

**Card Ministry:** If you know of someone that is sick or in the hospital, or has lost a loved one, or just to let them know they are being thought of, please let me know so a card may be sent to them. They do not have to attend our church. It could be a friend or a co worker etc. You may contact me by phone or text at 419-771-0795 or email [ahickerson55@gmail.com](mailto:ahickerson55@gmail.com). Alicia Hickerson

**The Geraniums are planted!** The geraniums need to be *deadheaded, watered, and fertilized* over the next few months to keep them nice. **A sign up sheet on the information board by the sanctuary entrance if you can help.** Thank you to all who purchased geraniums to help beautify the grounds.

We are having a card shower for Rev. Ralph Schibler who turns 90 years young on July 21, 2025. His address is below:



**The Commons of Providence Asst. Lvg.**  
c/o Rev. Ralph Schibler  
5000 Providence Drive, # 322  
Sandusky, OH 44870-1424

**Congregational Survey** in preparing for our new pastor. The Call Process Transition Committee is asking you to answer a survey questionnaire so we may receive a full picture of where the Holy Spirit is leading our congregation as we seek a new pastor. You may take the survey online using the links provided in your weekly email or scan the QR Code given here. If you would rather answer the survey on paper, surveys are provided on the table by the Nursery. Questions? Ask anyone on the committee: Co-Chairs: Jana Ringwald & Marilyn Morgan; Kurt Muntzinger, Dee Fisher, Stacie Korte, Monica Campbell, Karan Ottenweller, Jason Stechschulte, Martha Martin, and Stan Weldy. Thank you for your participation.



***Thank you:*** On behalf of the Cooperative Ministries Food Pantry, I am writing to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your generous donation of \$2,500. Your support plays a crucial role in helping us provide essential resources to families in need within our community. The need continues and your help is deeply appreciated. God Bless,  
Jana Thompson, Treasurer

# ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Prayer Request e-mail: [stmprayer@stmarkslutheranvw.com](mailto:stmprayer@stmarkslutheranvw.com)

Church Website: [www.stmarkslutheranvw.com](http://www.stmarkslutheranvw.com)

Rev. William C. Haggis, II

## **FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**July 6, 2025**

Prelude

*"Amber Waves of Grain"*

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn

"In Christ Called to Baptize"

# 575

Prayer of the Day

Noah's Park Children's Church (10:00 service)

Isaiah 66:10-14 and Psalm 66:1-9 (pg. 2 & 3 of bulletin)

Galatians 6:1-10 and Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 (pg. 3 & 4 of bulletin)

Message

Jason Tyas

Hymn

"Go to the World"

(see insert)

Musical Meditation (8:00 service)

To Be Determined

Apostles' Creed, Intercessory Prayers (see pg. 3—10:00 service)

The Peace (pages 105-106)

Offering: offering plates, website, text 419-273-9947

Lord's Prayer (page 112)

Blessing & Dismissal (pages 114-115)

Hymn

"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

# 888

Doxology Sung by the Congregation

HYMN #884

Postlude

*"Alleluia! Alleluia!"*

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## Prayer of Illumination

R: Before reading from the Bible, we seek the illumination of the Holy Spirit that we become receptive to the life-giving Word which comes to us through both the reading and proclamation of Scripture.

C: **Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

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## Isaiah 66:10-14 Judgment and Hope

<sup>10</sup> Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—<sup>11</sup> that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast, that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. <sup>12</sup> For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream, and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm and bounced on her knees. <sup>13</sup> As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

## The Reign and Indignation of God

<sup>14</sup> You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass, and it shall be known that the power of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

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## Psalm 66:1-9 Our Awesome God

R: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

C: **sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.**

R: Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!

Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.

C: **All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name.”**

R: Come and see what God has done:

he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

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## 2025 St. Mark's 127 Garage Sale August 7-9<sup>th</sup>

### Proceeds for “Kids Against Hunger” Rice Kits



If you are cleaning out or reorganizing your closets, storage areas or garage, please consider donating your “good”, but no longer needed items, (*sorry, NOT accepting clothes*) to our St. Mark’s garage sale.

