



# 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 at all interested, please contact Deb & Dan Hopkins.

**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 will meet this Tuesday, July 13, at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room. Items on the agenda include discussion of the past fiscal year, use of the former Lutheran High rooms, the CEF loan, and future programs.

**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).

**SYNOD CONVENTION** Paul Pillsbury from St. Mark is the delegate representing the South Grand Rapids Circuit at the Synod Convention, which began yesterday in Houston, TX. Please remember Paul and the Convention in your prayers. You can follow Convention action on the Synod’s site: [www.lcms.org](http://www.lcms.org), and clicking on “Convention.”

**PASTORAL CARE** If you need to schedule a Baptism, a wedding, a hospital visit, or an appointment with a staff member, please call the Church Office: 455.5320, Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm, or fill out the yellow card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

**VACATION** Pastor Tom and Laurie Meyer will be leaving on vacation this coming Friday for two weeks. If pastoral care is needed, please call the Church Office at 455.5320.

**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. The hours are somewhat flexible.

### THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK

#### TODAY

8:30 am Traditional Worship  
10:00 am Contemporary Worship  
4:00 pm  
SRTM “Holy Sweat Service Camp” Begins

#### Monday—Saturday

SRTM “Holy Sweat Service Camp”

#### Tuesday

7:00 pm Board of Directors  
7:00 pm School Council

#### Wednesday

10:00 am Koina Board Meeting  
6:00 pm Thrivent S. Kent Board Meeting

#### Saturday

12:00 noon “Holy Sweat Service Camp” Ends

#### Next Sunday

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

\* *Off-campus*

### WEEKLY STATISTICS

#### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY:

8:30 am 76  
10:00 am 104

#### TITHES & OFFERINGS LAST SUNDAY:

General Fund \$8,352  
*Living Stones* \$1,288



#### “Grow and Go” Verse of the Week:

“Carry each other’s burdens,  
and in this way you will fulfill  
the law of Christ.”

Galatians 6:2

## GENERAL NOTES...

**Summer Offerings** It's important to continue your offerings during the summer. You may bring them to worship the Sunday before you leave or mail them to our office while you're out of town.

**Carnival (July 21) & CAMP (July 26-29) at Redeemer Lutheran** We need MANY volunteers to provide this inner-city outreach ministry for our sister congregation. PLEASE VOLUNTEER! Call Chris Stodola (455.5320 ext.212) if you can: 1. Work at the Carnival, 2. Set up CAMP, 3. Help with CAMP, or 4. Take down CAMP on Thursday night.

**Women's Summer Bible Study** at Cheryl Marklevitz's home, 7:00pm, July 27 and August 10 & 24. Call Cheryl for more details on the study. You may 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, then go to Oakbrook Terrace for dinner and "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers." Cost: \$100 (for transportation, dinner, & play; lunch on your own). Depart St. Mark 7:00am, return 11:00pm. Shopping's great, food's fabulous, and the play always ☆☆☆☆!

**A Better Way to Manage Your Money** The Church Extension Fund's ExtensionPlus is similar to a money market savings account and gives investors an easy way to become part of the CEF Family. ExtensionPlus gives you exceptional investment and saving opportunities, ATM and checkbook convenience, and so much more. Call CEF today for more information and current interest rates: 1.800.242.3944 and at [www.mi-cef.org](http://www.mi-cef.org).

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

**SCRIP Order Dates** YES, you can order scrip all summer online at [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com)! School families, this is a great way to cut down on tuition costs! The deadline is noon on **July 19**, and **August 2, 16, & 30**.

**Lost Your Luggage?!?!?** Take a look at all the pieces in our Reception Area! If it's yours, please take it.

## SERVING IN THE NURSERY NEXT WEEK

**7/18:** 8:30 am Michele Worch, Cindy Oosterhouse  
10:00 am Kelli Van Zweden, Debbie Rolf

## WORSHIP FOR SHUT-INS

If you miss worship due to illness or vacation, tune to "Worship for Shut-ins," led by Missouri Synod Lutheran pastors and shown Sundays, 11:30 am on Channel 54, DISH 54, Comcast 21, & DIRECT TV 377.

**July 18 - "One Thing Necessary" Luke 10:38-42** by Rev. Daniel Brege, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Decatur, IN We may get caught up in DOING things for Jesus. This often has value. But "doing" things for Jesus is not God's first priority. God wants us first and foremost to hear the Word of Christ, and, in so doing, RECEIVE what we desperately need — life, love, and salvation.

## 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 any questions you may have about our school. 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 on a regular basis. The next outing is Friday July 23, at 10:00am. Will you "Grow & Go" with us to improve our area 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!

## WEST MICHIGAN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

**New Building** We moved to **601 36th St. SW**, (just west of US131); easily accessible from anywhere! There's lots of room, with opportunities for shared-time teachers from Godwin Schools. Call Principal Dwight Anderson, (455.2200; or [danderson@wmlhs.org](mailto:danderson@wmlhs.org)) and bring your child through our new facility soon!

**WMLHS Offers \$1,000 Scholarships to New Students** The WMLHS Board has one-year grants of \$1,000 for new students. To apply or for more information, families should contact Principal Dwight Anderson.

**Job Opportunity** West Michigan Lutheran High School is hiring a part-time secretary. Hours and wages are negotiable. Please contact Principal Dwight Anderson.

## Equipment Needed Immediately!

- ⇒ The Church Office is in need of a working electric typewriter. If you have one you can donate, please call the Office (455.5320) this week.
- ⇒ 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, St. Mark Maintenance Supervisor (455.5320 ext. 215).

## St. Mark SCRIP Summer Special!!

Six Flags Theme Park tickets are **only \$30**, with an **8%** non-profit contribution going to our school! This is a terrific price for a **one-day admission at any Six Flags property**, for **both adults & kids**. The regular price at Six Flags Great America—Gurnee, IL, is \$34.99per child, and \$54.99per adult. **Order your tickets by July 19-noon** at [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com); and receive them the following Thursday. Please call the School Office - 281.7892- for the pick up time that day.

## 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 in JULY!!!

**THIS WEEK, Monday– Friday Holy Sweat Service Learning Camp**

**July 21 Jr/Sr High Girls' Nite Out: Dinner & Boating, 6-10pm, FREE!** Meet at The Pit Stop

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

**July 25 Holy Sweat Presentation in Worship, 8:30 & 10:00 am,** Youth Guy gives message

Complete information for events this summer may be found on our website: [srtmrocks.org](http://srtmrocks.org).

Event info, Registration Forms and Permission Forms are located on the Info Board outside The Pit Stop.

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*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 have donated food/beverage items from the list by the Information Center.*

*Our campers appreciate YOUR SUPPORT, also!*

*If you haven't filled a need and you'd like to, you can still do so this morning!!!  
Fill in an item on the list or talk with Tom Chester or Linda Campbell.*

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