



# The Lion of St. Mark's

JULY 2014



## Celebrate With Us!

Bring a friend and a lawn chair for our annual front lawn celebration this July 4, 2014.

- ◆ 4:30 Set-up for the festivities
- ◆ 6:00 Refreshments begin
- ◆ 7:30 Patriotic program in our Nave
- ◆ 9:30 Fireworks

With only a few days until the big day  
and very limited vendor support as of this time,  
much needs to be done.

We are in need of the following items for the more than 400 people  
who join us on our front lawn  
and in the Nave for our patriotic program.

**It would be helpful to have all donated items at the church by July 3, 2014.**

- ◆ Small pieces of candy (Tootsie Rolls, Bubble Gum, Smarties)
- ◆ Bottled water (8 or 10 oz.) for the littlest ones
- ◆ Individually bagged snacks (pretzels, fruit snacks)
- ◆ Bags of popping corn
- ◆ Lemonade mix
- ◆ Money to offset the cost of ice, trinkets, hotdogs and rolls.

Checks may be made payable to St. Mark's and earmarked for the Fourth of July.

## But the biggest need is YOU!!!!

We need folks to help set-up, serve drinks and snacks,  
pass out trinkets, pop popcorn,  
grill hotdogs and clean up  
before the start of the fireworks.

The more folks who volunteer,  
the less time any one person needs to serve.  
Working together we can have a great event  
for the community and ourselves.



**Speak with or call Declan Jones @ 570-932-1111 or  
email me @ [fighterjock26@gmail.com](mailto:fighterjock26@gmail.com)  
ASAP to serve.**

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## Council Update

The Congregation Council met in regular session on May 19, 2014 in the Crossways Room.

The Council:

† met and began to put into place an initial plan for the reconciliation process.

## Welcome summer volunteer musicians!



We need musicians who would like to contribute their talents to enhance summer worship.

Anyone who wants to sing, play an instrument as solo, duet, or more, talk to Jungwha. Her email is [jkim@stmarkswilliamsport.org](mailto:jkim@stmarkswilliamsport.org) or call her at the church: 323-4619 or on her cell: 560-3627.

No age limitations from infant to any age!

Let's sing and play so that we can praise the Lord through our musical gifts.

## Staff & Officers Contact Information

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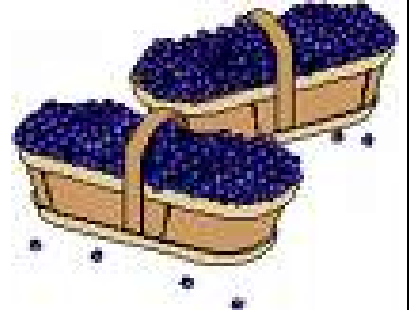
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# Blueberry Lovers Unite!



**Join us  
July 12th  
9:00 A.M.**



**We're cooking with blueberries!  
If you want to learn how to make one or more  
of these tasty treats now's your chance:**

**Blueberry Muffins**



**Blueberry Cobbler**



**Blueberry Buckle**

**A light lunch will be provided.**

**Donations of supplies and/or money is appreciated!**

**Contact Janet (570) 772-1184 or e-mail her at  
[jgmacookie@comcast.net](mailto:jgmacookie@comcast.net)**

**A sign up sheet is outside of Bernadette's office.**

## Lunch 'N' Fellowship

**Wednesday, July 16th Noon**

**Serving Cold Salads!**

**Pastor will present a brief program on his recent adventure  
on the original route of the Camino in northern Spain.**

**Bring a dish to share and a friend!**

# MILESTONE MINISTRY

## PROGRESSIONS



On Sunday, August 3, we recognize those young adults who have just graduated from high school and are heading out on their own, be it college, the military, or employment. We also recognize parents as they experience their children leaving the nest. May they come to understand that the only way we truly keep hold of something is by letting go and that they take comfort in the knowledge that God will be with these young people as they take the next step in their lives.

We pray that God will be with all of them and guide them into a new, stronger relationship with each other and with Him.

At an extended hospitality after the 10:30 service, hopefully in the courtyard, there will be opportunity to wish the youth well, encourage the parents and record contact information.



