

ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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“Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.” Mark 16:15

February 2021

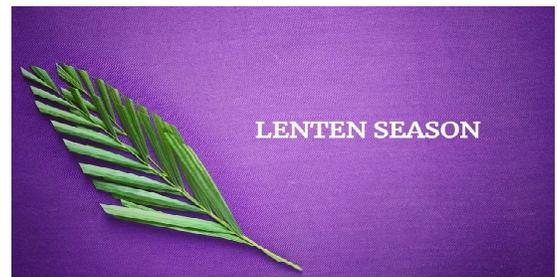


Thanks to those who helped take down church decorations

Many thanks to everyone who gathered at church on Saturday, January 2 to help take down our Christmas decorations! We had plenty of help, and the decorations were put away quickly and neatly for use this upcoming December.

We also thank Jennie Kaufman and Gail Fitzgerald for redoing the Christmas window sprays in January. They look so nice now!

Again, we really appreciate our volunteers here at St. Mark's!



The Season of Lent begins in February

In the month of February, we will be entering into the season of Lent, a special 40-day penitential season during which we prepare our hearts and minds for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection.

Lent will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 17. On this day, we focus on the reality of our sin and the death that we deserve, so that we might better appreciate the salvation of Christ. St. Mark's will be holding our traditional Ash Wednesday Divine Service at 7pm, which will include the Imposition of Ashes, as well as Holy Communion.

Furthermore, on Ash Wednesday, we hope to still hold our annual Soup and Salad Supper, though we are still exploring how we might do this in our current circumstances. More details will be provided as we get closer to the date.

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Sunday

Divine Service with Holy Communion 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School (Sept. - May) 10:45 a.m. (ON HOLD)

Wednesday

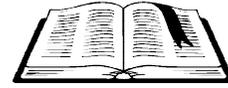
Adult Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

One Saturday/month

Men's Bible Study/Breakfast 9:00 a.m.

Handicap accessible.

Bible Study



We invite you to study God's Word regularly!

The books of Genesis and Acts: so much relevant information from God is included in these biblical books! As Christians, it's important for us to regularly set aside time to read and learn what these books have to say

Please join Pastor Vergin for either our Adult Bible Class on Wednesday evenings, or our Men's Bible Study on February 6, to expand your biblical knowledge! More details on these studies are shown below.

Adult Bible Class: Resuming the Book of Genesis

In the month of February, we will be continuing our study of the book of Genesis in our Adult Bible Class!

The book of Genesis is the first book of the Bible, and it tells the story of God's salvation from the very beginning. It starts with the creation of the world and the fall into sin, and from there it traces the promise of the Savior from generation to generation, beginning with Adam and culminating with Jacob's twelve children. It includes the account of Noah and the Flood, the Tower of Babel, the Call of Abraham, and Joseph's rise in Egypt. At every place it proclaims the steadfast love of God and His faithfulness in redeeming mankind from the guilt of our sin.

We hope you will join us for this study! This is a great opportunity to fill your week with God's Word and to grow in knowledge and faith!

For the time being, our Adult Bible Study will be meeting on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m.

Men's Bible Study Will Meet on February 6

Attention Men of St. Mark's! Our next Men's Bible Study will be held on Saturday, February 6. We will gather from 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. in St. Mark's fellowship hall. Breakfast will be provided, and we will be continuing our study of the book of Acts.

We hope to see you there! This is a great opportunity to be formed together as men of God in the image of Christ!

Pastor's Page

The Year 2020: Let Us Rejoice and Be Glad in It

My friends, as we enter together into a new year, I expect that you've probably been hearing the same things I have: "Good riddance, 2020!" "That year was quite a dumpster fire, wasn't it?" "I hope I never have to live through something like *that* again!" Indeed, no matter where we look right now, from television to social media to conversations with friends, it seems like we're constantly being bombarded by expressions of disdain and contempt for the outgoing year. In some settings, it feels like it's almost become obligatory.

But I wonder: Is this really a Christian sentiment? Certainly we faced quite a bit of hardship in 2020. The pandemic. The violence. The political turmoil. But in spite of all of that, is this truly the way that God wants us to look at the past year? It is right for us to treat it with such scorn?

