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Upcoming Events

Wed., Jan. 10th – 5:00 p.m. – Net Dinner at OLV Catholic Church

Sat., Jan. 14th – 6:00 p.m. – Movie Night

Sun., Jan. 15th – 12:00 p.m. – Church Council Meeting

Wed., Jan. 25th – 5:00 p.m. – Net Dinner at St. Mark's.

Sun., Jan. 29th – immediately following worship service - Annual Congregational Meeting and covered dish luncheon

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Plans are being made to hold our Annual Congregational meeting on **Sunday**, **January 29th**, immediately following our worship service and a covered dish luncheon. Please make every effort to join us in fellowship with one another.

HAVE A HAPPY, HEALTHY NEW YEAR!

We cannot wait to see what God has planned for St. Mark's in 2023 in service to Him.

Prayer Chain Requests In Dec.

Family of Fred Ballard
Family of Frank Masterson
Family of William J. Paulter, Jr.
Family of Vernon A. LaForest, Sr.
Family of Louise Lagone
Family of Nancy Schaeffer Moore
Family of Lee Lacy
Family of Jim Stein

Dawn Rogers
Georgia VanDyke
Pastor Dave
Janet Abrams
Joyce Roney
Mark Wenzl
Margie Rivenburg
Joseph Morrison

Thought for the Day:

Even when our prayers have no words, God is listening.



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Servers for January

Jan. 1st:

Reader – Sharon Prayer – Carolyn Ushers – Tom / Ginny Counter – Deb P.

Jan. 8th:

Reader – Ginny Prayer – Ron Ushers – Deb P. / Lisa Counter – Sharon N.

Jan. 15th:

Reader – Ron Prayer – Cheryl Ushers – Dean / Lori Counter – Diane

Jan. 22nd:

Reader – Alyssa Prayer – Carolyn Ushers – Dennis / Diane Counter – Carrie

Jan. 29th:

Reader – Eric Prayer – Ron Ushers – Bill / Bonnie Counter – Deb P.

January Birthdays:

Helen Ruland Jan. 1
Brenda Varella Jan. 4
Tom Nesbitt Jan. 5
Ted Langenbahn Jan. 18
Lisa Bartholomew Jan. 20
Ann Hartnell Jan. 21

January Anniversaries:

Dennis / Carrie Foland Jan. 2 Tom / Sharon Nesbitt Jan. 17

St. Mark's Income vs Expenses

Here is the summary of income and expenses for the month of **November 2022**:

Income \$3611.08 Expenses 5168.79 Balance (\$1557.71)

Fuel Fund \$807.43

Encouragement Baskets

Throughout the year we deliver
Encouragement Baskets to those who
are ill. However, this Christmas our
"basket" ladies, Janet Abrams and Gloria
Falcone, were busy making
encouragement baskets that members of
our congregation delivered to share
some Christmas joy. As always, their
creations were beautiful. Thank you,
Janet and Gloria, for blessing others
through your creative talent.





Movie Night

How blessed we have been to watch family-friendly shows during our movie night! In November we saw Sight 'n Sounds production of "David".



Movie night was postponed in December, but is resuming on January 14th at 6:30 p.m. when we will see Sight 'n Sounds "Noah".



Please join us for an enjoyable evening at the movies! Refreshments will be served.



NET Dinners

A well-attended delicious ham dinner was served at our November NET dinner.





In December we served a variety of delicious homemade soups.



A special thank you to all who helped in any way to make our NET dinners so successful and enjoyable.

Phoebe Circle



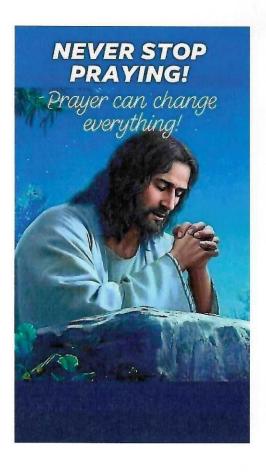
Our new kitchen stove, donated by the Phoebe Circle, was initiated at our November NET dinner. Thank you, Phoebes, for your generous donation!



Quilts sent to Camp Swamp Methodist Church in South Carolina were distributed for Christmas blessings to residents at a local nursing home.



Please keep our Military and Country in your prayers!



The Greatest Man in history is Jesus. He had no servants, yet they called Him Master. He had no degree, yet they called Him Teacher. He had no medicines, yet they called Him Healer. He had no army, yet kings feared Him. He won no military battles, yet He conquered the world. He committed no crime, yet they crucified Him. He was buried in a tomb, yet He lives today.



NEW YEAR PRAYER

Another year is dawning With the chance to start anew. May I be kinder, wiser, Lord, In all I say and do. Not so caught up in selfish gain That I would fail to see The things in life that mean the most Cost not a fancy fee. The warm, kind word that I can give, The outstretched hand to help, The prayers I pray for those in need-More precious these than wealth. I know not what may lie ahead Of laughter or of tears; I only need to know each day That You are walking near. I'm thankful for this brand new year As now I humbly pray, My hand secure in Yours, dear Lord, Each step along the way

Christmas at St. Mark's

