

Weekly Announcements
October 27, 2024

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 (Sept. - May)



OCTOBER NOISY OFFERING - Tanzania Internet Project

"As our ongoing commitment to education at the Kashasha School, we have renovated a building and turned it into a computer and library center. We are currently working with the local internet "supplier" to bring it to the area and school and we are in need of \$4,000 to make this possible. The internet services will provide the school/ students with long distance learning especially in math, science and English language and hands on computer classes as most will be seeing computers for the first time. Benefactors of the internet include but not limited to the local health clinic, church, AGRO products processing facility and residents."

OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

To celebrate Pastor Appreciation Month, please take some time to pray for our pastors here at St. Mark's. We are certainly blessed!!

CHURCH COUNCIL

Church Council Highlights - each committee has submitted their SMART goals for 2024-25, and have already begun working toward each of their goals. For more information and a complete copy of the approved September Church Council Meeting Minutes, please go to: stmarksbg.org/council

FLU & COVID SHOTS - Wednesday, October 30

Wood County Hospital will be offering Flu and COVID shots to the BG community during the community meal on Wednesday, October 30 in the Multipurpose Room. Everyone MUST bring whatever insurance card they have.

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS

St. Mark's will once again be collecting donations to assist the BG Christian Food Pantry Thanksgiving Basket giveaway. St. Mark's has been asked to collect cake mixes, frosting, Jiffy mix and cereal boxes - more info on page 5

October 27

Baked Goods Sunday

During Coffee Hour
(between services)
members of St. Mark's will
be providing baked goods
in place of our Sunday
donuts...YUM!!

Tanzania Updates

During Coffee Hour (between
services) Wellington & Moja
Kamala will be sharing the
latest news on the water and
internet projects from
Kashasha and the
Hekima Girls' School.



"A Time To Rest"

2024 NWOS Bible Study

Join us for a small group bible study that will
begin on October 27 during the education hour
in room 104. Learn the seven different types of
rest and ways you can recharge from a busy life!

"So then, a sabbath rest still remains
for the people of God"
Hebrews 4:10

Upcoming Youth Events



NOV
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**EVENING PRAYER
7:00PM**

Enjoy evening prayers,
devotion, and
meditation via Zoom.

NOV
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**FRIENDSGIVING
6:00PM**

We will have
thanksgiving dinner
at the church.

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**HALLOWEEN PARTY
12:30PM**

Enjoy lunch and
pumpkin
painting/carving
together.

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**EVENING PRAYER
7:00PM**

Enjoy evening prayers,
devotion, and
meditation via Zoom.

DEC
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**CHRISTMAS PARTY
12:30PM**

We will have a meal
together at the
church and games.



St. Mark's Lutheran Academy

October 21-25, 2024.

Our week was full of learning and exploration! Wednesday was our first Forest School Away Day at Wintergarden Park. The students enjoyed being immersed in nature the whole day, from morning circle and work time to play and snack/lunch, we loved every minute of being outside on such a beautiful day.

Then, on Friday we had a special visit from the Bowling Green Fire Department. They taught us about fire safety, and the special equipment they need to fight fires. Most special was exploring the fire truck and equipment they brought for us to see!



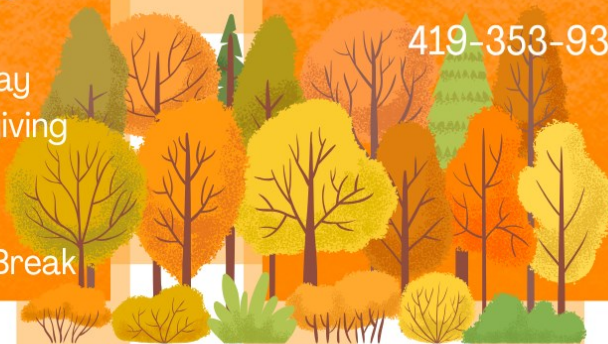
Coming Up:

October 31 - Class Fall Party
November 3 - Youth Sunday
4-8 - Parent/Teacher
Conferences
21 - Book Share Day
26 - Class Thanksgiving
Party
27-29 - NO SCHOOL
Thanksgiving Break

Contact Us:

academy@stmarksbg.org

419-353-9305





Thanksgiving FOOD BASKETS

Please help the BG Christian Food Pantry and St. Mark's collect the following items for this year's Thanksgiving Food Basket Giveaway.