Well, here I think we ought to remember those familiar words of Scripture from Psalm 118: "This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24). With these words, the Psalmist is referring specifically to the day of God's salvation, and he is calling us to rejoice in that day, remembering that God Himself has made it. And in this way, the Psalmist shows us Christians how we should look at every day, both in this age and the age to come, for through Christ we ourselves are now living in that "day of salvation" (2 Corinthians 6:2). And what does the Psalmist say? In each and every day we should rejoice. Rejoice! And why? Because God has made it. He's filled it with innumerable blessings in Christ. He's carried us through every trial. He's sustained us by His Word. Every day truly is a gift from Him. And we ought to receive it with thanksgiving.

But what is true of each day, must also be true of an entire year. Indeed, for all of its hardship, for all of the trials that we faced, our loving Father in heaven made 2020. Therefore—though there's nothing wrong with a little bit of humor—we Christians should be careful not to let ourselves get swept up into the world's negativity. We shouldn't look back on 2020 with contempt or disdain. No, we should look upon the year as a true gift from God. And, as with any gift, we should rejoice in it.

We should rejoice, first, to see the many blessings that God gave us throughout the year. Certainly, things could have been a lot worse. The pandemic could have been even more deadly, the violence more widespread, the political turmoil more virulent and hostile. (Imagine that!) But instead, God

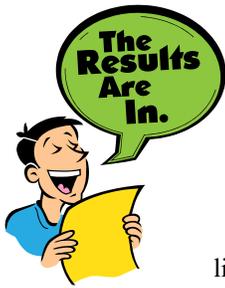
graciously protected us and defended us in innumerable ways, so that we, His people, might know His love in Christ, and that the world might repent and return to Him.

But even more, God actively blessed us in so many other concrete ways. He gave us shelter in our homes. He put food on our table. He dressed us in clothing and shoes. He gave us the love of family and friends, even if we didn't see them as often. He gave us a salutary system of government that, despite all threats and uncertainties, has shown its resiliency time and time again. He sustained our faith in Christ through the preaching of His Word and the reception of His Sacraments. Day by day, He caused His sun to shine down upon us and His rain to fall in its season (Matthew 6:45). In manifold ways, God displayed His undeserved goodness and grace throughout the year 2020.

But what about all that hardship? Well, even here we Christians can rejoice to know that God will work through everything for our good. As Paul says, "We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose" (Romans 8:28). Yeah, it's true that in and of themselves things like plague, unrest and violence are not good things. However, they become good when God uses them for His good purposes. And this He promises to do. Through these things, He reminds us of our need for Him. He humbles us. He enables us to sympathize with others. He builds our Christian character in the image of Christ, who also knew suffering: "Suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us" (Romans 5:3-5).

So, even as the world looks upon 2020 with scorn, let's not get swept up in the negativity. Instead, let's focus on the good. Let's open our eyes to the blessings. Let's look upon the outgoing year and let's rejoice in it. And in that way, let's learn to exercise Christian gratitude. Let's learn to give thanks always (Ephesians 5:20). Let's learn to be content no matter the circumstances (Philippians 4:11). For who knows what 2021 will bring? Who knows if there will be even more hardship? But no matter what happens, we can be sure of this: It will be a year that God has made. So let's look back on 2020 with joy, and let's let that godly mindset carry us into a joyous 2021.

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Here are the 2021 Board Election Results

Elections to determine our 2021 officers and board members were held at St. Mark's Semi-Annual Voters' Meeting on December 6, 2020. Below is a list of those who were elected to serve St. Mark's in 2021:

Congregational Officers:

- President - Tom LoCascio
- Vice-President - John Reardon
- Financial Secretary - Debbie Sidelinker
- Treasurer - Kari Kosmalski
- Human Resources Director - still open
- Public Relations/Advertising Director - still open

Recording Secretary - Nancy McInnis

Board of Gospel Outreach - Mary Ann Lockwood, Sharon Williams, John Reardon, Barbara Jewell

Board of Human Care - Gail Hardy, Karen Kaufman, Leslie Oehring

Board of Parish Fellowship - Ellen Rentola, Cindy Parks, Nancy McInnis, Sharon Williams

Board of Assimilation & Stewardship - still open

Board of Family & Youth - Mandy Vergin, Julie Kosmalski, Debbie LoCascio, Lynn Thomas, Sue Ingram

Board of Properties - Jim O'Brien, John Sidelinker

Board of Elders - Darryl Swainson, Tom LoCascio, John Sidelinker, Larry Whitehead

Thanks so much to those who volunteered to serve this year! We also thank those who volunteered to help in "non-elected" positions for 2021 including our greeters, altar guild members, offering counters, ushers and video technicians.

