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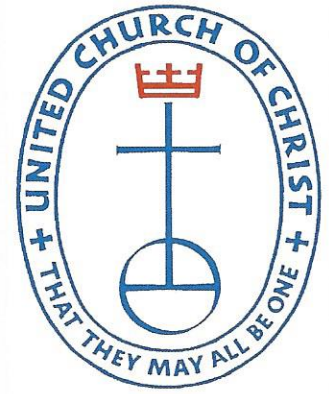
NEWSLETTER | NOVEMBER 2019



Love Feeds OUR World

During St. James Mission Fest, we were blessed to learn about Love Feeds OUR World and Shilo School in Macomb, Haiti from Andrea Spindler & Pastor Laurie Haag. The need is so great in Haiti! One opportunity they spoke to us about was being able to sponsor a child in the feeding program. Sponsorship is offered to children from the poorest families. These families are unable to adequately feed their children, and the children suffer from severe malnutrition. Some of these children eat only once every few days and their diets consist mainly of potatoes, roots and fruit from the trees when it's available. It is not unusual for parents to give away or even sell a child in order to be able to feed their remaining children. Those in the feeding program receive three hot meals per week consisting of meat, vegetables, fruit, and rice to supplement the meager meals they receive at home. They also receive vitamin supplements with each meal, and medical care. In addition to feeding their physical needs, they are fed spiritually as well. At each meal children hear about Jesus and learn the Bible.

Pastor Laurie left her information board with Child Sponsorship materials and Mission Trip information with Karen Mansker. A display will be set up at St. Mark's through our Mission Fest on Nov. 17th, and you will be able to select a child that you want to help. The cost to sponsor a child is just \$30 a month. Pictured below are children I 'have' that you could choose to sponsor. You may also go to the Website: <http://lovefeedsourworld.org/> (click on "sponsorship") to see more children waiting for sponsors. Contact Karen for more information or to plan a time to meet so select a child to sponsor.



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PASTOR:

Rev. Dr. Patrick Schultz

GUESTS ALWAYS WELCOME!

Nov. 3rd St. Mark's: 9:00am Worship
9-10:00 Sunday School
St. James: 10:30am Worship
9:15-10:15 Sunday School

Nov. 10th St. James: 9:00am Worship,
*Veteran's Day Tribute following
the Worship Service*
10-11:00 Sunday School
St. Mark's: 10:30am Worship
9-10:00 Sunday School

Nov. 17th
MISSION FEST AT ST. MARK'S
10:00 Worship Service
followed by Ham Dinner
(No Sunday School at
St. Mark's today)

St. James: - No Church Service
or Sunday School Today

Nov. 24th St. James: 9:00am Worship
10-11:00 Sunday School
St. Mark's: 10:30am Worship
9-10:00 Sunday School

Nov. 27th St. James—Thanksgiving
Eve Worship with Communion 7:00pm

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ST. JAMES CONSISTORY MEETING

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

St. James Consistory
October 10th, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Alan Wippermann at 6:00pm. Pastor Schultz led us in prayer. Members present were Alan Wippermann, President; Clarence Belitz, Vice President; Sue Kracht, Treasurer; Linda Lutzke; Secretary, Michelle Mauk, Colleen Lauersdorf and Pastor Schultz. The Secretary's report was discussed. Michelle made a motion to approve the minutes. Sue second it. Motion carried. Sue presented the Treasurer's report. Al made a motion to approve the report. Sue second it. Motion carried.

Building and Grounds

Al did monthly elevator inspection. Quarterly elevator inspection with Otis was completed in beginning of the month, annual fire inspection is also coming up. Tom still working with Sheboygan Falls Glass to have kitchen entrance door fixed. Al noticed the exit door on west side of the church could use some attention concerning bad weather stripping. He will contact someone to have this fixed before winter arrives.

