

### The Lion of St. Mark's

**SEPTEMBER** 

We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us: signs of your precious love.



These, or similar, words are repeated each Sunday after the offering. We may just say them; we may think about what we are saying, or we may earnestly pray in thankfulness to our God for all that He has done for us. It is time to put those words into our hearts and into action.

<u>Consecration Sunday is October 2nd</u> this year. We understand the concept that, from a biblical perspective, financial stewardship is not money Christians give to their church merely as a way to pay its bills. Rather, we know that financial contributions are a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting their church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their incomes. Since this goes against our natural tendencies to want to regard everything as our own possessions, we must continue to think about this and make it a part of our life a bit at a time. Consecration Sunday is a way to teach the biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving. Again, we are responding with joy and thanksgiving.

Every attendee and member, who completes an Estimate of Giving Card, does so voluntarily while attending morning worship on Consecration Sunday, October 2. We urge everyone to attend, even those who are hesitant to complete a card, because the procedure is done in such a way that no one feels personal embarrassment if he or she chooses not to fill out a card.

Since we will make no follow-up visits to ask people to complete their cards, we will make every effort to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend worship on Consecration Sunday, October 2. In the coming weeks, please think prayerfully about the blessings God has given to you, and about how you are called to share those blessings.

The other part of the event is the celebration meal that follows each worship service on October 2. At services on September 18th and 25th, we'll be asking for your reservation for the breakfast following the 8:30 service or the lunch following the 10:30 service on Consecration Sunday. It is important that every member take part.

Our own Lou Kolb will again speak to us on how Stewardship (our works and efforts) coincides with what we do after we say "We believe...".

Stewardship is, indeed, our faith in action. Let us be thankful for all of our blessings.

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### DEADLINES FOR SUBMISSIONS TO:





....MONDAY, SEPT. 12th

### **Council Notes**

The Congregation Council met in regular session on Monday, August 15, 2016 in Fellowship Hall. The evening began with a Special Order of sharing dessert and conversation with the Council from Redeemer Church. St. Mark's Council received a letter from Redeemer's Council, which, among other things asked that the two congregations share in the search for an Interim Pastor to serve both congregations beginning January 2017. The Councils also agreed to expand the information-sharing about the activities in each congregation, and to quickly investigate which of them could be shared activities this fall. Redeemer Council members then departed, and St. Mark's Council turned to other matters:

- --receiving the regular reports of the Pastor, officers, and Committees.
- --observing that Brenda Gair has been appointed to a second term on Mutual Ministry Committee and Lorraine Barone to a second term on the Personnel Committee by the Pastor and President.
- --approving Dylan Ott and Sean Jensen for Confirmation on September 18, 2016, pending completion of requirements.
- --adopting a request from the Outreach Committee for the placement of a special offering envelope in the bulletin on September 18 to support the restarting of the Soup and Bread ministry.
- --receiving the work of the Mutual Ministry Committee which is the Working Description of Committee Functions that they have been revising. Conversation about the document is postponed until next meeting.
- --engaging in a conversation about the single summer service, and noting that the conversation will continue in Worship and Music Committee.
- --noting that staff reviews are in process at this time.
- --checking the calendar: next regular session will be Monday, September 26, 6:30 P.M.

### Parish Register

Pastor Elkin officiated at the committal service for Jack F. Bastian of Cherry Hill, NJ on July 28, 2016, in the family plot in Wildwood Cemetery.

### Ready to ROLL!!



### QUILTING BEGINS – WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31!

Would you like to quilt? Our quilting group is looking for new members. There are jobs for non-sewers, as well as more experienced sewers. Our assembly line consists of Knotters who just tie

knots, <u>Assemblers</u> who lay out and baste the three layers together, <u>Top makers</u> who sew the tops at home with machines, and <u>Binders</u> who finish the edges also at home with machines. Come any Wednesday morning at 9:15 a.m. (or 9 a.m. for Morning Prayer). Bring scissors to snip threads. The coffee pot is always on!!