**UPDATE:** Donation items can be placed in the back (north) storage room in the church basement, Monday–Friday from 8:30 am–12 noon & 2:00 pm–4:30 pm. It’s helpful if you write on the donation boxes & bags “Garage Sale” or “GS”. If you are donating a large item(s) for example furniture, please contact Joan Holland at 419-203-9754. Do not bring it to the church.

Your help is Needed:

- Volunteer to work at the garage sale &/or help with cleanup after the sale.
- Donations of baked goods (cookies, brownies, cakes & pies) are needed for the sale.

Let us know if you can help at the Garage Sale &/or bring Baked Goods. Sign-up sheets are on the Dreamboard, or call the church at 419-238-6336 to sign-up. Thank you, Sue, Karan & Joan

*Thank you* for your gifts of \$1,000 to Victoria Augusta Hospital, \$2,500 to ELCA World Hunger, \$4,250 to Lutheran Disaster Response and a share of a safe water project. As a church, we are empowered to love and serve our neighbors, as Christ first loved us. Your gifts to the ministries of the ELCA help people around the world feel the power and hope that flow from God’s full, boundless love. Drawn together and guided by the Holy Spirit, we accomplish together what none of us could do alone, grace upon grace.

Your generosity is getting at the root cause of hunger and poverty in over 60 countries, including the United States. It provides access to clean water, health care, agriculture, livestock and education, and it advances peace and justice for all people. Through your gifts, you join the whole church in working toward a just world where all are fed. Thank you for your gracious gifts. You make God’s love real. With gratitude,

Rev. Daniel Rift, Director, Congregational Generosity

*Our sympathy to Joan Holland on the passing of her brother, Blair Breece on Thursday, July 3, 2025.*

*May God’s peace & comfort be with you.*

*Our sympathy to Lois Goudy & family on the passing of Walter Goudy on Friday, June 27, 2025. May God's peace & comfort be with you.*

**Thank you** for your generous donation of \$250 to Lutheran Military Veterans and Families Ministries. Please know that your contribution is helping our military, veterans, military contractors and their family members receive direct care and support through the programs our ministry has to offer. Despite the many challenges that we are called upon to address, such as rising suicide rates among our military and their family members, it is reassuring to know that we have your prayers and support. As a ministry that provides free services, we look forward to bringing God's unconditional love, healing and comfort to our troops, veterans, contractors and their family members. Please visit our website at [www.LMVFM.org](http://www.LMVFM.org) or our facebook page at [www.facebook.com/LMVFM](http://www.facebook.com/LMVFM) for our latest events and news. We thank you again for your support and partnership with us. Were it not for the blessings that God continues to provide our ministry, and faithful friends like you, we would not be able to carry on with the work we do. Together in His Service,

CH Leslie Haines, (MAJ) ret., STS, MA, Executive Director

**Back to School Event by First UM:** The "Back To School" event ran by First UM Church is on July 27, 2025 from 3-5 PM at Fountain Park. They are in need of school supplies such as notebook, pens, pencils, Kleenex, wet wipes, Lysol spray, backpacks, crayons, markers, etc. If you would like, you can give financial help to buy those items needed. They also asked if anyone would like to sign up to do a ½ hour time slot in their prayer tent during this event. If you would like to help or support this event, please call First UM at 419-238-0631- EXT. 307 and talk to Teresa. Thank you

**Thank you** so much for your generous donation to the PLC Health Clinic & The Langdyn House. We remain steadfast in our dedication to the community and to making sure our patients receive the highest level of compassion and care. We want everyone that comes through our doors to be able to make an informed decision about their health and well-being. Your support allows us to make a far reaching impact to those in our community. Thank you again for partnering with us to be a collective voice for the voiceless. In His Service,  
Jody Wannemacher, Executive Director

**C: He turned the sea into dry land;  
they passed through the river on foot.  
There we rejoiced in him,**

**R: who rules by his might forever,  
whose eyes keep watch on the nations—  
let the rebellious not exalt themselves.**

**C: Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard,**

**R: who has kept us among the living and has not let our feet slip.**

**Galatians 6:1-10 Bear One Another's Burdens**

<sup>1</sup> My brothers and sisters, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. <sup>2</sup> Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup> For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. <sup>4</sup> All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. <sup>5</sup> For all must carry their own loads. <sup>6</sup> Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. <sup>7</sup> Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. <sup>8</sup> If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh, but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. <sup>9</sup> So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup> So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all and especially for those of the family of faith.

