



Founded on the Word ... Focused on the Cross

Glorify God, Grow in Grace, Go with the Gospel

St. Mark's Lutheran Weekly Newsletter

August 7, 2022

Ponder This For A Moment

"I will give thanks to the LORD because of his righteousness; I will sing the praises of the name of the LORD Most High" Psalm 7:17.
Consider what His righteousness includes, and then how you plan to 'sing' His praises this week.

Sunday Morning Glorify & Grow

8:00* & 10:45 Worship (*livestreamed)

9:15 Family Sunday School

9:30 Bible Discussion for Teens / All Ages

08/08, Monday Worship at 6:30 PM

Scripture Readings for August 14

1 Samuel 3:1-10

Colossians 3:12-17

Luke 10:38-42

From God's Yellow Pages

Spiritual guidance direct from God – let your fingers do the walking through the Bible ...

This Week – Contentment ... Philippians 4:11-13; 1 Timothy 6:6.

Summer Sunday School For Families

Parents are encouraged to stay with their children for this hour of learning and fun. Our focus: Heroes of Faith from Hebrews 11.
When: Sundays at 9:15 AM. Where: the Luther Room in our Admin Building.

Prayer Warriors

For those in need of healing due to recent medical concerns: Homer Carson, Arnold Detmer, Janet Heyer, Len Sampaio.

Personal Bible Study Idea

What is a Biblical topic on your mind and heart? Perhaps one of the People's Bible Teaching books by topic is available and can help? Check out our church Library for a copy or go to the website of Northwestern Publishing House.

Connection Cards

Thank you for filling out the blue Connection Cards each week. You can use the Card to update contact information. You can continue to place your filled-out Card in the basket or in the box for the thank offerings, which is on the wall as you enter the east or west side doors into the Sanctuary.

LWMS Corner News

One way to support 'Christians Forward in Southeast Asia' (coordinated by our former teacher, Anne Press) is by donating the following items to the 'Resale Shop' they manage in Utah. For an idea on how to send the items, speak with Clara Jackson. The 'Shop' is looking for *men's and women's clothing, knickknacks, kitchenware, dishes and dish sets (what not to include: printers, electronics, car seats, broken items)*. Cash donations are always appreciated.

If you would like to support Branch Schools in Haiti, coordinated through WELS members out of San Jose, go to their website (branchlutheranschoolshaiti.org). On that site you will find updates, along with a link to give a gift. This School System in Haiti is making a difference in the lives of thousands of children who otherwise would not be able to receive a good education, and at the same time they hear the news about Jesus. There is currently a

special fund drive taking place with the 2022-23 School Year soon to begin.

New 2023 Calendars available with the theme Music in Ministry. Pictured are 12 home and world missionaries who tell of the use of music in their mission fields. Each month has a prayer request as well as missionary birthdays. The back pages of the calendar contain lists of home and world mission workers and contact information. A sample calendar will be on the LWMS shelf to view. Order forms are provided. The calendars make great gifts!

Helping with Disaster Relief

One way to provide assistance for those in need of help due to flooding, for example, taking place in parts of our country, is through WELS Christian Aid & Relief (CAR). CAR not only provides financial resources, they also organize volunteer help teams who work through WELS area churches or missions, as well as local agencies, to maximize relief efforts. To learn more about CAR, or how you can help support relief efforts (such as the ones we are currently facing in our world), go to wels.net and under the heading 'Resource Center' you will see the link for 'Christian Aid & Relief.'

Community Connection Events

The Red Cross Blood Drive we are hosting on our campus on August 12 has all the available openings for giving blood that day filled up; what a blessing. We host these Blood Drives two to three times throughout the year.

Our next 'Friday Movie Night' is scheduled for August 26. This will also be our welcome back to school event as school begins on August 23. In place of a movie that night we are looking to play Trivia. We have a food truck lined up as well for this event; more details to follow. These Friday night events are good ways to connect

with one another and also to introduce family and friends to St. Mark's.

The various Bible Studies we offer, along with Book Club, serve as ways to connect not only with the Word of God but also with others.

Keeping Our Campus Inviting

We have a campus workday scheduled for August 13 starting at 8:00 AM. We will be putting down mulch in the playground area, along with cleaning up the various planting areas on campus, washing windows, and brushing down the buildings and light fixtures. Stay for as long as you can (even 30 minutes of help adds up); we will have cleaning supplies available. If you would like to help but cannot make the 13th, contact the church office and we can track what you have done beforehand or provide you with a list of what still needs to be done. Thank you!

Sidenote on campus cleaning: The Classroom Floors are scheduled for strip and wax on August 17 (annual project). The MPC floor is being scheduled for the week of August 14 (every 2- to 3-years project). Special 'thanks' to Shawn Butler, our Custodian, for keeping our facilities clean throughout the year.

Ministry Financial Plan Update

Offerings received since July 1, 2022: \$50,625
Goal for July 2022–December 2022: \$300,000

Save the following dates

*August 7, Sand Volleyball, 3:30 PM
August 12, Blood Drive on Campus
August 13, Campus Clean Up Day
August 14, 2:00 PM, Jesus Cares Worship
August 20, 9:00 AM, Music Session # 3
August 21, 10:45 AM, Install of J Rowe
August 22, Opening Day for our School*



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