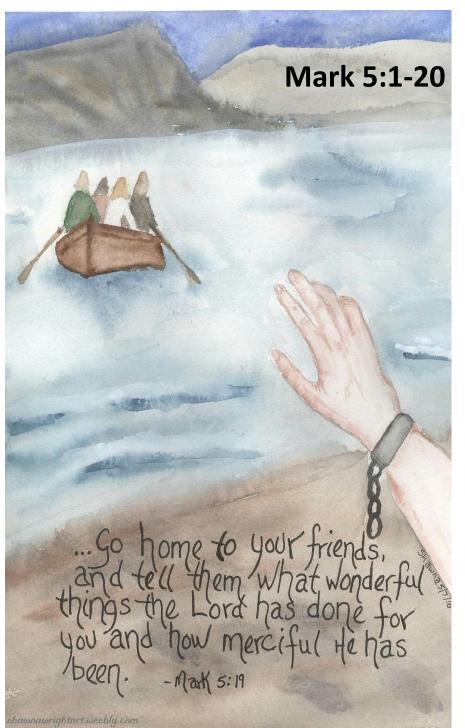


Reach out. Reach in

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



JANUARY NOISY OFFERING -St. Mark's Quilting Ministry

The January Noisy Offering proceeds will go toward the St. Mark's Quilting Ministry, which has been quilting since February 1996. Quilts are donated to Lutheran World Relief with remainder going to Wood County Children's Services and the BG Fire Department. The materials for the guilt tops are mostly donated, with the materials for backing and batting purchased by the quilters.

VOLUNTEERING AT BOWLING GREEN FOOD PANTRY

If you would like additional information about becoming a volunteer from St. Mark's, you can pickup the small brochure by the Welcome Desk, checkout their website (bgfoodpantry.org), call (419-353-5174), or you can speak with, Sarah Neal (419-376-0337) who is a BGCFP volunteer.

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

The next B4 Work Men's Bible Study will continue 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, sit back, relax, and feed your soul.

LET'S GO BOWLING! Sunday, February 4 (2:00-4:00 pm)

Sign-up to enjoy an afternoon of bowling...you can register at: stmarksbg.org Proceeds will go toward our 2024 Youth Gathering in July. See page 2 in these announcements for additional information.

JANUARY

Upcoming Youth Events

SUN 28 2-4PM Youth group: **Gathering Getting** Ready Session

St. Mark's Dartball

St. Mark's will host Nazarene **DARTBALL** on Monday, January 22 (7:30 pm)

Come out and support our St. Mark's team!

St. Mark's Lutheran Church 2024 Youth Gathering

Let's Go **Bowling!**

Sunday, February 4 • 2:00-4:00 pm Al Mar Lanes, BG

- All ages are welcome!
- \$20.00/person or \$100.00/team (Includes bowling & shoes)
- 5-person team | Max 16 teams
- · 2 hours of bowling
- Individuals can be placed on a team to make a 5-person team
- Team Name will be needed when registering as a team

Registration & Payment Online at: www.stmarksbg.org

or you may fill out the form and drop it off in the church office along with your check.

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 am2) 6:30-8:30 pm2nd and 4th MondaysMultipurpose Rm.	 Joy of Discovery in Bible Study: In depth inductive study of the coming Sunday's Gospel reading. Women's 4 Session Bible Study: Listening to God, 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 ZOOM2) 12:00 pm, Sanctuary3) 6:00 pm, Family Life Center (5:00 pm Meal)	 Women's Bed Head Bible Study Worship - 30 minute worship with Holy Communion Devotion - following Community Evening Meal 	
Thursday	1) 7:15 pm , at BGSU	1) Oasis St. Mark's Campus Ministry Small Group	
F	or more information: Call the churc	ch office (419-353-9305) or Email: office@stmarksbg.org	

food for the soul from Women of Faith

Beginning January 28, 6:30 pm Multipurpose Room/Kitchen

As women, we often share our skills from generation to generation or friend to friend, whether it be baking, knitting, quilting, gardening, hair cutting, child care, etc. And often, along with these skills, we share our faith.

Come join us for an evening to relax, perhaps learn a new skill and hear stories of the Biblical and modern women who have fed us - body and soul. Child Care will be available.