## 70+, SINGLE AND STILL PRAISING GOD

Is for seniors who are widowed or were never married. On Sunday, August 10, we will honor them for their years of service and friendship. When they RSVP to the event, we ask them to let us know 2-3 hymns which had significance in their lives. These are incorporated into the service that day or used for a sing-a-long after lunch. We request a memento or photograph of each from an important moment in his or her young adulthood and create a display for the event. Invitations will soon be sent.

## BLESSING OF THE KEYS

We have a special milestone celebration for the youth in our congregation who attain their junior driver's licenses. *BUT YOU NEED TO TELL US WHO SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED!!*



Please remember, we are human and therefore fallible (along with our computers).  
If you or a friend have not received notification of any of these milestones  
and feel that you should, *PLEASE CALL US!!*

# SUMMER FORUM JULY TOPICS!

Come to the Crossways Room for a wide variety of topics and conversation sparked by videos on Sunday mornings at 9:15 this summer.

The topics are:

**July 6** – “*On the Camino Santiago*” Pastor Elkin will have just returned from his adventure on the original route of the Camino in northern Spain.

**July 13** – “*The Gospel of Judas and other Gnostic Secrets Revealed*” the so-called ancient secret wisdom that was rejected by the church, for good reason.

**July 20** – “*Brotherly Love*,” an episode of the old Dick Van Dyke show will start our conversation.

**July 27** – “*Biblical Food*”, featuring amateur archaeologist Simcha Jacanovini leading irreverent, entertaining, and eye-opening investigations from the ancient world.



# Wilderness Escape



## CALLING ALL FAMILIES TO WILDERNESS ESCAPE VBS,

A SUMMER FAMILY event WHERE "God Guides and Provides." Families Step back in time at Wilderness Escape, exploring some of the adventures Faced by MOSES and the ISRAELITES. Kids

and adults participate at the ISRAELITE Camp, Sing catchy SONGS, play teamWORK-BUILDING games, dig INTO Bible-TIMES SNACKS, visit MOSES, and collect Bible MEMORY BUDDIES to remind THEM OF God'S Word. PLUS, everyone LEARNS to LOOK FOR evidence OF God ALL around THEM THROUGH SOMETHING called God SIGHTINGS.



**WILDERNESS ESCAPE WILL RUN EVENINGS  
FROM MONDAY, JULY 21, THROUGH FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2014**

**STUDENTS, TEEN ASSISTANTS, & ADULT  
VOLUNTEERS NEED TO REGISTER ON-LINE VIA  
[STMARKSWILLIAMSPORT.ORG](http://STMARKSWILLIAMSPORT.ORG)!**

## Items needed for VBS



If anyone has striped sheets in desert colors, they would be great for helping to set the mood in our market stalls! We also need woven blankets or mats for in the stalls or classrooms. If you can loan us any of these items, we would greatly appreciate it!

*Please make sure your name is labeled securely on any items you bring in.*

# Kits but no Caboodles!

Bags for this year's School Kits will be in the Narthex in July.

Please take one (or more) and fill it during the summer  
with the school supplies listed on the attached slip.

You can make a difference in the lives of children in impoverished schools or refugee camps.

Other types of kits are also being requested.

**You can make up a Personal Care Kit, a Baby Care Kit, or a Fabric Kit.**

Items needed for these kits are listed on handout sheets in the Narthex.

**Soap bars (in the original wrappings) can also be donated.**

All kits and soap bars are due in September.



**Won't you share our incredible blessings with those less fortunate?**

## Fabric Kit

2 pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric  
(no knits or 100% polyester). Each piece  
should match one of the sizes below:

- 2¼ yards of 60" wide fabric, or
- 3 yards of 44" wide fabric, or
- 4 yards of 36" wide fabric

2 spools of neutral-colored all  
purpose thread, 250-300 yards

Fabric should have no stains or holes.  
Pieces do not need to match in size or  
color/pattern. Fold thread and one piece  
of fabric inside second fabric piece and  
tie with yarn, sturdy string, ribbon or a  
strip of fabric.



## Personal Care Kit

- 1 light-weight bath-size towel (max. 52" X 27"), dark col-  
or
- 2 bath-size bars (4 to 5 oz.) of soap, any brand, wrapped
- 1 adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging
- 1 sturdy comb, remove packaging
- 1 metal nail clippers - remove packaging

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items  
listed. All items should be new and in good condition.  
Wrap all the items in the towel and tie securely with rib-  
bons or yarn.

