

The ReMarker

SEPTEMBER 2025

St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church
of Mechanicsburg

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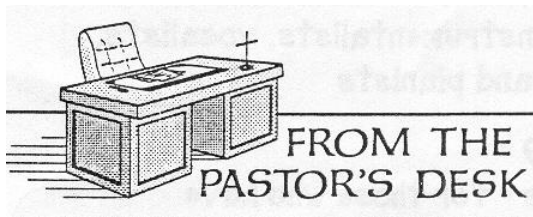
Church Office Hours: Monday through Thursday
10:00 am - 1:00 pm

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St Mark Lutheran Church Mechanicsburg

"To Know Christ and To Make Him Known"



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As anyone who has ever sat beside me at church knows, I do not add to the harmony of any song. (Maybe that is really why I sit up front every Sunday!!!) But seriously since I cannot sing, I do not add to the beauty of a hymn on Sunday morning. Yet, I still sing and enjoy it. But I do try not to sing too loud so that those of you who are gifted with wonderful voices are able to be heard during worship.

Even though I will probably never be able to sing well in this lifetime, I still have gifts to share with the church on Sunday morning. I also know that all of you have gifts to share as well. But many of you do not feel that you are good enough to do certain roles in the church. Some feel they do not know enough about the Bible to teach Sunday School. Others believe they are not good enough cooks to be involved in fellowship events. Many do think that they are not outgoing enough to evangelize. Some do not believe that they are good enough to read to be the lector on any given Sunday. Others do not see themselves as leaders so are reluctant to consider serving on council. Remember, you can do many things, and your gifts can be used somewhere at St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church, Mechanicsburg to help build up the body of Christ.

Many roles take practice to improve. Others simply take someone willing to get involved and share the gifts God has already given them. Sometimes when we try something new, we learn that, in fact, God has given us gifts that we never realized we had. Others like me show up and sing but know that this is not my primary gift.

Paul teaches us in Corinthians¹² that we all have gifts from the Holy Spirit; we all have varying gifts. Pray about your gifts and try to find somewhere new in our ministry to use those gifts. Even if you do not feel gifted in a specific area, try it anyway.

You may learn that you can add harmony to the chorus of voices, or you may realize that you should sing a little quieter but that you explain stories from the Bible very well. But reaching out to try something new will mean that you will learn to depend on God's grace and forgiveness. It will also be a witness that the Holy Spirit is at work in our congregation.

Try to participate in something new this month. Add your voice, your hands, and your heart to our ministry. Trust that God will find a way to use your gifts! Each of you can help bring harmony to our congregation (even if it is not in congregational singing!)

In Christ's Love.

Pastor Marleen

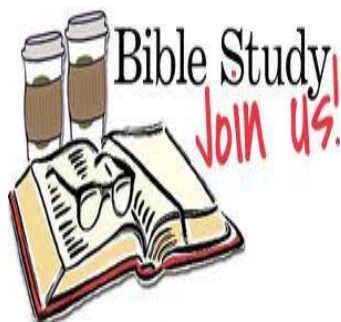
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SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES

Beginning on **Sunday, September 7**, Sunday School resumes for all ages from 9:45 am–10:45 am each Sunday following worship.

GROW IN YOUR FAITH - BIBLE STUDY RETURNS

Take some time on Wednesday mornings to grow in your faith. Join us as we walk through the Bible together learning from one another and gaining a deeper understanding of God's Word. On **September 10**, we will start studying the gospel of Matthew. I pray that you will join us.



I know most pastors and congregational members worry about the decline in church attendance, but I worry much more about the decline in Biblical literacy. I know that not everyone is able to join us on **Wednesdays at 11:00 am** so I will try once again to post YouTube summaries of our Bible Study. I encourage all of you to simply open your Bibles and read them! We all have much to learn from the living word of God.



