

#### Ad Hoc Committee has first meetings with 2 of the 3 selected candidate church lead-

ers. Due to Holy week and Easter, the church bodies have been very busy. At the time you receive this newsletter 2 of the 3 meetings will have been completed. The Ad Hoc Committee is still working diligently to meet with the third congregation. Hopefully it can be achieved in May. The goal is to have all the information for the June congregational meeting if not before.

Voter's Meeting will be June 1. Please place this date on your calendar and plan to attend.

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Mites for Missions Any mites received by St. Mark's are remitted to our Zone which then go to the LWML Michigan District. Our mites are used to fund the very important grants given out by LWML. Mites can be placed in a green envelope, marked mites, and put in the collection plate.

The June 2026 Michigan District Rally will be held in Lansing and our Multi Lakes Zone, as one of the hosts, needs volunteers to help. Please call Leslie Oehring if you would like further information.

**QUILTING BEE:** Our quilters continue to meet on Thursday mornings at 10 am. We encourage anyone interested in joining us to call Leslie Oehring for details on how you may be able to help. Even if you don't sew, there are other ways to help such as ironing and tying!

St. Mark's Lutheran Church

# Messenger 2025



#### What's Inside...

- Council members Meet with Congregation, Voter's Meeting, LWML, Quilting Bee.
- Toiletry & Hygiene Open Door, Collecting Cans for Jim Boway Thank you, Special Fund Donations, Thought & Prayer List,
- We Continue to Collect Stamps & used eyeglasses, Anniversaries & Birthdays, Easter Flowers
- Calendar

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**Sunday Worship** 

Divine Service at 9:30 a.m. Holy Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays followed by Adult Bible Study at 10:45 a.m. Handicap Accessible

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#### **TOILETRY/HYGIENE DONATIONS** FOR THE OPEN DOOR OUTREACH CENTER

We continue to receive hygiene & toiletry products year around for the Open Door Outreach Center in Waterford. There are two bins located on the shelves at the bottom of the sanctuary stairs where you can place product donations. The Open Door is a non-profit organization that assists needy families in the Lakes Area. They are AL-WAYS in need of toiletry and hygiene items, so if you can provide any of these throughout the year, it would be appreciated.

WE CONTINUE TO COLLECT used postage stamps for Wycliffe Bible Translation Ministries, and used eyeglasses for MOST Ministries in the two plastic bins on the shelves at the bottom of the sanctuary stairs. Wycliffe sells the stamps to stamp collectors and then uses the proceeds to fund Bible translation projects throughout the world. MOST Ministries repairs/refurbishes used eyeglasses and distributes them via eyeglass clinics to the needy around the world. If you donate postage stamps, please leave ¼" of the paper around the stamp.

### Collecting Bottles/Cans for Ziah

Town School If you would like to donate your returnable cans and bottles, the Board of Human Care is accepting them weekly! Just bring your bag to church and an usher will let you know where you can put them. A member of the Human Care Board will collect them and make the return. All money will then go into the fund for the Ziah Town Liberian Lutheran School to be used for catechisms and/or school supplies. You may also make donations at any time by either putting your check/cash in a green envelope and writing "Joe Boway" on the front (checks made payable to St. Mark's), or visiting the St. Mark's website, clicking the online giving button and selecting the fund titled Joe Boway/Liberian School.