## School Kit

- 4 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper  
approximately 8" X 10½"; no loose-leaf paper
  - 1 30-centimeter ruler, or with centimeters and inches
  - 1 pencil sharpener
  - 1 blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
  - 5 unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
  - 5 black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
  - 1 box of 16 or 24 crayons
  - 1 2½" eraser
  - 1 sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag approximately 14" X 17" with  
shoulder straps (no standard backpacks)
- Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. All items should be  
new & in good condition. Remove any excess packaging, pack all items in bag  
and close.



## Layette Kit

- 2 lightweight cotton t-shirts
- 2 long- or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- 2 receiving blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted  
or knitted with lightweight yarn, up to 52" square
- 4 cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- 1 jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap
- 2 pairs of socks
- 2 bars of gentle soap (4-5 oz bars)
- 1 hand towel, dark color wrapped
- 2 diaper pins or large safety pins



Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. Gently  
used, clean items (no stains or tears) or new. Wrap items in one of  
the receiving blankets and secure with diaper pins.

## Daniel's Closet

Spring and summer clothing in good condition, accessories and shoes in all sizes from infant to adult are needed. The greatest needs are for children's clothing, plus size clothing for men and women and shoes and sneakers for children and adults.



**July's outreach is scheduled as follows:**

Drop-Off at Redeemer Lutheran Church will be Thursday, July 24, 2014 from 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm.

Other times for drop off may be arranged by calling Redeemer's office at 570-322-2333.

Michele Owen has also offered to take any clothing brought to St. Mark's to Redeemer.

Distribution will be Saturday, July 26, 2014 from 9:00 am – 11:00 am.

## There is no Vacation from Hunger!



Summertime can be especially difficult for families experiencing food insecurity. Schools are no longer available to offer breakfast and lunch to these children. Thus families need to stretch their too-few dollars even further. You can help ease this hardship by donating a can or two of food.

The Social Ministry Committee continues to accept non-perishable food items for use by the United Churches Food Bank. Additionally hygiene items in regular sizes are also being accepted for the Shepherd of the Streets' office. All donations may be placed in the tubs in the Narthex.

Recently 82 various hygiene items were delivered to the Shepherd of the Streets office. As has been the case many times in the past, Dr. Morris Smith was relieved and grateful to receive our donations in that the shelves were nearly bare.

## Got Stuff? We Can Sell It!!!



The Women of St. Mark's need your no-longer-needed items for our annual bazaar. We are asking for house wares, small kitchen appliances, linens, small pieces of furniture, lamps, jewelry, holiday decorations, knickknacks, books, toys, games, handbags, totes, pictures, mirrors, tools and treasures of all kinds.

If you are reorganizing, redecorating or cleaning out those nooks and crannies, think of our sale and place those items in the Bazaar Room. When you deposit your donations please try to keep items as far away from the door as possible.

We are asking anyone who is placing items in the Bazaar Room to pack them securely in a box that we can move easily at the time of the bazaar. **For your convenience**

**several small boxes are available in the Bazaar Room for smaller items that you have brought in plastic bags.**

We **cannot** accept cribs, mattresses, car seats, broken or non-working items of any kind, mismatched plastic containers, outdated computers or electronics, TV's, textbooks, encyclopedias or large pieces of exercise equipment. Clothing may be donated to Daniel's Closet.

*This year's Fall Bazaar will be  
Saturday, September 13, 2014 from 9 am ~*

# Charitable Contributions Deduction

Would you still support your church if there was no tax deduction for your gift? That's a decision many donors may have to make if the latest proposal from House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Dave Camp becomes law. The proposal is for a 2% floor for all charitable donations similar to the 10% floor (7 ½% for those over 65) on the deduction for medical expenses. For example, if your total income is \$50,000. You would only be able to deduct charitable contributions that exceed \$1,000 (\$50,000 X 2%).

President Obama also wants to limit charitable donations but only for wealthier donors. The President wants to limit tax savings on charitable donations to 28%. Only taxpayers in brackets greater than 28% would be affected. The 31% tax bracket begins for married couples whose income exceeds \$223,050 this year.