Upcoming themes for discussion:

January 28 Faithfulness
February 25 Hospitality
March 24 Generosity
April 28 Growth
May 26 Sabbath

For information or to let us know you need child care, call Chris Budke (419-806-9886), or the church office (419-353-9305)

Online Worship

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



YOUTUBE LIVE STREAMS:

Sundays 8:30 am & 11:00 am

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





St. Mark's Inclement Weather Policy



Level 3

If there is a Level 3 snow emergency, the church building and all scheduled activities will be cancelled.

Level 2

If there is a level 2 snow emergency on Saturday or Sunday, the service(s) scheduled for that day will be cancelled.

All other activities may continue if the organization/individual wishes.

During the week, if there is a level 2 snow emergency, the church is open and activities will continue. If the responsible party for an event would like to cancel an event, it is their responsibility to cancel and let participants know.

Closing information will be announced on the following Toledo television stations:

WTOL (CBS, Channel 11 and Fox 36) WNWO (NBC, Channel 24) WTVG (ABC, Channel 13)

Cell phone numbers listed in Breeze may also receive a text alert indicating a closure.

The Executive Team may choose to cancel events before snow emergency levels are announced if conditions warrant.



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- 1 Gary Marten
- 1 Grady Lemmerbrock
- 1 Sophia Spohn
- 2 Von Graffin
- 2 Jill Gross
- 3 Cindy Gerken
- 4 Sue Shank
- 4 Kathleen Munger
- 4 Eric Klotz
- 4 Ardy Gonyer
- 5 Marsha Blake
- 5 Teresa Linholm
- 5 Rachel Beaudoin
- 5 Bryce Christensen
- 6 Annette Reazin
- 6 Scott Seelinger
- 6 Karen Riley
- 6 Rhonda Montague
- 6 Bryan Christy
- 6 Lincoln Amspoker
- 7 Kaitlan Sewell
- 8 Thomas Wagner
- 8 Dean Marten
- 9 Tiffany Genson
- 10 Alice Gross
- 10 Hana Jennings
- 10 Ethan Adams
- 11 Lee Sundermeier
- 11 Robin Vietch
- 11 Wesley Kellermeier
- 12 Heidi Christy
- 12 Luke Johnson
- 15 Richard Hahn
- 15 Melanie Miller
- 17 Cynthia Barnett
- 17 Sean Blanchard

- 17 Addison Ruffner
- 17 Kelcie Kellerrmeier
- 18 Steve Bowe
- 20 Fran Weiss
- 20 Jenifer McKee
- 21 Sharon Stratmann
- 21 Lisa Wagner
- 21 Rachel August
- 21 Jessica Johnson
- 21 Bradey Smeltzer
- 22 Ned Baker
- 22 Susan Klotz
- 22 Beth Joseph
- 22 Ryan Tyrrell
- 23 Ryan Klotz
- 24 Nick Ezzone
- 24 Judith Miller
- 24 Allison DeVries
- 26 Royce Beaverson
- 26 Karen Lewis
- 26 Jerry Bruns
- 26 David Tyson
- 27 Lois Zeh
- 27 Virginia Woelke
- 27 Kathryn Tyrrell
- 28 Jerrod Parsell
- 28 Christina Olmstead
- 29 Shirley McGee
- 29 Gail Wachter
- 29 Kelsey Bloom
- 30 John Frobose
- 30 Martha Armstrong
- 30 Chris North
- 31 Doug Pendleton
- 31 Erik Singh
- 31 John Vollmar

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.
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DID YOU KNOW?

St. Mark's has collection bins located in the southeast coat room for:

BG Christian Food Pantry

For non-perishable items only.

Cocoon Shelter

They provide shelter and support services for survivors of domestic and sexual violence



St. Mark's Family,

A big thank you to everyone who has made me feel so welcome at St. Wark's. Being able to share in worship and visitation has been great over the past 4+ years. While I once again go into retirement, I still look forward to worshipping with you, sharing in your lives, and the work of St. Mark's and our Lord. Thank you for the gifts which will remind me of this congregation and the love that flows so freely. Blessings to all of you as together we reach up, reach out, and reach in.