St. Mark's has been asked to collect:

- 150 Cake Mixes**
- 150 Frosting**
- 150 Jiffy Mix**
- 150 Cereal Boxes**

Please bring your donations into the church and place them on the food table across from the Welcome Center.

Collection Deadline: Sunday, November 17

All items collected will be delivered immediately following the 11:00 am worship service on November 17.

Thank You

to all of our Volunteers who helped make the annual **ST. MARK'S CHICKEN BBQ** a huge success!

Proceeds from the chicken BBQ, of over \$4000, will help fund St. Mark's Mission Trips (local, domestic, and global)

HEY!!!!!!

DO YOU PLAY AN INSTRUMENT?!



Join the St. Mark's Christmas Instrumental Ensemble!

REHEARSALS STARTING THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7 @ 6:00 PM

**ALL ABILITY LEVELS AND AGES WELCOME!
COME HAVE FUN WITH US!**

CONTACT JOSH BILLNITZER TO GET REGISTERED! JOSH@STMARKSBG.ORG

St. Mark's Mission quilts were blessed on Sunday, September 29, and were donated to Lutheran World Relief (LWR) and locally to Wood County Job and Family Services.

- ◆ Dropped quilts off at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in New Rochester on October 12.
- ◆ 53 churches participated
- ◆ 1,400 boxes of quilts loaded onto the truck by the University of Findlay Wrestling Team
- ◆ Quilts being delivered to those impacted by the hurricanes
- ◆ First stop will be at a warehouse in Windsor, Maryland

Pastor Melanie and Cindy Tyrrell helping with the efforts...



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ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6 // 5PM - 9PM

DINE IN OR TAKEOUT

1550 E WOOSTER ST, BOWLING GREEN, OH 43402

*The 15% donation is contingent on the organization raising at least \$300 of pre-tax sales during the promotion (subject to change in our discretion). Other restrictions may apply. Please see participating location for details. ©2018 Buffalo Wild Wings, Inc. 2018-0094056

ADMIT ONE

St. Mark's Lutheran Church

2024 Christmas Gift Project

Sending Christian Cheer to Seniors in Need.



FIVE EASY STEPS!

- **Take A Paper Ornament From The Angel Tree**

There are two types of ornaments: some for a MAN and some for a WOMAN

- **Buy A Gift**

There are suggestions on the ornament

- **Drop Off**

Bring gift, with Angel Tree ornament attached, to St. Mark's no later than Sunday, December 8.

- **Pray!**

The most important step! "Pray without ceasing" (1 Thess. 5:17) for the man or woman who will receive your Angel Tree gift.

- **Have a Very Merry Christmas!**

Thank you for gifting others who may otherwise not receive gifts during this holiday time. The true meaning of Christmas is the gift of Jesus Christ. Your gifts are symbols of His love!



Reaching
Out...

God's Work
Our Hands

St. Mark's and surrounding area churches have been providing weekly worship opportunities at JDC and JRC since December 2023. We are blessed with the opportunity to build connections and worship with these young residents.

This poem was written by a female resident at JDC and she wanted it to

The Lord is there night and day,
As I drop to my knees and pray.
The Lord is always by my side,
There's no reason for me to hide.
The Lord I will always believe,
He's always been there for me.
The Lord will always stay,
From me he'll never walk away.
The Lord may be up above,
But that don't stop him from sending love.
The Lord is like my best friend,
He'll be there till the end.
The Lord is my family,
He helps me live happily.
The Lord will help me get through it,
Even if the shoe don't fit.
The Lord keeps me tough,
When life gets rough.
The Lord may be up high,
But to me he'll never say bye.
The Lord hears my every word,
By Him I'll always be heard.
The Lord will always be my star,
No matter how far.
The Lord not only gives me shelter,
He does to all those out there.
The Lord I will always find,
He's not only in my heart but my mind.
The Lord's love I never have to seek,
It's there as I speak.
The Lord Makes my heart beat,
I always feel His heat.
The Lord can always give me light,
So I'm no longer blinded by my sight.