Some believe Representative Camp's proposal would hurt middle income taxpayers. He disagrees. His plan would increase the standard deduction to \$22,000 for a married couple filing jointly (currently \$12,400). Many taxpayers would no longer need to itemize under this plan. Only those taxpayers with higher incomes would lose some of their charitable deductions due to the 2% threshold if they itemize.

Representative Camp's tax plan would also give taxpayers until April 15th of the following year to give to charities. This is similar to the current deadline for contributing to an IRA. Allowing the extension would make it easier to know whether taxpayers have reached that 2% floor and need to accelerate contributions. Representative Mike Kelly of Pennsylvania likes the idea of extending the deadline for charitable contributions. He has introduced a standalone bill to put the extension into law without the other tax law changes.

Still others believe a 2% floor could actually encourage giving. As a taxpayer nears the floor, they may give more to get over the threshold. Many charitable donations are given to a church or synagogue. This type of giving may not be motivated by tax deductions. In fact, the vast majority of Americans say taxes are not the main reason for their decision to give to a charity\*. However, they do like the charitable deduction. A 2011 USA Today/Gallup Poll found that 71% of people opposed eliminating the charitable deduction.

The charitable deduction costs the government about \$44 billion a year in lost revenue. Any serious attempt at tax reform will have to reduce or reform the deduction. Camp's objective is to limit deductions in order to lower overall tax rates. He believes a better code will produce a better economy and result in \$2.2 billion more in annual contributions to charity.

*Rick Rodgers, CFP®, CRPC®  
Certified Retirement Counselor  
Founder/CEO of Rodgers & Associates*

## Helping Hands Day—July 16th

Formerly Tweens Day, this annual event has been expanded to include anyone of any age with the ability and the time to help some members of our church family with outdoor (or any other) tasks they are unable to do for themselves.

We will meet at 8:30 in Fellowship Hall and take off from there. If you have gloves or tools, bring them along. Water will be provided while you work and you'll be back in time to eat with everyone at Lunch'n'Fellowship. A movie will follow for anyone who wants to stay.





## Funding for kids to attend Camp is Available!

CAMP MOUNT LUTHER - Camp Mount Luther is making Christ Known through the beauty of creation, and serving the people of Central Pennsylvania. At this time St. Mark's is covering at least 50% of the cost of camps presented by Camp Mount Luther. If you have a child interested in attending a camp, information can be found online at "Camp Mount Luther" on facebook and their website <http://www.campmountluther.org/>. Please contact Michele Owen if you have any questions. A complete listing of summer camps for 2014 has been printed and is hanging outside Michele's office, this includes guidelines and costs. There are also day camps available. At camp, all can experience:



M usic and Worship  
 O utdoor Adventure  
 U nconditional Love  
 N ature Education  
 T errific Food  
 L utheran Tradition  
 U nlimited Fun  
 T op-Notch Staff  
 H igh Safety Standards  
 E xploration of God's Word  
 R enewal of Self

## Ongoing Collections

The Penny Chest in the narthex is always available for donations, we appreciate every cent and the money collected goes to our youth activities.

We are still collecting stamps and they can be placed in the basket in the narthex. The stamps are used in various activities for those in rehabilitation/physical therapy.

Tabs are collected all year round and are donated to the Ronald McDonald House which helps with their cost of maintenance, electricity, etc. Tabs can be dropped off in the narthex or in the clear container in Fellowship Hall.

## Habitat for Humanity Workers Need Lunch



Currently the Greater Lycoming Habitat for Humanity is working on a home build on Diamond Street in Newberry. Our congregation has been asked to participate by providing a lunch for the volunteers.

**We are officially scheduled to provide an on-site lunch on Saturday, July 26, 2014 at 11:30 a.m.**

We will need donations of food and money for supplies plus individuals to serve. Donna Elkin, Todd Smith and I are already on board. Monetary donations can be made payable to St. Mark's with the memo line designating "Habitat luncheon." Look for a list of needed food items in upcoming Sunday bulletins. Speak with Becky Miller Pryor for additional information or to volunteer.

# Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend

## ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES!

Fall is the perfect time to fall in love with your spouse all over again!



