books, 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: Travel-Size Shampoo and/or Conditioner, Bar Soap, Body Wash, Hair Brushes, Flip Flops (Adult Sizes), Washcloths

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

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!

July (Team A)

Provide-A-Lunch **Team A** will serve at HACC on **July 27th**.

Our primary team members include: Linda Bolin, Melanie Brady, Shellene Griffin, Braelyn Jones, and Nancy Sandruck.



August (Team B)

Provide-A-Lunch **Team B** will serve at HACC on **August 24th**.

Our primary team members include: Nancy Beimler, JoAnn Berwager, Pr. David DeLong, Stacey DeLong, Shellene Griffin, Lynn Gross, and Liz Robinson.

Summer Lawn Concerts

The Hanover Area Historical Society is hosting another year of lawn concerts at the Warehime-Myers Mansion on Baltimore Street the first Wednesday of each month.

July 2nd: HSO Brass Band – *Americana*.

August 6th: Jazz Berries – *ABCs of Jazz*

September 3rd: Generations Big Band – *Singers and Swingers*

October 1st: Country Western Hoe Down/Line Dancing – *Bring It on Home*

Refreshments are available at 6:00pm, with the concerts beginning at 6:30pm.

Free Juneteenth Celebration

June 28th

11:00am to 3:00pm

Music by:

N A'Chord

Dance by:

Dwennimmen African Dance Community

History Roundtable Featuring:
**Scott Mingus, James McClure,
Dr. Marc Charisse, and
Matthew Jackson**

Readings | Presentations
Food | Vendors | Door Prizes

**Guthrie Memorial Library
Bare Center**

Schools Opening

Hanover opens **August 20th**, and South Western opens **August 19th**. We will all need to pay extra attention around those buses and watch for the kids at the stops. So, remember near the end of August to help keep our children safe by taking extra care on the roads.



Health & Wellness York County Department of Aging

Health & Wellness Classes: York County presents health and wellness classes geared toward seniors. Current classes include:

A Matter of Balance: Mondays & Thursdays, **July 21st through August 14th** from 12:30pm to 2:30pm in Spring Grove. Register by calling Lauren at 717-855-0479 or email aging@yorkcountypa.gov.

Chronic Pain Self-Management: Wednesdays, **August 20th through September 24th** from 12:30pm to 3:00pm at the York Township Park Building. Call Megan at 717-855-0437 or email aging@yorkcountypa.gov.

Diabetes Self-Management: Wednesdays, **July 9th through August 13th** from 12:30pm to 3:00pm at the Springettsbury Township Building. Call Megan at 717-855-0437 or email aging@yorkcountypa.gov.

Healthy Steps for Older Adults: Thursday, **July 24th** from 9:00am to 2:00pm (lunch provided) at Codorus Church of the Brethren in Dallastown. Or attend on Thursdays, **August 7th and 14th**, from 10:00am to 12:00pm at the Paul Smith Library in Shrewsbury. Call Lauren at 717-855-0479 or email aging@yorkcountypa.gov.

Healthy Steps in Motion: Tuesdays & Thursdays, **August 12th through September 4th**, 1:30pm to 2:30pm at the VNA in Hanover. Call Lauren at 717-855-0479 or email aging@yorkcountypa.gov.

Go to yorkcountypa.gov/181/Health-Wellness for more information on free wellness classes.

NEWS FROM ST. MARK PRESCHOOL

PRESCHOOL news



Ice Cream Fundraiser!

This year's Meet the Teacher Night and ice cream fundraiser is on Tuesday, **August 12th**. Come out to Big Dippers at 2135 Baltimore Pike to support the preschool – a portion of all sales from 5:00pm to 8:00pm will benefit St. Mark Preschool.



As always, thank you for supporting our preschool!

Classroom Supply Request

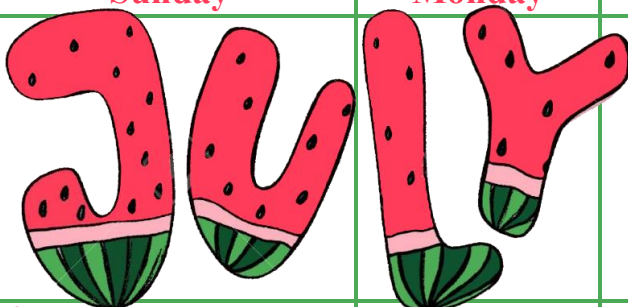




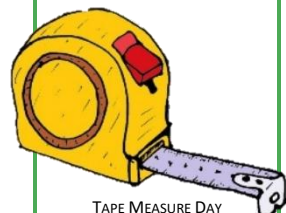


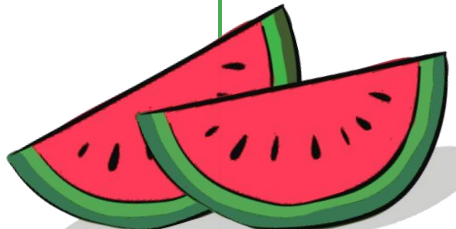


Throughout July, the preschool is collecting much-needed supplies for the upcoming school year. The easel will be set up soon in the narthex (or fellowship hall if worship takes place there) with lists of their current needs. Please watch upcoming midweek and bulletin announcements for a list, as well.

