



ST. MARK LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WEEKLY NEWS

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"Sharing Christ to connect people to God and one another"

PASTOR'S NOTES...

MISSION TRIP Plans are underway for at least one mission trip in 2011. If you are interested, please contact Deb & Dan Hopkins at debhopkins13@comcast.net.

SAVE THE BOTTLES When you travel, do you pick up little bottles of shampoo, lotion and small soap bars from hotels/motels? **Please do!** We're collecting for a planned 2011 Mission Trip, to give to people along with other materials as we conduct our mission. **START SAVING NOW!**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS The Board met this past Tuesday. The Board discussed the past fiscal year, use of the former Lutheran High rooms, CEF loan, and some future programs.

FINANCES St. Mark, like many congregations, struggles with finances during the summer months. You can help change that situation by continuing your regular offerings during this time, even if you are on vacation. You may give them before you leave or mail them. Have you considered using the EFT program through Church Extension Fund? It is easy to do - forms are available on the Information Counter.

SCHOOLS It takes more than books to provide a great education. It takes teachers and parents who are focused on God's wisdom and strength to make a difference in a child's life. Consider our schools at St. Mark and call for an Educational Consultation—call 281.7892 for Joel Bahr for Elementary Education and Stacie Sorg for Preschool.

WEST MICHIGAN LUTHERAN HIGH Grants are available to new students at Lutheran High. If you are interested, you can call them at their new location at 601 36th Street SW, (their phone number remains the same -455.2200).

PASTOR CAREY Pastor Carey is a familiar person at St. Mark and we welcome him back as he shares God's Word with us this morning.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK

TODAY

- 8:30 am Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
- 10:00 am Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion

Monday

3:30-7:30pm St. Mark Blood Drive

Wednesday

- 6:00 pm SRTM Girls' Gun Lake Party*
- 6:30 pm Redeemer Carnival*

Friday

8:15 pm SRTM Sr. High Movie Night*

Next Sunday

- 8:30 am Traditional Worship
- 10:00 am Contemporary Worship

* Off-campus

WEEKLY STATISTICS

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY:

8:30 am - 72 10:00 am - 184

TITHES & OFFERINGS LAST SUNDAY:

General Fund \$ 11,742

Living Stones \$ 1,685

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Carnival at Redeemer Lutheran We will be assisting Redeemer Lutheran with their annual parking lot **Carnival this Wednesday evening, 6-8pm**, (rain date-Thursday evening). Helpers are needed for set up, making popcorn and sno-cones, to help with games and activities during the Carnival, and for clean up afterward. If you would like to help at this ministry outreach activity, please contact Chris Stodola, (455.5320, ext. 212).

Camp Moosefeather Falls #2 at Redeemer Lutheran is **July 26-29, 6:30-8:30pm**. Set up for camp will be Sunday afternoon, (time TBD, due to sanctuary being used by multiple churches). If you are available to set up, help in a cabin, tear down, run the Power Point...whatever, please contact Chris Stodola (455.5320, ext. 212). This is an awesome opportunity to serve our urban brothers and sisters in Christ!

SCHOOL & PRESCHOOL MINISTRY

ENROLLMENT for 2010-2011 We are enrolling for next school year. If you're seeking a Christ-centered education for your child, please prayerfully consider St. Mark Elementary School & Preschool. We're happy to schedule a tour of our facility and answer questions you may have. Please call the School Office, (281-7892, 9:00 am, Monday - Friday), to speak with Principal Joel Bahr.

Adopt-A-Road Project Our school participates in this popular community service program. The next outing is Friday, July 23, 10:00am. Will you **"Grow & Go"** with us by helping clean a roadway? We've had good turnouts in the past and hope for a GREAT turnout this time! Many hands make light work!

GENERAL NOTES...

CEF Invest on YOUR terms with the investment flexibility of Michigan Church Extension Fund's new *InvestFlex 2+2 Fixed Rate Note* for as low as \$2,500 in a 17-month Note, with two additions/two withdrawals allowed, (no penalty). For more info or current interest rates, call 800.242.3944, or our St. Mark CEF Volunteer Rep., Fred Fish (878.0866).