The Lord can't always stop all the pain,
But He can help when I'm standing in the rain.
The Lord helps me dry my tears,
In order to chase away my fears.
The Lord always gives support,
From him I always have comfort.
The Lord sends help for me to take,
To fix even my littlest mistake.
The Lord sees each and every hiccup,
But for me he'll always stick up.
The Lord gives me a life to live,
For me he'll always forgive,
The Lord always finds a way to make me smile,
Even when I'm in denial.
The Lord always shows,
The good in me he knows.
The Lord wears the crown,
That makes me never wear a frown.
The Lord is always there when I need to talk,
Or even if I just wanna take a walk.
The Lord is deep in my heart,
Therefore he'll never be apart.
The Lord I have always found,
I don't even need to make a sound.
The Lord keep bold,
No matter what others say or I'm told.
The Lord always shows me the cross,
Through everything I've lost.
The Lord will always give me a hand,
Anywhere I stand.
The Lord helped me move forward,
Teaching me to never be a coward.
The Lord is always here,
He'll help anytime or anywhere.
I look up to the Lord night and day, He can help you too.



ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN

CHURCH & ACADEMY

You're invited!

**Leaving a Legacy of Generosity
Lunch & Learn Workshop
Thursday, Oct. 31 @ 12 PM**

- Create a lasting legacy with a donor advised fund
- Planned giving
- Estate Planning
- Bequests
- Advantages of naming beneficiaries in your accounts
- Qualified charitable distributions from IRAs

Guest speaker: **Marcus Jones** - Wells Fargo Investments

Join us!

315 S. College Dr., Bowling Green, OH

RSVP* at office@stmarksbg.org,

or (419) 353-9305

*Space is limited. Reserve your spot today.



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Location	Date & time	Contact info
St. Mark's Lutheran Church 315 S. College Dr. Bowling Green, OH 43402	Saturday, November 9 9:30am-11:30am	office@stmarksbg.org 419-353-9305

griefshare.org/holidays



FOOD BASKETS

Holiday Food Basket Application 2024

Must be a Wood County Resident

October 8th - November 7th, 2024

Monday thru Thursday

EXCEPT OCTOBER 14th and November 5th

9:00 am - 11:00 am & 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Location:

Salvation Army Service Center Bowling Green

1045 N Main St, #8, Bowling Green OH

419-352-5918

**** THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS WILL BE REQUIRED ON DISTRIBUTION DAY****

1) Photo ID for all Adults in the Household

2) Proof of Address within the last 30 days

Ex. Copy of Lease, Utility Bill, Mortgage Papers

(*Limited Holiday Food Baskets and first comes first serve basis*)

food for the soul

from Women of Faith

Next Gathering: October 27, 6:30 pm

Multipurpose Room

As women, we often share our faith from generation to generation or friend to friend.

This year we will focus on prayer. Come join us. Share with new and old friends at St. Mark's.

Child Care will be available.
Please call before the date.

Upcoming themes for discussion:

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| September 29 | Godspace |
| October 27 | You Are Contemplative |
| November 24 | Everyone Is In There |
| December 29 | Wilderness Guidebook |
| January 26 | Sounds of Silence |
| February 23 | We Are Changed |

For information or to request child care, call
Chris Budke (419-806-9886), or the church office (419-353-9305)



Bed Head Bible Study

It's All Under Control

6-week Bible Study for Women on
Wednesdays at 7:00 am (on zoom)

If interested and for more information,
please contact Pastor Robin at
pastorrobin@stmarksbg.org

