Founded on the Word ... Focused on the Cross

Glorify God, Grow in Grace, Go with the Gospel

St. Mark's Lutheran Weekly Newsletter August 14, 2022

Ponder This For A Moment

"I keep my eyes always on the LORD. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken. ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure, ¹⁰ because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let your faithful one see decay. ¹¹ You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand" Psalm 16:8-11. *What do you need to lay at the Lord's feet instead of carrying the burden yourself?*

Sunday Morning Glorify & Grow

8:00* & 10:45 Worship (*livestreamed) 9:15 Family Sunday School 9:30 Bible Discussion for Teens / All Ages 08/15, Monday Worship at 6:30 PM

Scripture Readings for August 21

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:18-26 James 5:1-11 Luke 12:13-21

From God's Yellow Pages

Spiritual guidance direct from God – let your fingers do the walking through the Bible ... **This Week – Courage** ... Psalm 27:14.

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 the family of Nita Ross who passed away last Sunday. That the light of Jesus shining from us will make a difference in the lives of those we come across this week. That the Lord's mercies remain evident in the face of all that is going on in this world.

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

Befriend A Mission is a program in which we send letters, cards, and encouragement to our assigned home and world missionaries/missions. Our LWMS circuit receives assignments every two years. Cards are sent by St. Mark's for special occasions in the lives of our missionaries. At Thanksgiving and Christmas, cards will be in the lobby for everyone to sign.

You are encouraged to send cards on your own for special occasions. A special occasion is coming up on August 28. Rev. Ger Lor and his wife have a wedding anniversary on August 28. Their address is: 5104 Garfield Ave. Kansas City, KS 66102. Rev. Lor is pastor of Grace Hmong Lutheran Church in Kansas City, KS (see picture on the bulletin board).

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!

Community Connection Event

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.

Food Pantry Donations

We are collecting food pantry items August 14 through September 4. Drop off items at the church office during the day, Monday through Friday, or on Sundays. We are once again supporting the Fair Oaks-Orangevale Food Bank; their **CURRENT NEEDS**: *Cereal/Oatmeal, Peanut Butter, Canned Chili, SpaghettiOs/Ravioli, Dry Pasta & Pasta Sauce, canned fruits and vegetables, any non-perishable food. You can also donate fresh produce from your garden and trees. Other Items we accept are new toiletries, dog and cat food, diapers, wipes, feminine product donations, and adult incontinence products.*

You Benefit, School Benefits

The way is through 'Scrip.' Are you planning to buy something at Lowe's? Purchase, for example, a \$50 Lowe's Scrip card from the church office, and you get the \$50 card and our school gets a % of the card sold. Same for places to buy Groceries, Gas, Clothing, Restaurants, and more (even for Amazon orders). Keep Scrip in mind when wanting to get a gift card for a family member or friend. Scrip online is also an option. Contact Linda Halfhill for more information. Cards are easy to order; we do keep certain cards on hand. With a bit of planning, this is a great opportunity for you and for our School as the % received through the Companies connected to Scrip goes toward our Tuition Assistance Fund (TAF).

Ministry Financial Plan Update

Offerings received since July 1, 2022: \$65,261 Goal for July 2022–December 2022: \$300,000 We do offer the opportunity to give your thank offerings by electronic transfer. If this is of interest to you, go to our website and look for the 'Giving' link found under the 'Resources' tab on the top; or speak with Linda Halfhill in the Office.

Save the following dates

August 14, 2:00 PM, Jesus Cares Worship August 19, 2:00 PM, N. Ross Victory Service 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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