That is what couples overwhelmingly report is the result of attending a Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend, whether you have been married a year or 50 years! Weekends run from Friday at 8 PM to Sunday around 4 PM, and you can reserve your spot by paying a \$45 per couple registration fee. Toward the end of the weekend, you will then be given an opportunity to make a confidential contribution of whatever amount you wish toward continuation of the program. Two nights lodging, 5 meals for each of you, and all supplies are included. Sign up **now** to get the Fall 2014 Weekend of your choice:

- † **September 12-14** at Spruce Lake Retreat Center, Canadensis, PA--brand-new, beautiful, hotel-style building on Spruce Lake in the heart of the Poconos, an hour north of Allentown.
- † **September 26-28** at the Olmsted Retreat Center in Ludlow, PA--lovely, hotel-style retreat center perched on a hillside in the Allegheny National Forest, an hour north of DuBois.

To sign up for a Weekend, simply go to the website: **www.GodLovesMarriage.org**, fill out the form, and pay the registration fee with a credit card, or select the option to mail a check.

For questions, or if you would like a brochure with registration form mailed to you, contact PA Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, at: **fjschamber@comcast.net** or **724-325-3166**.

## The News in Our Pews

At last we are getting into Summer weather – seemed like it would never come but now I am enjoying the beautiful iris that I acquired from **Donna Boston**, the "iris queen." On my kitchen table is a beautiful brown specimen – thanks to Donna for sharing!

On May 30 **Tom Waffenschmidt** became a naturalized citizen in a ceremony in federal court in Williamsport. He also gave the keynote speech to the other 32 admittees, praising the virtues of the United States. **Lucille Weaver** was one of the Daughters of the American Revolution present to greet the 33 new U.S. citizens and to pass out U.S. flags. Congratulations to Tom!

This month **Lorraine Barone** was certified by the Pennsylvania Human Resources Institute after completing a test administered by the group. Lorraine is a human resource person at Jersey Short Steel. Good work!

Next month I would like to feature our graduating seniors with their plans for the fall. Also would like to include any awards that they received. I ask your help in sending the information to me at **deermountain2@comcast.net**- If I don't get your input I would not be able to include your graduate and I don't want to miss anyone!

Last of all a warning to those of you who are in the woods or even in their garden- be attentive to the presence of deer ticks which seem to be heavy this year. **Harold** had his own experience and we were very fortunate to go to the urgent care facility and see our own **Drew Haussmann** – what a relief to see someone we know and trust! Thank you, Drew!

*~Joyce Anne Hershberger*

*Please submit items to Joyce via her email **deermountain2@comcast.net** or call her at 322-0410.*

## Thank You Notes

Dear Ladies (girls),

Your thoughtfulness meant so much. The lovely luncheon the bible cover & the happy wishes were so much appreciated. Thank you all so much and as I said... 'I'll miss you all!'

Beth Shafranko

To the members and friends of St Mark's Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for your generous contribution of \$62.50 that you recently gave to the work of Yokefellowship Prison Ministry. What a blessing it was to receive this love gift to help further the work and ministry.

Just this week, we received several letters from inmate locally and several in other states who wish to continue their personal relationship with the Lord. It is such a joy to receive these letters requesting Bible study materials and information about their walk with the Lord. We personally answer every request and are able to send the first study book of a series by another ministry, where they are also able to request others from that particular ministry. We recognize the vastness of God's vineyard and it is our hope and desire to work in unity with others.

From our state annual report, Yokefellowship is currently ministering in 48 correctional facilities, which is such a blessing! We praise the Lord for HIS faithfulness to supply our volunteers who faithfully go into these facilities every week and help to shape and see lives transformed by the Living Word.

Thank you again for your faithfulness and helping to reach these precious souls for Christ.

Pastor Danesta (Nessie) Whaley,  
Director YPM Upper Susquehanna Valley,  
Regional Director North Central PA

Dear St. Mark Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your recent gift to Camp Mount Luther. Your donation provides an important foundation for the faith formation of children, youth and adults. God continues to change lives here at camp. On behalf of our Board of Directors and Staff, I want to express my deepest thanks and appreciated for your prayers and support of our ministry. Summer 2014 is upon us and we look forward to sharing life-changing experiences with all who will take part in our programs.

