



*Glorify God Grow in Grace Go with the Gospel*

# St. Mark's Lutheran Church & School

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## WEEKLY NEWS UPDATE FOR June 2, 2019

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR June 9:

Genesis 11:1-9; Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27

**PONDER THIS FOR A MOMENT:** "This is good, and please God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time" 1 Timothy 2:3-6.

### FOUR REMINDERS FOR HOLY COMMUNION:

Just a friendly reminder to check on the Connect Card if you received the Lord's Supper at the Services it is offered. For those who need grape juice, the tinted cups in the center of the trays are for this purpose. For those who need the Pastor to come to the Pew, please let Pastor or an Usher know. For those who need to receive a gluten-free wafer, please take a gluten-free wafer from the Paten as the Elder distributes the wafers (the gluten-free wafers are kept separate from the other wafers).

**SUMMER BIBLE STUDIES:** There will be two opportunities for more in-depth Bible discussions over the summer months. In the Sanctuary we will be looking at the Gospel of Luke ... Why would Luke focus on the healing miracles? What is said about pride, worry, priorities, fruits of faith, marriage, tradition? Our summer Gospel Readings will also be coming from Luke. In Adm Building we will be looking a course titled "New Life in Christ." This series will review basic Bible teachings for our own personal growth in faith, as well as help in our ability to witness these truths. *For more details, see the 'Summer 2019' Brochure in the Entryway.*

**CONGREGATION MEETING JUNE 2:** The following names will be on the ballot at the **Congregation Meeting** on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Church Officers and Board Chairs are able to serve three two-year terms. President, Mike Rausch. Treasurer, Tom Schlittenhart. Board of Adult Discipleship, Ryan Miller. Board of Child Discipleship, Tim Breitreutz. Board of Outreach, Jim Oswald. Board of Stewardship, Chuck Kluenker. Another major Agenda item will be the 2019-20 Ministry Financial Plan. The Meeting will take place shortly after the Late Worship Service concludes.

**DIGGING INTO THE BIBLE:** The next 'Summary of Christian Doctrine' class is scheduled for Thursday, June 6 at

6:30 PM. If interested in receiving the previous and or current assignment, please contact Pastor K.

**OUR USE OF GOD'S GIFT OF TIME & RESOURCES TO US:** "Love the Lord your God with all your heart...soul...and mind" Mt 22:37

Sunday Worship avg attendance in May: 265 (YTD: 281)  
Sunday Morning Bible Study, YTD avg: 73  
Thank Offering Inc, May: \$47,578 (Fiscal YTD: \$591,985)  
Weekly Thank Offering Projected Need: \$12,865  
Fiscal Offerings TD, plus or minus: - \$25,535  
Mortgage Inc, May: \$11,479 (Fiscal YTD: \$263,954)  
Mortgage Payment Each Month: \$12,310  
Mortgage Offerings TD, plus or minus: + \$128,544

### KEEP IN MIND THE FOLLOWING

June 2 – Congr. Mtg, Financial Plan Disc  
June 6 – Digging Deeper Study, 6:30 PM  
June 17 – Basketball Camp Week  
July 7 – Tree of Life Camp Week  
July 15 – VBS at St. Mark's Week

**ST. MARK'S TREKKERS:** If you would like a fun way to get some exercise and connect with others in our church, join us every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 5:00p.m. to do some laps around the track here at St. Mark's. All ages are welcome! If you have questions you can contact Judy Lawson at 916-961-8774.

**VOGT GIFT CARD SHOWER:** Darren Vogt, our new Upper Grades Teacher and Athletic Director, and his wife Ruth will be arriving in mid-June to begin serving alongside of us in ministry. In order to welcome Darren and Ruth (and their not yet born baby girl) and assist them in setting a nursery for their baby, we'd like to do a gift card shower for them as we have done for other called workers in the past. The Vogts are registered at Target and Amazon if you would like to purchase a gift card or an item off the registry. We will also accept monetary donations to purchase a crib or another large item to set up in their house before they arrive. You can drop your gift cards in the collection jar in the back of the church or drop them off in the church office. Thank you for considering welcoming them in this special way!

**TREE OF LIFE REGISTRATION:** Tree of Life Bible Camp has been operating for over 50 years and has been a

blessing to generations of campers! Camp is open to children entering fourth grade through seniors graduating high school. Children are divided into three groups; Grades 4-6, Grades 7-9; and Grades 10-12. The high schoolers also have an overnight campout and boating day at Rollins Lake. This year's theme is 'Formed in Christ', from Isaiah 64:8, *"Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, you are the potter, we are the work of your hand."*

If your children would like to attend you can register them online at [www.treeoflifebiblecamp.org](http://www.treeoflifebiblecamp.org). The cost is \$435 for the first child in a family, and \$265 for each additional child.

**TREE OF LIFE SCHOLARSHIP:** Tree of Life is gathering a 'Scholarship Fund' to offset the cost of camp for families that might need help. If you would like to help sponsor a child, you can indicate "Tree of Life" on your donation and place it in the offering plate on Sunday.

**TREE OF LIFE VOLUNTEERS:** Also, Tree of Life is looking for volunteers to help at camp. If you would be willing to serve as a cabin counselor, craft leader, activity leader, nurse, or lifeguard, please contact the church office. Thank you for considering helping with this. Counselors with young children can bring them to attend as "Little Lambs" for \$130.00. Activities are provided for them too!

**PRIME TIMERS:** Please join us for lunch at The Old Spaghetti Factory in Roseville next Sunday, May 26 at 1:00pm. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the women's restroom. We hope to see you there!

**MIRACULOUS MISSION - VBS 2019:** St. Mark's Vacation Bible School is coming up July 15-19 and

registration is now open for volunteers and participants! Please get the word out to as many people as you can! This year's theme is "Miraculous Mission: Jesus' Mission to Save the World," and we'll explore Jesus' work to save us and all the universe. The links to register for both volunteers and participants can be found on our website here: [www.StMarksLutheran.com/grow/vbs/](http://www.StMarksLutheran.com/grow/vbs/).

**VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** To help accommodate the 120+ students we will have for VBS we need your help. We are looking for members of St. Mark's ages 7<sup>th</sup> grade to adult to help carry out this endeavor. If you are interested in volunteering, please, go to [www.stmarkslutheran.com/vbs](http://www.stmarkslutheran.com/vbs) to register as a volunteer. Before signing up, please, review the volunteer schedule on the website.

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** Please keep the following members in your personal prayers.

- The family of **Dennis Kaiser**, whom the Lord called home on Thursday.
- **Helen Bishop**, who resides in a care home.
- **Beverly Heinitz, Hilma Wolcott, Glenn Walker,** and **Andrea Loughlean** who are facing health challenges.



### Volunteer Opportunities at St. Mark's Lutheran Church

| <u>Task</u>                               | <u>Description</u>  | <u>Contact</u>  |
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| Audio-Visual Crew Member                  | Need a volunteer for first and second services to help record and stream the services. An ideal candidate is a recent youth confirmand. | Keith Williamson; 916-205-1954; keithwilliamso@gmail.com                |
| Clearing rain gutters on campus buildings | Volunteer(s) needed to help keep the rain gutters free of debris. You can work on this on a day that works with your schedule.          | Church office; 916-961-7891   |
| Assistance for home-bound members needed  | Home-bound members need periodic assistance and respite for short periods of time.  | If able to help in this way, please contact Clara Jackson 916-344-6311. |