Your generosity each year in helping the preschool stretch its budget are much appreciated!



Please enjoy these
photos of our latest
preschool graduates!!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<div>1</div> <div>9:00am – 12noon Office Open</div> <div>6pm St. Mark Eats @ Starlight Diner</div>	<div>2</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div>	<div>3</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Quilting Group</div>	<div>4</div> <div>-OFFICE CLOSED- NO ACTIVITIES</div> <div></div>	<div>5</div> <div>5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word</div>
<div>4th Sunday after Pentecost</div> <div>6</div> <div>9:00am Worship</div> <div>Fellowship Time Following Worship</div> <div></div>	<div>7</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div> <div></div>	<div>8</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div> <div>10am Coloring Group</div>	<div>9</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div>	<div>10</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Quilting Group</div> <div>1pm Preschool Board Mtg</div>	<div>11</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div> <div>11:00am Bible Study</div>	<div>12</div> <div>5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word</div> <div>Snack Town Street Fair</div> <div></div>
<div>5th Sunday after Pentecost</div> <div>13</div> <div>9:00am Worship</div>	<div>14</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div> <div></div> <div>TAPE MEASURE DAY</div>	<div>15</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div>	<div>16</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div> <div>1pm VBS Planning Mtg</div>	<div>17</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Quilting Group</div> <div></div> <div>YELLOW PIG DAY</div>	<div>18</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div> <div>11:00am Bible Study</div>	<div>19</div> <div>5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word</div>
<div>6th Sunday after Pentecost</div> <div>20</div> <div>9:00am Worship</div> <div></div> <div>NATIONAL MOON DAY</div>	<div>21</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div>	<div>22</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div>	<div>23</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div>	<div>24</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Quilting Group</div>	<div>25</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div> <div>11:00am Bible Study</div>	<div>26</div> <div>5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word</div>
<div>7th Sunday after Pentecost</div> <div>27</div> <div>9:00am Worship</div> <div>Council Mtg PAL Team A</div>	<div>28</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div>	<div>29</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div>	<div>30</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div>	<div>30</div> <div>9:00am-12noon Office Open</div>	<div></div>	
<div><div></div><div>MON-FRI 9:30am-12noon Vacation Bible School</div><div></div></div>						

NOTE: St. Mark Preschool classes are on Summer Break until September.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<div> <div>MON-FRI</div> <div>9:30am-12noon</div> <div>Vacation Bible School</div> </div> 		<div> <div>1</div> <div>9:00am-12noon</div> <div>Office Open</div> <div>11:00am Bible Study</div> <div>NO BIBLE STUDY</div> </div> <div> <div>2</div> <div>5:30pm Spoken</div> <div>Liturgy of Word</div> </div>
<div> <div>8th Sunday after Pentecost</div> <div>3</div> </div> <div> <div>9:00am Worship</div> <div>Fellowship Time</div> <div>Following Worship</div> <div>Worship & Music Meeting</div>  </div>	<div> <div>4</div> <div>9:00am-12noon</div> <div>Office Open</div> </div>	<div> <div>5</div> <div>9:00am-12noon</div> <div>Office Open</div> <div>6pm St. Mark Eats @ C&D</div> </div>	<div> <div>6</div> <div>9:00am-12noon</div> <div>Office Open</div> </div>	<div> <div>7</div> <div>9:00am-12noon</div> <div>Office Open</div> <div>9:00am-12noon</div> <div>Quilting Group</div> <div>3pm Evangelism Mtg</div> </div>	<div> <div>8</div> <div>9:00am-12noon</div> <div>Office Open</div> <div>11:00am Bible Study</div> </div>	<div> <div>9</div> <div>5:30pm Spoken</div> <div>Liturgy of Word</div> </div>
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<div> <div>10th Sunday after Pentecost</div> <div>17</div> </div> <div> <div>9:00am Worship</div> <div>10:15am Sunday School</div> <div>Bells Rehearsal</div> </div>	<div> <div>18</div> <div>9:00am-12noon</div> <div>Office Open</div> </div>	<div> <div>19</div> <div>9:00am-12noon</div> <div>Office Open</div> </div>	<div> <div>20</div> <div>9:00am-12noon</div> <div>Office Open</div>  <div>LEMONADE DAY</div> </div>	<div> <div>21</div> <div>9:00am-12noon</div> <div>Office Open</div> <div>9:00am-12noon</div> <div>Quilting Group</div> <div>7am-7pm Blood Drive</div>  </div>	<div> <div>22</div> <div>9:00am-12noon</div> <div>Office Open</div> <div>11:00am Bible Study</div> </div>	<div> <div>23</div> <div>5:30pm Spoken</div> <div>Liturgy of Word</div> </div>
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