Old Business

Suggestion box was empty. Vision of Hope met and discussed requests for funding. Clarence made a motion and Al approved the request for Vision of Hope. Stewardship next meeting TBD. Board of Christian Education met on the 10th and began the planning of the Sunday School Christmas program. Once again we discussed Mission Fest, we are looking forward to the presentation from Andrea Spindler with Love Feeds OUR World. We will be in need of 2 new dehumidifiers, Clarence will pick these up. We also discussed the upcoming joint Consistory meeting the 21st and Memorial Sunday Nov.24th.

New Business

Please keep in our prayers for continuous healing for Dawn Marcoe, Ed Heckmann and any other members with health concerns. Clarence received quotes for a new wireless mic, hopefully we will have replacement soon. We discussed communication and what to be expected between Pastor, Consistory and volunteers when it comes to funerals, weddings or other events. Again we will be searching for 2 new consistory members along with Church Treasurer. If anyone is interested or would like more information please contact Pastor or your current Consistory members. Next meeting November 14th at 6pm. Clarence made a motion to adjourn and Colleen second it. Motion carried.

Linda Lutzke, Secretary

September 29, 2019

St. James = 89

St. Mark's = 58

October 6, 2019

St. James = 69

St. Mark's = 74

October 13, 2019

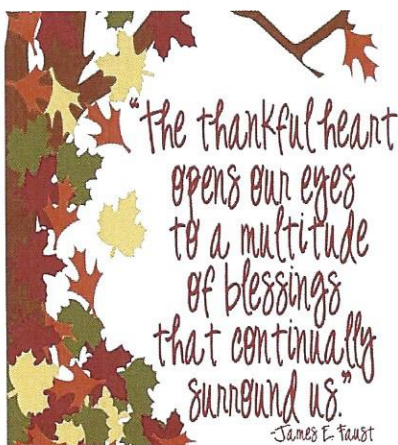
St. James = 57

St. Mark's = 64

October 20, 2019

St. James

Mission Fest = 106



With
Deepest
Sympathy...

We extend our most heartfelt sympathy to.....

- ♦ Ellen Mae Surfus & Mary Ellen Schnelle and families on the death of their brother-in-law, Milton Braun.
- ♦ Janet Schueler and family on the death of her brother-in-law, Wilmer Schueler.

ST. MARK'S CONSISTORY MEETING

St. Mark's Consistory Meeting
October 3, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Taylor at 6:05 pm. Members present: Jim Taylor, Tara Vandoske, Bruce Mansker, Dave Call, Audrey Aardappel, Judy Steinbeck, and Lori Roelse.

The Secretary's report was reviewed and approved. The Financial Secretary's report was reviewed and approved.

Buildings and Grounds:

- Elevator inspection was completed.
- Dave and Cindy Call will continue cleaning the church until someone new is found. Anyone interested should contact Cindy at 920-565-3066. Leave a message if she doesn't answer.
- T&L will continue to provide our snow removal service.
- The outdoor sign message is now working.

Old Business:

- Judy will be sending a letter to the congregation to explain direct deposit of church dues.
- Feedback was shared on the church directories. A few corrections will be added to the book.

New Business:

- Pastor continues his home and community visits.
- Continued Rural Church Fellowship membership will be discussed at the joint consistory meeting later in Oct.
- Mission Fest will be Nov. 17. The speaker will be Katie Popp from Love Inc. Judy will order the food.
- Joint consistory meeting will be at 6:00 on Monday, October 21 at St. James.

The next Consistory meeting will be held Thursday, November 7 at 6:00. The meeting adjourned at 7:00.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lori Roelse, Consistory Secretary



Our deepest sympathy goes to the Karstaedt family—Margene, Brian & Bruce on the passing of Milton Karstaedt on Monday, October 21st. He will be missed. Milton's funeral was held on October 25th at St. Mark's.

Milton F. Karstaedt, 98, village of Cleveland resident, went home to his Lord, on Monday, October 21, 2019, at his home in Cleveland. Milton was born October 12, 1921, the son of the late Otto and Ida Heckmann Karstaedt. As a young man, Milton worked as a farmhand for 18 years for Frank E. O'Neil. He had many places of employment after that including; one and a half years with Gray Iron Co., one and a half years with Garton Toy Co., one and half years with the Kohler Co., and twenty five years with the Cleveland Coop, where he worked until his retirement.

