

Glorify God, Grow in Grace, Go with the Gospel

St. Mark's Lutheran Weekly Newsletter May 5, 2024

Ponder This For A Moment

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres" 1 Corinthians 13. A timely reminder of what love is to look like through us.

Glorify & Grow: Sunday May 5

8:00* & 10:45 Worship (*live streamed) 9:15 Sunday School (meet in Chapel) 9:30 Bible Discussion for Teens / All Ages Monday Worship May 6 at 6:30 PM (Chapel)

Scripture Readings for May 5 & May 12

Acts 9:36-42 / Acts 1:1-11 1 John 4:7-11, 19-21 / Ephesians 4:7-16 John 15:9-17 / Luke 24:44-53

From God's Yellow Pages

Spiritual guidance direct from God – let your fingers do the walking through the Bible ... *This Week – Needing Rules for Life* ... Romans 12

Growing in Grace Bible Studies Sunday Bible Study ... Main Area

Current topic: The Flood For our young ones - Sunday School starts out in our Chapel at 9:15 with the singing of a variety of songs (all ages invited to join in on the singing). Faith Building & Sharing ... Check out from our church Library, the book – "Sanctification: Alive in Christ" (white cover). For other book suggestions check out the NPH.net.

Prayer Warriors

"Christians, while on earth abiding, let us never cease to pray... (CW 408). Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.

LWMS Corner – Missions & You

The 31st Annual LWMS Convention will be held in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, June 27-30, 2024. We would love to have St. Mark's represented. Complete information and registration forms are on the LWMS shelf. More forms can be printed if needed. Tours, speakers, activities, mission information and more. *Registration needs to be postmarked by June 15*th.

LWMS is requesting your vote for International LWMS Board of Directors and Home and World Mission Projects. Candidates are for Vice President, Secretary, Communications Coordinator, and Pastoral Advisor. Pick up an information packet on the shelf under the LWMS bulletin board. Vote for one in each category. Tear off information sheets and place **ballot only** in box provided. Ballots will be picked up following the late service, May 19th. Results will be posted following the annual business meeting in June. (Note: Every adult female member of St. Mark's is a part of LWMS – thanks for your prayers and support.)

Tree of Life Youth Summer Camp

Tree of Life Bible Camp is back! 'Overflowing with Hope & Confidence' is the theme for this year. The camp will be July 7-13. 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. Cost this year is \$600 (2nd child is \$375). 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). *If you would like to sponsor a Camper, donations can be online at the Tree of Life website.*

Ministry Financial Plan Update

Offerings received since July 1, 2023: \$533,623 Goal for July 2023–June 2024: \$600,000 *NwP received fiscal year: \$129,016 NwP Goal for fiscal year: \$144,000* Endowment Fund, Lion's Legacy: \$73,000

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

May 5, Examination & Confirmation, 10:45 am May 10, River City Chorale here, 7:30 pm May 11, River City Chorale here, 4:00 pm May 12, Musician Stephen Bautista, 8 & 10:45 May 18, St. Mark's Legacy Soiree, 6:00 pm July 7-13, Tree of Life Camp



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