JULY 2025 ATTENDANCE

Service Date	8:30 am Sanct.	Zoom	11:00 am	YouTube Service
July 6	44	4	13	36
July 13	50	4		31
July 20*	41			
July 27	54	7		20

* We were unable to Zoom or record on July 20, 2025



Current Account Balances as of July 31, 2025

•	General Operating Fund	\$	4,614.39
•	Capital Expenditures Fund	\$	7.92
•	Designated Gifts		
	Memorial Fund Undesignated	\$	7,859.12
	Fellowship	\$	574.56
	Altar Guild	\$	778.30
	Social Ministry	\$	5,308.52
	Quilting Connection	\$	116.23
	Youth Fund	\$	796.51
	Music Memorial	\$	968.00
	Columbarium	\$	3,095.50
	Noisy Sunday	\$	860.80
•	Pastor's Discretionary Fund	\$	2,193.29
•	Investment Account	\$	344,302.56
•	WinGS Account	\$	346.04
•	Altar Guild Account	\$	1,363.89

In reference to any financial questions, congregation members should contact Barb Yost, Finance Chairperson and Treasurer, or send an email to: byost@stmarkmburg.com.



July, 2025	
<u>General Fund - Offering Envelope Information</u>	
YTD 2025 Offerings Needed through 7/31/25 to Meet Our Budget	\$ 113,704.85
YTD Offerings Received through 7/31/25	\$ 105,808.95
Shortage	\$ (7,895.90)
<u>2025 vs 2024 COMPARISON (All Accounts *)</u>	
YTD Deposits through 7/31/25	\$ 156,501.42
YTD Deposits through 7/31/24	\$ 186,684.06
<i>Difference</i>	<i>\$ (30,182.64)</i>
YTD Expenses through 7/31/25	\$ 150,508.42
YTD Expenses through 7/31/24	\$ 177,891.19
<i>Difference</i>	<i>\$ (27,382.77)</i>
<i>* Includes General, Pastor's, Designated Gifts, and Capital Appreciation Funds</i>	

NOISY SUNDAY

The September Noisy Sunday collection will be held on **September 28, 2025**.



The Finance Committee will meet on **September 11, 2025** at **1:00 pm** in the Finance Office.



ENJOY THE MUSIC

From the Choir Loft—

VOCAL CHOIR AUTUMN STARTUP

The St. Mark Vocal Choir will start rehearsals for the 2025-2026 season on **Wednesday, September 3, at 7:00 pm**. If you are interested in being a part of this important ministry of the church in leading worship and providing music to facilitate our interaction with God, please come to the first rehearsal. We would love for you to sing with us. Questions should be directed to Brad Hull (Cell: 202-738-2795 or Email: bradleyjhull@gmail.com).

CHILDREN'S CHOIR IS BACK

I am so excited to share that Children's Choir is starting up again! All children ages 3½ through 12 are invited to join us for our **first rehearsal on Sunday, September 7th**. We'll sing joyful new songs, explore the beauty of music, and discover fun ways to praise God together through our music. Most importantly, we'll have a wonderful time growing in faith and friendship. I can't wait to see all of our young musicians there! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. With joy, Miss Denise 🎵
My email is denisehirn@hotmail.com and my phone number is 717-802-1064.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE

The next meeting will be held **Wednesday, September 3, 2025, at 2:00 pm** in the Parlor.



A MESSAGE FROM STEWARDSHIP

WORK AND KEEP

“The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it” (Genesis 2:15).

Genesis chapters one and two are familiar to us. We know them best as the Creation Account. Chapter one is where we hear the familiar, “let there be...and there was” directives. Chapter two gives us the account of Adam (the man) being formed from the “Adamah” (the dust) and becoming a living being when he receives the breath of life in his nostrils. Because of this, it would be quite easy to simply lump these two chapters into the category of creation accounts.

But do not be too hasty in this! While these two chapters do faithfully relate to us the account of creation, they also give us the creation of the “office” of steward. The man, created in the image of God in Genesis 1 and formed from the dust in Genesis 2, is created for a distinct purpose. He is created to be a steward of the perfect and beautiful creation that the Lord has made! In fact, this is THE reason that man was made. He — and we — were created in the image of God to be stewards of God’s creation.

This purpose is spelled out in verse 15 of Genesis 2. The steward has one job, with two purposes. It is fitting that in the month that our nation marks Labor Day, we consider the task of steward. The first purpose of the job of steward is to work. The steward is the caretaker of the Garden. Being a steward is work! Before the fall into sin, this was not an onerous task. But it was an active thing.

Imagine being a farmer in the Garden of Eden! Work would be only harvest. No plowing. No planting. No cultivating. No weeding. The perfect garden that the Lord had made would simply produce automatically to provide for man, woman, and all living beings!

