



# St. Mark Bell

## April 2024



### St. Mark Lutheran

129 Charles Street  
Hanover PA 17331  
717-637-8904 [stmarkhanover.org](http://stmarkhanover.org)

#### Worship

Saturday 5:30pm

Sunday 9:00am

Sunday School Following Worship

#### Church Office Hours

Mon-Fri 9:00am-12noon

#### Bible Study

Fridays 11:00am-12noon

#### Bells Rehearsal

Most Sundays Following Worship

#### Quilting Group

Thursdays 9:00am-12noon

#### Preschool

M/W/F (4's) 9:00-11:45am &  
12:30-3:15pm

M/W & T/Th (3's) 9:00-11:15am

#### Meetings & Activities

**Apr 1** – *April Fool's Day*

**Apr 2** – 1pm St. Mark Eats @  
Chili's

– Joe Corbi's Pickup

**Apr 4** – 3pm Evangelism  
Committee Mtg

**Apr 7** – Preschool Sunday  
– Fellowship Time following  
Worship

**Apr 9** – 9:30am Property  
Committee Mtg

**Apr 14** – Confirmation Class  
– Private Event in  
Fellowship Hall

**Apr 16** – 1pm Garden Club Mtg  
– 2pm Preschool Board Mtg

**Apr 18** – 6pm Fellowship  
Committee Mtg at  
Railside Diner

**Apr 20** – Private Event in  
Fellowship Hall

**Apr 22** – *Earth Day*

**Apr 23** – Election Day (Polling @  
St. Mark)

– 4pm Council Mtg

– 7pm Future Task Force  
Group Mtg

**Apr 26** – *Arbor Day*

**Apr 28** – Confirmation Class

– PAL Team 3 Serves at  
HACC

“...When [Jesus] had said this,  
he breathed on them and said to them,  
'Receive the Holy Spirit'...” John 20:22

Dear Spirit-Sharing St. Markians:

Ethan had been so anxious about his upcoming solo in the school concert. Despite practicing his song over and over again for weeks, he still had visions of messing up and everyone in the audience laughing at him. The moment finally arrived, and Ethan stepped out nervously onto the front of the stage. His stomach was battling back the churning butterflies as his palms wouldn't stop sweating. In the hushed moment in front of hundreds of people, he was able to drive away the fears enough to pick up his instrument and start playing. By the end, he had played a beautiful rendition of his song. The crowd applauded and cheered. But Ethan felt disappointed. He knew he had missed a note or two, and somewhere in the middle he had lost the proper rhythm. He had practiced so hard for so long, and yet he knew it wasn't perfect.

Despite his disappointment, following the concert, an older woman approached him out of the crowd with tears welling up in her eyes. She thanked him for his song, explaining that her late husband used to play it for her, and Ethan's playing it that night on stage brought back such fond, loving memories for her. She didn't care if he missed a note or two, or even lost the beat, his music had moved her to recall a cherished moment in time.

Sometimes that is how it works in life. We may think we are not perfect, that we don't have enough skill, knowledge, or ability to do something meaningful. We try not to say anything or we give in to the fear of the embarrassment that may occur if we say the wrong thing, and so we do nothing. But really, as baptized children of God, filled with Christ's Spirit, we have abilities beyond even our own understanding. Just as Ethan stepped out on that stage with trepidation and played music that moved one stranger in the audience, we too can step up and trust that the Holy Spirit will guide us. If we but drive away the temptations of fear and learn to trust in God, we can be empowered to speak the right words, to comfort those feeling alone, to encourage those who feel lost, to inspire those who are seeking the truth. This Easter season, may we believe that God will use us in the right time, in the right way, to welcome the stranger, to sit with a visitor, to share the story of God's love and resurrection with someone who needs to hear of that joy. May you step up and trust in the Spirit of God.

