

# July Newsletter

July 2019

*The small church with a BIG heart.*



## Important Dates

**Church Service** Sundays—July 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

**Bible Study** Tuesday—July 16th, 23rd, 30th @ 9:00 am

**Quilting** Tuesday—July 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th @ 10:00 am

**WELCA** Wednesday—July 3rd 10:00 am

**Church Council Meeting**—Tuesday July 9th @ 7:00 pm

**Newsletter Deadline** Tuesday—July 16th @ 11:30 am

**Alzheimer's Group** Wednesday-July 17th @ 9:30 am

**Food Shelf** July 3rd 8-10 am, 9th 4:30-6 pm, 16th 4:30-6 pm, 24th 9-11 am

**VBS** Monday thru Thursday— July 15th to July 18th - 7:00 am to 5:00 pm

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## Congratulations to our newest Members!

Scarlett Lynn Endres , daughter of Garrison & Heather Endres and  
Andrew David Mulvihill, son of Andy & Angie Mulvihill  
were Baptized on Sunday June 16th.

## Prayer Requests

Lori Sutter, David McKeag, Kevin Estrem, Joe Horsch, Luke Nassif,  
Gary Hanson (Uncle of Beth Bester).

### ***Please keep all our seniors in your prayers, especially:***

Arnie Felton, Rosella Davisson, Maxine Sunde, Eleanor Ohmann,  
Ray Ohmann, Leatrice Taylor, Robert & Margaret Hayes.

### ***Those who have lost loved ones recently, especially:***

The Family of Iver Torgerson (former pastor at St. Mark's Lutheran Church)

*When requested, we will be keeping loved ones on the prayer request list for a month. If you would like them to stay on longer please let Dixie know.*

*You can contact Dixie at [stmarkschurch@northfieldwifl](mailto:stmarkschurch@northfieldwifl) or leave a message at (507) 263-9182.*



## Pastor's Message

Greetings Saint Mark's Lutheran,

Summer is in full swing and I hope you are enjoying the sun and all the activities summer has to offer. We are fortunate to be in a state with so many lakes, parks and outdoor activities to explore and enjoy. And when it gets too hot and humid, I like to escape indoors to the Mall of America. I like to walk around the air conditioned mall and Nathaniel always wants to stop at the Cold Stone Creamery when we walk past. Summer is fun and it feels good to have the warm sun against our faces after an especially long winter and rainy spring. However, with summer also comes construction season.

For us here at Saint Mark's, it is more than just road construction. As you may already know, we are embarking on renovating our church building. For several years now, our roof has been in terrible shape and our roof shingles are at the end of their life warranty. Whenever a strong wind hits us, there would be pieces of the roof scattered all over our parking lot. It made little sense to keep patching the roof since the entire roof needed to be replaced. And it is not just the roof that we are renovating. We are also adding brick to the front of the church, new siding and a paved parking lot. The new parking lot will not only look good, but for many of our members, it will be safer especially during rain, snow and ice. And, it will keep the dirt and mud out of the church as well.

There are many exciting things happening here at Saint Mark's and it's not just the renovations. For the first time, we are partnering with Good Earth Village to help us with Vacation Bible School. Good Earth Village is a faith-based camp in southeastern Minnesota. We are very excited about this partnership because they are providing us with energetic and passionate young adults to plan and lead VBS for us. If you haven't already, please sign up for Vacation Bible School. The theme for this year is **Stories Woven** and will begin **July 15th - July 18th**.

Lastly, I would like to thank our congregational and community members who help us live out our calling as the little church with a big heart. We may be small but the generosity we show is anything but. And, we are thankful for the generosity shown back to us. The countless hours of volunteer work, the generous donations to our ministries and the willingness to jump in and share your gifts with one another. Thank you for your willingness to join in God's work with our hands. I am excited for what is to come and where God is calling us to go. Thanks be to God, amen.

Blessings,  
Pr. Lue Moua

## Happenings



Good Earth Village staff will be at  
St. Mark's Lutheran  
for the all day summer camp  
Monday thru Thursday  
July 15th thru 18th

This day camp is designed for children  
completing grades K-5 in 2019.

Before/after childcare  
will be available.

Registration forms are available  
at church.

Cost per child is only \$10.00

Special Thank you to  
St. Mark's WELCA  
For sponsoring VBS 2019!

**Last day to register is June 30, 2019**

## 75th Anniversary Celebration

Mark your calendars May 17th of 2020.

We are looking for pictures of  
St. Mark's Lutheran Church, past pastors,  
and other events you might like to donated  
or  
artifacts you would like to donated  
please leave them  
in the church office with Dixie or  
contact Dorry Wallof.

