

ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Messenger

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

April 2023



Come and bid Farewell & Godspeed to Pastor Vergin and his family!

St. Mark's has been so very blessed to have Pastor Vergin (and his family) here with us these past 8 years, and we give thanks to God for their faithful service to both our congregation, and to this community. They have shown us love, and have received our love in return, and they will be extremely missed as they move on to the Grand Haven area with Pastor's new call to St. John Lutheran Church and School there.

Since Pastor Vergin's final day preaching at St. Mark's will be on Sunday, April 16, our church President, Tom LoCascio, will be reading the Rite of Farewell & Godspeed for Pastor at the end of the worship service that day. Then, there will be a Cake & Coffee Reception for the Vergins in the fellowship hall right after the service.

We hope you will make plans now to attend both and wish the Vergin's well as they move on to this next phase of their lives!



Join us for Holy Week Services

Throughout the season of Lent, we have been solemnly preparing our hearts and minds through meditation on God's Word, that we might celebrate with highest joy the death and resurrection of Jesus—the culminating moment of our salvation.

In April, we will reach the fulfillment of this season of preparation as we enter into Holy Week. During this week, we will have several special worship services.

First, on Sunday, April 2, we will observe Palm/Passion Sunday. On this day, we remember our Lord's Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem, when He rode on a donkey into the city while the crowd laid palm branches on the road before Him. The service on this day will be held at the normal time, 9:30 a.m., and will include a reading of the Passion account, which tells the story of Jesus' suffering and death.

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St. Mark's Lutheran Church

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Sunday

Divine Service at 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study at 10:45 a.m.

Wednesday

Wed. Nights in Christ for Youth at 5:15 p.m. (Sep. - May) Midweek Adult Bible Study 5:45 - 6:45 p.m. (paused during Lent)

One Saturday/month

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

Handicap accessible



St. Mark's current Bible studies

Here at St. Mark's, we strive to offer as many Bible study opportunities as possible for our church members and friends. The list below shows our current Bible study offerings.

Adult Bible Class: The Book of Genesis

On April 2, we will be concluding our study of the book of Genesis in our Adult Bible Class. Because of Easter, this will be Pastor Vergin's final Adult Bible Study at St. Mark's.

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!

Adult Bible Class meets on Sundays at 10:45 a.m., after our Divine Service.

Men's Bible Study Will Meet on April 1

Attention Men of St. Mark's! Our next Men's Bible Study will be held on Saturday, April 1. 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 continue our study of the book of Revelation.

We hope to see you there! This is a great opportunity to be formed together as men of God in the image of Christ! Also, this will be Pastor Vergin's last Men's Bible Study before his departure. Please join us!

Read Through the Bible in 2023

For us Christians it is a great joy to read the Bible, for we know that it is the very Word of God, revealing to us Christ for our salvation and encouragement. Therefore, in 2023 we are again reading through the entire Bible in a year! But this time it is a joint effort with other congregations in our Circuit. Will you consider joining us? You can pick up any time. Please visit crafteddaily.com for the reading plan.

Wednesday Nights in Christ Youth Program

St. Mark's Board of Family & Youth invites all kids ages 4 through those in 5th Grade to attend our weekly *Wednesday*

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Pastor's Page

Continue on, dear church!

My friends, as I write this, I am nearing my last Sunday at St. Mark's. And as I walk through these final days of service to you, I can't help but be reminded of the Apostle Paul's words to the Christians at Philippi: "I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now" (Philippians 1:3-5).

How grateful I am to God that He placed me here among you! What a blessing you have been to me! I remember my ordination, back on July 13, 2014, when I stood before you and was ordained into the Office of the Holy Ministry. And from that day forward, you all have been such an encouragement to me, and I am so thankful for you. Through you, the Lord has cared for me and my family, and has taught me so much about being a pastor. I will always remember you with fondness, and the time that I spent here!

But of this, I will have more to say in my final sermon on April 16. I hope you will join me there, as we rejoice together in Christ and receive His gifts as pastor and people one last time

For now, I would actually like to look at Paul's next words to the Philippians, how he continues after his message of thanksgiving: "And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ" (Philippians 1:6).

Yeah, this is God's promise for you in Christ. He has begun a good work in you. In part it has been through me as a servant of the Word. But it has also been through others. God has begun a work in you, as His baptized people. He has brought to you the message of forgiveness in the blood of Jesus. He has given you faith to believe it through His Holy Spirit. And He has borne fruit in you as you have grown in love for one another and in love for Him. All of this God has started in you, because He has chosen you, and loves you.