St. Mark's has the best volunteers, and we are so grateful for their commitment to serving the Lord, the community and each other!

Please mark your calendars now for these upcoming events

You'll want to make plans now to participate/attend these upcoming events during March!

- 13 - Neighborhood Prayer Walk
- 20 - Distribute Easter Invitations
- 28 - Palm Sunday Divine Service



The latest update on the sale of the two back lots

During the month of January, the potential buyer of the two back church lots along Bywater Avenue finished his due diligence of the lots and the results were all good. As president of St. Mark's, Tom LoCascio was authorized to represent the congregation at the title company for the closing process on January 27. He signed all of the paperwork accordingly. At the conclusion of the closing, Tom received a check from the title company made payable to St. Mark's for the amount of \$120,909 (\$130,000 purchase price less closing costs). Tom also received a church donation check from the buyer (made payable to St. Mark's) in the amount of \$5,000 as per the buyer's wishes in the original purchase agreement.

We thank the Lord that the sale of the lots is complete and that everything went smoothly! While at the closing, the builder told Tom that they plan to build a country-style ranch home on the lot that is behind the grove of trees, and a country-style colonial where the ball diamond used to be. Our best guess is that they will begin work as soon as the ground thaws. St. Mark's still retains a 20' wide access to the neighborhood behind the church along the western border of our property.

During February's upcoming Church Council meeting, our council members will discuss the finances in regards to the parking lot proceeds and expenses, tithing 10% of the net proceeds to missions (as per the voters' wishes), how the \$5,000 church donation given by the purchaser of the lots should be used, etc. Once all of that has been determined, we can then move forward with scheduling the parking lot replacement for this spring. This is exciting news!

Lent

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Then, following Ash Wednesday, we will be holding our traditional Lenten Midweek Services. These services will be held on Wednesday evenings at 7pm throughout the season of Lent, in place of Adult Bible Class.

We look forward to observing this penitential season with you, as we await together our Lord's death and resurrection, in which we are saved! We hope you will join us and take advantage of these extra opportunities to receive the Word of God!



IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers



MORE URGENT PRAYER'S:

Clarence Arnold—needs prayers for health/memory issues.
Barbara Jewell—is recovering at home after back surgery.
Mac McConnell—needs extra prayers.
Kim Olsen—needs extra prayers.
Marlene Steck—needs extra prayers for memory issues.
Marilyn Turner—needs extra prayers.
Mandy Vergin—prayers for her and the baby with her delivery date around the corner.
Lynne Welty—is having health issues.
Larry Whitehead—needs extra prayers for medical issues.
Sharon Williams—continues to battle cancer.
Carolyn Achimov's cousin's great-granddaughter, **Kennedy Shallal**—diagnosed with Leukemia at age 4; is undergoing treatments.
Barb Allen's friend, **Teri Aldini**—having financial struggles.
Barbara Jewell's friend, **Patricia**—is receiving therapy.
Barbara Jewell's husband, **Glenn Jewell**—is recovering from surgery.
Barbara Jewell's sister-in-law's sister, **Carol**—recovering from having a mastectomy; will be undergoing chemotherapy and radiation.
Barbara Jewell's niece-in-law, **Peg Fieler**—injured her foot.
Debbie LoCascio's cousin, **Cheryl Hale**—has completed chemo & radiation. Praying that her cancer will go into remission.
Debbie LoCascio's cousin, **Bob Tanis**—will be having spine surgery soon.
Debbie LoCascio's father, **Bob Tippett**—has memory issues.
Tom LoCascio's nephew, **Chris Gohl**—is recovering from COVID.
The LoCascio's neighbor, **Laura Jones**—is recovering from a double mastectomy; will need radiation soon.
Mary Ann Lockwood's friend, **Sharon Richards**—is battling cancer.
Mary Ann Lockwood's sister, **Sandra Kempisty**—is having health issues.
The Lockwood children's (Anna, Christian, Michael) grandfather, **Milton Javery**—is battling cancer.
Cindy Parks' friend, **Linda**—is battling breast cancer.
Cindy Park's mom, **Rose Mielke**—has health issues.
Angela Peters' friend, **Kelly Buchs**—hospitalized with a blood infection plus COVID.
Jean Swainson's friend's son, **Connor Donahue**—has been transferred to an intensive inpatient rehab center.
Carolynn Taylor's grandson's wife, **Stephanie Payton**—is battling breast cancer.
Mike & Kyle Tolman's grandpa, **Dave Scroggie**—Alzheimer's is worsening; has Stage 3 kidney disease.
Mandy Vergin's father, **Bruce Ketcher**—health issues have gotten worse.
Mandy Vergin's mother, Karol Ketcher—*is recovering from*

