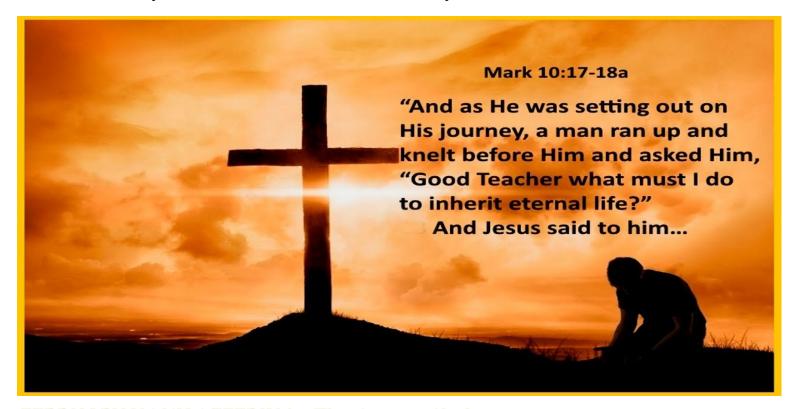
Reach out. Reach in

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 it's 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.

(January Noisy Offering collected, designated for the St. Mark's Quilters Ministry, totaled \$598)

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



THIS WEEK

In the classroom this week we have been learning about Valentine's Day, Ash Wednesday, space and the planets, new math lessons, letter sounds and reading, roller painting, famous artist Mary Blair, sharing our love light with others, exploring our classroom bells, special hand bells for music class, devotional time with Pastor Robin, thermic bottles and tablets in sensorial, fun songs, and much more!

NEXT WEEK

We are closed Monday (Feb. 19)

for President's Day.

CONTACT US

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LOVE CORNER

From all of us at SMLA Happy Valentine's Day!!!





Our students love the big Montessori math works where they get to lay out the place values, and practice quantities up to 9,000!

IMPORTANT DATES

March 21st from
5:30–6:30 the Willow
Center will be presenting
for us about Mental
Health Awareness.
The event is open to
all families, so come join
us in the
Multipurpose Room at
St. Mark's Lutheran
Church.

Special Collection



St. Mark's will be hosting a special collection for the BG Christian Food Pantry. The pantry is in desperate need of shampoo and women's feminine hygiene products. We will collect items throughout the month of February. Donations can be placed on the table across from the Welcome Desk.

Thank you for your generosity!

Church office closed Closed for
President's
Day
Monday,

February 19, 2024



Join us for a mental health awareness presentation on March 21 from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm in the Multipurpose Room at St. Mark's Lutheran Church *Childcare will be provided.



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.



come 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.



St. Mark's Dartball

St. Mark's will travel to Cloverdale

on Monday, February 19 (7:30 pm)

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

Ash Wednesday 12:00 pm 6:30 pm SCHEDULE Mid-Week Lenten Services 12:00 pm (Feb. 21, 28, Mar. 6, 13, 20) 6:30 pm March 24 Palm Sunday 8:30 am 11:00 am **Maundy Thursday** 7:00 pm March 28 **Good Friday** March 29 7:00 pm March 31 **Easter Sunday** 7:00 am* *Sunrise Service (Courtyard) 8:30 am 11:00 am St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 315 S College Dr, Bowling Green, OH



Grief Support Group

Following participation with a GriefShare group from St. Mark's, all are invited to meet for lunch at the Senior Center from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm every fourth Monday of each month. For more information please call Jan Ruffner at 419 308-4072.

February 26 March 25 April 22 May 27 June 24 July 22



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? 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 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	

Online Worship

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



YOUTUBE LIVE STREAMS:

Sundays: 8:30 & 11:00 am Wednesday: 6:30 pm (Lent)

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

We are happy to help!





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 Quilting Ministry

Our next gathering is

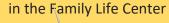
Tuesday, February 27 at 10:00 am

in the Family Life Center

St. Mark's Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our next gathering is

Tuesday, February 27 at 10:00 am





Come join us!
All are welcome!

SAT/SUN VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

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Roles	Saturday, Feb. 17	Saturday, Feb. 24	
5:00 PM Worship Team	Communion	Communion	
Scripture Reader	Catechism Student	Lemmaerbrock, Teresa	
Worship Assistant	Catechism Student	Dahl, Michael	
Worship Assistant	Catechism Student	Volunteer Needed	
Roles	Sunday, Feb. 18	Sunday, Feb. 25	
8:30 AM Worship Team	Communion (Stations)		
8:30 - Greeter	McKibben, Craig	Clinard, Jane	
	McKibben, Robin	Nelson, Cathy	
	Neal, Paul	Nelson, Mary	
	Neal, Sarah	Wood, Jane	
8:30 - Usher	Ashenfelter, Bob	Bowe, Al	
	Heilmeier, Eric	Cremar, Ann	
	Heilmeier, Brian	Kamala, Wellington	
	Small, Tim	Parsell, Jerrod	
8:30 - Assisting Minister / Deacon	Billnitzer, Tim	Imbrock, Ruth	
8:30 - Acolyte	Heilmeier, Carson	Blake, Natalie	
8:30 - Crucifer	Sundermeier, Lee	Budke, Adam	
8:30 - Communion Server	Heilmeier, Erin	-	
	North, Marlene	-	
	Thorpe, Julie	-	
8:30 - Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up	Heilmeier, Erin	-	
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, Eric	Hollinger, Cindy	
	Champion, Mary	Hollinger, Dave	
	Champion, Roy	Van Vorhis, Greg	
	Herber, Patti	Van Vorhis, Jennifer	
11:00 - Assisting Minister / Deacon	Bushong, Brian	Weiss, Larry	
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	Belva & Gerry Kallenbach	Nelson, Cathy	
Nursery Team			
Nursery Attendant	Roehm, Raegan	Roehm, Raegan	
Money Counter Team			
Money Counters	Klotz, Sue	Fultz, Kathy	
,	Jennings, Kelly	Klotz, Sue	
Safety Team	5-7,	,	
8:30 AM Safety Team			
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2023-24 Church Council

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