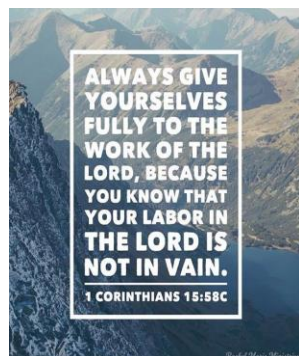
But there is a second task in verse fifteen. The word “keep” is not just a synonym for work. This second task is related to defending. This garden, holy by virtue of its being called into existence by a holy God, needed to be defended. Here is where the vocation of steward becomes priestly. The steward was to defend the perfect and holy garden from that which was unholy. Later in the Old Testament, this was the task of the priests in the tabernacle and temple. They were to defend with their lives the Holy of Holies. This too is the labor of stewardship. It is a labor that calls the steward to be willing to put the garden before life!

Stewardship was always work. It only got burdensome after the original steward, Adam, failed to defend the garden from the alien word of the serpent. But this was not a failure of harvest. It was a failure to defend the garden! As a result, all work that followed that failure became burdensome.

The steward failed but was never fired. That is why we have such an issue with stewardship to this day. We continue to live out a pre-fall vocation in a fallen world as failed stewards. That is why we in the church need to be reminded of our vocational call to be stewards. We so easily forget that this world is not ours to do with as we please. Nothing is ours. We are but stewards entrusted with managing the creation for the glory of God and the benefit of the neighbor.

It is a daunting task. But it is the one to which we have been called. We cannot do it on our own. Apart from the grace of God shared with us through Jesus, we would be burdened to the point of temporal and eternal death. But the Holy Spirit calls us by the Gospel! This Gospel connects us to the fertile garden of Christ’s Work on our behalf. Now we are stewards of that grace! The Holy Spirit works this in and through us today and every day.

This is the work of the church. It is also the work of the individual steward. The Lord has placed us in the “garden” with the same twofold purpose: work and keep! Enjoy your labor. For in the Lord, our labor is never in vain!





WOMEN IN GOD'S SERVICE (WinGS)

WinGS are holding their annual Potluck Dinner and first meeting of the 2025-2026 season. We invite ALL WOMEN to join us on **Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. The**

ROASTED TURKEY, GRAVY, MASHED POTATOES, and ROLLS will be provided by WinGS officers. Everyone is requested to bring a dish to share. A special guest from the Joys of Life Scrapbooking will be there and will provide a special presentation. If you plan on attending, please contact Sandy Brown at 717-991-1121 (Sbrown8186@verizon.net) or Sara Jane Miller at 717-448-4777 (usersj42@yahoo.com). Our regular meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. You do not have to be a member of St. Mark to join the Women in God's Service.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF—SCHOOL KITS

The Social Ministry Outreach Committee is collecting items listed below for Lutheran World Relief to fulfill their urgent need of School Kit requests. We will be collecting items **through September 21**. Gross's is again donating their truck to take our items to Maryland. We will be holding our in-gathering and blessing of school kits and quilts on **Sunday, September 28. St. Mark will serve as the collection point for designated churches on Saturday, October 4.** Please place items in the containers marked "School Kits." Thank you so much for helping individuals who are in need.



Lutheran
World Relief
School Kits



ITEMS NEEDED:

- Black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- 2½" erasers

If you would like to contribute toward the purchase of backpacks, supplies, or shipping fund, please mark your contributions accordingly.

MONTHLY NEW HOPE MINISTRIES FOOD COLLECTION:

September 21	Toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo)
October 19	Peanut Butter and Jelly
November 2	Thanksgiving Food Items (Including Turkeys)

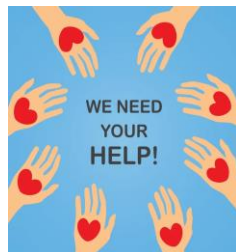


COMMUNITY AID

The Women in God's Service (WinGS) continue to benefit from any items of clothing and shoes that are taken to Community Aid. When delivering items to the store directly, **please use our church number 10053** so that St. Mark (WinGS) receives credit. **THANK YOU!**

HELP WANTED - LOAD TRUCK FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

St. Mark is the collection point for Lutheran World Relief items. Lutheran churches from the Cumberland Conference drop their items off at the back of the church on **Saturday, October 4, 2025, between 9:00 am and 10:30 am.** We need your help to load Gross's truck. Please contact Karen Fisher if you are available to help. Goodies will be provided.