But be sure of this: What God has started, He is faithful to complete. On the Day of Christ, He will take you and make you perfect. He will raise you up. He will fill you forever with all the fruit of righteousness. He will give you a home forever and will be your God for all eternity. And until that Day He will sustain you in faith through His Word and Sacrament. You can be sure of this. Praise be to God.

And so what can I say to you in these final days? A few things. First, even after I depart, continue trusting Jesus. Jesus will not fail you. As He says, "I am with you always, to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20b). And in another place, the Spirit assures you: "He will be with you; he will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed" (Deuteronomy 31:8). Yeah, you have been forgiven by the blood of Jesus. In Baptism, your sins have been washed away, so that now as you live by faith, you live as God's redeemed child. You are at peace with Him and thus can count on His presence and care.

So continue trusting in Him. Don't be afraid. You've been in His hands from the beginning. And you are in His hands still.

Second, I would say this: Continue caring for one another. As Paul says, "Therefore, encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing" (1 Thessalonians 5:11). In Baptism, you are the body of Christ. You all sit together at the Lord's table. He has knit you together as one, so that you might support one another, care for one another, and encourage one another. This is your purpose; in Christ, you are given to each other.

So continue caring for one another, even after I depart. Don't give into bitterness or anger. Don't give the devil a foothold. Don't forget the meaning of grace. Care for one another and so fulfill the law of Christ.

And finally, I say this: Continue the work of the Gospel. For the past eight and a half years, the Lord has done so much through us, and has built so much at St. Mark's. All of this He does so that more may come to a knowledge of salvation and the light of Christ. Here, the Holy Spirit works through us to bring salvation to the world.

So continue on in the work we have begun together. You can do so much – for you have the power of the Gospel and the Holy Spirit. Don't give in to discouragement. Don't take your hands from the plow. Keep things moving forward for the sake of the Kingdom of God, which is at work among you.

Indeed, I count myself truly blessed to have served you over these years! I will carry the memory with me throughout my life! Thank you for everything! I look forward to saying more in my final sermon on April 16. May the God of peace be with you!

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Upcoming youth event: Animal Care

We are excited to announce that on Wednesday, April 19, from 6:15 -6:45 p.m., our *Wednesday Nights in Christ* students will receive instruction on animal care as their

April Life Skills lesson! They will be visited here by staff from Union Lake Veterinary Hospital, as well as some of the companion K-9 officers and their dogs from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff's Department has four, fairly young, King Charles Cavalier Spaniels that serve as companion dogs for schools, senior centers, etc., and they will be bringing one or two of the pups to meet the students.

This event is open to all children in our area, as well. The veterinarian's staff will have gifts for all kids who attend! This is sure to be a fun event, so please make plans now for your kids, grandkids, etc. to attend. No registration is necessary!



Accepting cans/bottles & Lenten coins for Ziah Town Luth. School

If you would like to donate your returnable cans and bottles, the Board of Human Care will now be accepting them **EVERY week!** Just bring your bag to church and an usher will let you know where you can set 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 Liberian School on the front (checks made payable to St. Mark's), or visiting the St. Mark's website, clicking on the online giving button and selecting the fund titled Joe Boway/Liberian School.

Lastly, we are now accepting filled Lenten Coin Holders (please place them in the offering plates when they are filled) to also support the Ziah Town Lutheran School.

Thank you for your continued support of this very important outreach ministry!



St. Stephen, Waterford is offering a helpful seminar

St. Stephen Lutheran Church located at 3795 Sashabaw Road in Waterford is hosting a seminar for everyone on Saturday, **May 13** from 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. (doors open at 8:30 a.m.) called *Christians in a Woke World: A Call to Courage, Confession & Love.* The speaker will be Rev. Paul Dare from Zion Lutheran Church in Alexandria, MN. Rev. Dare wrote the book of the same name and the Bible study that goes with it, and is a frequent speaker at conferences. Here is a synopsis of the seminar:

Systematic racism, privilege, political correctness, woke, anti-racist, social justice are all common words in the world today. What comes to mind when you hear them? Are you able to accurately define them? Does the world seem to be more divided along the lines of race, gender, religion and income? Would you agree that trust in societal institutions such as religion, education, marriage, media and family is diminishing? Does it seem that young people are often losing their Christian faith while attending college? Do you think people desire to be considered a victim or part of a victim group? To understand our world and answer these questions, a Christian in today's America must understand the new Marxism, which is often called Cultural Marxism.