suspected COVID and awaiting test results.

Rob Wheeler's dad, **Rick Wheeler**—is recovering from a brain bleed.
Lori Whitehead's friend, **Vickie Tucker**—is undergoing cancer treatment.
Lori Whitehead's great niece, **Morgan Duggin**—needs extra prayers.
Lori Whitehead's sister, **Linda Head**—has health issues.
Sharon Williams' friend, **Carol York**—is very ill; praying that she'll come to faith in Christ.
Sharon Williams' granddaughter, **Erika Williams**—needs extra prayers for guidance.
Sharon Williams' great-grandson, **Emmitt Reynolds**—diagnosed with Autism.

ONGOING PRAYERS:

Joan Freeman—needs prayers for health and family issues
Joan Freeman's brother, Ernie Sampson—has health problems
John Freeman—needs prayers for health issues
Cathy Fitzgerald's niece, Kim Trombley—recovering from a car accident
Cathy Fitzgerald's sister, Charlotte—recovering from a stroke
Friend of St. Mark's, Thisvi Steiger—has medical problems
Barbara Jewell's nephew-in-law, Carl Fieler—has heart problems
Barbara Jewell's sister-in-law, Phyllis Tharp—diagnosed with lung cancer
Barbara Jewell's niece's son, Tim Brydges—has health issues
Barbara Jewell's neighbor's grandson—confined to home
Barbara Jewell's neighbor, Ed Perez—having health issues
Barbara Jewell's friend, Pam Perez—*is having medical issues*
Julie Kosmalski—her cancer is in remission
Angela Peters' ex father-in-law, Karl Peters—has health issues
Debbie LoCascio's cousin, Cheryl Tippett—*is battling cancer*
Mary Ann Lockwood's cousin's kids—Abigail and Amelia List—*are ill*
Cindy Parks' sister, Jeane Schaefer—*is awaiting back surgery*
Cindy Park's brother, Jerry Mielke—*is having medical problems*
The Salo's daughter-in-law, Joni—*is recovering from a stroke; is receiving therapy*
Mike & Kyle Tolman's grandma, Margaret Scroggie—*needs extra prayers*
Dorothy Vermeersch's cousin, Gloria Maire—*has several medical issues*
Larry Whitehead's daughter, Tracy Whitehead—*prayers for wisdom and guidance*
Sharon Williams' daughter-in-law's nephew's fiancé, Rachel—*cancer is in remission*
Sharon Williams' daughter-in-law, Pam Williams—*has health issues*

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February Birthdays

- 2 Rob Wheeler
- 4 Derald Katterman
- 5 Selah Vergin
- 7 Mel Maier, Jr., Dorothy Vermeersch
- 8 Dean Hyrkas
- 9 Debbie LoCascio
- 10 Monika Petz
- 15 Sharon Williams
- 20 Karen Kaufman
- 22 Sharon Miller
- 26 Elanor Johnson



Please remember these folks in your prayers

Those shown below have lost loved ones this past month. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

- ✠ The Fitzgerald family as our long-time member, David “Butch” Fitzgerald, fell asleep in the Lord on 12/26/20.
- ✠ The LoCascio family as Debbie LoCascio’s uncle, Jack Tippett, passed away on 1/1/21.
- ✠ The Reynolds family as our long-time member, Kay Reynolds, fell asleep in the Lord on 1/8/21.