**R: The word of the Lord.**

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation (10:00 service)**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Thank you** to everyone who joined me at my reception this past Sunday. I am very blessed to have such a wonderful place to work and I get to see friends every day! Thank you for all the cards, gifts, flowers and stop-ins at the office. Thank you to Jana & Roy Ringwald for setting up the reception. It is greatly appreciated. Thank you again & God bless. Meisa

R: The Good news in Luke's Gospel.

C: **Glory To you O Lord!**

**Luke 10:1-11, 16-20**

**The Mission of the Seventy-Two**

<sup>1</sup> After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. <sup>2</sup> He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup> Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup> Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup> Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' <sup>6</sup> And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup> Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. <sup>8</sup> Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup> cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' <sup>10</sup> But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup> 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

<sup>16</sup> "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

**The Return of the Seventy-Two**

<sup>17</sup> The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" <sup>18</sup> He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. <sup>19</sup> Indeed, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will hurt you. <sup>20</sup> Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

R: Word of God. Word of life.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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**Missing Key:** If you happen to lock or unlock the security doors in the Gathering Place in the last month, would you please check to see if you accidentally put the key in your pocket or purse. Please return to the office. Thank you

## CHURCH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**SUNDAY, JULY 6, 2025—Jason Tyas, Guest Speaker**

8:00 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

10:40 a.m. Noah's Park

**TUESDAY**

10:00 a.m. *A.J.'s Disciple Group at Smiley Park*

**SATURDAY**

5:05 p.m. *Gates Open at Tincap Game*

5:35 p.m. *Meal service until 7:05*

6:35 p.m. *Tincaps Game Starts*

**SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2024**

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion Service

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

10:40 a.m. Noah's Park

### THE ALTAR FLOWERS

are given to the Glory of God by Mr. & Mrs. Jim Holland in memory of our parents Arthur & Mary Breece and Richard & Annabel Holland.

### ASSISTING MINISTERS THIS WEEK

Greeters (8:00) ..... Frank Rohrs

Lector (8:00) ..... Marlene Foss

Greeters (10:00) ..... Phil McClure

Lector (10:00) ..... Marilyn Morgan

Acolyte (10:00) ..... Caleb Mohr

**Reminders:** **Bulletin deadline** is Wednesday by 1:00 p.m. AND **The deadline** for August newsletter is **July 20<sup>th</sup>**.

**Attention New Visitors to St. Mark's:** Located in the pews are blue Welcome Cards for our new guests. Please fill out this card and leave it on the pew when you leave the sanctuary. Greeters will be around to collect them after the service. This information is only to keep you informed of activities at St. Mark's and does not leave the office. We hope you will continue to join us for services and we are so glad you came to St. Mark's. We hope to see you again next Sunday.



## GO TO THE WORLD



1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.  
2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place.  
3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray.  
4 "Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,

Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,  
Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.  
the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.  
for I am with you till the age shall end,

bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.  
Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.  
As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.  
when all the hosts of glo - ry cry, A - men!"

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MISSION TRIP – 2025 FREEDOM CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

**These members of St. Mark's participated in the June 14-21 Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic:** (back row) Pastor Will, Kevin Stechschulte, Jason Stechschulte, Kody Hamilton, Juli Hamilton, Mark Schaberg, Ben Krugh, and Carter Homan. (middle row) Cristal Nihiser, Monica Campbell, Evali Esparza, Delani Knoch, Lisa Knoch, Raegan Roehm, Abby Stechschulte, Christine Krugh and Rick Roehm. (front row) Dakotah Nihiser, Lola Campbell, Elizabeth Johnson, Xehrya Esparza, Stephanie Stechschulte, Allison Krugh, Madeline Krugh, and Cary Roehm.

**Employment Available:** Do you have a heart for leading children or teens closer to Christ? Our High School Youth Group is seeking a passionate and energetic High School Youth Director to lead our youth ministry beginning the 2025/2026 church calendar year. Also, our Awesome Attitudes Program is seeking a passionate and energetic person to lead children 2<sup>nd</sup> grade through 5<sup>th</sup> grade in ministry beginning the 2025/2026 church calendar year. See the announcement board (West sanctuary entrance) for a complete job description. Applications are in the office and also on the table by the Nursery.