As always, fabric donations are welcome. Large pieces are particularly appreciated. Cotton or cotton blends are preferred. Gently used flat sheets can become backings for quilts. Flannel sheets or mediumweight blankets make fillers. Each quilt consists of three layers.

### **FALL SCHEDULE**

Wednesday, August 31 – Quilting starts – 9:15 a.m.

Tuesday, September 6 – Great Grab n' Go – 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 7 - Set-up for Bazaar – 9 a.m. to noon

Thursday, September 8 – Set-up for Bazaar – 9 a.m. to noon

Friday, September 9 – Set-up for Bazaar – 9 a.m. to noon

Saturday, September 10 – BAZAAR & RUMMAGE SALE – 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. – Extra help to pack & clean up after 1 p.m.

Sunday, September 11 – Deadline for turning in kits and soap bars

<u>Sunday, September 25</u> – Bring up quilts from basement – 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday, September 28 – Decorate nave with quilts – 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Sunday, October 2 – Blanket Sunday

Wednesday, October 5 – Pack quilts and kits for shipping – 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

PICK YOUR DATES AND MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



### Music News

### Two Kims (not related) with a Boone



To answer the question frequently asked first, Kim is one of the most popular last names in Korea. There are more than 300 clans of Kim. Therefore the chance is very rare to be related when there are two Kims around. This is the case for two performers at St. Mark's Lutheran Church on September 25th, 2016.

It is very unusual to have an organ as a single accompanied instrument for a voice recital. The idea of Bach's trio sonata for organ which has three different distinct voices performed by one person, the organist, inspired me to choose

two cantatas for solo tenor voice in an organ transcription. You might think of the sound of recorder, oboe, violin, bassoon, or even harpsichord continuo in the organ accompaniment.

An outstanding guest musician in St. Mark's Church, Dr. Youngsuk Kim has held his faculty position at Mansfield University since 1988. He teaches voice, opera workshop, and art song literature. Also he is a member of Phi Kappa Lambda (National Music Honor Society), NATS (National Association of Teachers of Singing), and has been listed in the premier edition of Who's Who Among Asian Americans by virtue of significant social, civic, and professional contributions to American society.

In addition to two cantatas for solo tenor voice, our beloved clarinet player, Karen Boone will not disappoint you.

I am truly delighted to present this concert to you!

I invite everyone to the magnificent nave of St. Mark's Lutheran Church where the maximum musical sound reverberates.

Director of Music.

Jungwha Kim

### Senior Choir to Resume Thur., September 8th, 7 p.m.

Dear Music Lover of St. Mark's,

St. Mark's senior choir resumes rehearsals right after Labor Day on <u>Thurs.</u>, <u>Sept. 8th</u>, <u>at 7 pm.</u> It was a successful experiment to welcome singers who can rehearse on Sunday mornings but not on Thursday evenings, so we will continue that invitation. If you are in-



terested in joining us, let me know so I can prepare a music packet for you in advance.

Come and praise the Lord to magnify and glorify Our Creator!
Remember he doesn't see outward appearance but our heart.

Jungwha Kim

### Prayer Chain



When a person or cause needs to be named in prayer, please contact Kathy Kolb at kathy@kolbnetworks.com, and also the church office at stmarks@stmarkswilliamsport.org. Laura in the office will take care of listing the person or cause in bulletin and elsewhere, if it is appropriate to do so. Kathy will pass the names and causes along to persons who volunteer to serve in the Prayer-Chain.

Please send a note to Kathy to become a Prayer-Chain volunteer. Sometimes we can help one another with physical assistance, but every time we can help one another with prayer.

### Staff Office Hours

### 570-323-4619

Sexton: Lou DeSeau, Sun--Thurs 5:30AM-1PM

Parish Musician: Jungwha Kim

Sun.6:30AM-12noon, Mon-Wed 6:30-10:30AM

Financial Secretary: Graydon Yearick

Mon & Wed 8AM-11 AM

Youth & Family: Bernadette Jones

Tue.10AM-3 PM, Wed.9:20AM-2 PM, Sun 8AM-1PM

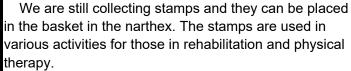
Youth & Family: Michele Owen

Wed, 9AM-2 PM, Fri.11AM-2 PM

Secretary: Laura Schreckengast Mon-Fri 9AM-1 PM



### Ongoing Collections



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.