On September 13, 1958, Milton was united in marriage to Margene Sixel at St. Peter UCC in Town Rhine. The couple resided in the Village of Cleveland and the marriage was blessed with three sons. Milton's son, Brice, passed away July 11, 2019. Milton was a member of St. Marks UCC in the Town of Mosel, where he was at present, the oldest member. His hobbies included; Gardening, Lawn work, playing Sheepshead, and doing Word Search.

ST. MARK'S NOVEMBER HOSPITALITY TEAM SCHEDULE*

November 3— Tara V.

November 10 — Mike & Michelle S.

November 17— Sandy P., Jerry & Louise J.

November 24— Brenda S.

*It's fine if you make changes to the schedule, just be sure to let Karen in the church office know of any changes for publication purposes.

ST JAMES CELEBRATIONS

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Kim Grotegut
Jamie Henschel
- 3 Rick Wippermann
- 5 Hank Reimer
- 6 Susan Kracht
Amanda Henschel
- 10 Richard Lutze
- 18 Caroline Heckmann
- 19 Colleen Lauersdorf
- 21 Cheyenne Spindler
- 22 Allison Luckow
Jonathan Meyer
- 23 Keri LaDuke
Wendy Meyer
- 24 Vernon Henschel
- 26 Amy Christianson
- 28 Rev. Patrick Schultz
- 29 Barb Reimer
- 30 Donna Wippermann

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 Warren & Sheila LaDuke
- 7 Dave & Jackie Mueller
- 21 Keith & Michelle Mauk
- 25 Henry & Bonnie Langenhahn
Dave & Sue Johnson



Our next Youth Group Meeting is on Sunday, December 8th at St. Mark's. We will be doing a Christmas activity for Pastor to share with our hospitalized and shut-in church members for the holiday season! We are looking for different ideas to build fellowship with our youth and church members so all are invited to attend to share their talents and passions at our December meeting! We will also continue to brainstorm fundraising ideas for our Mission Trip this Summer. See you all on December 8th!

Kari Langenhahn & Sandy Perronne

Rural Church Fellowship Report

The Rural Church Fellowship consists of representatives and pastoral support from Bethel, Bethlehem, Immanuel, Our Shepherd, St James, St Mark's, and Salem Plank Road UCC's.

Crop Walk – A big thank you to all of those who donated and walked. Thank you to JoAnn Grant who sat the St Mark's door for all those Sundays. A special thank you to Doris Sprenger for chairing the whole event.

Upcoming events:

Back Bay Mission Trip – June 13 – 21, 2020. Biloxi MS. Looking for volunteers 14 years of age and older. If interested, please contact Doris Sprenger at St James or Judy Steinbeck at St Mark's for details. A commitment of \$50 is needed by Dec 1 of this year. Total individual cost is \$250.

The following events are scheduled to support transportation for the mission trip:

Chili Cook-Off at Laack's Hall in Johnsonville on November 17, 2019, at 12:30 \$20 entry fee. Each church is asked to supply a basket for silent auction.



Brat Fry at the Kiel Piggly Wiggly on March 28, 2020 Each church is asked to donate baked goods and supply workers.

National Youth Event – July 22 - 25, 2020 To be held at Purdue University. Cost is \$375. Let's encourage our youth to attend. Sounds like a GREAT time!



Your representatives:

Doris Sprenger from St. James and Judy Steinbeck from St. Mark's



VETERAN'S DAY OBSERVANCE

The St. James Choir will be presenting a Veterans' Day Tribute on Sunday, November 10th immediately following the 9:00am service. We will be asking family members of our Veterans to please stand as the service hymn of a loved one is sung. Following this selection, the poem "In Flanders Field" will be read. The playing of "Taps" will conclude the tribute.

