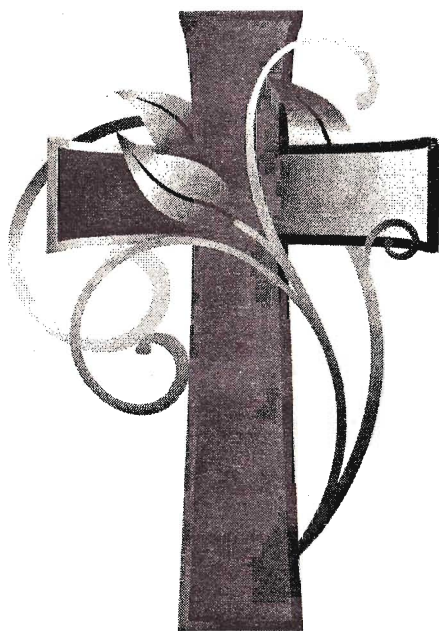


*With Gratitude for the
Service and Leadership
of
The Reverend Kenneth R. Elkin
Sunday, December 18, 2016*



*St. Mark's Lutheran Church
142 Market Street, Williamsport, PA*

Program

The Holy Communion

10:30 a.m. in the Nave

The Celebration

continues in Fellowship Hall, 12:00 p.m.

Mistress of Ceremony: Joyce Hershberger

Welcoming Remarks

President of Council: Ray Huff

Invocation

Dinner

Turkey and filling

Mashed potatoes

Corn

Rolls

Cutting of the Cake

The Reverend Patrick Rooney, Sr. of STS

Additional Remarks

The Reverend Stephen Shipman

Additional additional Remarks

Entertainment

Please join in as indicated

Presentation of the Gifts

Final Prayer of Thanksgiving and Benediction

The Reverend Patrick Rooney

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Fa-mi-ly Promise
Chrismons for the Tree
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Sessions of The Way
and a real, live, gi-normous
Christmas Tree

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Hand-made Paschal Candles
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The Tenure of Ken Elkin
(to the tune of *The 12 Days of*
Christmas)

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*He is the very model of a man who runs around a lot,
Not only that, he really likes to fly and so tra-vel a lot.
He knows about the prophets, and can quote the verse
that's biblical.*

*From testament to testament including all the
miracles.*

*He's very well acquainted, too, with matters
catechetical,*

*He understands the students, both the young
ones and parent-ical,*

*About the L-B-double-u he's teeming with a lot o' news,
With many cheerful facts we have to learn, we don't
have time to lose.*

*He's very good at saying words, so very inexplicable;
He knows the theologic names of matters metaphysical:
In all things ecumenical, botanical, historical,
He is the very picture of a pastor, prototypical.*

*He knows our hymnal melodies (the ones that are not
singable)*

*He plays the organ and bassoon (though they're not
interchangeable),*

*He composed many psalmodies to sing of things
liturgical,*

*He uses words which are, for us, extremely
problematical;*

*He can tell when we are thinking hard and waits for
us impatiently,*

*We know the answers are beyond God, Jesus, or the
Trinity!*

*"By grace through faith is how we're saved!" that's one
which we have tried before;*

*Baptism or communion, when they're wrong we claim
a metaphor?*

*A teaching tool he loves to use is one of iconography
Curating and displaying here for all who want to
learn and see.*

*In all things ecumenical, botanical, historical,
He is the very picture of a pastor, prototypical.*

*He plants with ease, pulls all the weeds, with hoe he
cares for all the rows
of vegetables and much more—he cooks and eats all
that he grows.*

*His culinary skills absorb him, making him
profoundly deaf;*

*But that is how we rise to win that contest we call
Iron Chef.*

*And through that, we have earned a lot to help with
local homelessness,*

*Because of him, F-P-L-C is here, and we are truly
blessed.*

*In short, he helps where e'er he can, determined to
improve our lot*

*When needed he just up and gives in any way with
all he's got.*

*For kindness and compassion our young folk are, oh,
so well aware;*

*He's led us, taught us, oh, so much and that's
because he truly cares;*

*In all things ecumenical, botanical, historical,
He is the very picture of a pastor, prototypical.*