143rd Year July 29-30, 2017

EIGHTH WEEK AFTER PENTECOST

Welcome, Guests!

We have a gift mug for you available at all three of our entrances.

Please pick one up after the service.

We are glad to have you in worship today.

May God bless you with his love and grace.

—Board of Evangelism

Special Prayers

Doris Fastenau, broken hip Connie Kirkland, undergoing biopsy Erna Salger, back pain Mike Vallett, hospitalized Dispute resolution hearing

Continuing Prayer Concerns

Leslie Duvall	Elijah Rabacchi	George Salger
Debra Guebert	Gloria Moore	Ali Gerlach
Marilyn Dailey	Linda Ethridge	Mary Lou Millsap
Julie Heil	Tiffany Troue Denyer	Jim Mevert
Karen Williams	Daniel Smith	Paul Wicker
Sondra Mahnken	Michael Vallett	Don Ritter
Elizabeth Ebersol	Judy Wedemeyer	Alan Uchtman
Rick Mathis (Bruce Mathis' brother)		Janet Davis (Tracy Vallett's mother)
Andy Schorr (Carol Mayer's brother)	Dav	vid Jensen (Karen Chamness' brother)
Roy Thornton (Vicky Potter's father)	Ronald	Ohlau (Linda Mulholland's stepfather)
Daniel Bell (Lisa Greatting's brother)	Robert Holle	ey (Norlyn & Jane Kingsten's grandson)

Michelle Thies, daughter-in-law of Gerald & Ruth Ann Thies

Reconciliation with District & Synod

Care Center Residents

Delores Doss	Avonell Salger	Norma Wolters
Irma Wente	Eileen Clements	Shelly Fedderke
Norma Rodewald	Judy Clasen	Betty Middendorf
Mildred Eggemeyer	Donna Jungewaelter	Wayne Mueller
Lavera Biermann	Doris Salger	Anita Rohlfing
Caroline Fiene	Beulah Weaver	Millie Kahre

Military Personnel & Their Families

Justin Asbury	Casey Vallett	Andrew Grab	Cory Jeffers
Richard Thompson	Tim Eichenseer	Justin Parker	Denny Ernsting
Kevin Kahre	Ethan Pierce	John Magelitz	Zach Mogavero
Rodney Anderson	Bill Ingles	Matt Kraus	

We respect the privacy of our members and friends and will not pray for you publicly unless it is requested and we know we have your permission.

Mission Prayer

Remember God's work in His Church as you pray::

- for Lutheran churches around the world that are dealing with strife between their members. Pray that the Lord would guide them to a peaceful resolution that would strengthen their witness to the community.
- for safe travel between and within countries in each world region. Pray that pastors, missionaries, medical teams and all others who travel to assist partner churches would be kept safe and healthy in order that the Gospel might be proclaimed to the far corners of creation.

Dispute Resolution Hearing

The hearing was held last Tuesday and we should know within 30 days what decision was reached by the panel. It did not go as well as we expected but there is still hope, so please pray about it.

Bible Study Opportunities

Monday @ 6:30 p.m. @ Hook, Line & Sinker Restaurant (*Table Talk*) Wednesday @ 10:00 a.m. in Meeting Room (*Ladies*)

Bible Readings

From Lutheran Service Book Daily Lectionary, pp299-304		
Sunday, July 30	1 Samuel 15:10-35; Acts 24:24–25:12	
Monday, July 31	1 Samuel 16:1-23; Acts 25:13-27	
Tuesday, August 1	1 Samuel 17:1-19; Acts 26:1-23	
Wednesday, August 2	1 Samuel 17:20-47; Acts 26:24–27:8	
Thursday, August 3	1 Samuel 17:48–18:9; Acts 27:9-26	
Friday, August 4	1 Samuel 18:10-30; Acts 27:27-44	
Saturday, August 5	1 Samuel 19:1-24; Acts 28:1-15	

Our Stewardship of Time & Talents

July	29-30	
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Organist: Carol Lowe

Altar Guild:

Christa Parker, Marilyn Wente

Acolytes:

Cayton Cratch, Bailey Grimm Jaret Ehlers, Summer Hassebrock

Greeters:

Brenda Miesner Mary Lou Goetting

Elders:

Rick Ebers

Mike Mayer, Steve Smith

August 5-6

Organist: Janet Wicker

Altar Guild:

Marilyn Wente, Lorene Word

Acolytes:

Jackson Knop, Caris Ruby

Brenden Lindenberg, Gillian Valleroy

Greeters:

Lana Holloway

Herman & Darlene Mayer

Elders:

Steve Smith

Rick Ebers, Brian Smith

Attendance

Worship: 7/22-23	Saturday: 72; Sunday: 94; Total: 166	
Avg. Worship YTD 2017:	Saturday: 79; Sunday: 137; Total: 216	
Bible Study:	. Sunday: N/A; Monday: N/A; Wednesday: 5	
Contemporary 7/20: 12		

Remember there are Activity Bags for the children to use during the services.