The seminar is free, but seats are limited and registration is required. To register, visit St. Stephen's website at: www.ststephenwaterford.org by Thursday, May 4. If you register and then are unable to attend, please call the church office to cancel at 248-673-6621. There will be a 1-hour break for lunch. You may bring your own lunch or Jimmy John's lunch boxes will be provided upon request for \$12 each. (Sandwich options: ham & cheese, roast beef or turkey.) The lunchbox will include a sandwich, chips, pickle & cookie. Payment for the lunch may be made the day of the event.



MORE URGENT PRAYER'S:

Carolyn Achimov—is receiving chemotherapy.

Helga Gonzalez—is in rehab. for therapy.

Barbara Jewell—is recovering from back surgery.

Julia Ligon—has cognitive issues; is now in assisted living.

Taylor Lockwood—needs extra prayers.

Rose Mielke—is suffering from Dementia.

Rod Oehring—has health issues.

Marlene Steck—has memory/health issues; Hospice is there.

Marilyn Turner—is having health issues.

Art Vermeersch—is having health issues.

Lynne Welty—has health issues; needs blood transfusions.

Carl & Carol Zienert—are having health issues.

Carolyn Achimov's cousin's great-granddaughter, Kennedy

Shallal—is undergoing Leukemia treatments.

Former St. Mark's member, **Jean Pilot**--has cancer; Hospice has been called in.

Friend of St. Mark's, **Tahjanay Ferrell**—needs better housing; is having financial difficulties.

Friend of St. Mark's, Allen Geer—has a shoulder fracture.

Friend of St. Mark's, Thisvi Steiger—back surgery recovery.

Nancy Geer's friend, **Kate Keever**—prayers for decreased pain & healing.

The Hyrkas' son-in-law, **Matt Emery**—undergoing radiation & chemotherapy for throat, tonsil & neck cancer.

Barbara Jewell's friends, **Dick Mason**—was diagnosed with lung cancer, and his wife, **Joyce Mason**—his caregiver.

Barbara Jewell's nephew, **Steve Lichtman**—will be undergoing heart surgery, and his wife, **Tammy**

Lichtman, who will be caring for him.

Barbara Jewell's niece-in-law, **Peg Feiler**—is recovering from surgery and receiving therapy.

Barbara Jewell's nephew, Carl Feiler—diagnosed with prostate and spinal cancer and is caregiver for his wife.

Jennie Kaufman's nephew, Jeff Balhoff—is battling cancer.

Debbie LoCascio's acquaintance, **Marti Edens**—is battling bladder cancer and leg blood clots.

Debbie LoCascio's father, Bob Tippett, Sr.—has Dementia.

The LoCascio's friend, **Chip Cryderman**—is battling cancer, can no longer swallow well.

The LoCascio's friend, **Rhea Thomas**—is receiving chemo. Stephanie Reynolds' son, **Emmett Reynolds**—has Autism.

Carolynn Taylor's grandson's wife, **Stephanie Payton**—is battling breast cancer.

Lynn Thomas' good friend, **Kristy Fresh**—fighting cancer. Lynn Thomas' daughter-in-law, **Linda**—needs strength as caregiver for her mom who has Vascular Dementia.

Cindy Turner's friend, **John Carlton**, from Christ Lutheran, Milford—has Covid pneumonia.

Marilyn Turner's friend, Sue—needs extra prayers.

Marilyn Turner's friend, Tony—needs extra prayers.

Dorothy Vermeersch's cousin, **Marily Eipper**—diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

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Rob Wheeler's dad, **Rick Wheeler**—is recovering from a brain bleed.

Larry Whitehead's cousin, Andra Bruce—has heart issues.

Lori Whitehead's brother-in-law's sister, **Nita Duggin**—may have lung cancer.

Lori Whitehead's friend, Fran Schutz—has had another stroke.

Lori Whitehead's friend, Lori Saliba—has sternum cancer.

Lori Whitehead's friend, Vickie Tucker—battling cancer again.

Lori Whitehead's relative, Callie Weatherford—has terminal brain cancer; is receiving radiation treatments.

The Whiteheads' friend, Bruce Collins—has prostrate cancer.

The Whitehead's friend, Leonard Pittaway—is battling cancer.

ONGOING PRAYERS:

Joan Freeman-is having health issues.

John Freeman—is having health issues.

Joan Freeman's brother, Ernie Sampson—has medical issues.