Women's Summer Bible Study at Cheryl Marklevitz's home, 7:00pm, 7/27 and 8/10, & 8/24. Call Cheryl (617.3009) for details. Come to the study at any time - each lesson is a separate unit.

IKEA, Woodfield Mall, & Drury Lane Dinner Theater Bus Trip for Women—Saturday, Nov. 6 Pay your deposit (\$50/person, non-refundable) TODAY or any Sunday in July. Shop in Schaumburg, IL, dinner & play at Oakbrook Terrace, ("Seven Brides for Seven Brothers.") Cost: \$100 (transportation, dinner, & play; lunch on your own). Depart St. Mark 7:00am, return 11:00pm. The shopping's great, the food's fabulous, and the play is always ☆☆☆☆s!

St. Mark Family Camping Weekend—August 26-29 Pastor Meyer will lead Sunday worship that weekend for the campers! Sign up TODAY with Camp Concordia *directly*; let them know you're with the St. Mark group: Camp Concordia: 616.754.3785, director@camponcordia.net, or www.camponcordia.com.

SCRIP Order Dates Order scrip all summer at shopwithscrip.com! School families, this is a great way to cut down on tuition costs! Members, benefit our school! The deadline is NOON TOMORROW, and **August 2, 16, & 30**.

SCRIP Summer Special!! Six Flags Theme Park tickets are **only \$30**, with an **8%** non-profit contribution going to our school! This is a **one-day admission at any Six Flags property, for both adults & kids**. Regular price at Six Flags Great America—Gurnee, IL: \$34.99child; \$54.99adult. **Order your tickets by tomorrow-noon at shopwithscrip.com**; and receive them this Thursday. Please call the School Office -281.7892- for the pick up time that day.

Equipment Needed We are in immediate need of a washing machine in good working condition, for our maintenance department, (ours "quit" last week). If you can donate a washer, or even better, a washer & dryer, please call Ted Andree, St. Mark Maintenance Supervisor, (455.5320, ext. 215).

Custodian Position There is a position available for a custodian at St. Mark, beginning about August 15. This involves the cleaning of our school - 4 hours per day, five days per week. Hours are somewhat flexible.

WORSHIP FOR SHUT-INS

Missed worship due to illness or vacation? Tune to "Worship for Shut-ins," led by Missouri Synod Lutheran pastors, shown Sundays, 11:30 am: Channel 54, DISH 54, Comcast 21, & DIRECT TV 377.

July 25 - "The Perfect Prayer" Luke 11:1-13 by Rev. Paul E. Shoemaker Jesus, in response to His disciples, teaches them to pray. God hears us pray. He knows our needs and graciously responds to prayers.

SERVING IN THE NURSERY ~ JULY 25TH

8:30 am Kathy Klug, Heather Mahon
10:00 am Lea Munyon, Rachel Bahr



"Grow and Go" Verse of the Week:

"For God has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."
Colossians 1:13-14

SOLID ROCK TEEN MINISTRY

SERVICE STATION MINISTRIES

SRTM SPONSOR CHILD Please help support our baby, Tuan Hai Truong in Vietnam! We ask each student to donate \$1/month, (we're behind in giving...please help!) Envelopes are on Youth Info Board.



SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WEEK!!!

Wednesday, July 21 (rain date: July 22) Jr./Sr. High Girls' Nite Out: Dinner & Boating, 6-10pm, FREE! Meet at The Pit Stop

Friday July 23 Sr. High Outdoor Movie Nite @ Salzwedels', 8:15-12:30am, FREE! Meet at the Pit Stop

Next Sunday Holy Sweat Presentation in Worship, 8:30 & 10:00 am, Youth Guy gives message

Complete information for events may be found on our website: srtmrocks.org, or on Info Board outside The Pit Stop.

SOLID ROCK TEEN MINISTRY gratefully announces

THRIVENT FINANCIAL For LUTHERANS® has donated \$1,000 and

DVS has donated \$800 to our HOLY SWEAT SERVICE CAMP!

THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! We APPRECIATE our SPONSORS!

We would also like to thank all the families and individuals who filled out Sponsor Forms and those who donated food/beverage items. Our campers appreciated YOUR SUPPORT, also!