

Weekly Announcements
December 31, 2023

ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN



**In Christ, we Reach up,
Reach out,
Reach in**

Service Times: Wednesday - 12:00 pm • Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 8:30 am & 11:00 am • Sunday School 9:45 am (September - May)



DECEMBER NOISY OFFERING - 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering

The 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering will take place in New Orleans on July 16-20, 2024. The Gathering brings together thousands of high-school age Lutherans from across the country and overseas for faith formation, worship, fellowship and service. The Gathering is a place to broaden our understanding of God's love; to pay attention to, advocate for, and care for our neighbors; and to know that as both saint and sinner, we are loved.

YOUR YEAR-END GIVING

Contributions must be received in the church office, or postmarked no later than December 31, to be recorded on your year-end contribution statement for tax purposes. Please contact the church office if you have any questions.

B4 WORK MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - Tuesdays at 7:00 am

The next B4 Work Men's Bible Study will begin again in 2024 on January 9 and run through February 27. Please contact Pastor Ken Pollitz (pastorken@stmarksbg.org) for more information.

FOOD FOR THE SOUL FROM WOMEN OF FAITH BIBLE STUDY

Food for the Soul from Women of Faith. A new evening Bible study is coming in January for women. A new year, new friends, new connections. After the holiday rush, join us to sit back, relax, and feed your soul. Details coming in January.

SAT/SUN VOL. SCHEDULE

Roles	Saturday, Dec. 30
5:00 PM Worship Team	<i>Communion</i>
Scripture Reader	Green, Ethel
Worship Assistant	Laube, Denny
Worship Assistant	Philo, Jodee
Roles	Sunday, Dec. 31
8:30 AM Worship Team	
8:30 - Greeter	Clinard, Jane
	Nelson, Cathy
	Nelson, Mary
	Wood, Jane
8:30 - Usher	Bowe, Al
	Cremar, Ann
	Kamala, Wellington
	Parsell, Jerrod
8:30 - Assisting Minister / Deacon	McKibben, Craig
8:30 - Acolyte	Ruffner, Reese
8:30 - Crucifer	Ruffner, Jess
8:30 - Soundboard	Germann, Jody
11:00 AM Worship Team	
11:00 - Greeter	Groves, Julie
	Schimpf, Jane
	Shetzer, Carolyn
	Staib, Joan
11:00 - Usher	Hollinger, Dave
	Hollinger, Cindy
	Volunteer Needed
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11:00 - Assisting Minister / Deacon	Billnitzer, Tim
11:00 - Acolyte	Hollinger, Quinn
11:00 - Crucifer	Boston, Brent
11:00 - Soundboard	Klotz, Ethan
Hospitality Team	
Coffee Hour Host	Neal, Sarah & Paul
Nursery Team	
Nursery Attendant	Bowe, Morgan
Money Counter Team	
Money Counters	Bock, Jeanne
	Woelke, Martha
Safety Team	
8:30 AM Safety Team	Volunteer Needed
11:00 AM Safety Team	Volunteer Needed



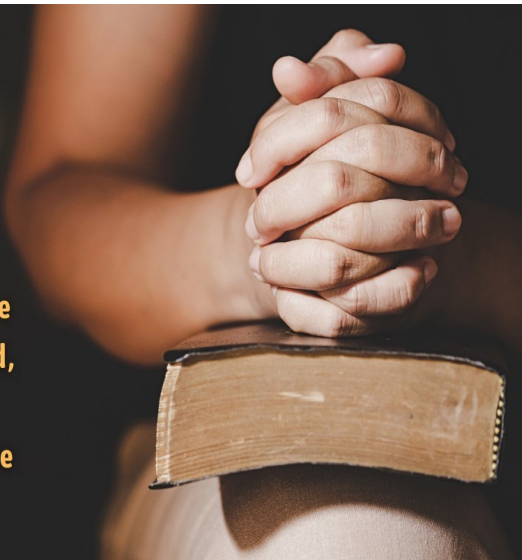
1	John Kunstmann	17	Addison Ruffner
1	Gary Marten	17	Kelcie Kellerrmeier
1	Grady Lemmerbrock	18	Steve Bowe
1	Sophia Spohn	20	Fran Weiss
2	Von Graffin	20	Jenifer McKee
2	Jill Gross	21	Sharon Stratmann
3	Cindy Gerken	21	Lisa Wagner
4	Sue Shank	21	Rachel August
4	Kathleen Munger	21	Jessica Johnson
4	Eric Klotz	21	Bradey Smeltzer
4	Ardy Gonyer	22	Ned Baker
5	Marsha Blake	22	Susan Klotz
5	Teresa Linholm	22	Beth Joseph
5	Rachel Beaudoin	22	Ryan Tyrrell
5	Bryce Christensen	23	Ryan Klotz
6	Annette Reazin	24	Nick Ezzone
6	Scott Seelinger	24	Judith Miller
6	Karen Riley	24	Allison DeVries
6	Rhonda Montague	26	Royce Beaverson
6	Bryan Christy	26	Karen Lewis
6	Lincoln Amspoker	26	Jerry Bruns
7	Kaitlan Sewell	26	David Tyson
8	Thomas Wagner	27	Lois Zeh
8	Dean Marten	27	Virginia Woelke
9	Tiffany Genson	27	Kathryn Tyrrell
10	Alice Gross	28	Jerrod Parsell
10	Hana Jennings	28	Christina Olmstead
10	Ethan Adams	29	Shirley McGee
11	Lee Sundermeier	29	Gail Wachter
11	Robin Vietch	29	Kelsey Bloom
11	Wesley Kellermeier	30	John Frobose
12	Heidi Christy	30	Martha Armstrong
12	Luke Johnson	30	Chris North
15	Richard Hahn	31	Doug Pendleton
15	Melanie Miller	31	Erik Singh
17	Cynthia Barnett	31	John Vollmar
17	Sean Blanchard		