In the peace and grace of God,

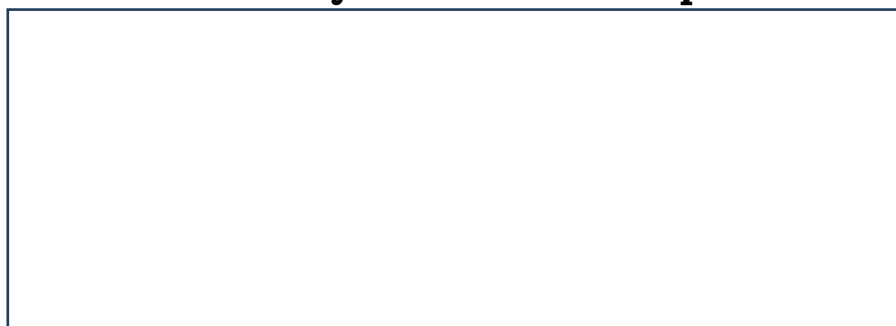
Pastor Kirk Griffin

# **Happenings and News in our Congregation**

## **Council Meeting Happenings: March 26, 2024**

- After opening the meeting in prayer, the council moved to hear from our guest speaker, Bill Rider of Home Paramount Pest Control, concerning the termite situation along the outside wall of the Music room. The two options of a spot treatment versus an entire building protection plan were presented. After presenting and answering all the council's questions, Mr. Rider departed. Council then discussed the issue further, remembering the previous year's termite spot treatments and the pros and cons of both options. Ultimately, the council decided to authorize the entire building bait system be completed as soon as possible. Pastor will contact Home Paramount to begin this work.
- Having completed that pressing issue, the council returned to the order of business by sharing blessings and moments of joy. It was noted that our president and wife, Mike and Gail, will be celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in April, that the church office is doing a great job and produced a great Holy Week bulletin to help us truly Worship this holy week, and a piece of music was shared from a Cross Keys Easter Cantata.
- Minutes, attendance, and a membership change were noted and reviewed by Council.
- In his report, President Mike Merlo mentioned that the Church needs to be a beacon of truth and goodness in a world that doesn't seem to learn from history and keeps repeating our own sins and mistakes.
- Pastor gave his statistical report. Pastor also noted ongoing supply company disappointments. Council gave permission to return to regular supplies and dispensers in kitchens and bathrooms around the church, instead of special units that limit our purchasing ability. Because of recent alarms at the church and the ongoing state of our world, Pastor also recommended that the council consider installing a system of recording cameras around the church building.
- Evangelism Committee gave their written report and noted the number of wonderful "God's Glory" program cards that have been submitted and posted in that hallway. These moments of Godly glory can be something anyone has done or heard about and shared to inspire others in the faith.
- Worship and Music Committee gave their written report and shared a bit of this upcoming Holy Week and Easter season, noting that a processional of youth will be involved on Easter and many more youth will be encouraged to take part in Preschool Sunday on April 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Hanover Area Council of Churches' minutes of special meetings and the regular Board meeting were shared with the council, which explained some of the recent changes and issues that are being proposed with the leadership of HACC.
- The Treasurer report for February was presented with noted concerns about trends and rising expenses.
- Council reviewed old and new business and having none adjourned until the April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 4:00 pm meeting.

## **February's Treasurer's Report**





**Prayer List:** We ask that you keep all our shut-ins and those needing special help in your daily prayers. We will keep the shut-ins on the list indefinitely, and those needing extra prayers will be removed after one month unless hearing otherwise. To add a name to the prayer list, please write it on the list on the narthex brass stand or call the office. This month keep in your prayers: *Alvan Allison, Family & Friends of Barry Angel, Donald Becker, Larry Bolin, Jessica (Feaser) Boone, Katherine Borsella, Allen Bowersox, Frances Claybaugh, Ann Clingan, Lisa Dickensheets, Gail Dorsey, Diane Duffy, Robin Eline, Tarek Elnaggar, Jean Eshbach, Dennis Fahey, Betty Fury, Nancy Fridinger, Vickie Gouker, Dane Graham, Tom Greenholt, Carol Ann Haines, Carrie Hernden, Shirley Hippensteel, Jean Huskin, Don Jamison, Donna Jones, Pat Keefer, Craig King, Norma Kreidler, Mary Lou Krummeck, Family & Friends of Nancy Kuhn, Allen Kuhns, Family & Friends of John Kuhns, David Kunkel, Susie Laughman, Jean Lawrence, Tom Lawrence, Ronnie Lippy, Naura Luqman, Dave & Denise Martin, Clara McBrayer, Carol McDermitt-Humes, Mary Ellen Melhorn, Carol Miller, Sandy Miller, Merita Moore, Leah Moul, Merle Mummert, Pam Mummert, Tammy Mummert, Carolyn Neumyer, Shirley Noel, Marian Noble, Kelly Perdue, R. Pittinger, Family & Friends of Walt Porowski, Mary Riley, Lucus Schneider, Bob and Cecelia Sell, Bob Shue, Luanne Slusser, Denise Smith, Pr. Jerry Smith, JoAnn Smith, Beverly Snyder, Phyllis Tasto, Jennie Tome, George Tracy, Allison Trump, Lois VandenHeuvel, Daniel & Gloria Wagaman, Jody Walter, Naomi Warren, Barb Watson, Diana Weaver, Ron Wentz, Kathy Wildasin, Scott Wisner, Rebecca Wisotzkey.*



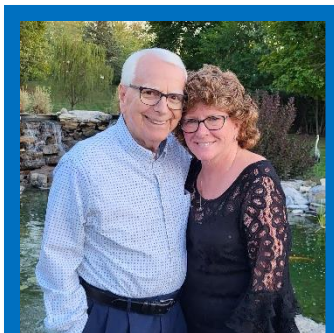
**St. Mark's Monthly Offering for Designated Needs** gives us an opportunity as a congregation to support specific domestic and international needs which are pre-determined by our Council each year. April's offering benefits **Itete Hospital of the Konde Diocese**. Of the various partners who support Konde Diocese, through the work of our Konde Medical Needs Committee, we, as the Lower Susquehanna Synod, are the only partner

providing ongoing support for the Itete Hospital. As the Itete Hospital in the Konde Diocese of Tanzania grows in its capacity to care for people as a District Designated Hospital, their needs grow.