### Lutheran Shared Ministry



LSM is Lutherans from congregations in the greater Williamsport Lulheran Shared Ministry area praying, proclaiming, caring, connecting, sharing, and serving in Christ's name. LSM presents

October's School of Religion for adults (25 yrs.), leads the annual Catechetical Retreat for tweens (17 yrs.), and seeks new means of outreach and communication in order to more effectively advance the mission of Christ's church in this community.

LSM meetings are open to leaders and laypersons from our local Lutheran congregations.

Their next meeting is Tuesday, SEPTEMBER 27th at 6:00 p.m., in our Middle Lounge.

### Staff & Officers

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### YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY



Please join us as we gather to celebrate our congregation—young and old alike! The Food Service Committee is planning some yummy treats for a light breakfast; the Christian Education Committee is organizing games and contests for all ages; and we all hope you'll come to share a morning of fellowship and fun! There will be a display of all the opportunities available to learn more about God, our faith, and ourselves.

So, Sunday, September 11, at 9:15, bring a friend, pull up a chair, and enjoy the food, company and contests. EVERYONE is welcome. We'd appreciate it if you could call or email to let us know you are coming, but that is not necessary to participate. We just want to see your smiling faces at our CELEBration!













### **ACOLYTES**

### SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE: September 11 September 18 Stefan & Evan September 28 Sean & Laura

### Catechetical Study

As in the past, we serve dinner promptly at 6:00, class begins at 6:30.

Our students are Jonah, Ashton, Owen, Amalie, Elizabeth, and Gabriella.

### Confirmation

sean Jensen and Dylan Ott are being confirmed sunday, sept. 18, 2016 at 10:30 service! They have successfully finished their twoyear course of study and summer Confirmation Camp with Pastor Elkin. Their mentors are Bud Hershberger and Bob Jones, respectively. Our thanks go out to these men for their dedication to these



boys and the program; thanks also to the parents for their encouragement and participation.

### YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY (cont.)



### 70+, SINGLE, AND STILL PRAISING GOD!

On Sunday, August 7, we recognize our Singing Seniors in prayer and song during worship, followed by a special luncheon. Be-

fore and after the meal, they enjoyed a sing-along of hymns significant to them. Pastor Elkin accompanied them on the piano.

Prepared by Bob, Janice, & Bernadette Jones and served by Sara Jones and Jacob & Jonah Schreckengast. 14 were in attendance.



### Sunday School Programs

On Sundays (beginning Sept. 18) at 9:15 a.m.:

<u>Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade</u> (lectionary-based curriculum),

<u>Middle School</u> (catechetical studies, i.e., learning about our faith, the growth of the church, sacraments...)

<u>High School</u> (discussion group focused on the intersection of scripture and everyday life)

Middle Lounge for adults (discussion group using various sources)

<u>Crossways Room for adults</u> (Scripture-based studies with Pr. Elkin)

...and, once a month, September—May, our evening *Catechetical Study* meetings.

### **Auditions:**

1 Corinthians 12:4-6

"The End of the Beginning"

THE STORY OF JESUS CHRIST

A Musical Play

for singers; for a choir and cast members

### **Audition dates:**

September 10 &17—singers only Pick a song familiar to you.

Sept.24 & October 1—reading auditions
Time – 1:00 – 4:00 pm

at Christian Center—2100 Linn St. (across from Newberry Church of Christ) Also looking for a choreographer

Question? Contact Ron Johnson, 570-974-8681 redeemedministry1@yahoo.com

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### OCC Pack-n-Wrap!

