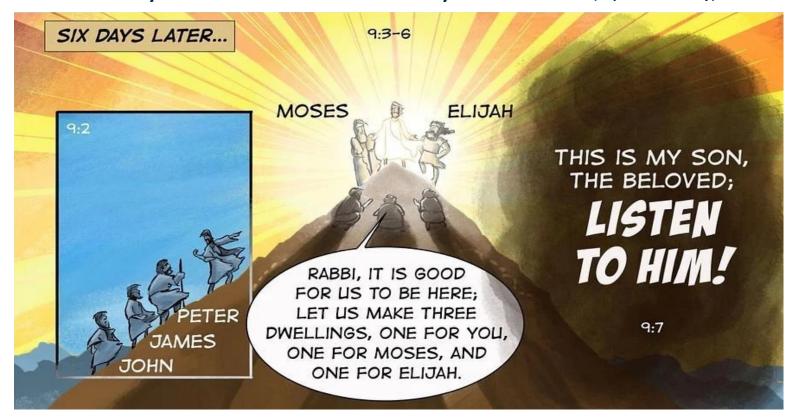
Reach out. Reach in

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



FEBRUARY NOISY OFFERING - The Cocoon Shelter

It has been 18 years since The Cocoon Shelter opened its doors and began providing safety, healing and justice to survivors of abuse. Since then, they have grown from a 10-person emergency safe shelter to become Wood County's only comprehensive domestic and sexual violence agency. From 24/7 crisis support and emergency shelter to community-based programs and services.

FOOD FOR THE SOUL - From Women of Faith - Bible Study

Food for the Soul from Women of Faith - a new evening Bible study for women. A new year, new friends, new connections - come join us, sit back, relax, and feed your soul (additional information on page 3)

YOUTH GATHERING "GETTING READY SESSION" - February 25, 2:00-4:00 pm

All Youth (Jr. High & High School) are encouraged to attend devotion and game night on February 25.

NEW MEMBER OPEN DOOR CLASS - February 25, March 3, 10, 17 at 10:00 am

The Open Door Class will familiarize participants with St. Mark's and the ministries that support the mission statement, In Christ we reach up, reach out, reach in. Contact the church office for more information (419-353-9305)

VOLUNTEER TO HELP AT SYNOD ASSEMBLY (held at St. Mark's) - June 1, 2024

If you would be interested in helping on Saturday, June 1, during the Northwest Ohio Synod Assembly, please let the office staff know by indication on the connection card or call the church office directly (419-353-9305). Additional volunteer information will be available soon.

ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN ACADEMY



Love is all around!





This week in our classroom, our students began their study of the solar system, space, the artist Mary Blair, painted hearts, learned new language lessons, enjoyed new math counters, and much more!

Upcoming Dates:

February 14- Valentine's Day Class Party/ Ash Wednesday Service

15- Book Share Day

19- President's Day/NO SCHOOL

29- Leap Year Family Event

Contact Us: academy@stmarksbg.org 419-353-9305



Emily Reer



Emily is one of our SML Academy Assistant Teachers. Originally from Norwalk, OH, she is the oldest of three. She graduated from BGSU with a Bachelor's in Liberal Studies with a concentration in psychology and human development. She is currently attending graduate school at Tiffin University to receive her M.Ed. in Higher Education. She loves spending her time reading, going on walks, and cooking. She has been working in childcare for 5 years now. Emily is very exited to be a part of the team and loves working with the children.

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)

Open Door Classes

The Open Door Class will familiarize participants with St. Mark's and the ministries that support the mission statement: In Christ we reach up, reach out, reach in.

Ministry leaders will be the special speakers in the class. The Open Door class will be facilitated by Mike & Amy Schroeder and Roger & Barb Sergent.

Mark your calendar with these dates:

OPEN DOOR

Sundays: February 25, March 3, 10, 17 10:00 am – 10:45 am Room 104

Please call the office at 419-353-9305 to register or indicate that you will attend on your Connection Card.

Mary-Martha Circle

Our next Mary-Martha Circle will be held on **Tuesday**, **February 13**, **at 1:30 pm**, in the Multipurpose Room. Diana will be giving a presentation on Tunisia and we'll

have some delicious refreshments! All women are invited!

We are looking forward to seeing you there!





DID YOU KNOW?

St. Mark's has a collection box in the church office where you can donate used eye glasses.

Feel free to drop off donations during office hours.

This collection is sponsored by Lions Club "Recycle for Sight"







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.



Interested in knowing more about the upcoming eclipse? Then join The Young at Heart group for a presentation by the Wood County Emergency Management Agency on Tuesday, February 20, at 1:30 pm. Please sign up on the bulletin board by the Welcome Center, or call the church office to reserve your space (419-353-9305).

All Are Welcome!





APRIL 8, 2024

SAVE THE DATE!

In 2024, a total eclipse will go through Ohio. Start planning for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity!