Quilt Raffle

We need help selling our Quilt Raffle tickets for this year. We have tickets and pictures of the quilt available in the church office.

St. Mark's School Notes

Parents mark your calendars! Registration for the 2017-2018 school year will be Tuesday, August 1st from 11 am-7 pm. Things will be handled a little differently this year. The teachers will be in their classrooms to greet the parents and students. The financial part of registration will still be completed in the cafeteria with family registration packets already compiled for you. Please remember to make any necessary changes and complete your student's biographical form and bring it and all medical forms with you to registration.

Yearbooks will again be available during registration for the 2017-2018 school year You will find them in your families registration packet in the cafeteria. If you are unable to attend registration please make sure to stop by school when someone is in the office to pick up your copy.

Classrooms have changed! Things have been moving around at St. Mark's! On the bottom floor the old 1st grade classroom is now our latchkey room and the old 2nd grade class is now the new 1st grade classroom. Take the steps up to the second floor and the old 3rd grade classroom has become 2nd grade and right across the hall is the new 3rd grade class but 4th grade stayed in the same room. Last but not least on the top floor the school library is the 8th grade classroom and the old 8th grade classroom is the new 5th grade classroom! Are you confused yet? It's pretty simple to figure out and it should work out fine!

St. Mark's Lutheran School is seeking a full time 5th - 8th grade Math and Science Teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. The applicant needs to have excellent organization, lesson planning, and communication skills along with being a team player. To apply, please send cover letter, resume, references, and credentials to St. Mark's School. Illinois Teaching License required.

By email at: jbrand.sml@gmail.com or by mail to:

St. Mark's Lutheran School Attn: Jacqueline Brand, Principal 504 N. James Street Steeleville, IL 62288

St. Mark's is thrilled to welcome 2 new faculty members and 2 new staff members to our St. Mark's School family. Mrs. Jacqueline Brand from Pinckneyville is our new Administrator/8th grade teacher and Miss Alexa Zachies will serve as our 2nd grade teacher and she comes to us from Okawville. They will be sharing more personal information later. The new head cook is Devin Bayer and her assistant is Valerie Taylor both members of St. Mark's. We look forward to working with them this year and in the years ahead!

Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School

Work Day at COS: Join us on August 5 at 9:00 am and help us to complete several work projects at COS both inside and outside. Lunch will be provided. Bring gloves rakes, shovels and any other supplies you think may be helpful. A wheelbarrow or wagon may be helpful to haul off debris. Please call the school to volunteer.

Save the date! It is back-to-school time. Plan to join us as we open the 2017-2018 school year with a worship service at St. Peter's Evansville on August 13 at 2:00 pm. After the service, all are invited to St. John's Ruma for an ice cream social.

Office Hours: Normal school year office hours will resume August 1. The office will be open 8:00-4:00, Monday – Friday.

It's not too late! Registrations are still being accepted for all classes for 2017-2018. The first day of classes is August 15. Financial assistance is available. For more information, contact Michele Christman, mchristman@coslhs.org.

Help Needed

We are seeking volunteers to input attendance records. In recent past this has been done by a single person for a month with 3 individuals rotating months. We have some volunteers wishing to step down but it would also be good to have a few more volunteers. A basic knowledge of computers is useful but not required. If you would like to help call the church office at 965-3192.

This Week @ St. Mark's		
Sat., July 29	6:00 PM	Worship Service
Sun., July 30	9:00 AM	Worship Service with Communion
Mon., July 31	6:30 PM	Table Talk @ Hook, Line & Sinker
Tuesday, August 1	7:00 PM	Board of Evangelism
Wednesday, August 2	10:00 AM	Bible Class
Thursday, August 3	7:00 PM	Board of Elders
Friday, August 4		
Sat., August 5	6:00 PM	Worship Service
Sun., August 6	9:00 AM	Worship Service with Communion

Home-Made Ice Cream Social

The Board of Evangelism is planning a Home-Made Ice Cream Social at 7:00 PM on August 12th immediately after the Saturday Church Service. This will take place in the Park directly in front of Church. All are welcome - an absolute free event. Bring a chair & have some fun enjoying freshly made ice-cream.

Change for Change

This is a simple fundraiser to help with everyday expenses at the church and school. Thank you for your donations. It is easy to donate, simply place your spare change in the jars located at each entrance.

Recycling



We take your unwanted metal items and turn them into cash for the church budget. Thank you for donating these items and thank you to the people who help with loading and unloading. Continue to save that your metal items, instead of pitching it, and call Mike at 618-317-1058 to have it picked up for recycling.