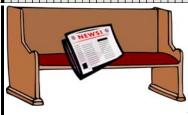


**BACK-TO-SCHOOL SALES!** 

WE ARE JOINING FORCES
THIS YEAR WITH REDEEMER
LUTHERAN CHURCH FOR THE
ANNUAL PACK-N-WRAP!!

A GREAT DAY IS BEING PLANNED AT REDEEMER!
THE DETAILS WILL BE PROVIDED NEXT MONTH!
MEANWHILE, LET'S TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THOSE

### YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY (cont.)



A few weeks ago I read an interview done with my sister's brother-in-law – a 96 year old gentleman who still visits the rain

forest, is an expert on the frogs of Borneo and is on the staff of the Field Museum. I asked him what his recipe for long life was and his answer – Peanut butter toast. Lots of chocolate and whiskey!

That inspired me to ask some of our senior members their thoughts which were not quite so salty!

I first spoke to **Shirley Dieffenbach** and later **Elda Zeigler** who both said taking one day at a time and enjoying it worked for them.

Lucille and Carl Weaver talked about associations with the church – Carl's fifty plus years of singing enjoyment with the Senior Choir at St. Mark's, and Lucille, her 20 year involvement with many and various committees—great committed service by the Weavers.

Ruth Pile credits her earthy Mother and Father for teaching her how to lead a good Christian life. She remarked that at her Father's death two pastors told her that her Father was as close to Christ as anyone they knew!

LaRue Dieter thinks her easygoing personality has guided her through her long life. That coupled with a strong faith and a good and curious mind has given her an enriched life.

Then I finally caught up with our oldest member, **Dorothy Bingaman** who celebrated her 101st birthday in April. She commented that her Mother always wanted to live to be 100 but didn't but somehow Dorothy says by taking one day at a time she has exceeded her Mother's goal.

I am reminded of Shakespeare's words in

Othello – "Age cannot wither her, no custom stale her infinite variety" – amen to that of all these folks!

Then more St. Mark's news –It has been an amazing summer for the Robertson family and the Williamsport Area Little League Softball program. All three of the Robertson girls have made sports headlines for their performances on the mound or batting. Lynna was a leader in the Junior Division which became State Champions for the second year in a row. She had so many impressive performances pitching! They traveled to West Haven, Conn. to compete in the Easter Regionals. They came up short to a Rhode Island Team that went on to compete in the national competition. Lynna was joined by Kalindi Maggs, granddaughter of Tim and Deb Maggs. Amalie Robertson was a team leader in the girls' major division which won the district and sectional titles. Amalie was impressive at bat having hit homeruns on more than one occasion. Abby Robertson pitched on the girls 8-10 year old division which brought home a district championship title. Abby was joined by Adison Maggs, another granddaughter of Deb and Tim. Each team was either coached or managed by Rick or Jen Robertson. It is certain that we will continue to hear about the Robertson family and their softball adventures! Way to go!

The Jensen family has reason to be proud of Sean – last year he made a half-court shot at basketball camp and won \$50 – this year no one was able to make the same shot and when Sean did it again – his reward was \$100! We are waiting for his entrance into the pros!

Thanks to **Deb Maggs** for the softball story and to all our senior citizens who offered their thoughts on longevity!

- Joyce Hershberger

### SECOND SATURDAY

On September 11, we will be running the kitchen and preparing the food sold at our annual Bazaar!!! We'll begin one hour earlier...at 9:00 instead of 10:00!!

### **OUTREACH COMMITTEE NEWS**

### Daniel's Closet Distribution Day



Saturday, September 24 9:00 am - 11:00 am Redeemer Lutheran Church

pare for your children and grandchildren to return to school, please consider donating their no longer needed clothing to the children who visit Daniel's Closet. Socks and underwear are always in short supply. Backpacks, lightweight jackets and school supplies are also distributed at this time. The greatest needs are for infant and children's clothing and plus-size clothing for men and women. Shoes and sneakers in good condition for all family members are always needed. September's outreach is scheduled as follows.