Pastor Jim



GRIEFSHARE 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:

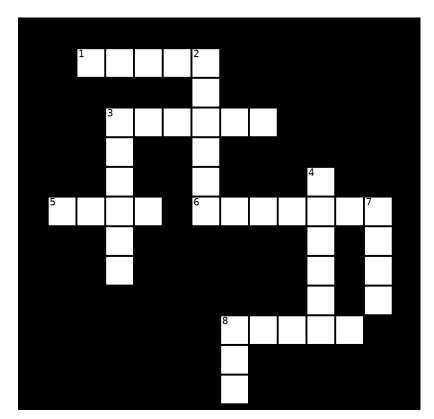
Robin McKibben—(419) 783-1811 Barbara Vollmar—(419) 409-1766 Debra Pasch—(419) 386-7052

The new series begins January 22 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.

MARK 5:1-20 • Jesus Frees a Man from Demons



ACROSS

- 1 Where the man with the unclean spirit lived... among the T_____. (vs 3)
- 3 They tried to bind the man with C_____. (vs 3)
- 5 What Jesus rode in . (vs 2)
- 6 Jesus had the power to do this to the unclean spirit. (vs 7)
- 8 Another word for pigs. (vs 11)

DOWN

- 2 Jesus met an unclean S_____. (vs 2)
- 3 What babies do a lot. (vs 5)
- 4 The name of the unclean spirit, starts with an L. (vs 9)
- 7 You do this with animals you try to keep at home, starts with a T. (vs 4)
- 8 What Jesus crossed. (vs 1)

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SAT/SUN VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

Roles	Saturday, Jan. 20	Saturday, Jan. 27
5:00 PM Worship Team	Communion	Communion
Scripture Reader	Hayward, Cheryl	Green, Ethel
Worship Assistant	Dahl, Michael	Dahl, Michael
Worship Assistant	Philo, Jodee	,
Roles	Sunday, Jan. 21	Sunday, Jan. 28
8:30 AM Worship Team	Communion (stations)	
8:30 - Greeter	Neal, Paul	Clinard, Jane
	Neal, Sarah	Nelson, Cathy
	Sergent, Barb	Nelson, Mary
	Sergent, Roger	Wood, Jane
8:30 - Usher	Ashenfelter, Bob	Cremar, Ann
	Heilmeier, Brian	Kamala, Wellington
	Heilmeier, Eric	Melcher, Dale
	Small, Tim	Parsell, Jerrod
8:30 - Assisting Minister / Deacon	McKibben, Craig	Johnson, Hobie
8:30 - Acolyte	Brendle, G / Heilmeier, C	Blake, Natalie
8:30 - Crucifer	Budke, Adam	Sundermeier, Lee
8:30 - Communion Server	Cremar, Ann	-
	Herringshaw, Darlene	-
	Ruffner, Jessica	-
8:30 - Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up	Ruffner, Jessica	-
8:30 - Soundboard Operator	Kellermeier, Wes	Germann, Jody
11:00 AM Worship Team		
11:00 - Greeter	Crawford, Mary Beth	Groves, Julie
	Crawford, Mike	Schimpf, Jane
	Nelson, Mark	Shetzer, Carolyn
	Nelson, Rebecca	Staib, Joan
11:00 - Usher	Boswell, Courtney	Hollinger, Dave
	Boswell, Eric	Hollinger, Cindy
	Hansen, Bob	Van Vorhis, Greg
	Herber, Patti	Van Vorhis, Jennifer
11:00 - Assisting Minister / Deacon	Bushong, Brian	Bushong, Sara
11:00 - Acolyte	Boswell, G / Hollinger, Q	Nester, E / Niekamp, S
11:00 - Crucifer	Boston, Brent	Concannon, Wyatt
11:00 - Communion Server	Van Vorhis, Greg	-
11:00 - Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up	Van Vorhis, Greg	-
11:00 - Soundboard Operator	Boswell, Cole	Van Vorhis, Kaleb
Hospitality Team		
Coffee Hour Host	Tyrrell, Cindy	Nelson, Cathy
Nursery Team		
Nursery Attendant	Bowe, Morgan	Roehm, Raegan
Money Counter Team		
Money Counters	Jennings, Kelly	Hoverson, Lisa
	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Safety Team		
8:30 AM Safety Team	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
11:00 AM Safety Team	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed

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