SOUP ON THE SIDEWALK MECHANICSBURG HALLOWEEN PARADE

Stop by St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church of Mechanicsburg on **Tuesday, October 14, 2025**, starting at 6:00 pm for our *Soup on the Sidewalk* event. Please let Phyllis Mihalich know if you are willing to donate a crockpot of

soup. Bring your soup no later than 5:45 pm the night of the parade. We need help serving the soup at this event. If you are available to volunteer, please let Phyllis Mihalich or Karen Fisher know.



HOSS'S CROP WALK RECRUITER'S RALLY COMMUNITY DAY FUND RAISER

Please plan to eat at Mechanicsburg HOSS'S (located on Old Gettysburg Pike) anytime during the day on **Thursday, September 25, 2025**. The coupon which must be presented at HOSS'S when you order your meals is available in the bulletins and newsletters.

MECHANICSBURG/WEST SHORE CROP HUNGER WALK

You are invited to join the 100% all-volunteer Mechanicsburg/West Shore CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday, **October 19, 2025**, at Memorial Park (Memorial Park Drive) in Mechanicsburg, PA.



The 5K or 1.5-mile Fun Run/Walk will take place rain or shine to raise critical funds to serve the most vulnerable in our local and global community. There is no cost to participate. Walkers are invited to generously sponsor themselves and to solicit sponsors.

Make checks payable to CWS/CROP. All proceeds benefit New Hope Ministries, Mechanicsburg Area Meals on Wheels, and the relief efforts of Church World Service. Walk as an individual or register as part of a team. Last year, this walk raised over \$40,000 due to generous participants.

Leashed dogs welcome! Refreshments and a live DJ add joy to this event which serves the needy. T-Shirts are guaranteed to all who register online by Friday, September 26, 2025! **Make sure to indicate your T-Shirt size when you register!** If you need help registering, contact Karen Fisher.

St. Mark Keller Street Walkers Sunday, October. 19, 2025 Schedule:

- 1:00PM - New Registrations
- 1:30PM - Team Pictures
- 1:50PM - Kick Off
- 2:00PM - Walk Begins

PURSE PROJECT



The Social Ministry Outreach Committee will continue collecting items for their *Purse Project* year-round. Our Purse Project is aimed at supplying women in need with some of the little essential things to get back on their feet. Here are some items to consider when donating:

**Large or medium-large purses or totes
(preferably new or gently used)**

Full size bottle of shampoo

Wash cloth

Bar of soap

Body wash

Toothpaste

Toothbrush

Any hygiene product

Make-up

Hand m wipes

Bottled Water

Hand sanitizer

Hand lotion

Beef jerky

Applesauce

Mints

Deodorant

Comb

Razor

Scarf

Hat

Gloves

Small first aid kit

Thermal socks

Chapstick

Facial Wipes

Trail Mix

Gum

**Other appropriate
items**

Thanks to many of you we were able to provide donations to fill 14 filled purses to The Closing Closet at Trinity Lutheran Church on Main St., Mechanicsburg, PA. Containers are located at the back entrance of St. Mark for your donations. Please contact Karen Fisher, Chair, Social Ministry Committee with questions.

ONE GOOD DEED A DAY OR WEEK FOR SEPTEMBER

I expect to pass through life but once.
If therefore, there be any **kindness**
I can show, or any **good thing**
I can do to any fellow being,
let me do it now, and not defer
or neglect it, as I shall not
pass this way again.

– William Penn



- Give thanks
- Laugh out loud
- Bake a batch of cookies or muffins and surprise someone with a sweet treat
- Sign up at church to deliver meals to shut-ins
- Pay it forward





BLANKETS, HATS, SOCKS, SCARVES, AND GLOVES FOR THE HOMELESS

The Blankets, Hats, Socks, Scarves, and Gloves for the Homeless Program continues year-round. New or gently used blankets, new hats, new socks, new scarves, and new gloves should be placed in the container at the back

entrance. We will deliver items to either Bethesda Mission or Operation Wildcat. Thank you for your generosity and helping those in need.