- Drop-Off at Redeemer Lutheran Church will be <u>Thursday</u>, September 22, 2016 from 4:30 pm – 6:00pm.
- Michele Owen has also offered to take any clothing brought to St. Mark's to Redeemer.
- If you are placing clothing in the Bazaar Room, please place it on the stack of tables near the doorway so it does not become confused with items for the Fall Bazaar.

### Fall Bazaar

Saturday, September 10, 2016 9:00am – 1:00pm Food will be available



### **Set-Up Times**

"Great Grab and Go" <u>Tuesday</u>, September 8, 2016 @ 6:30 PM (Lycoming College Freshmen will assist with this work.)

<u>Wednesday</u> 9/6, <u>Thursday</u> 9/8, <u>Friday</u> 9/9

from 9:15 AM – Noon daily

Mark your calendars and plan to help for as little or as much as your schedule allows.

### Got Stuff? We Can Sell It!

The Women of St. Mark's continue to accept donations of housewares, jewelry, toys, decorations, small electronics, kitchen gadgets, linens and just about anything else you do not need or want. We cannot sell computers, televisions, textbooks, large exercise equipment, car seats or cribs. Clothing may be donated to Daniel's Closet.

- Donations may now be placed on the stage. Please do not block the stage doors.
- Speak with Shirley Hill or Becky Miller-Pryor if you wish to help or have additional questions.

### Habitat for Humanity Luncheons



The Outreach Committee wishes to thank the congregation for providing food items, monetary donations and their presence at volunteer lunches at the

current build on Memorial Avenue in Williamsport. This summer's heat saw the cancellation of one of our lunches due to concern for the volunteers' well-being. But we have been asked to provide food items for the dedication of the property in late September.

Please be checking upcoming Sunday bulletins for more details as they become available.

### **Free Community Supper**

### All Are Welcome!

Redeemer Lutheran Church Thursday, September 8th,

5:30 - 6:30 PM



Do you know a family or individual that is food insecure? If so please share that a free community supper is available the <u>second Thursday of each month</u> at Redeemer Lutheran Church.

### Lunch 'n' Fellowship

Wednesday, September 21 at 12 noon. Serving Soup and Sandwiches!

Come, join <



Bring a Friend!

### Happy Birthday!

9/3 Todd Smith

9/4 Jeannette Lukens

9/5 Brett Campbell

9/5 Lauren Campbell

9/5 Valerie Doebler

9/5 Sean Elkin

9/5 Hailey Jarrett

9/5 Joshua Lynch

9/5 Kirk Owen

9/6 Derek Lewis

9/6 Betty Rechel

9/9 Debra Buckman

9/9 Nolan Ott

9/9 Hudson Ott

9/10 Mary Clouser

9/11 Carol Harvey

9/12 Theodore Larson Jr.

9/12 Mary Ann Stiller

9/12 Marion Waldeisen



9/13 Timothy Maggs

9/13 Stefan Weber

9/15 Shirley MacGill

9/15 Andrea Welker

9/17 Tammy Fitzpatrick

9/18 Abreanna Doane

9/19 Audrey Bower

9/19 Deborah Holmes

9/20 Richard Harris

9/22 Ronald Arner

9/22 Brittany Dewar

9/24 Aeric Powley

9/26 Blanche Doebler

9/26 Abbigail Robertson

9/27 Jonathan Lynch

09/28 Lawrence Satifka

09/28 Bailey Sims

09/30 Pamela Fink

### Happy Anniversary!

9/2 Edward & Lorraine Barone

9/3 Ronald & Grace Arner

9/3 Steven & Nancy Bieber

9/4 Robert & Shelly Clokey

9/10 William & Marion Waldeisen

9/19 Johnny & Renee Hinds

9/25 Jackie & Michael Kinney

9/28 George & Kay Poliska

9/28 Robert & Michele Ramsauer

### Thank You...

Dear St. Mark's Family,

We would like to thank all of you for the cards, flowers, hugs and condolences with the passing of our Dad. Larry was so blessed to have you all for such a long time and we are comforted by the promise that he is his heavenly home with Mom.

With love and gratitude,

The Bair Family

To All.