~ St. Mark's Mission Fest ~

Sunday, November 17th, 10:00am

Katie Pope from Love Inc. will be speaking

Ham dinner to follow

*Check the newsletter insert for Mission Fest responsibility list

SPECIAL MUSIC AT ST MARK'S

A Pre-Service Advent Sing-a-long will be held at St. Mark's Sunday, December 1st through Sunday, December 22nd beginning 10 minutes before the Worship Service begins. We are looking for someone from the congregation to introduce the first carol. Contact Kathy Jurk if you're interested in helping out.

♪ Dec. 1 & Dec. 8th will feature selections from Advent section, #88-100 of the hymnal.

♪ Dec. 15 & Dec. 22 will feature selections from Advent & Nativity, #88-#120 of the hymnal.



ST MARK'S CELEBRATIONS

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Tyler Athorp
- 2 Benjamin Summers
- 3 Nathan Roelse
Brynn Schueler
- 4 Michelle Scharl
- 7 Brian Karstaedt
- 11 Lori Roelse
- 13 William Dexter
- 14 Sierra Bramstedt
Angel DeBlay
Pat Flook
- 21 Isabella Dexter
- 24 Alexander Perronne
- 26 Marlene Kammann
- 28 Tiffany Schnelle
Rev. Patrick Schultz
- 30 Logan Stryck

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 6 James & Bonnie Schuette
- 15 Glenn & Karen Spindler
- 16 Andy & Tiffany Schnelle

ST. JAMES

NOVEMBER USHERS

Chairpersons:

Brian & Wendy Henschel

Lloyd & Maureen Athorp

Galen & Deb LaDuke

William Luebke

Brad Mauk

Keith & Michelle Mauk

DECEMBER USHERS

Chairpersons:

Jamie & Heather Henschel

Karra Cina

Jon & Diane Luckow

Richard & Sarah Lutze

Cheyenne Spindler

Mike Spindler

Tom & Nicole Spindler

Mary Ann Vogel

Kris Zolltheis

Scott Zolltheis

Looking Ahead...

ST. JAMES' VISION OF HOPE FUND

Committee Meeting
at St. James

Monday, Dec. 2nd, 6:30pm



REMINDER:

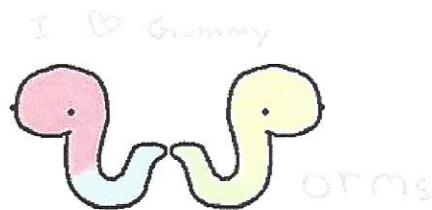
Pastor Patrick has designated Tuesdays & Fridays as his weekly days off/out of the office. During those two days each week you may contact him in an emergency only situation at 608-352-9544. Your Church Consistory Members would be your contact in any non-emergency situation.



CHOIR PRACTICE COME & JOIN US!

St. James: Tuesdays at 6:30pm:
Nov. 5, 12, 19, & 26th.

St. Mark's: Wednesday, Nov.
20th, 7:00pm



St. James is seeking a volunteer to bag gummy worms for the children's message.

Contact a member of the Consistory if you're able to help out.

ST. MARK'S

NOVEMBER USHERS

Chairperson:

Sandy Perronne*

Emma Perronne

Jerry Jetzer

Louise Jetzer

NOVEMBER CANDLE LIGHTERS

3-Owen Bramstedt &
Sierra Bramstedt

10-Brianne Miota &
Rebecca Miota

17- Luke Grunwald &
Colten Sommer

24-Ben Summers &
Reid Vandoske

DECEMBER USHERS

Chairperson:

Dave Call*

Cindy Call

Bradley Grunwald

Dave Grunwald

Faith Grunwald

DECEMBER CANDLE LIGHTERS

1 - Mason Scharl &
Bryce Schnelle

8 -Brianne Vandoske &
Reid Vandoske

15 - Emily Binversie &
Luke Grunwald

22 -Brianna Miota &
Rebecca Miota

29 -Colten Sommer &
Annabelle Uttech

A heartfelt 



Thank you to everyone who attended and helped for St. James Mission Fest. 

