Upcoming Events @ St. Mark's

VBS: Operation Restoration - June 13-15

The theme for Vacation Bible School this year is *Operation Restoration*. Kids are invited to be menders in God's world. As they make connections between Bible stories and mending



actions, they'll discover simple ways to live out faith in daily life. We will have multi-sensory activity centers: art, music, science and nature, service learning, and storytelling! There is no fee for VBS. Contact Kate at

katel@stmarks-nsp.org with questions or if you want to help out. All kids Pre-K (potty-trained) – 5th grade are invited! Register online at www.stmarks-nsp.org or use this QR code.



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Nourishing Vocation Project Meeting – May 31

The Nourishing Vocation Project is a project of spiritual renewal that invites individual participants and whole congregations to deepen their understanding of God's call upon their life and work so that they might more intentionally live life and engage in ministry on purpose for the common good. The work of this project was introduced during Lent through our Sunday worship themes and post-sermon reflections. Pastor David is inviting individuals to be part of this project. There will be a meeting on May 31 at 6:30 pm in the Fireside room. If you are looking to be renewed in spirit, to better understand God's calling for you, and live more purposefully, you are encourage to join this initial informational session.

Any questions, please contact Pastor David at prdavidb@stmarks-nsp.org or 651-777-7451.

AlleBrewia! Tap the Spirit - June 14

The Marksmen will be tapping the Allebrewia brew on Wednesday, June 14. We will gather at home of Jason Lamers at 6:00 pm. If you weren't there for the brewing you can still partake in this event. For more details and to RSVP please contact Pastor David at prdavidb@stmarks-nsp.org.

Lawn care volunteers needed

If you are interested in helping out on a grass cutting team to maintain St. Mark's grounds this summer, please contact Doug at ronsbergd@gmail.com or the St. Mark's office at 651-777-7451. We'd like to recruit a group of 5-6 volunteers to share the duties, cutting days are flexible.

Gardening season is here

Work in the numerous garden areas has begun. We meet on the Rees Hall side of St. Mark's for 1-2 hours on Thursdays throughout the season. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the weekly garden maintenance and watering. The gardens are available for "adoption" so you can care for them on your schedule. Contact:

Sherry (651-777-6704 or slberr65@gmail.com) Wanda (651-770-1905 or wandahurtgen@gmail.com)

Garden Gift cards

The Garden Team is selling gift cards on **Sundays until May 28** in Rees Hall! Bachman's \$25 cards – for use with any products they sell. Gertens \$25 cards – for use on green and growing products. If you need cards at other times, please call Sherry Berry at 651-777-6704 or Wanda Hurtgen at 651-770-1905 to make arrangements. The Garden Team receives 15% of the proceeds to improve and maintain the gardens at St. Mark's. Thank you for your support.

Registration open! MN Twins vs. Baltimore — Sunday, July 9 at 1:10 pm

Sign-up deadline is June 15. We provide the bus, so no worries about navigating downtown or parking. Our seats are in right center field under an overhang for shade. Pricing: \$25 (adults) or \$20 (children under 12). The bus leaves St. Mark's at

11:30 am. We will return around 5 pm. Contact Alan Wyman at manofwy@gmail.com with questions. Scan the QR code to register online:



Ushering Schedule

Sunday, May 28 Usher Team 4 Capt: Bonnie Meyers Sunday, June 4 Usher Team 1 Capts: Mike Ericson & Jane Roy

Sunday Coffee



sponsored by Sherry Berry, in memory of Bud's 85th birthday.

Livestream the worship service



If you are unable to attend worship on a sunday morning, try the livestream at 9:30 am!

- 1. Go to www.stmarks-nsp.org
- 2. Click on the picture of the Sanctuary cross with the red livestream logo. This will take you to the "live" section of our YouTube channel.
- 3. Once the service begins, you'll be able to watch it live.
- 4. If you get there a little late, you can just rewind and start from the beginning. It will continue to be available at anytime after the service.

April Financials

YTD Actual

Thank you for supporting St. Mark's Ministry!

\$199,860

\$185,353

\$14,508

YTD Budget

\$213,965

\$225,883

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Council Corner - May 18 meeting

Summer is fast approaching. Council met this month to discuss the following:

- CYF ministry had a wonderful conclusion to its program last week and is looking forward to the upcoming VBS in June.
- The Finance committee reported a revenue of \$14,000 under budgeted forecast but expenses were also \$40,000 under budget, making a net difference of \$26,000. The General Cash Fund balance is \$321,605.
- Council would like to extend a thank you to the Stewardship and Hospitality committees for their organization of the Celebration of Ministries this past Sunday. Their dedication and hard work is another example of how St. Mark's brings us all together.
- The Property committee has been steadily making improvements to our building over the past few months. The extent of their work has affected many areas, including the Narthex, new sanctuary roofing, installation of an AC unit, and repairs to the boiler. These individuals are keeping our place of worship running and in working condition.
- Finally, on behalf of Council, we would like to pay tribute to our Music Director, Trevor Wolter, for his time, passion, and commitment to bringing music to our lives during weekly services and events, as well as to our joyous celebrations and mournful occasions. Your presence has truly been a gift and we wish you a blessed path forward.

The complete meeting minutes are available in the church office after they are approved at the following meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2023.

<u>Weekly Calendar</u>

Income

Expense

Net difference

Sunday, May 28 9:30 am Worship Service, SC

Monday, May 29 Memorial Day – Office Closed

Tuesday, May 309:00 amMorning Bible Study, #2037:00 pmFoundation Exec. Committee, LB

Wednesday, May 31 No ministry events Thursday, June 18:30 amBreakfast & Bible Study, Denny's6:30 pmIntern Committee Mtg, FS

Friday, June 2 – Office Closed

Saturday, June 3 9:00 am Saturday Stewards

Sunday, June 4 9:30 am Worship Service, SC



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> Weekly Worship Sundays: 9:30 am

> > **Guest WiFi** P3@nutButt3r

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