What a special thing to do... It was so nice and thoughtful of you!

August 7, 2016 - Sunday "Young at Heart" luncheon-Many Laughs and Prayers...

In Christian Fellowship,

Elsie

Dear St. Mark's

I am writing this note to thank you for having the lock in sleepover. I had so much fun. I enjoyed watching "The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe." I loved the flashlight scavenger hunt throughout the church. That was the best! Love, Kindness, and Blessings, Be Well, Gabriella Gregory

P.S. I liked the burned bacon too :)

### **United Churches of Lycoming County**

### FOOD PANTRY ITEMS CURRENTLY NEEDED:



Hot Dogs (24 Oz.)

\* Cereal

\* Oatmeal

\* Jelly \* Peanut Butter Healthy Snacks Canned Meats
Canned Vegies
Canned Fruits
Soups

Pasta/Sauces

Snacks All Condiments (\* items most needed)

Donation hours are: 9:30am - Noon

• Operation Hours are: Tue. & Thurs.

from 10am - 3pm Castellano Center: 320 Park Ave. Williamsport, PA 570-322-1657

### WEDNESDAY ECUMENICAL LUNCHES

Join us Wednesdays for lunch and a interesting program! The lunch line opens about 11:45 a.m. and you are always assured of a tasty \$6 lunch, warm ecumenical fellowship and a thoughtful program designed to

enrich your life mentally, physically, spiritually and socially. The parking is free in the Pine Street lot north of the church from 11 to 1:30. No reservations are necessary, but a call to Gwen at the United Churches Office 570-322-1110 if you are not a regular attender will help the caterer know how to prepare.

### **SEPTEMBER:**

- 14- **The Rev. Ken Wagner-Pizza**, Pastor, Trinity Episcopal Church, Williamsport, *"The Holy Land"*
- 21- **Ms. Janet Sherman**, Ritual Chair, Temple Beth Ha Sholom, *"150 Years of Jewish History in Lycoming County"*
- 28- Missionary Speakers, TBA

### **DIAL - A - DEVOTION**



Have you called yet?
The number is 570-322-5762.
It's available 24 hours a day. **Devotions** are three minutes or less, change weekdays and once on the weekend, and are

designed to lift your spirits and help you to have "A Closer Walk with God."

The devotionalists this summer/fall are:

8/29-9/4 Pastor Dorothy Anderson

9/5-11 Pat Jenkins

9/12-18 Derek Smith

9/19-25 Rev. Marwin Reeves

9/25-10/2 Rev. Danesta Whaley

Listen today and tell others about this ministry!

### **UPCOMING EVENTS for FALL:**



- Sixth Annual Golf Tournament on Friday, September 23, at White Deer at 8:45 a.m.
- \* CROP Walk Sunday, October 9, 1:30 p.m. along the River Walk, beginning at St. Mark's, Wmspt.



United Churches Assembly: Thursday, Nov.
 17 at First United Methodist Church,
 Muncy, 6:30 p.m. dinner meeting.



### Special Concerns List

### Patricia Alexander

505 Center St., Apt. #61 Williamsport, PA 17701

### **Edith Anderson**

Rose View Center 1201 Rural Ave. Williamsport, PA 17701

### Jane Angle

Rose View Court, Room 206 1251 Rural Ave. Williamsport, PA 17701

### **Dottie Bingaman**

Williamsport Home, C 1004 1900 Ravine Rd. Williamsport, PA 17701

### Marie Byerly

Loyalsock Creek Rehabilitation & Nursing Home
- Room 547
1445 Sycamore Rd.
Montoursville, PA 17754