Eclipse.Ohio.Gov

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 Multipurpose 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	 7:00 am on ZOOM 12:00 pm, Sanctuary 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 chur	ch office (419-353-9305) or Email: office@stmarksbg.org	

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.



1	Debra Pinchoff	14	Rebecca Fultz	
1	Julie Blanchard	17	Fischer Rode	
1	Samuel Forman	18	Jodee Philo	
2	Susan Keller	18	Darlene Herringshaw	
2	Morgan Bowe	18	Connor Hoops	
3	Michael Crawford	18	Kendal Wichman	
3	Sandra Gardner	19	Murlin Wilford	
3	Samuel Niekamp	19	Neil Munger	
5	Patti Herber	19	Jeffrey Meyer	
5	Nicholas Weiss	19	Hannah Beaudoin	
6	Bill Roe	20	Vicky Singh	
7	Dale Melcher	20	Ann Willman	
7	Rebecca Nelson	20	Jake Bowe	
7	Kilynn Dahl	21	Kim Snyder	
7	Brian Kern	21	Matt Sommerfeld	
8	Christopher Jenny	22	Brooks Gardner	
8	Axel Miller	23	Carol Carpenter	
9	Kathryn Haswell	24	Rob Johnson	
9	Gregory Wobser, II	25	Julia Weaks	
10	Katrina Heilmeier	25	Cora Spohn	
11	Janet Bower	26	Scott Swegan	
11	Kathleen Cable	26	Katherine Devine	
11	Jody Germann	27	James Tyrrell	
12	Nthabiseng Kamala	27	Mollie Tyrrell	
12	Sophia Singleton	27	Skyler Fleshman	
14	Stephanie Tyson	28	Chris Gebers	
14	Rebecca Turnow	29	Ashlynn Digby	



St. Mark's Dartball

St. Mark's will travel to St. James

on Monday, February 12 (7:30 pm)

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

SAT/SUN VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:			
Roles	Saturday, Feb. 10	Saturday, Feb. 17	
5:00 PM Worship Team	Communion	Communion	
Scripture Reader	Green, Ethel	Whitson, Jean	
Worship Assistant	Volunteer Needed	Dahl, Michael	
Worship Assistant	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	
Roles	Sunday, Feb. 11	Sunday, Feb. 18	
8:30 AM Worship Team	Communion (Stations)	Communion (Stations)	
8:30 - Greeter	Kallenbach, Gerry	Neal, Paul	
	Kallenbach, Belva	Neal, Sarah	
	Klotz, Gene	Volunteer Needed	
	Klotz, Rita	Volunteer Needed	
8:30 - Usher	Bresler, Ed	Ashenfelter, Bob	
	Holcomb, Jeff	Heilmeier, Eric	
	Wobser, Greg	Heilmeier, Brian	
	Wobser, Sue	Small, Tim	
8:30 - Assisting Minister / Deacon	Kisabeth, Denise	Billnitzer, Tim	
8:30 - Acolyte	Kellermeier, K / Klotz, R	Brendle, G / Heilmeier, C	
8:30 - Crucifer	Kellermeier, Wes	Sundermeier, Lee	
8:30 - Communion Server	Gardner, Sandy	Riley, Karen	
	Schroeder, Amy	Thorpe, Julie	
	Heilmeier, Erin	Volunteer Needed	
8:30 - Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up	Heilmeier, Erin	Volunteer Needed	
8:30 - Soundboard Operator	Wobser II, Greg	Kellermeier, Wes	
11:00 AM Worship Team			
11:00 - Greeter	Digby, Robin	Crawford, Mary Beth	
	Black, Devon	Crawford, Mike	
	Champion, Mary	Nelson, Mark	
	Champion, Roy	Nelson, Rebecca	
11:00 - Usher	Brewster, Christy	Boswell, Courtney	
	Brewster, Mike	Boswell, Eric	
	Ducat, Coann	Hansen, Bob	
	Volunteer Needed	Herber, Patti	
11:00 - Assisting Minister / Deacon	Beaudoin, Rachel	Volunteer Needed	
11:00 - Acolyte	Gerwin, A / Ernsthausen, M	Boswell, G / Hollinger, Q	
11:00 - Crucifer	Volunteer Needed	Boston, Brent	
11:00 - Communion Server	Zeh, Lois	Van Vorhis, Greg	
11:00 - Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up	Klotz, Sue	Van Vorhis, Greg	
11:00 - Soundboard Operator	Billnitzer, Josh	Boswell, Cole	
Hospitality Team			
Coffee Hour Host	Neal, Paul & Sarah	Belva & Gerry Kallenbach	
Nursery Team			
Nursery Attendant	Bowe, Morgan	Roehm, Raegan	
Money Counter Team			
Money Counters	Jennings, Kelly	Klotz, Sue	
	Klotz, Sue	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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