SEPTEMBER 2025

8:30 AM Blended Worship Service; 9:45 AM Sunday School/
9:45 Children's SS/Choir 11:00 am-Worship Svc.-1st Sunday of Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
	1 September LABOR DAY HOLIDAY Church office closed	2
7 13th Sunday after Pentecost GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS SUNDAY 8:30 am In-Person & Zoom Worship Svc.-Communion 9:45 am-Adult Sunday School 9:45 am-Children's SS/Choir 11:00 am-Worship Svc.-Communion 2:00 pm-Report to Fellowship Hall for projects	8 2:45 pm-Violin Lessons 7:00 pm-German Group	9 6:00 pm-WinGS-Dinner and Guest from Joys of Life Scrapbooking
14 HOLY CROSS SUNDAY-14th Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 am-In-Person & Zoom Worship Svc.-Communion 9:45 am-Adult Sunday School 9:45 am-Children's SS/Choir 12:00 pm-Iglesia Dios Con Nosotros	15 2:45 pm-Violin Lessons 7:00 pm-German Group	16
21 15th Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 am-In-Person & Zoom Worship Svc. 9:45 am-Adult Sunday School 9:45 am-Children's SS/Choir 12:00 pm-Iglesia Dios Con Nosotros	22 1:00 pm- Social Ministry Outreach 2:00 pm-Fellowship 2:45 pm-Violin Lessons 7:00 pm-German Group 	23
28 16th Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 am-In-Person & Zoom Worship Svc. 9:45 am-Adult Sunday School 9:45 am-Children's SS/Choir 12:00 pm-Iglesia Dios Con Nosotros	29 2:45 pm-Violin Lessons 7:00 pm-German Group	30

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WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3 12:30 pm-Evangelism 2:00 pm-Worship & Music 6:00 pm-EMS Game Night at St. Stephen 6:00 pm-Bell Choir 7:00 pm-Vocal Choir	4 7:00 pm-Iglesia Dios Con Nosotros	5 3:00 pm-Violin Lessons	6
10 11:00 am-Bible Study 1:00 pm-Finance 3:30 pm-Worship Planning 5:30 PM-Lessons and Legos at St. Stephen 6:00 pm-Bell Choir 7:00 pm-Vocal Choir	11 9:00 am-Property Committee 6:45 pm-Youth & Family Ministry 7:00 pm-Iglesia Dios Con Nosotros	12 3:00 pm-Violin Lessons	13
17 11:00 am-Bible Study 6:00 pm-Bell Choir 7:00 pm-Vocal Choir	18 Alternate picture day at St. Luke Episcopal Church 7:00 pm-Church Council 7:00 pm-Iglesia Dios Con Nosotros	19 3:00 pm-Violin Lessons	20
24 11:00 am-Bible Study 6:00 pm-Bell Choir 7:00 pm-Vocal Choir	25 COMMUNITY DAY FOR CROP AT HOSS'S 6:15 pm-Ladies Night Out at HOSS'S (BYOB) 7:00 pm-Iglesia Dios Con Nosotros	26 3:00 pm-Violin Lessons	27
October 1 11:00 am-Bible Study 2:00 pm-Worship & Music 3:30 pm-Worship Planning 6:00 pm-Bell Choir 7:00 pm-Vocal Choir	2 7:00 pm-Iglesia Dios Con Nosotros	3 3:00 pm-Violin Lessons	4 9:00 am-Load Gross' truck

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT—

90th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

We showered **Jack Kapp** with a Card Shower and birthday cake in celebration of his 90th birthday on July 23.



We showered **Werner Jonas** with a Card Shower and birthday cake and ice cream in celebration of his 90th birthday on August 14.



ST. MARK DAY CAMP

AUGUST 4-7

A wonderful time learning about Jesus was had by everyone who attended. Special thanks to Pastor Marleen, Denise Hirn, Terry and Gene Shaner, Shannon Weaver, Phyllis Mihalich, Marlin and Sandy Brown, Don Stull, Amy Gimbel, Karen Heath, Jo Ann Novinger, Elana Crupi, Vikki Bekalja, Cindy Larkin, and everyone who helped in any way at our Day Camp. We especially thank you for your time, donations, and prayers.



WHACK A CAMPER



**ST. MARK ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC-MEMORIAL PARK
AUGUST 10**



HAMBURGERS
HOT DOGS
ROLLS
RED BEET EGGS
SALADS
FRUIT
DESSERTS
VEGETABLES
ICED TEA
CIDER
FUN
FOOD
DELICIOUS!





St. Mark Friends,

The world is a brighter place because of you! Indeed, the altar flowers are just lovely. Their beauty fills the room. Please pass my appreciation on to the donor.