### Hugh Byerly

1625 Ritchey St. Williamsport, PA 17701

### Art Decker

Williamsport Home, 1900C Ravine Rd. Apt. 1209 Williamsport, PA 17701

### Larue Dieter

Elmcroft of Loyalsock 2985 Four Mile Dr. (Rm.137) Montoursville, PA 17754



### Reba Jacobs

c/o Holly Carlson 524 Locust Dr. Danville, PA 17821

### Carol McMorris

330 Forest Hills Circle Prescott, AZ 86303

### Kay Poliska

1100 Allen St. Montoursville, PA 17754

### Elizabeth Ruesskamp

Rose View Center 1201 Rural Ave. Williamsport, PA 17701

### Robert Swartz

1522 Country Club Lane Williamsport, PA 17701

### Henrietta Tyson

Valley View Nursing Ctr. Rm. 601 2140 Warrensville Rd. Montoursville, PA 17754

### Carl & Lucille Weaver

424 Wyndham Court Williamsport, PA 17701

### Elda Zeigler

Rose View Court Apt. 209 1251 Rural Ave. Williamsport, PA 17701

### Educational Opportunity Open to ALL



"On the Road" is an occasional educational opportunity offered by the Upper Susquehanna Synod's Lay Ministry Institute. This fall the offering will be entitled *The Second Thousand Years*, a speedy review of church history presented by Pr. Melody Sell (who served years back at St. Paul Church, and is now serving in Washingtonville.)

The date is October 22, and the time is 10 AM to 2 PM, at Washingtonville Lutheran Church. Everyone is welcome to attend.

### St. Mark's SEPTEMBER Calendar of Events

### Thursday September 1, 2016

6:31am Men's Ministry

9:00am Morning Prayer



### Fri September 2, 2016

9:00am Morning Prayer

10:30am Christian Ed. Committee

### Sun September 4, 2016 Pentecost 16

Return to Two Services

8:00am Holy Communion

9:15am Teacher Training

10:30am Holy Communion

### Mon September 5, 2016 Labor Day - Office Closed

### Tue September 6, 2016

8:00am City Pastors Breakfast

9:00am Morning Prayer

6:30pm Fetch & Carry - Bazaar

### Wed September 7, 2016

9:00am Morning Prayer

9:00am Bazaar Set-Up

9:20am Staff Meeting

5:30pm Bible Study

6:30pm Personnel Committee

### Thu September 8, 2016

6:31am Men's Ministry

9:00am Morning Prayer

9:00am Bazaar Set-Up

5:30pm Redeemer Community Meal

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal Begins

### Fri September 9, 2016

(Organ Tuning)

9:00am Morning Prayer

9:00am Bazaar Set-Up

### Sat September 10, 2016

### **Council Agenda Due**

9:00am 2nd Saturday (serve food-Bazaar)

9:00am Annual Bazaar

### Sun September 11, 2016

Pentecost 17

8:00am Holy Communion

9:15am CELEBration - For ALL!

10:30am Holy Communion

11:30am Worship and Music Committee

### Mon September 12, 2016

### **Lion Article Deadline**

9:00am Morning Prayer

7:00pm Mutual Ministry

### Tue September 13, 2016

(Piano Tuning)

9:00am Morning Prayer

6:30pm Outreach Committee

### Wed September 14, 2016

9:00am Morning Prayer

9:20am Staff Meeting & Quilting

1:15pm Pericope Study

6:30pm Property Committee



### September Calendar of Events - continued

### Thu September 15, 2016

6:31am Men's Ministry

9:00am Morning Prayer

6:30pm Stephen Ministry

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

### Fri September 16, 2016

9:00am Morning Prayer



### Sun September 18, 2016 - Pentecost 18 8:00am Holy Communion

9:15am Sunday School - First Day!