Friend of St. Mark's, Erika Williams—needs prayers for guidance Barbara Jewell's niece's son, Tim Bridges—is recovering from back surgery

Glenn Jewell's insurance agent, Vicky—is receiving chemotherapy

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

Kay Joslin—is receiving therapy for her hip

Julie Kosmalski-her cancer is in remission

Debbie LoCascio's cousin, Cheryl Tippett—is battling cancer

Debbie LoCascio's friend, Betty Ebejer—is struggling with COPD

Debbie LoCascio's brother, Bob Tippett, Jr.—has a lesion on his liver; will be undergoing more tests

The LoCascio's sister-in-law, Leslie Tippett—is recovering from major back surgery

Debbie LoCascio's cousin, Bob Tanis—is recovering from double knee replacement surgery and receiving therapy.

The LoCascio's friend, Patti Bulinda—is recovering from knee replacement surgery

The LoCascio's friend, John Murelli—is recovering from hip replacement surgery

The LoCascio's neighbor, Laura Jones—is battling cancer Mary Ann Lockwood's cousin's kids—Abigail and Amelia List—

Mary Ann Lockwood's cousin's kids—Abigail and Amelia List-having health issues.

The Salo's daughter-in-law, Joni—is recovering from a stroke; receiving therapy

Jean Swainson's friend's son, Connor Donahue—is in an intensive inpatient rehab center recovering from being hit by a car

Mandy Vergin's father, Bruce Ketcher—health issues have gotten worse.

Dorothy Vermeersch's cousin, Gloria Maire—has medical issues Larry Whitehead's daughter, Tracy Whitehead—prayers for wisdom and guidance



April Birthdays

- Hannah Williams
- 6 Barbara Jewell
- Andrew Vermeersch
- 9 Alexa Ingram
- 11 Haley Benson, Isaiah Vergin
- Chris Gerard 15
- 22 Rose Mielke
- 25 Sophia Hurley
- 27 Steven Allen



April Anniversaries

- Darryl & Jean Swainson
- 40th John & Debbie Sidelinker 44th



Happy 40th, Swainsons!

On April 9, Darryl & Jean Swainson will be celebrating 40 years of marriage. Congratulations, guys! Your friends here at St. Mark's wish you many more happy years together and God bless you!

The God who hides

Isaiah declares, "Truly, you are a God who hides himself, O God of Israel, the Savior" (45:15, ESV). But why would God hide? Isn't our knowing God the point? Martin Luther explained that God hides in unexpected places so as not to be found where the world assumes a god would be — in power, status, fame, wealth — but to be found in weakness, humility and places of suffering.

"Those who have found God in the cross of Jesus Christ," said 20th-century theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer, "know how wonderfully God hides himself in this world and how he is closest precisely when we believe him to be most distant." So God assures us of his presence in the humble manger, among the poor and outcast during his ministry, in the excruciating suffering of the cross, and with us in every struggle.

God hides not to avoid us but so we will discover him precisely where we need him most, and where others need us most.

Special Fund Donations

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

Joe Boway/Liberian Lutheran School: Nancy McInnis, Lynn Thomas Remodeling - Sanctuary: Nancy McInnis Thrivent Choice Funds: Patricia Grunewald, Thisvi Steiger, Lynn Thomas



Thanks for plowing and salting the parking lot!

In early February, our area had a bad snowstorm that left our church parking lot a covered mess. After our member, Jim O'Brien, plowed the lot, some of it melted that afternoon and by the following morning the entire lot was like an ice skating rink!

Our Office Manager, Debbie, put out a call on Facebook to area snow plow companies in order to obtain some bids to salt and touch up the lot. Surprisingly, one company said that since we were a church, they'd be happy to come out and do the work FOR FREE! We couldn't believe it!

Within 4 hours, a large truck with a plow and salter on it showed up. The driver touched up the lot with an additional plowing, then took his time and salted the lot several times. With a smile and a wave, the driver was soon on his way in no time.

St. Mark's offers a sincere thank you to Mike Getts, owner of NDG Lawnscaping Services in White Lake, for tackling a very important job that, if not done, might have resulted in someone falling in our parking lot. He was very kind, friendly and easy to work with. If you ever need snow removal or landscaping done, we hope you'll give Nick a call at (248) 505-7266.

Pastoral Call Process update

With Pastor Vergin's final Sunday being April 16, our congregation will be entering a new chapter in its work to support the Gospel. Here is a summary of what is currently in place, and plans for the near future.