Fondly to you all, Mary Mumma

Dear St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church,

This is to thank you for your donation of \$100.00 on July 28, 2025. Your commitment to Mechanicsburg Area Meals on Wheels (MAMOW) is wonderful and sincerely appreciated. Your faithful support of our program will help ensure meal security for our clients. MAMOW are most grateful for your support.

Sincerely, Karen Cochran, Secretary on behalf of Volunteers of MAMOW

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

- ASSISTING MINISTERS
- LAY READERS

Please consider volunteering. Contact Phyllis Mihalich to volunteer to assist. Contact Karen Fisher if you would like to volunteer to read the lessons. In either case, all the information is provided to you ahead of time.



THANK YOU!

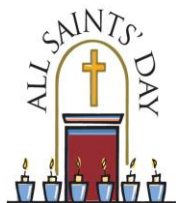
ST. MARK'S PRAYER CIRCLE

The names are not automatically placed on the prayer circle and the prayer list. To add a name to the ***Prayer Circle***, please contact Bev Reihart at **717-432-3148**.



ST. MARK'S PRAYER LIST

DURING WORSHIP SERVICES, due to security issues, we will pray out loud the **first names only** of individuals who have been placed on the Prayer List. The full name of the individual will be printed in our newsletter and in bulletins.



LOOKING AHEAD TO ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

On **Sunday, November 2, 2025**, we will remember the Saints who have died in faith since last All Saints' Sunday (November 3, 2024). **If you have a loved one whom you would like remembered this year, please contact the church office no later than Monday, October 21.**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

If you would like your birthday and/or anniversary printed in the ReMarker, please call the church office (717-766-4482) or email the church office at kfisher@stmarkmburg.com with your name and birthday/anniversary. Thank you.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2	Lydia Clelan	15	Dana Murphy
3	Sara Jane Miller	18	Denise Hirn
4	Doug Irvin	25	Casey Marks
4	Cindy Larkin	25	Casen Sisolak
7	Nina McElwain	26	T.J. Larkin
11	Carolyn Irvin	29	Benjamin Connor
14	Tom Mumper	29	De'Andre-Oliver

ANNIVERSARIES

7	Arnold & Carol Watkins
8	T.J. and Katie Larkin
15	Tom & Beth Mumper


THEY SAID, "I DO."

Congratulations and best wishes to Jo Ann Novinger and Frank Crupi who were married on August 20, 2025.



SEPTEMBER 2025 VOLUNTEERS

8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

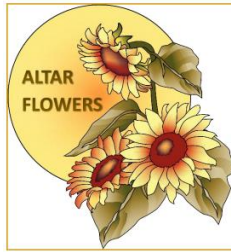
LAY READER	ASSISTING MINISTER
7 Terri Hopkins	7 Karen Heath
14 Connie Kuntz	14 Sean Gimbel
21 Sara Jane Miller	21 Denise Hirn
28 Beverly Reihart	28 Matt Yost
ACOLYTE	USHERS
7 Joan Murphy	7 Cindy Larkin, T.J. Larkin
14 Katie Stull	14 Susan Fissel, Dave Harnish
21 Phyllis Mihalich	21 Sara Jane Miller, Dee Bernatos
28 Caroline Stull	28 Ben Yost, Bev Weaver
ALTAR GUILD	
7 Terry Shaner, Joan Murphy	
14 Phyllis Mihalich, Muretta Yentzer	
21 Michele Connor, Andrea Sassaman	
28 Connie Kuntz, Cindy Larkin	
COUNCIL MONEY DUTY	
Jo Ann Novinger, Denise Hirn	



sanctuary.

DISCLAIMER FOR RECORDING SERVICES

We are blessed to be able to record our worship services. By entering and by your presence here, you consent to be filmed and/or otherwise recorded for our congregation and on YouTube. Our cameras are generally directed at the front of the



- September 7 In honor of our children and grandchildren by Terry and Gene Shaner.
- September 14 To the Glory of God by the Altar Guild.
- September 21 In memory of Kenneth and Mary Shaffer by Russell and Lydia Klick.
- In memory of Robert and Rachel Klick by Russell and Lydia Klick.
- September 28 In memory of James Ruth by Crystal Titmas.

ROSE ON THE ALTAR

If you would like to sponsor a rose to be placed on the altar with baby's breath, the cost is \$9.50. Please contact Karen in the church office and she will place the order.

