



Founded on the Word ... Focused on the Cross

Glorify God, Grow in Grace, Go with the Gospel

St. Mark's Lutheran Weekly Newsletter

May 28, 2023

Ponder This For A Moment

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³ Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity" Colossians 3.

*A timely reminder with
the proper motive to practice.*

Glorify & Grow: Sunday Mornings

8:00* & 10:45 Worship (*live streamed)

9:15 Sunday School (meet in Chapel)

9:30 Bible Discussion for Teens / All Ages

Next Monday Worship on June 5th

Scripture Readings for June 4

Trinity Sunday

Genesis 1:1-2:3

2 Corinthians 13:11-14

Matthew 28:16-20

From God's Yellow Pages

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

This Week – Adultery ... Matthew 5:27-32

Sunday Bible Study

For May 28: The lesson will be about the mission work of Paul the Apostle. Paul, appointed by Jesus to share the good news of the Gospel with the Gentiles, had many riveting experiences, including his imprisonment and dramatic release from prison in Philippi. We will discuss Paul's zeal for Jesus' command to the apostles (and to us all), "You shall be my

witnesses." This lesson will include viewing the WELS video "To the Ends of the Earth."

For the Summer Months: The Gospel of Matthew – Promises kept, promises still to be kept, forgiveness, life direction, law, gospel, witnessing encouragement ... it, and a whole lot more, is all in this Bible Book.

Prayer Warriors

"Christians, while on earth abiding, let us never cease to pray... (CW 408). Lord God, give me strength and willingness to say with your Son, "Not my will but your will be done." Make me cheerful and trusting to bear whatever you let happen to me. From your hand I am willing to take the good and the bad, the joy and the sorrow. Keep me from sin, gracious Father, and comfort me with your kind Word.

Faith Building & Sharing:

Share *Forward in Christ* with friends, family, and others you know to offer encouraging stories of faith and hope. To share a copy, go to www.nph.net. A copy of daily 'Meditations' is also available.

Feeling alone. Thinking you are under appreciated. Check out the book, "God Loves Nobodies." Go to the NPH website or call 800.662.6022 to order your copy, or buy one as a gift.

Church Connect Event(s)

Movie Night in June on the Patio ... Friday, June 16 on the St. Mark's Patio, come back to our campus for food and games followed by a movie (tbd). Tacos, Popcorn, Ice Cream Treats, and more. Food starting at 6:00, Movie around 7:00 PM.

Tree of Life Youth Summer Camp

Tree of Life Bible Camp is back! 'Cross Training' is the theme for this year. The camp will be July 9-15. It is for youth starting Grade 4 up through those who just graduated High School. For more details and for Registration, check out treeoflifebiblecamp.org and/or speak with Jason Covey. Tree of Life is looking for adults to serve as Counselors and Associates; if interested in either role, contact Pastor Will Kant (pastor@goodshepherdvallejo.org).

WELS & Missions – Get A Taste

Taste of Missions is June 10, 2023. Join online to get a "taste of missions" no matter where you might be around the world. We're looking forward to an event which includes worship, ethnic food recipes, ideas on how to support mission work, and more with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Find all the details at tasteofmissions.com.

Looking for Volunteers on Campus

We have so many faithful volunteers --- thank you for your time and talent invested into our St. Mark's ministry. There is opportunity to be involved with taking care of the grounds (ex: mowing, weeding), with worship (ex: altar prep, choir, instrumentalists), with building care (ex: dusting, window cleaning). If interested in joining our team of volunteers, reach out to Pastor K or to Stacie Malone (church office).

Church Meeting June 25

The following names are being submitted for our Church Leadership Positions, Church Officers and Board Chairs are able to serve three two-year terms: President, Mike Rausch; Recording Secretary, James Ripley; Board of Elders, Mike Rostad. Another major Agenda item will be the 2023-24 Ministry Financial Plan. The Meeting will take place shortly after the Late Worship Service. *Current Leadership: President, Mike Rausch; Recording Secretary,*

James Ripley; Treasurer, Dan Cummins; Elders, Ryan Miller; Child Discipleship, Justin Lewis; Outreach, Jim Oswald; Stewardship, Chuck Klunker.

Ministry Financial Plan Update

Offerings received since July 1, 2022: \$542,062
Goal for July 2022–June 2023: \$600,000
Needed yet for NWP2 in 2022-23: \$45,000
Endowment Fund, Lion's Legacy: \$49,000
Note: NWP2 gifts support our monthly Mortgage Payment (\$8k/mo), funding of our Tuition Assistance Fund (we give out between \$40-45k/school year), as well as funding our Campus Improvement Fund (a ten-year effort started in 2021 to make needed improvements to our campus). Thank you!

Dates/Events to keep in mind at St. Mark's ...

May 31, Last Day of School

June 16, Movie Night on the Patio

June 25 – Church Mtg, Finc. Plan & Elections

July 6 – Digging Deeper Study, 6:30 PM

July 9-15, Tree of Life Camp

July 17-21, Summer Bible Camp



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