

JANUARY 3, 2021
ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH ~ MOORESVILLE, NC



PRAYER CONCERNS: We change the prayer list each month with updates and changes from Pastor Dave and office staff. To be faithful, prayers should be fresh and active, and so we remind you to keep us informed of health situation changes at least every 30 days. Please notify the office of any changes or updates to the prayer list; office@saintmarkslutheran.com or 704-664-5474.

Please remember all our homebound and nursing home residents; caregivers of those who are ill; those searching for employment; and all who serve in the military: Wyatt Leik (Barksdale, LA) & Dalton Leik (Kuwait) grandsons of Janet & Mike Smeltz; Aaron Whitlow, Drew Jones, Erik Crowder, Matthew Barone.

Members: Bobby Leagon (heart stent surgery 12-17); Ed Walther (pacemaker 12-15); Martin McCann (orthoscopic knee surgery 12-17); Dan Markley (chemo); Brenda Joyce (Knee surgery 11-2); Sandie Lown (foot surgery 10-27); Gail Walther (biopsy); Judy Sachs (treatment); Sarah Breinich; Charleston Knox (2 years old, terminal illness).

Friends & Family: All Covid-19 victims, medical workers, researchers for a vaccine and all who have lost jobs; Charles Crocker (kidney cancer, friend of Steve and Brenda Joyce); Tabitha Overcash (breast cancer, friend of Malinda Little); Clara Motsinger (mother of Marsha Rhyne); Mike Ashdown (cancer, friend of Herb Marks); Milbert Kurtz (tests); Barbara Pitts (knee replacement 12-15, sister of David Keck, Sr.); Palmer Goforth (cancer, friend of Carissa Abraham); Will Grooms (treatment, friend of Chris Gilligan); Ann Cunningham (sister of Nina Keck); Pastor Jack Russell (surgery); Kenney Monterose (strength & healing, son of Tommy & Lorri Monterose); Danny Gillespie (lung damage, nephew of Brenda Joyce); Don Bowman (brain cancer treatment, friend of the Westmoreland's); Katie Abrams (pancreatic cancer, friend of the Elkin's & Gill's); Scott Abrams (ALS, friend of the Elkin's & Gill's); Kealy (eating disorder, friend of Amy Elkin); Savannah Wright (brain tumor, friend of Katie Elkin); Laurie M. (brain tumor neighbor the Abraham's); Janey Layton (cancer, neighbor of the Abraham's); Dylan Tilles (stage 4 pancreatic cancer, friend of the Van Horn family).

SHEPHERD OF THE WEEK – Dawn Barone.

SYMPATHY – We extend our Christian compassion and prayers to Mike Carter in the death of his brother, Harry Lee Carter, on Thursday, December 24th.



INSTALLATION OF PASTOR VERN KINARD – Installation of Pastor Vern will take place Wednesday, January 6th at 7:00 p.m. The Rev. Philip Tonnesen, Assistant to the Bishop, will preside, Pastor Dave will preach. The service will be available on Facebook Livestream.

COUNCIL MEMBERS – New Council Members will be installed during worship next Sunday, January 10th. New Council Members are Susan Bostian, Mark Relyea, Mark Ridenhour and Susan Uzarski. We thank outgoing Council Members Amy Elkin, Chris Gilligan, Sandie Lown and John Roseman for their dedicated service to St. Mark's. We appreciate everyone who served on Council during this difficult year!

OFFICE HOURS – The church office is staffed Monday – Thursday from 9-5. The office is closed on Fridays. If you would like to bring an offering by, please drop it in our secure mailbox. We are also available by phone, email or direct message on Facebook. Please let us know of any prayer concerns or assistance you may need. 704-664-5474, office@saintmarkslutheran.com.

WEDNESDAY MORNING ZOOM BIBLE STUDY, 10 a.m., with Pastor Dave will begin January 13th. Contact the church office for a Zoom link to join the study. We will be reading and discussing 1 chapter a week from First Corinthians.

January 13 - 1 Cor. 1

January 20 - 1 Cor. 2

January 27 - 1 Cor. 3

SHEPHERD OF THE WEEK 2021 – Each week, the Shepherd of the Week contacts individuals on our prayer list, through a phone call or card. Express your thoughts, sympathy, etc. as appropriate, and include them in your daily prayers. If you would like to participate as a Shepherd during 2021, please contact Kathy Jo McLean at kathyjomclean@gmail.com. A schedule will be sent to you before March 1st.

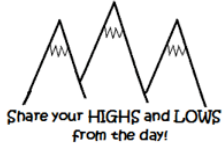


TABLE SALT DEVOTIONS - These Lectionary-based family table devotions are the work of Meghan Large Richter, and Cassie McIntosh Overcash - former Youth & Family Interns for the NC Synod. Please feel free to copy and use for your congregation. These are for non-profit use only. <http://lutheranyouth.wpengine.com/resources/table-salt-devotions/> Click on the date you want and print it out for your family to use.

Synod Confirmation Classes

NC Synod confirmation classes are open to all confirmands and held via Zoom. All classes begin at 4 p.m. and end by 5:15 p.m.

- January 10 - Baptism with Bishop Tim Smith
- February 10 - Worship with Bishop Kevin Strickland



NEW VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY, OFFERING COUNT TEAMS - Counting the weekly offering at St Mark's has long been a Church Council member responsibility. We have learned that many other congregations have offering "Count Teams" comprised of both Council and non-Council church members. Therefore your St Mark's Church Council has determined to create this opportunity for all to serve as being a Count Team member.

Weekly offerings are typically counted each Sunday in the church office around Noon following the Church Services. During COVID, CDC requirements (ex. masks, hand sanitizing, social distancing, etc.) are required for your and others safety. Count Teams are comprised of three members which are assigned counting responsibility for an entire month of Sundays. For example, if we have three Count teams, each team would have one duty month per quarter year. Count Team training (via Zoom) will be provided in January 2021 and volunteers will be subject to background checks.

If you are interested in becoming a Count Team member, please contact Finance Committee Chairperson Bill West at billwest22@gmail.com or mobile 704-249-8065 to express your interest. We look forward to expanding this opportunity to serve and look forward to hearing from you.

Your St Mark's Church Council

FOOD FOR DAYS DONATIONS- FFD continues to help feed in need children during the COVID crisis. Food donations are very important since the grocery stores have stopped all orders and bulk purchasing. Please feel free to donate any food on the list, at any time, this is a great help in deferring the cost of the program. Thanks again for your generosity. To donate food, you may ring the doorbell at the church office entrance, the door will be opened and you may leave your donations in the box provided in the side hallway.

- January ~ Chewy Granola Bars
- February ~ Pudding Cups, non-perishable
- March ~ Juice Boxes / Pouches

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