St Mark's Automatic Giving Option

A letter has been sent to all St Mark's members explaining a new option for making your donations to church. There will be two options. One in which you can make donations electronically right from your bank account to a special bank account set up for the church. The other option will be for you to set up a schedule with the financial secretary, Judy Steinbeck, for funds to be drawn from your account automatically as you wish, weekly, monthly, quarterly, annually, the options are endless, whatever works best for you. With this option, you won't need to do anything after the initial setup. Your donations will automatically be made as you choose. Once you receive the letter, please contact Judy with any questions or for signup information. Of course, if you are not interested in either option, you may continue to make donations as you currently are doing. We are just experimenting with another option to make it easier for you.

TIME TO ORDER HOLIDAY POINSETTIAS TO BEAUTIFY OUR SANCTUARY

If you would like to contribute a plant for this effort, please complete the form below and put it in the offering plate or call the Church office (693-8361) by Sunday, December 1st

Plants will be ordered from:

Millhome Nursery and Greenhouses, LLC
Cost: \$9.50

Please make checks payable to your church.

You may take your plant home after the services:
St. Mark's - Dec. 24th St. James - Dec. 25th

My poinsettia is _____
(in honor - in memory - for the joy, etc.)

of _____
(printed name of honoree, as it should appear in bulletin)

Given by: _____
(your printed name, as it should appear in bulletin)

Please Choose Color:
RED flower _____
WHITE flower _____
(Includes gold foil
and red bow)

OFFICE USE ONLY
Date: _____
Check: _____ Cash: _____
Amount: _____

ST MARK'S MISSION FEST VOLUNTEER LIST
SUNDAY, NOV. 17, 2019

Homemade Cake/Pie

Audrey Aardappel
Karen Binversie
Cindy Call
Noreen Flook
Ann Grunwald
Julie Herrmann
Betty Kellner
Janice Marcheske
Sandy Perronne
Lori Roelse
Linda Schroeder

Large Salad (pasta, fruit, lettuce, jello)

Jody Binversie
Kathy Jurk
Marlene Kammann
Karen Mansker
Margene Reyer
Deanne Schultz
Amy Summers
Patty Taylor
Tara Vandoske

1 Gallon of Milk

Glenn Grunwald
Scott Siekman
Delmar Sommer
Kayla Sommer
Tara Vandoske

1 lb Butter

Dale Dirks
Tod Grunwald
Betty Kellner
Kayla Sommer

Sell Tickets

Mark Jurk
Mike Marcheske

Set Up Tables

Dave & Cindy Call
Ben Grunwald
Jacob Grunwald

Clean Up Tables & Put Away Chairs

Consistory Members

Cut & Serve Dessert

Audrey Aardappel

Cut Ham

Glenn Grunwald
Jon Herrmann

Buffet Table Tenders

Consistory Members

**Beverage Helpers (serve beverages,
reset tables as needed)**

Sunday School, 3rd - 8th Grade

Wash Dishes

Pat Flook
Emma Perronne
Sandy Perronne
Linda Schroeder
Carol Weiland

Table Decorations

Sunday School

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

The United Church of Christ (UCC) is a distinct and diverse community of Christians that come together as one church to join faith and action. With over 5,000 churches and nearly one million members across the U.S., the UCC serves God in the co-creation of a just and sustainable world. The UCC is a church of firsts, a church of extravagant welcome, and a church where "...they may all be one"

(John 17:21).

United Church of Christ:
<https://www.ucc.org>

St. James UCC/St. Mark's UCC:
www.stmstjucc.org

ST. MARK'S CEMETARY FUND

We welcome your donations for maintenance of our cemetery. Simply put any amount you wish to give in an envelope marked "Cemetery" and drop it in the collection plate.

PASTORAL CARE

If you or a family member are in need of pastoral care, please contact Pastor Patrick at 920-693-2858 or leave a message on the church's answering machine at 920-693-8361.

CONFIDENTIALITY LAWS

There have been some changes to the confidentiality laws. These changes make it difficult for pastors to obtain information about anyone in the hospital. If you or a loved one will be in the hospital, please call the church office 920-693-8361 or contact Pastor Patrick at 920-693-2858.

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