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#### **Special Fund Donations:**

We want to thank those who made special donations:

for your Kindness

Thank You Liberian School-Joe Boway:

Lynn Thomas



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#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* For Our church members:

Barbara Jewell, Nancy McInnis **Dorothy Vermeersch** 

#### Shut—Ins

Julia Ligon, Art Vermeersch Carl & Carol Zienert. John & Joan Freeman

#### Family & friends:

Michael, Truman Duggin, Jim Copola, Lisa, Evelyn Davis, Carl Feiler, Mickey Smith, Ed Kempisty, Chip Cryderman, Kristy Fresh, Peg Metzger, Patricia Chipps, Laura, Pam, Glenn, Mary, Ray

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#### **Anniversaries:**

Melvin & Karen Maier 5/28 Arthur & Dorothy Vermeersch 5/29

#### Birthdays:

Paula Albert 5/2

Brynlee Lockwood & Carolynn Taylor 5/3

Mike Lockwood, Sr. & Kevin Hurley 5/6

Annetta Lekas 5/9 Gail Arnold 5/12 Maia Zienert 5/15 Nancy Salo 5/16 Rick Schmaltz 5/17 Lauren Grech 5/21

Dennis Fitzgerald & Taylor Lockwood 5/22

Aaron O'Brien & Arthur Vermeersch 5/28

Rachel Hewson 5/29

## Thank You for Easter Flowers that adorned the Sanctuary! They were provided by:

#### In Honor of:

Our Amazing Daughters: Kelly, Karrie & Kasey – Dean and Sherry Hyrkas

My Family-Jennie Kaufman

Jennie Kaufman- Kaufman, Krus, Clark, Hart Families

Dean && Sherry Hyrkas – Nick and Kelly Lekas

Sons: Michael & Jeffrey--Mary Ann Lockwood

All who serve and have served in the Military – Larry & Lori Whitehead

JoAnne Horan & Phebe Wong – Kathy Wong

#### In Memory of:

Nathan Allen & Donna Lewin--Barb Allen

Irv Sr. & Irv Jr., Robert & Jim Burnett – Diane Burnett

Butch Fitzgerald -- Cathy Fitzgerald

Doug Fitzgerald - Gail Fitzgerald

Del Joslin – Kay Joslin

Marvin Kaufman, Martha Thompson, Merle Thompson, Clara Kaufman, Walter Kaufman-Jennie Kaufman

Marvin Kaufman, Richard & Stephenie Krus, Betty Rice and Robert Hart – Kaufman, Krus, Clark, Hart Families

Nick, Annetta & George Lekas – Nick and Kelly Lekas

Grandparents: Anna, Mildred, Flista & Mina –

The Oehring's

Frank Salo – Nancy Salo

Robert & Lois Head, Harold & Olive Whitehead, Victor & Christy Whitehead—Larry & Lori Whitehead

James Horan – Kathy Wong

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#### St. Mark's Lutheran Church Divine Service 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class 10:45 a.m.



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For live, up-to-date versions of ANY St. Mark's calendar, visit our website at: www.stmarkwb.org.

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2	3
					10 am Quilting Bee		
4	Easter 3	5	6	7	8	9	10
A.	Pastor: Terry Nelson ssistant: Darryl Swainson 9:30 am Divine Service with Communion			A 16	10 am Quilting Bee		
11	Easter 4	12	13	14	15	16	17
9	Mother's Day Pastor: Rod Zwonitzer 9:30 am Divine Service no Communion 1:45 am Adult Bible Class				10 am Quilting Bee	NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE	
18	Easter 5	19	20	21	22	23	24
A.	Pastor: Mark Arendell ssistant: Darryl Swainson 9:30 am Divine Service with Communion 1:45 am Adult Bible Class		Church Council 7 p.m.		10 am Quilting Bee	DISTRIBUTE NEWSLETTER	
25	Easter 6	26	27	28	29	30	31
	Pastor: Frank Pies 9:30 am Divine Service no Communion :45 am Adult Bible Class	Memorial Day - Office Closed	Lilli Out of the Office		10 am Quilting Bee		
			USHERS:	ALTAR GUILD: GREETERS:		COU	NTERS:
	Serving S	chedules	04 Matt Maier 11 Tom Kaufman 18 John Reardon 25 Matt Maier		04 Jennie & Karen Kaufman 11 Cathy Fitzgerald 18 Gail Fitzgerald 25 Mary Ann Lockwood		