THE JOY OF DISCOVERY

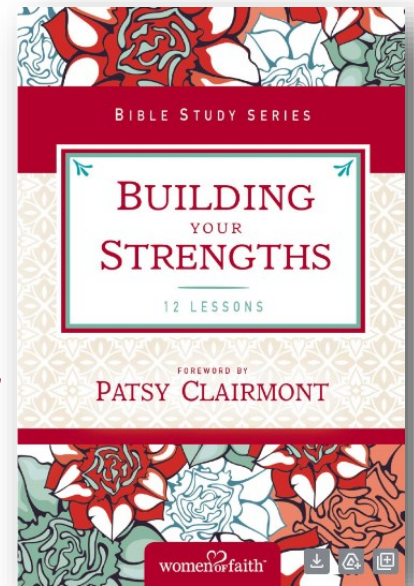
IN BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays
3:00pm



Women's Evening Bible Study

*Building Your Strengths:
Who am I in God's Eyes*



A Bible Study for All Women

2nd & 4th Mondays

6:30 pm, Multipurpose Room

If you would like more information, please
contact the church office (419-353-9305)

**young
at
Heart**

Tuesday, October 29

1:30 pm

Multipurpose Room

Please join us for a program on senior safety Tuesday, October 29, at 1:30 in the Multipurpose Room. BG Manor, along with Heritage Health Care, will be offering a self-defense class for seniors. Stacy Munday from Damsels in Defense will teach you techniques to protect and prepare yourself. Before you get out and do your holiday shopping, come and learn how to keep safe while shopping! **All are welcome!**



St. Mark's Dartball

hosts Trinity United Methodist

Monday, Oct. 28 (7:30 pm)

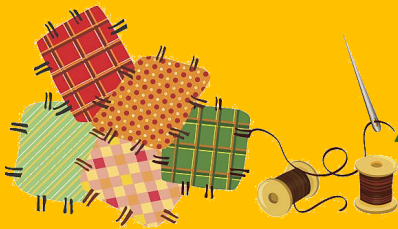
Contact the church office for more information (419-353-9305)

St. Mark's Quilting Ministry

Our next gathering will be

Tuesday, October 29 at 10:00 am

in the Family Life Center



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

Mary-Martha Circle

Mary-Martha Circle will be

Tuesday, November 12,

at 1:30 pm in the

Multipurpose Room.

Please join us for a thought-provoking topic, fellowship,

and dessert! All women are invited!

We look forward to seeing you there!



October Birthdays

1	Faye Nichelson	16	Carol Tomasic
1	James Webb	16	Kathy Fultz
2	Jill Auchmuty	16	Amy Lanning
3	Kayla Dudics	16	Courtney Boswell
4	Cathy Nelson	16	Chloe Maurer
4	David Hollinger, Jr	16	Ben Strausbaugh
5	Chris Rieman	17	Robert Emmerich
5	Corey North	18	Carter Ernsthausen
6	Janelle LaFond	19	Barb Vollmar
6	Mark Henning	19	Lisa Calcamuggio
6	Bobby Small	20	Courtney Turnow
8	Shirley Philo	20	Wyatt DeWitt
8	Cathy Allen	21	Danny Pool
8	Eric Eberly	21	Elizabeth Bugyei
9	Judson Bowe	22	Doris Hille
9	Kaleb Van Vorhis	22	Maizy Sundermeier
9	Henzlee Black	23	Mackenzie Fleshman
11	Howard Gray, Jr	24	Dorothy Hess
11	Cole Boswell	24	Jeff Montague
12	Beverly Wilks	24	Brian Stickel
13	Donna Cousino	25	Linda Van Blaricom
13	Mitchell Auchmuty	28	Averie Reynolds
15	Marie Johnson	29	Dawn Anderson
15	Kathy Thomas	30	Doug Kerr
15	Kendra Bowe	30	Grace Brendle
15	William Clark	31	Ryan Gerwin

Online Worship

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

YOUTUBE LIVE STREAMS:

Sundays: 8:30 & 11:00 am

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

We are happy to help!





ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN

CHURCH & ACADEMY

Staff Spotlight



Kevin McGill
Organist

Describe St. Mark's in five words or less:

Generous, Friendly, Busy

What is your favorite part about your position?

Leading the congregation in song while they're singing their hearts out.

How long have you been attending St. Mark's?

26 years

How long have you been employed by St. Mark's?

26 years

If you could have one superpower, what would it be?

The ability to fly.

What is your dream vacation?

A cabin by the lake with no cell phone, internet, and people.

What is your favorite meal?

Fried salmon patties, fried potatoes, and peas.

What is your favorite musical artist or song?

Dawn Upshaw

Did/Do you play any sports and/or musical instruments?

I play the piano & organ. No sports.

Tell us about one hobby that you have:

I love to cook.

Tell us one fact about yourself that others may not know:

During the summers of my Bachelor's degree, I played the piano at a hotel in Cedar Point.

Thank You VOLUNTEERS

SAT/SUN VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:		YOUTH SUNDAY
Roles	Saturday, Oct. 26	Saturday, Nov. 2
5:00 PM Worship Team	<i>Communion</i>	<i>Communion</i>
Scripture Reader	Volunteer Needed	Pasch, Deb
Worship Assistant	Mercer, Sophia	Volunteer Needed
Worship Assistant	Mercer, Yarin	Volunteer Needed
Roles	Sunday, Oct. 27	Sunday, Nov. 3
8:30 AM Worship Team	<i>Communion (stations)</i>	<i>Communion (at the rail)</i>
8:30 - Greeters / (11/3)-Bulletins	Nelson, Cathy	VanAllsburg, R/Kern, B
	Nelson, Mary	Turnow, K / Adams, L
	Wood, Jane	Jenny, J / Adams, E
	-	Youth / Nissen, C
8:30 - Ushers	Bowe, Al	Baden, Glenn
	Bresler, Ed	Herringshaw, Gary
	Cremar, Ann	North, Chris
	Holcomb, Jeff	Woelke, Jim
8:30 - Assisting Minister / (11/3)-Readers	Neal, Paul	Smeltzer, B / Budke, J
	-	DeVries, A / DeVries, C
8:30 - Acolyte	Walch, C	Kellermeier, K / DeVries, A
8:30 - Crucifer	Volunteer Needed	Kellermeier, Wes
8:30 - Communion Server	Neal, Sarah	Herringshaw, Darlene
	Schroeder, Amy	Thorpe, Julie
	Woelke, Martha	-
8:30 - Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up	Woelke, Martha	Van Vorhis, Jennifer
8:30 - Presenting the Elements	-	Budke, E / Sayre, E
8:30 - Stream Operator	Kellermeier, Wes	Klotz, Ethan
11:00 AM Worship Team	<i>Communion (stations)</i>	<i>Communion (at the rail)</i>
11:00 - Greeters / (11/3)-Bulletins	Groves, Julie	Niekamp, S / Youth
	Schimpf, Jane	Youth / Youth
	Staib, Joan	Youth / Youth
	-	Youth / Youth
11:00 - Ushers	Hollinger, Cindy	Niekamp, Doug
	Hollinger, Dave	Volunteer Needed
	Keller, Gary	Volunteer Needed
	Keller, Laura	Volunteer Needed
11:00 - Assisting Minister / (11/3)-Reader	Weiss, Larry	Smeltzer, Bradey
11:00 - Acolyte	Volunteer Needed	Youth
11:00 - Crucifer	Lenox, Jordyn	Youth
11:00 - Communion Server	Weiss, Larry	Bushong, Sara
11:00 - Communion Set-Up/Clean-Up	Volunteer Needed	Klotz, Sue
11:00 - Presenting the Elements	-	Youth
11:00 - Stream Operator	Adams, Logan	Miller, Weston
Hospitality Team		
Coffee Hour Host	Volunteer Needed	Neal, Paul & Sarah
Nursery Team		
Nursery Attendant	Blake, Natalie	Volunteer Needed
Money Counter Team		
Money Counters	Hoverson, L/Jennings, K	Emmerich, A/Klotz,S