

ST. MARK IN ACTION

HOPEFUL. HEALTHY. HELPING.

We exist to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with those who are lost, and to grow in faith those who have been found.

Bread of Life

Please join us Sunday, October 30th to serve at Bread of Life Rescue Mission. The church service will start at 5 pm, dinner is served at 6 pm. This is a great opportunity to serve as a family (kids welcome to serve). RSVP to Brit Colanter at 760.473.9539 or worldwidebrit@yahoo.com.

Reformation Potluck

We are having our famous St. Mark Potluck following our church service on Sunday, October 30th. Bring your favorite dish to share. Sign-up sheets will be in the back of the church. Bring a friend and don't forget to bring your appetite!

Mind Matters

Join us on Friday, November 4th at 7 pm for a public interview with Alan Shlemon on "Transgender: Truth and Compassion". Childcare is provided. Contact Brit Colanter for information at worldwidebrit@yahoo.com.



Holiday Basket Food Drive

St. Mark Lutheran Church and Preschool will again participate in the Community Resource's Annual Food Drive. Last year, the Center provided holiday meals to around 1,300 low income families who received food, gifts and essentials. Our participation has begun and ends on Monday, October 24th. Items can be brought to the church or preschool. On Tuesday, October, 25th our donations will be picked up by volunteers from the Community Resource Center. The food will then be sorted and stored for the Annual Holiday Basket Food distribution, which will take place at the Del Mar Fair Grounds. At the fairgrounds, registered families can receive the donations.





Pastor Appreciation

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. On Sunday, October 30th, we will have an opportunity to thank Pastor Gary for faithfully teaching and instructing us in God's Word and for the ministries and programs that he supports to further the advancement of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

There are not enough words to describe how precious Pastors are. God has given us Pastors to see to it that we are taken care of spiritually. The calling to Pastor a church is one of the most challenging calls to be placed upon a person's life, and we wanted to be sure to just pause for a moment to "minister to the minister".

Friends, you are invited to write a note and/or bring a card and place it in the basket provided in the entrance of our church. The basket will be available through October 30th. Some of our church family plans to place a monetary gift in their card commemorating Pastor Gary's service among us. Prayers are also appreciated.

Thanksgiving Outreach

ASYMCA Camp Pendleton Home Hospitality -Adopt-a-Marine for Thanksgiving Program, 2016 Home Hospitality—Adopt-A-Marine for Thanksgiving! Contact Phil Shaw at shawape@hotmail.com OR Brit Colanter for more information at worldwidebrit@yahoo.com.

Camp Pendleton ASYMCA's Home Hospitality program places Marines into community members' homes for Thanksgiving dinner. Participating Marines are from the School of Infantry (SOI), and since their training schedule does not allow enough time to travel home for the holiday, this program offers them an opportunity to share Thanksgiving dinner with a surrogate family.

The Marine Students are not allowed to drive so participating community members must pick them up at the School of Infantry and then return them at the designated times. The pick up time is 7:30 - 9:30 am and the return time is 5:30 - 7:30 pm - these times are subject to change per the SOI Command. The information on this form must represent the individual who will



be the Responsible Party transporting the two Marines on Thanksgiving Day from and back to SOI. Initially only two Marines will be assigned to each responsible party but if you would like to host more than two please note it in the "Remarks" section when you register. The information you provide will be screened and upon approval will be numbered as this is a first come, first serve event in placing Marines. We will contact community members after November 13, to confirm their successful participation in this year's event and provide further details. Thank you so much for Making Military Life Easier for Camp Pendleton Marines!

Instructions:

1) Go to the URL below (or go to <http://www.camppendletonasymca.org> but there are more steps)

<http://www.camppendletonasymca.org/programs-for-marine-school-of-infantry>

2) Click on the icon "Register Today" in the Thanksgiving Home Hospitality section.

3) Click on the icon "Register Now" at the bottom right of the next page.

4) Fill out the form and at the bottom in the "Remarks" section write in SM [This is code for St. Mark Lutheran Church], and then indicate the number of marines that you are willing to host, e.g., see below:

Remarks: SM, I would like to host three marines.

"#saviorbaby", a Classic Christmas Story, with a Social Media Twist

As we celebrate the birth of the Savior, can we put our phones down and be in the moment with those around us? Join us every Sunday, October 16th through December 4th from Noon to 1:30 pm to rehearse this year's Christmas play.

There will also be a dress rehearsal on Thursday, December 8th from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. The performance will be December 11th during the regular Sunday service. This is a great opportunity to participate in our church activities and an excellent reason to invite your friends and neighbors to church. Contact Miles Cook at milescook@me.com for information.



Need Prayer?

At any time you may have a need for prayer support, we would be happy to pray for you. One of our prayer partners will contact you and be happy to talk with you and pray for you. Also, St. Mark has an EMAIL prayer chain whereby prayer requests can be sent out all at once to several members of St. Mark who have agreed to pray. If you are a member of St. Mark and would like to get involved and join us in prayer, or if you would like special prayers, whether praises or needs, you may email your request or telephone us to be placed on our PRAYER CHAIN. The intercessors keep the request in their daily prayers for two weeks, after which time they commit the request to God. People participate in the prayer chain on a volunteer basis. Prayer is powerful. We would be happy to pray for you. It will make a difference in your life and others. Contact Charlene Hansen at canddhansen@roadrunner.com.