## WELCA April Meeting Highlights

- **Next WELCA** meeting 7/3/2019 @ 10 am
- **Annual Retreat Day**—making the 1st Wednesday of June our Retreat Day.
- **Museum Case**—Installed June 6th.
- **Kitchen Towels**—Thank you to Milinda Lohman for embroidering our new kitchen towels.
- **Mini Retreat**—Sept. 14th @ St. Mark's in North St. Paul.
- **Prayer Concerns**—Victims of Flooding and natural disasters. Jim Slininger family.



## Baby Bottle Fundraiser

Thank you to all who donated  
to this Fundraiser.

Please return your bottle to the church office.

## Community Food Shelf

**If you know anyone that could benefit from receiving some extra food please let them know we're here. Check the calendar on the 1st page for dates and times.**

**The Swipe Out Hunger campaign** will run from **August 1-8** this year so check out **Merchants Bank** website and vote for our Food Shelf! Top prize is \$2,500 to the Food Shelf with the most votes.

## **Position Opening**

### **Music Director/Piano Accompanist**

#### **Position Purpose:**

This position supports the worship music ministry for Saint Mark's Lutheran Church, in consultation with the Pastor and Worship Committee in a way that is consistent with the mission, values, and vision of the church. Instruments include: baby grand piano and electric organ.

#### **Position Classification:**

This is a part-time, non-exempt position. Approximately 6 hours/week.

#### **Position Responsibilities:**

- Serve as pianist for:
  - ♦ Sunday worship service (currently held at 10:00 AM), including prelude, postlude, offertory, communion, and special music.
  - ♦ Church School on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 PM. Church School runs from September to April.
  - ♦ Other special worship services as scheduled, including Wednesdays during Lent, Holy Week, Christmas Eve, and other church festivals.
  - ♦ Assist with the annual children's Christmas program and VBS.
  - ♦ Attend to and manage the sound equipment as needed, including rehearsing with soloists or musical ensembles, as needed.
- Develop and lead a church choir.
- Attend the Worship Committee meetings and with the pastor, plan worship.
- Responsible for finding a substitute for Sundays absent.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Professional quality pianist, proficient in reading music and chord charts.
- Ability to perform in a wide range of styles including traditional hymns and contemporary music.
- Basic competence in Microsoft Office programs and Facebook.
- Be able to communicate through email and other digital resources.
- Experience leading and managing with strong organization and communication skills.

Supervision of the position will be through the pastor and the congregational council

Please submit a resume to [stmarkschurch@northfieldwifi.com](mailto:stmarkschurch@northfieldwifi.com) by July 21st.



# ST. MARK'S

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

# Annual FEAST & FESTIVAL

Sunday  
**AUGUST**  
**04**  
**2019**

## FEAST

**11am - 1:00pm**

**BBQ ROAST PORK  
FRESH SWEET CORN  
BAKED BEANS  
SALADS  
PIES  
ROOT BEER FLOATS**

28595 Randolph Blvd  
Randolph, MN 55065  
507-263-9182

## FESTIVITIES

**--- Church Service - 10am ---**

**--- Live Music ---**

featuring the Roe Family from 10am - 1:30pm

**--- Silent Auction ---**

check out a wide variety of great items  
bidding wraps up at 1:00pm

**--- Live Auction ---**

bidding begins at 1:30pm

**--- Cash Raffle ---**

\$20 tickets\*, cash payouts totalling \$3,000  
winners announced at event

**--- Kids Activities ---**

bouncy houses, petting zoo,  
pony rides and much more!

**--- Craft & Bake Sale ---**

handmade crafts & homemade goods

## Meal Ticket Prices

	Presale	Day of Event
Adults (ages 12+)	\$12*	\$15
Children (ages 3-11)	\$5*	\$7

\*To purchase meal or raffle tickets in advance,  
email us at [stmarkschurchfestival@gmail.com](mailto:stmarkschurchfestival@gmail.com)

## ***Feast & Festival***

**Feast & Festival - Sunday, August 4th** Mark your calendars and start sharing with your family and friends! The Feast & Festival will be held on Sunday, August 4th and we hope to see everyone!!

A few things to start thinking about: **RAFFLE TICKETS** We'll be selling only 600 raffle tickets for \$20/each with 19 chances to win \$3,000 in prizes!