To contribute to this month's designated need, please mail in your donations or place them in our collection plates, specifying "Itete Hospital" or April Designated Giving on your check or the *Other* line of your offering envelope. Donations made on the *Other* line that have no written designation will automatically be given to that month's ministry fund. Thanks for your support.



Bob and Grace Groft



David and Stacey DeLong

**Welcome Groft and DeLong Families!**

Pastor David DeLong and his wife, Stacey, along with Bob and Grace Groft (Stacey's parents), will affirm their faith on Easter Sunday and join with us in membership. They transfer most recently from Mt. Carmel Lutheran, where Pastor DeLong served as long term interim until his second retirement. Please be sure to make them feel welcome!



**Emergency or Weather Closure Notes:** If we ever need to cancel services, we will do our best to get the word out via WGAL radio and WGAL.com. We'll also get a message on the church website ([stmarkhanover.org](http://stmarkhanover.org)), as well as send emails if at all possible. If you're not sure whether we'll be worshipping on our normal schedule, please check before braving the weather.

**St. Mark Eats:** Now that it stays light enough for us all to drive home safely, our gatherings will soon be moving to 6:00pm. Please plan to join us for fellowship and good food at these upcoming St. Mark Eats events!

**TUESDAY, April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Lunch** at Chili's at **1:00pm**

**TUESDAY May 7<sup>th</sup> – Dinner** at the Starlight Diner at **6:00pm**

**TUESDAY June 4<sup>th</sup> – Dinner** at C&D Bar & Grill at **6:00pm**



**-To All Who Dedicated Flowers & Doves for Easter:** Thank you to all those who helped make our Easter Sunday sanctuary so beautiful!

**-To My Dearest St. Mark Sewing Group Ladies:** The treasured handmade bed quilt will be a treasure with blessed memories of you talented ladies and your mission for God's Everlasting Grace. – *Lovingly, Marian Stabley*

**-To All Who Helped with Holy Week:** Especially we give thanks to our volunteer bulletin makers and folders, the lectors and acolytes, communion servers and cleaners, altar preparers, processional members, and musicians. Without all your help, worship would not be the same wonderful gift of praise to God.

**-To St. Mark Lutheran Church on Behalf of the St. Paul, McSherrystown Memorial Fund:** Thank you for blessing us with your donation of \$1,000. Your donation has been applied to Greatest Needs...Our work is endless and thanks to your support, we will be able to ensure that we can continue providing assistance to our Hanover community. – *Mirna Wildasin, Executive Director, HACC*

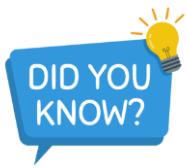


**I Like Pie!!** Calling all pie makers (and pie eaters!): We're planning a very special Fellowship Time on the Day of Pentecost. We hope you can join us for "Pie Sunday" for slices of delicious pie. Please bring a pie to share – homemade or storebought and plan to enjoy this sweet treat on Sunday, **May 19<sup>th</sup>** following worship!

**Can We "Count" on You?** Thank you to all who donated loose change to help the Sunday School provide families and communities across the globe with necessities to sustain and grow their livelihoods. Now we need help counting all those valuable coins! Please contact Pastor Kirk if you'd like to assist in this effort.

Then stay tuned for future updates to find out what our kids decided to purchase with your donations!





**Did You Know:** That St. Mark once stood where the Royal Farms convenience store is now located in Hanover? In 1863, St. Mark became the first English-speaking Lutheran church formed out of the German-worshipping St. Matthew Lutheran Church. Stop by the parlor to see a picture of the original church building.

**Be Sure to Save the Dates for these St. Mark Events:** Please mark your calendars and tell your friends to save the dates for these upcoming St. Mark Events:



On Friday, **May 17<sup>th</sup>**, the East Berlin Community Singers will present a free concert in our sanctuary at 7:30pm.

Then on **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, please plan to attend Honoring our Heroes at St. Mark beginning at 5:00pm with a concert at 7:00pm. Please join us!



**Hanover Garden Club:** The Perennial Plant Sale is set for Saturday, **May 4<sup>th</sup>** from 8:00am to 1:00pm in our fellowship hall and parking lot. The Garden Club will be selling perennials from their own gardens. These are plants that are proven to grow successfully in our area and should flourish in your yards. Free gardening advice will also be available throughout the day. Be sure to stop by the church on the 4<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am. to 1:00pm.