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St. Mark Youth Group

We have fun while learning about what Jesus has done for us and we're so close, like a family. Youth Group is open to young adults from 6th grade through 12th grade. Come and check it out! We look forward to meeting you soon! Contact Miles Cook at milescCook@me.com.

4th Annual Preschool Fall Festival

Friday, October 21st from 5 pm to 7 pm

We need your help! Volunteers are needed for 7 pm break-down and manning the jumpies. This party requires a lot of participation from our families before the party, during and quickly at the end for clean-up. Tickets are \$10 per person, including children. Your ticket includes food and activities. RSVP to anne@stmarkpreschool.org or call the Preschool Office at 760.231.1917. Please join us!



Worship and Bible Study

Journey to the Cross

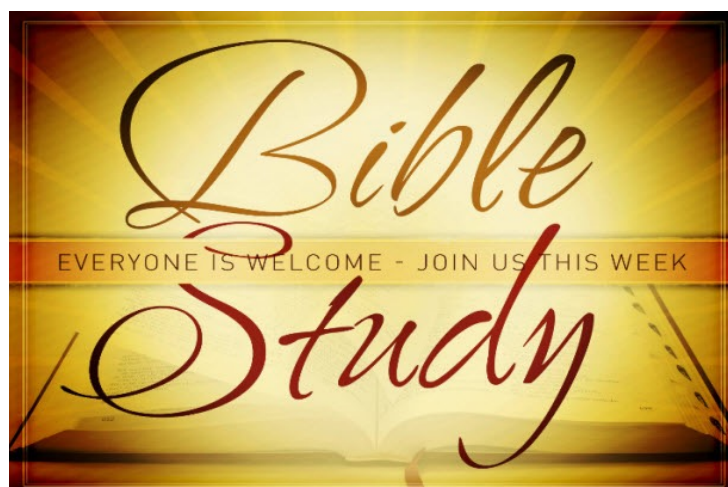
Join us Sunday mornings at 10 am in Word, song and prayer. We are studying St. Luke's account of Jesus journey to the Cross and His resurrection from the dead. We are making stops while He teaches us through parables, shows his authority over illnesses and pain as he heals people of their physical, mental and spiritual pain. Finally we will walk with him to Calvary (his place of death) and rejoice with all of creation on His day of resurrection.

Because of Bethlehem

Come join us on Thursday mornings from 9:30 -10:30 am as we study a video based Bible study by Max Lucado entitled Because of Bethlehem. In this series we see: God Has a Face, Worship Works Wonders, God Guides the Wise and Every Heart a Manger. We are holding a seat open for you!

Book of Jeremiah

On Saturday mornings at 9 am, a group of Christian learners gather together to study the Old Testament Book of Jeremiah. We see God's tears through his prophet Jeremiah as he weeps over those who have rejected God's mercy and grace. Rejoicing can only come through the one Savior Jesus Christ.



Worship Arts @ St. Mark

We are thankful that God has richly anointed our Pastor and Worship Leaders to deliver the Word of God to us in life changing, heartfelt ways, and we pray for them to be as creative and engaging as possible.

Worship is unique at St. Mark, in the sense that it truly provides an effective balance of giving and receiving. There is plenty of time dedicated to giving God the praise and thanks due His name, and then plenty of time spent letting God speak to our hearts and minds through the power of His awesome Word.

With these core worship philosophies in place, we are blessed to share a time together that is unashamedly inviting and undoubtedly life-transforming. Above all, the best part of our weekly worship service is that fact that you will always walk away feeling renewed, refreshed, and empowered to more appropriately face the challenges and celebrations of the coming week.

We sincerely invite you to join us for worship every Sunday at 10 am. We hope to see you soon, and will be honored to have you as a guest!

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Children and Family Ministry

Our Mission

The mission of Children and Family Ministry is to equip parents, children, families and friends with the knowledge and passion to know Jesus Christ as their Savior, love Him with all their hearts, and forever serve Him joyfully. We are passionate about providing opportunities for families and children to learn, grow, and own their faith in God. We do this in a safe and nurturing environment with volunteers who are as passionate about kids as we are. We welcome the opportunity to serve your family!



Sunday Mornings

Nursery

Nursery care is provided in the Toddler Room upstairs with an adult attendant for children under three years old. We also have a Cry Room available for parents with babies in a loving and secure environment.

Children's Church

Kids-On-The-Mark is a program designed to give children ages 3 through 6th grade an age appropriate experience where they can learn about Jesus. KOTM is incorporated into our regular worship service from 10:15 am to 11:15 am. Children ages are grouped by age-level in classes. There is age appropriate worship, bible stories, memory verses, and activities each Sunday.

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Children & Family Ministry Director

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Love Letters

Please join us after church on the first Sunday of every month as we write "Love Letters" to a member of the congregation or someone in need. Contact Crystal Dirks at crystaljock@gmail.com.



Christmas Tree Trimming

We are inviting everyone at St. Mark (grown-ups and kids) to bring an ornament from home to decorate our tree at church on Sunday, November 27th after church. Bring your favorite Christmas treats to share! Join us for a fun time and bring a friend!

CHRISTMAS @ ST. MARK

Kids-On-The-Mark Christmas

Sunday, December 11 @ 10 am

Preschool Christmas Program

Tuesday, December 13 @ 6 pm

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Saturday, December 24 @ 7 pm

Christmas Day Service

Sunday, December 25 @ 10 am



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