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

We extend our prayers and deepest sympathy to Victoria (Kearney) Trexler and their entire family on the loss of our dear friend and long-time St. Mark member, Betty Kearney on August 9, 2025.



<https://www.malpezzifuneralhome.com/obituaries/Betty-Johnson-Kearney?obId=43925171>

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 7	God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday
September 9	WinGS Pot-Luck Dinner & Meeting
September 25	HOSS's Community Day-CROP Walk
September 25	Ladies and Friends Night Out at HOSS'S
September 28	Ingathering and Blessing of School Kits
October 4	Loading Truck-Cumberland Conference
October 5	Blessing of the Pets
October 12	Rain date-Blessing of the Pets
October 14	Soup on the Sidewalk at Mechanicsburg Halloween Parade
October 19	CROP Walk at Memorial Park
November 2	All Saints Sunday
November 30	Getting Ready Sunday
December 24	Christmas Eve Services & Lighting of the Luminaries



OCTOBER 2025 REMARKER DEADLINE

Please deliver or email your information and articles for the **OCTOBER 2025 ReMarker** to the church office **no later than SEPTEMBER 15, 2025**. Thank you so much.

Altar Flower Sponsorship Form

Please check the one that applies to your sponsorship and complete the following statements:

- ☐ In memory of _____
- ☐ In honor of _____
- ☐ To the Glory of God

Sponsor Name: _____

Sponsor Phone #: _____

Sponsor Email: _____

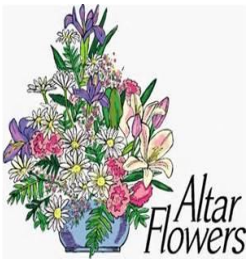
Date Requested: _____

- ☐ Willing to Share

Circle Payment Enclosed:

\$25.00 One Vase of Flowers

\$50.00 Both Vases of Flowers



Checks should be made payable to St. Mark Lutheran Church and note "Altar Guild" in the memo line. Place in the offering plate or mail directly to the church office

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Please check any that apply!

- ☐ Flowers will be picked up by sponsor.
- ☐ Deliver one vase of flowers to shut-in or hospital
- ☐ Deliver both vases of flowers to shut-in or hospital

Please contact Connie Kuntz at 717-503-5244 with any questions.

THANK YOU!

**Hoss's Community Day** to benefit the  
Mechanicsburg/West Shore CROP Hunger Walk



**Thurs., Sept. 25, 2025**

**61 Gettysburg Pike, Mechanicsburg PA 17055**

Present a copy of this flyer when ordering lunch, dinner or a  
take-out on **Sept. 25, 2025** and **Hoss's Mechanicsburg** will  
donate up to 25% of your total check to feed the hungry.

**Group #132001**. Complete the **CROP Walk Activity Page** and  
spin to win a prize!

.....100% Volunteer-led,



**Mechanicsburg/West Shore**

**CROP Hunger Walk**

**Sun., Oct. 19, 2025**

**5K/1.5-mi. Fun Run/Walk**

*Rain or Shine*

**Memorial Park, Memorial Park Dr, Mechanicsburg, PA**

**1:00PM Check-In & New Registrations**

**1:30PM Team Pictures 1:50PM Kick-Off 2:00PM Walk Begins**

**T-Shirts guaranteed to walkers who register online by  
Sept. 26, 2025**

Strollers & Leashed Dogs Welcome Live DJ Refreshments

Use the **link below** or **QR code** to register as an individual and/or  
form a team or register in person on the day of the walk.

**<https://crophungerwalk.org/mechanicsburgpa>**

Walkers are invited to generously sponsor themselves and to  
solicit sponsors. Make checks payable to **CWS/CROP**.

Facebook: **CROP Hunger Walk - Mechanicsburg/West Shore**

**100% of proceeds** benefit **New Hope Ministries,**  
**Mechanicsburg Area Meals on Wheels**

and the global relief efforts of

**Church World Service**.



For more info, contact **Ulli Klemm**, Coordinator

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# *Our Mission*

The mission of St. Mark Lutheran Church is "To know Christ and Make Him Known."

We hope our members and visitors feel at home in our church anytime. We strive to create an atmosphere of fun, acceptance, and a place of belonging--not only on Sundays--but the rest of the week as well!

Reminding everyone that--  
God's love is always spoken here.