This letter acknowledges the following gift, recorded on 5/27/2014: \$100 for Synod Mission Support (Annual). Sharing the Gospel through outdoor ministries wouldn't be possible without your support. We truly thank you for keeping our ministry strong by contributing to Camp Mount Luther and helping us to share Christ and plant seeds!

God's Peace,  
Chad W. Hershberger,  
Executive Director

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your contribution. God will surely bless you for your generosity. Without you we could not do what we are doing for the poor.

I hope you know how much we need your help and how much we appreciate each and every donation.

God bless you. You are in my prayers each day.

Love,  
Sister Henry  
St. Anthony's

♪ “Down by the riverside, down by the riverside...” ♪



If you weren't there, you missed a wonderful time!!!

Lots of excellent food, good friends, relaxing fellowship.

Volleyball, croquet, fishing, swimming, cooking and eating were all going at once. A truly epic battle took place in the croquet arena—be sure to ask Connie Shaible, Beth Shafranko, Jane Kline, Donna Elkin, Ken Schrekengast, or Bernadette about it!!!

A lot of good conversation, good food, good fun, good...oh, you get the drift!

Please, please, join us next year!!!

We missed all those who were unable to share the day with us!!

## Sunday School Teacher Openings



Yes, we realize it just seems like yesterday that the school year ended. But, we are asking you now to look at your schedule for the coming year to find a month or two (or three? or more?) that you can assist our children by teaching Sunday School.

This is one of the most valuable and rewarding ministries of St. Mark's: creating the foundation on which the church can grow in years to come.

Please search your hearts, talk to those who are already involved and call the office today to volunteer (or email or facebook Michele).



## United Churches of Lycoming County

### FOOD PANTRY ITEMS CURRENTLY NEEDED:

Oodles of Noodles  
Tomato Soup  
Canned Fruits  
Tuna  
Coffee Creamer (powdered)  
Mustard

Mac-n-cheese  
Chicken Noodle Soup  
Tea Bags  
Pasta - All Shapes  
Saltine Crackers

Granola Bars  
Chunky Soup  
Canned Veggies  
Cereal  
Spaghetti Sauce Ketchup &

Especially for the kids this summer...



Microwave Mac-n-cheese  
Powdered Drinks

Microwave Popcorn  
Microwave Soup Cups

Hours are: 9:30 - Noon on Mondays for delivery.

Tuesdays/Thursdays from 10-3 clients by appointment only  
570-322-1657

Castellano Center, 320 Park Ave., Williamsport, PA

### 24 hour Devotion Line

is available to encourage you in your relationship with God.  
Devotions are under three minutes and change weekly.

**Call 570-322-5762 anytime!**



## August Lion Article Deadline

**All articles for the August issue of the Lion are due**

***NO LATER* than Friday, July 18th. Thank You!**

## The Nursery is Open!



**It's true!**

**The nursery is now open and  
staffed during the 10:30 service!**

## Special Concerns List

**Patricia Alexander**  
505 Center St., Apt. #61  
Williamsport, PA 17701

**Edith Anderson**  
The Hillside, Room #104  
2725 Four Mile Drive  
Montoursville, PA 17754

**Jane Angle**  
Rose View Court- Rm 206  
1251 Rural Ave.  
Williamsport, PA 17701

**Dottie Bingaman**  
Williamsport Home, Apt 708  
1900B Ravine Rd.  
Williamsport, PA 17701

**Marie Byerly**  
Sycamore Manor-Rm 547  
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Montoursville, PA 17754  
**Carol Confer**

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Williamsport, PA 17701

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## Happy Birthday!

07/01 Gabriella Gregory  
07/02 Stanley Baker  
07/02 Kristine Wacker  
07/03 Maxwell Hospes  
07/03 Theodore Larson III  
07/04 Philip Thomas  
07/05 Kimberly Fillnow  
07/05 Dierah Williams  
07/06 Corey Hospes  
07/07 Andrea Hinds  
07/07 Gabriel Nichols  
07/08 Robert Lynn Jr.  
07/09 Hugh Byerly  
07/09 Dylan Ott  
07/10 Nicholas Buckman  
07/10 Edgar Miller III  
07/11 Mary Martin  
07/12 Doris Brown

07/12 Annika Waffenschmidt  
07/13 Levi Gair  
07/14 Declan Jones  
07/14 Nancy Larson  
07/15 William Confer Jr.