February Anniversaries

- 1 Del & Kay Joslin 63rd
- 2 Paul & Andrea Benson 25th

St. Mark’s applies for Security Grant

At the end of January, St. Mark’s applied for a Security Enhancement Grant from our Michigan Lutheran Church Extension Fund. The grant can be used to update security features and covers up to \$2,500 in expenses. We plan to have security film installed on our entrance doors (as recommended by the West Bloomfield Police Department) and two additional outdoor security cameras installed—one on the south side of the building, the other on the west side. We should find out in early February if we have been approved for this grant.

Special Fund Donations

We thank those listed below who made special donations in December:

- Flower Fund Memorials:** Dorothy Vermeersch (in memory of Frank Salo and Millie Benson)
- Pastoral Expense Donations:** David Hagen
- Remodeling - Sanctuary:** Nancy McInnis

Loving embraces

Express your love and friendship with handcrafted bracelets.



What you need:

- Adult help
- Bowl of boiling water
- Wide wooden craft sticks
- Glass cup
- Markers, paint or decorative tape

What you do:

1. Pour about 3 cups of boiling water into a bowl. Soak sticks in the water about 30 minutes.
2. Remove sticks and slowly, gently bend them into a curve.
3. To maintain the shape, place curved sticks inside a glass cup overnight to dry completely.
4. Remove and decorate the bracelets, which make fun Valentine’s Day gifts.





Council Meeting Minutes - Summarized January 19, 2021

In attendance: Pastor Vergin, John Reardon, John Sidelinker, Debbie Sidelinker, Kari Kosmalski, Karen Kaufman, Darryl Swainson, Mandy Vergin Sharon Williams, Nancy McInnis

Call to Order at 7:31 p.m. by John Reardon

Opening Prayer/Devotion: Psalm 118:19-24 by Pastor Vergin

Vice-President's Report per John Reardon - The Open Door Outreach Center in Waterford has made the final payment on their administration building

Pastor's Report per Pastor Vergin

- Lent is beginning in February!
- Review: Goals from October's Mission Workshop
 - * Each board will need to select a chairperson
- Pastors are lined up to be on call in case the baby comes and Pastor is unable to be at service

Treasurer's Report per Kari Kosmalski

- Preparing to create/file the 2020 employee W-2's and 1099's
- 2020 income = \$158,266.74, 2020 expenses = \$143,000; finished the year ahead by \$18,000 (not including the additional PPP loan amount of \$17,400).

Financial Secretary's & Parish Report, Church Calendar

per Pastor for Debbie LoCascio

- Debbie LoCascio will begin training Debbie Sidelinker on the Financial Secretary's job at end of January or early February
- Debbie L. will be closing out 2020 in Shepherd Staff and mailing out 2020 contribution statements next week as this week is newsletter week
- Debbie L. has registered St. Mark's on the new PPP Loan Forgiveness Portal and will be assembling the necessary paperwork to file for forgiveness in Feb.

BOARD REPORTS

Assimilation per Pastor - Pastor will be going back to using the new member sheets. He feels that since we are having two services that this will allow members to see if there are new members going to a different service.

Elders per Darryl - John Sidelinker has taken on a new role as Elder. We are bringing him up to speed. We now have four Elders. Darryl is now creating the schedule for the video tech due to the overlap between that and the Elders and Ushers.

Gospel Outreach per Sharon - will be meeting this Saturday January 23 at 12:30 p.m.

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Parish Fellowship per Sharon - will be having a meeting on January 23 to discuss Ash Wednesday Soup/Salad Supper. The group felt that if we had one or two people serving all the food and had individual items wrapped that we could do this.

Properties per John S. - trying to get caught up on required facility inspections. Jim O'Brien painted the section of wall in the basement where the divider wall was removed. He also placed new stickers on the stairs for safety.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Update on sale of back lots per Pastor - Soil testing was completed in January. Per our realtor, all is moving along well and we should be closing on the lots very soon.

Purchase a new laptop for Financial Secretary? After discussion, this idea was tabled for a few months while Debbie Sidelinker and Kari Kosmalski work out a schedule to share Kari's computer.