### 10:30am Holy Communion, Confirmation

6:30pm Catechetical Students, Parents, Mentors

### Mon September 19, 2016

9:00am Morning Prayer

### Tue September 20, 2016

9:00am Morning Prayer

### Wed September 21, 2016

9:00am Morning Prayer

9:20am Quilting

10:00am Women's Meeting

12:00pm Lunch 'n' Fellowship

1:15pm Pericope Study

5:30pm Bible Study



### Thu September 22, 2016

6:31am Men's Ministry

9:00am Morning Prayer

4:00pm Daniel's Closet Drop Off

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

### Fri September 23, 2016

9:00am Morning Prayer

9:20am Lion Crew

### Sat September 24, 2016

9:00am Daniel's Closet Clothing Giveaway

### Sun September 25, 2016 - Pentecost 19

### 8:00am Holy Communion

9:15am Sunday School

10:30am Holy Communion

3:00pm Recital - In Nave

6:00pm Teen Movie Night

### Mon September 26, 2016

9:00am Morning Prayer

6:30pm Council Meeting

### Tue September 27, 2016

9:00am Morning Prayer

6:00pm LSM

### Wed September 28, 2016

9:00am Morning Prayer

9:00am Decorate Nave with Quilts

9:20am Staff Meeting & Quilting

1:15pm Pericope Study

5:30pm Bible Study

### Thu September 29, 2016

6:31am Men's Ministry

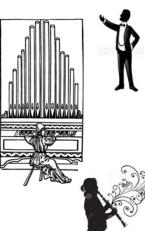
9:00am Morning Prayer

1:00pm Authorized Lay Worship Leader Meeting

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

### Fri September 30, 2016

9:00am Morning Prayer



# SCHOOL OF RELIGION 2016 Lufheran Shared Ministry Wednesdays in October

Name:	
Congregation:	tion:
Please inc	Please indicate which class you wish to attend:
	(Course descriptions below and on reverse)
	Pericope Study
	Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol"
	With Healing in His Wings
	Awakening to God's Call to Earthkeeping

LSM's School of Religion has been an annual study time for adults for over 25 years. It currently meets on Wednesday afternoons through the month of October (this year, on Oct. 5, 12, 19, & 26), from 1:30 ~ 3:30, at St. Mark's, 142 Market St.

Please return this form to your pastor or LSM representative or call St. Mark's at 570-323-4619 by October 4 to let us know which course of-

SEE YOU IN OCTOBER!

## **CREATION-CRISIS PREACHING**

For lay school of ministry grads and pastors (anyone preaching). We will read, discuss, and take cases studies from Rev. Dr. Leah Schade's book, *Creation* –

# CHARLES DICKENS "A CHRISTMAS CAROL"

The classic tale of Ebenezer Scrooge is a cherished symbol of Christmas and a wonderful story of redemption and hope. This four-week study is contained in one book which includes the entire text of Dickens' enduring tale. The discussions help's you understand the story's relevance, not just at Christmas, but all year 'round. This is an insightful intro for those attending LSM's "A Christmas Carol" performance this year. "Bernadette Jones, St. Mark's

(There is a charge of \$5.50 for the book used in this course)

### WITH HEALING IN HIS WINGS

This year's film study series deals with brokenness and healing. Yes, each of the films has a medical backdrop; still, these particular films are not your typical "doctor movies." Each film is complete within itself, but as the series evolves, the nuances of the theme, brokenness and healing, are discovered in surprisingly different contexts, and should lend themselves to some thoughtful conversation. The dates, titles, and a brief summary of the films follows.

- 1. Something the Lord Made: Dr. Alfred Blalock and his laboratory assistant, Vivien Thomas, challenge the accepted medical rules of their times, and in the face of strenuous opposition develop procedures and a friendship that are literally life-changing. (110 minutes)
- 2. Awakenings: "There is no such thing as a simple miracle." This is the premise of a remarkable film in which an unassuming physician inadvertently discovers an astonishing treatment that revives catatonic patients after decades of living in darkness. NOTE: This session will run longer than 2 hours. (122 minutes)
- 3. Antwone Fisher: A troubled seaman is ordered to visit a naval psychiatrist to control his volatile temper. What follows is a journey into the past and a recovery no one could see coming. (120 minutes)
- 4. The Twilight of the Golds: The Golds are a perfect family. Their handsome son has a successful career, their beautiful daughter is married to a doctor, and they are expecting their first child. But when a pre-natal test reveals a potential problem with the pregnancy, the entire family is thrown into crisis—no one is uninvolved. (90 minutes) ~ Pr. Ted Cockley, St. Matthew

# **AWAKENING TO GOD'S CALL TO EARTHKEEPING**