07/15 Vicki Haussmann  
07/16 Ashley Butters  
07/16 Stephanie Confer  
07/16 Kay Plankenhorn  
07/18 Brenda Bower  
07/20 Patricia Alexander  
07/20 Katelyn Lauer

07/21 Tracie Elliott  
07/21 Pamela Jensen  
07/21 Mary Schultz  
07/22 Constance Shaible  
07/23 Evan Barone  
07/23 Reba Jacobs  
07/23 David Weaver  
07/23 Bryce Young  
07/24 Edward Gair  
07/25 Carol Confer  
07/25 Shirley Hill  
07/25 Kristi Maggs  
07/26 Gail Greninger  
07/27 Ann Kuntz  
07/29 Matthew Fortin  
07/30 Carol McMorris  
07/31 Stephen Dewar

## Happy Anniversary!

07/01 Ralph & Holly Thorne  
07/03 Ray & Cynthia Huff  
07/05 Walter & Margie Doeblor



07/05 Daryl & Elizabeth Lewis  
07/06 Robert & Kristin Lynn  
07/24 Sean & Maria Elkin

## St. Mark's July Calendar of Events

### 1 Tuesday

*Pastor Returns*

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

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9:20 AM Staff Mtg.

11:45 AM Bible Study

### 2 Wednesday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

9:20 AM Staff Mtg.

11:45 AM Bible Study

### 10 Thursday

6:31 AM Men's Ministry

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

### 3 Thursday

6:31 AM Men's Ministry

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

### 11 Friday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

### 12 Saturday

9:00 AM 2nd Saturday—cooking  
with Blueberries!

**VBS Registration Deadline**



### 4 Friday

**Office Closed**

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

4:30 PM 4th of July Set Up

6:00 PM 4th of July Outreach  
Ministry

7:30 PM Patriotic Music Program



### 6 Sunday

**Pentecost IV**

8:00 AM Holy Communion

9:15 AM Summer Forum

10:30 AM Holy Communion

### 13 Sunday

**Pentecost V**

8:00 AM Holy Communion

9:15 AM Summer Forum

10:30 AM Holy Communion

5:30 PM JOY @ Messiah

### 7 Monday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

6:30 PM Council Mtg.

### 14 Monday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

### 8 Tuesday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

### 15 Tuesday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

### 9 Wednesday

## July Calendar of Events continued

### 16 Wednesday

8:45 AM Helping Hands Day  
9:00 AM Morning Prayer  
9:20 AM Staff Mtg.  
12:00 PM Lunch N' Fellowship

### 17 Thursday

6:31 AM Men's Ministry  
9:00 AM Morning Prayer  
9:20 AM Stephen Ministry  
10:00 AM VBS Set Up

### 18 Friday

#### Lion Article Deadline

9:00 AM Morning Prayer  
10:00 AM VBS Set Up

### 20 Sunday ~ Pentecost VI

8:00 AM Holy Communion  
9:15 AM Summer Forum  
10:30 AM Holy Communion



### 21 Monday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer  
5:30 PM VBS  
7:00 PM Dog Club (High School Room)

### 22 Tuesday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer  
5:30 PM VBS

### 23 Wednesday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

### 23 Wednesday

9:20 AM Staff Mtg.

11:45 AM Bible Study

5:30 PM VBS

### 24 Thursday

6:31 AM Men's Ministry  
9:00 AM Morning Prayer  
5:30 PM VBS

### 25 Friday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer  
9:20 AM Lion Crew  
5:30 PM VBS  
8:00 PM VBS Lock In for Teen Assistants

### 27 Sunday ~ Pentecost VII

8:00 AM Holy Communion  
9:15 AM Summer Forum  
10:30 AM Holy Communion

### 28 Monday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer  
6:00 PM LSM Picnic

### 29 Tuesday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer  
10:00 AM LL Liaison Mtg

### 30 Wednesday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer  
9:20 AM Staff Mtg.  
11:45 AM Bible Study  
4:37 PM Catechetical Picnic  
@ Pastor's Home

### 31 Thursday

6:31 AM Men's Ministry  
9:00 AM Morning Prayer