\$2,500 Security Grant from Mich. Lutheran Church Extension Fund - We must file documentation by Jan. 31 regarding security updates we'd like to install this year. Tom LoCascio suggests we look into the following:

- Purchase security film for the east side glass doors (as recommended by W. Bloomfield police) at an approximate cost of \$1,500 (estimate available to review)
- Purchase two outdoor security cameras for the south and west sides of the building (2 cameras for \$400)

That would leave us with \$500 remaining. Any additional security items we could purchase with that? Council was good with the security door film plus two security cameras.

Vote to delay conventions by one year? Due to COVID, districts have not been able to meet prior to the next synodical convention. They'd like to add a fourth year onto the three-year meeting cycle, thereby pushing the district conventions and the synodical convention off for one additional year. This will cost the synod money as plans have already been made to hold these conventions. To make this change, they're asking congregations to vote on the issue. This would only be a one-time change. Council voted "yes" on this issue.

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 16 at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. **Closed** with the Lord's Prayer.

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- Monthly church calendars
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- Monthly newsletters
- About St. Mark's
- Event Registration Forms
- Those on Duty (scheduled to help out at church)

...and more! Check it out for all of your worship/
church needs!



Lenten coin holders and devotions are available now

Our 2021 Lenten Coin Holders are now located on the table in the entryway. The donations from these will be sent to Bethesda Lutheran Communities, a non-profit Lutheran organization that helps people with developmental disabilities across the U.S. Just place one quarter each day during Lent in the corresponding slot (excluding Sundays which are celebrated as "Mini-Easters" and are IN Lent, but not OF Lent) and by Easter Sunday, your holder will be FULL!

Also, Lenten Devotional Booklets, courtesy of Lutheran Hour Ministries, will be located on the table in the back of the sanctuary starting February 1. Please feel free to take one home for personal devotions throughout the season of Lent.

Sunday Divine Service 8:30 & 10 a.m.
 Wednesday Adult Bible Class 7 p.m.
 Sunday School (Sept. - May) 10:45 a.m. (On Hold)
 Men's Bible Study/Breakfast - One Saturday per mo. 9 a.m.

February 2021

St. Mark's Lutheran Church

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 Pastor's Day Off	2 Groundhog Day Pastor out of office in p.m. 7pm - Bd. Of Elders Mtg.	3 7pm Adult Bible Class	4	5 Sec'y. Debbie Off	6 9am Men's Bible Study
7 Sexagesima Elder on Duty: Darryl Swainson 8:30 & 10am Divine Service	8 Pastor's Day Off	9 8:45am Winkel @ Faith Pastor out of office in p.m.	10 7pm Adult Bible Class	11	12	13
14 Quinquagesima Elder on Duty: John Sidelinker 8:30 & 10am Divine Service Valentine's Day 	15 Presidents' Day Pastor's Day Off	16 Fat Tuesday (Mardi Gras) Pastor out of office in p.m. 7:30pm - Council Mtg.	17 Ash Wednesday 5:30 Soup/Salad Supper 7pm Divine Service Elder on Duty: Darryl Swainson	18	19 DEADLINE TO SUBMIT NEWSLETTER ARTICLES	20
21 First Sunday in Lent Elder on Duty: Tom LoCascio 8:30 & 10am Divine Service	22 Pastor's Day Off	23 Pastor out of office in p.m.	24 7pm Midweek Lent Svc.	25	26 DISTRIBUTE NEWSLTR.	27
28 Second Sunday in Lent Elder on Duty: Darryl Swainson 8:30 & 10am Divine Service						

ACOLYTES (either svc):	GREETERS (either svc):	USHERS (both svcs):	VIDEO TECH (either):
7 Jay Anderson	7 Mary Lockwood	7 Tom Kaufman	7 Charlie Powell
14 TBD	14 Sue I./Judy S.	14 Trent Johnson	14 Debbie Sidelinker
17 TBD	21Carolynn Taylor	17 Tom LoCascio	17 TBD
21 TBD	28 Jennie/Karen K.	21 John Reardon	21 Darryl Swainson
28 TBD		28 Matt Maier	28 Karen Kaufman

ALTAR GUILD: Dorothy Vermeersch
COUNTERS: Cindy Parks & Joanne Wisti