Prizes include: 1 @ \$800 ~ 1 @ \$500 ~ 3 @ \$250 ~ 5 @ \$100 ~ 9 @ \$50

The tickets will be available for purchase before and after church on Sunday mornings. See a committee member to get some tickets to sell to your family and friends. This year we'll be running a promotion - purchase 5 raffle tickets (\$100 value) and receive 2 free meal tickets (\$30 value).

**AUCTION ITEMS** Time to get creative!! Partner with your friends and neighbors. Start preparing auction items for the live and silent auctions and bring them to church. If you're willing to help gather auction items from the community and area businesses, see a committee member for letters/forms. We truly appreciate your help!

**MEAL TICKETS** We will be pre-selling meal tickets for \$12 adults/\$5 kids or you can buy them at the door at the event for \$15 adults/\$7 kids. Great savings if you buy in advance! Talk to your family and friends so they can get these savings too!

You can purchase your meal tickets or raffle tickets several ways:

- Church - stop by before or after church or call the office at 507-263-9182
- Committee Members - contact any of the committee members listed below
- Email - email the committee at [stmarkschurchfestival@gmail.com](mailto:stmarkschurchfestival@gmail.com)

Planning Committee:

Blake & Chicky Otte - [sddotte@gmail.com](mailto:sddotte@gmail.com) - 507-291-0197

Dave & Lucinda Preston - [lucindapreston@gmail.com](mailto:lucindapreston@gmail.com) - 507-663-6138

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Kjirsten Louis - [kelouis16@hotmail.com](mailto:kelouis16@hotmail.com) - 651-276-1042

Steve & Marge Louis - 651-303-5818

**Greeters**

7/7 Brian & Mary Kranz  
 7/14 Adam Hegland  
 7/21 Dan & Kathy Motz  
 7/28 Black & Chicky Otte

**Ushers**

7/7 Steve & Colleen Thompson  
 7/14 Cory & Keri Lorenzen  
 7/21 Todd & Rachael Maxwell  
 7/28 Robert & Carol Nassif

**Readers**

7/7 open  
 7/14 Mason Lorenzen  
 7/21 open  
 7/28 Charles Nassif

**Acolytes**

7/7 open  
 7/14 open  
 7/21 open  
 7/28 open

**Communion Servers**

7/7 Ruben Kriesel  
 7/21 Megan and Rachel Motz

*If you are listed and can't help or  
 If there is an open slot and you can help  
 Please let Dixie know by phone (507) 263-9182  
 or email [stmarkschurch@northfieldwifi.com](mailto:stmarkschurch@northfieldwifi.com).*

**Service Group A (2)****Group Leaders**

Jodi Taylor  
 Sara Gustafson


**First Last**

Ron & Robin	Bakken
Jill & Adam	Ballard/Otis
Ed & Kayla	Barrett
Al & Beth	Bester
Matthew & Angie	Cooreman
Tara & Steve	Dahlen
Garlan & Kathy	Dubbels
Candice & Sam	Feidt
Chris & Julie	Felton
Jeff & Trista	Ford
Larissa	Foss
Eric & Alissa	Gehrke
Ashley	Gergen
Brett & Sara	Gustafson
Dan & Carol	Harris
Bob & Frieda	Helgersen
Dave & Sandy	Kutz
Orin & Linda	Legare
Karla & Mitch	Monson
Verone	Mortenson
Jamie & Trevor	Newborg
Brian & Sandy	Nicolai
Richard & Melanie	Olson
Deena	Otto
Tony & Lisa	Price
Randy & Chris	Ratzlaff
Arlene	Ringeisen
Bob	Romanoski
Tim & Carla	Skog
Jodi & Todd	Staub
Rob & Kelly	Tate
Bill & Jodi	Taylor
Katie & Roddy	Thielbar
Aaron & Beth	Thompson
Wayne & Diane	Trapp
Wayne & Carolyn	Weidner
Kevin & Jessica	Willems

## Saint Mark's Lutheran Church

**PO Box 206,  
28595 Randolph Blvd.  
Randolph, MN 55065  
(507) 263-9182**

**Sunday Worship 10:00 am**  
Fellowship following the service

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**We're on the Web  
& Facebook**

## Saint Mark's Lutheran Contact & Staff

**Pastor** Lue Moua  
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**Church:** (507) 263-9182  
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**Email:** pastorluemoua@gmail.com  
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**Office Hours:** Tues 8 am—2 pm  
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**President** Doug Bakken  
**Vice President** Al Bester  
**Secretary** Keri Lorenzen  
**Treasurer** Christine Otte  
**Financial Secretary** Lisa Loken  
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Beth Bester  
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Ryan Kranz  
JJ Grant

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