**Church
office
closed**

***Closed for
New Years Day
Monday,
January 1,
2024***

We have begun a new
weekly *Youth Ministry*
with the residence at JDC.

They are in need of DVD
movies that are wholesome
in content (holiday related,
etc.). If you have DVD's to
donate, please contact the
church office.



B4 Work Men's Bible Study

7:00 AM ~ Tuesdays
Starting January 9 - February 27, 2024

St. Mark's Lutheran Church

Contact Pastor Ken Pollitz for more information.
pastorken@stmarksbg.org

St. Mark's Quilting Ministry

NO QUILTING ON Tuesday, December 26
Our next gathering is
Tuesday, January 9
at **10:00 am** in the Family Life Center.

St. Mark's Prayer Shawl Ministry

NO EVENING PRAYER SHAWL in December
Our next gathering is
Wednesday, January 10
at **6:30 pm** in the Gathering Area.

***Come join us!
All are welcome!***



GriefShare®

GRIEF SHARE - ALL ARE INVITED

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. Call the church office for more information at 419-353-9305.

**Questions can be directed to one of the
facilitators:**

Robin McKibben—(419) 783-1811
Barbara Vollmar—(419) 409-1766
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**The new series begins January 15 and
will continue through April 8, each
Monday 1:00-3:00 pm.** The only cost is \$20
for the workbook. Participants may join at
any time.

***It hurts to lose someone.
Find help at GriefShare.***



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Online Worship

If you wish to watch online, click on this link:



YOUTUBE LIVE STREAMS:

Sunday, December 24

**10:00 am, 4:30 pm, 6:30 pm,
and 8:30 pm**

Remember to contact the office if you are having difficulty connecting.



We are happy to help!

WINTER 2024 FAITH FORMATION GROUPS

Sunday	9:45-10:45 Education Hour	Children - PK-3 through Grade 6 - Sunday School Jr. High - Grades 7 & 8 - Catechism High School - Grades 9 through 12 - Youth Small Group Adult Study - Relating the Gospel to Everyday Life
Monday	1) 11:00 am 2) 6:30-8:30 pm 2nd and 4th Mondays at St. Mark's, Multipurpose Rm.	1) Joy of Discovery in Bible Study: In depth inductive study of the coming Sunday's Gospel reading. 2) Women's 4 Session Bible Study: <i>Listening to God</i> , by Charles Stanley
Tuesday	1) 7:00 am January 9 - February 27	1) B4 Work Men's Bible Study Contact Pastor Ken for info (pastorken@stmarksbg.org)
Wednesday	1) 7:00 am on ZOOM 2) 12:00 pm , Sanctuary 3) 6:00 pm , Family Life Center (5:00 pm Meal)	1) Women's Bed Head Bible Study 2) Worship - 30 minute worship with Holy Communion 3) Devotion - following Community Evening Meal
Thursday	1) 7:15 pm , at BGSU	1) Oasis St. Mark's Campus Ministry Small Group

For more information: Call the church office (419-353-9305) or Email: office@stmarksbg.org

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