- Rev. Dr. Frank Pies will be preaching the last two Sundays in April
- On Tuesday March 21, our leaders met with the Rev. Dr. Rob Kasper from the Michigan District--LCMS to discuss some of the options regarding filling St. Mark's upcoming pastoral vacancy with pulpit supply pastors (until the Lord sends us a new, permanent pastor). Also discussed was how to move forward in calling our next, permanent pastor. With this information, our elders are now working to 1) secure a vacancy pastor, and 2) establish a Call Committee to begin the journey of calling a new pastor to be our next shepherd!
- Once we have our vacancy pastor in place, the Call Committee will be formed. Our church's By-Laws state that the Board of Elders serve as the Pastoral Call Committee. The elders plan to invite a few "non-elder" members of the congregation to participate on this call committee, as well.

Please continue praying for our congregation and our Call Committee. Additional updates will be provided as the process moves forward. If you have any questions about the process, feel free to contact Darryl Swainson or Tom LoCascio.



We are seeking pre-wrapped candy

St. Mark's Board of Family & Youth is asking for donations of pre-wrapped candy that will then be stuffed into Easter eggs for the Children's Egg Hunt on Easter morning. If you'd like to donate a bag or two, it would be so very appreciated! Donations can be left on the floor outside of the church office and should be turned in **no later than Palm Sunday**, April 2.

Thanks in advance for your help!

Bible Studies

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Nights in Christ program! This program for youth is both educational, fun and free to all children.

Each Wednesday, we serve a simple dinner to kids and their parents from 5:15 - 5:45 p.m. After that, the kids enjoy hearing a different Bible lesson each week as they help our teachers place Bible characters and background decor on a large, felt flannel board. Lastly, the kids will either make a craft, play games, or be taught some life skills by a special speaker.

Don't wait to register! If you know of a youth that would like to attend, visit St. Mark's website at www.stmarkwb.org to sign them up!



Church volunteers are needed

We are seeking additional church member volunteers for the following church positions below. Can we count on you to help?

- **Greeters** arrive 15-20 minutes before our Sunday services approximately once every other month to greet those entering the sanctuary
- Offering Counters you and a partner would count offerings on Sundays during a specific month of your choosing
- Ushers distribute bulletins on Sunday mornings, collect the offerings during the service, send people up for Communion in groups of 12, etc., normally one Sunday per month
- · Video Technicians Record Pastor's sermons in the choir loft once or twice a month

If you would like to help in one or more of these areas, please contact the following: for greeters - Debbie LoCascio (debbie@stmarkwb.org); for Offering Counters - Lori Whitehead (whiteheadll2010@gmail.com); for ushers and video technicians - Darryl Swainson (dswain001@yahoo.com).

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For the latest church news, visit our website



What types of information can you find on St. Mark's website (www.stmarwb.org)?

- Monthly church calendars
- Sunday bulletins
- Weekly announcements
- 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!

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Holy Week

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Then, on Thursday, April 6, we will observe Maundy Thursday. On this day, we remember our Lord's institution of Holy Communion on the night of His betrayal. The service will begin at 7:00 p.m., and will end with the traditional stripping of the altar.

On, Friday, April 7, we will observe Good Friday. On this day, we remember our Lord's crucifixion. The service on this night will be the service of Tenebrae Vespers (Service of Darkness) and will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Then on Sunday, April 9, we will celebrate Easter Sunday, as we remember and rejoice in our Lord's resurrection from the dead. Our service on Easter Sunday will be held at 9:30 a.m. and will be followed by a potluck breakfast and children's egg hunt. A sign-up sheet for the potluck is located by the glass doors in our entryway.

We hope you will join us for these special services! And be sure to invite your friends and family as well!

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Sunday Divine Service 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Adult Bible Class 10:45 a.m.

Wednesday Nights in Christ 5:15 p.m. (Sep. - May)

Men's Bible Study/Breakfast - One Saturday per mo. 9 a.m.

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
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2 Palm/Passion Sunday Elder: Charlie Powell 9:30am Divine Service 10:45am Adult Bible Class	Pastor's Day Off	4 7pm - Bd. Of Elders Mtg.	5:15 Wed. Nights in Christ	6 Maundy Thursday Pastor out of office in p.m. 7pm Divine Service Elder: Tom LoCascio	7 Good Friday 7pm Tenebrae Vespers Elder: Darryl Swainson	8
9 Resurrection of our Lord Elder: Tom LoCascio 9:30am Divine Service 11am Easter Breakfast 11:30am Kids' Egg Hunt	Pastor's Day Off	7pm Meeting with Rev. David Davis, Michigan District LCMS	12 5:15 Wed. Nights in Christ	13 10am Quilting Bee Pastor out of office in p.m.	14	15
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