**Easter Flowers Pickup:** If you dedicated Easter tulips, hyacinths, lilies, and/or doves to loved ones, you may take them home following services on Sunday. If you aren't able to take them Sunday, please feel free to come in on **Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**, or **Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**, during office hours (9:00am to 12noon). If you need to pick them up later in the week, please contact Joni at 637-8904 | [offcoor129@gmail.com](mailto:offcoor129@gmail.com) anytime from now until Tuesday morning to make sure they are held for you.



**Glory Project Update:** The Evangelism Committee has started to post evidence of everyone's good works and kindness on the new Glory Project bulletin board in the church hallway. Please help us reach our **goal of 2024 cards** by the end of this year! Remember, "Acts of Glory" include anytime you pray, donate time or money to a good cause, help a friend or neighbor, share a kind word, or otherwise spread kindness, devotion, or inspiration. Just look for the brightly colored cards in the pews or on the

narthex shelf and place completed notes in the bucket under the Inspirations envelopes, mail your notes into the church office, or email your notes to [offcoor129@gmail.com](mailto:offcoor129@gmail.com).

**Inspirations Envelopes Requested:** The Evangelism Committee thanks everyone for recent donations for the Inspirations Project. We are still looking specifically for donations of boxes of white #10 envelopes to create more Inspiration envelopes for community events such as Messy Church, the Hanover Snacktown Street Fair, and St. Mark's November Fall Bazaar. Thank you!

SUPPLIES NEEDED



# Happy Birthday To Our APRIL Birthdays!

March 13 Shirley Noel  
*Happy Belated Birthday, Shirley!  
So sorry we missed it last month!*

April 2 Bethany Zinn  
April 3 Robert Rhoten  
April 4 Susan Rizer  
April 7 Haley Luckabaugh  
Shirley Szwoyer  
April 8 Dorothy Williams  
April 9 Lynn Gross  
April 10 Richard Mondorff  
April 11 Louis Reifsnider  
April 13 Carol McDermitt  
April 14 Nancy Sandruck  
April 15 Carter Brown



April 16 Tom Long  
April 17 Chris Kindschuh  
April 19 Susie Laughman  
April 21 Mary Ellen Melhorn  
April 22 Matthew Funke  
Cecelia Sell  
April 23 Brynn  
Seidenstricker  
April 26 Brian Wilson  
April 27 Clay Brown  
Lynn Peterson  
April 28 Morgan Brown  
April 29 Mary Bowman  
April 30 Peggy Sue Potter

*If we've missed anyone, please let us know at 717-637-8904.*



**Pentecost Geraniums:** The Day of Pentecost is May 19<sup>th</sup> this year. We'll need to order our geraniums the week of **May 5<sup>th</sup>**, so please plan to have your orders in by that Sunday. As always, we'll plant the geraniums to beautify the church gardens following the service. If you'd like to volunteer to help with the planting, call the church office (637-8904). To dedicate geraniums to a loved one, please use the form below or contact the church office. Again, the deadline to order is **May 5<sup>th</sup>**.

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## ORDER FORM

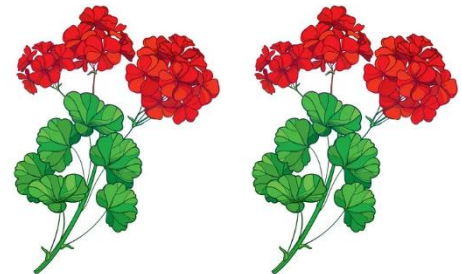
### GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST

The cost of each plant is **\$6.50**.

**DEADLINE for ordering is Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**

I would like to order: \_\_\_\_\_ Geraniums @ **\$6.50** each

**Total \$** \_\_\_\_\_



In Memory Of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor Of: \_\_\_\_\_

Presented By: \_\_\_\_\_



## APRIL Altar Vases



### April 7<sup>th</sup>

**Altar Vases:** Given by Pat Ormond and Julie Ruth and Families in Memory of Helen Ruth

### April 14<sup>th</sup>

**Altar Vase:** Given by Melanie, Sally, Pete, David, and Romi in Honor of Our Parents, Carl & Nancy's, 69<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Nancy's Birthday

**Altar Vase:** *Open for Dedication*

### April 21<sup>st</sup>

**Altar Vase:** Given by Kate Klunk & Jared, Grace, and Claire Laird

**Altar Vase:** Given by Glenn & Nancy Mummert in Honor of Our Granddaughter, RaeAnne Mummert's, Birthday and Our Son and Daughter-in-Law, Neil and Tammy's, Anniversary

### April 28<sup>th</sup>

**Altar Vases:** *Both Vases Open for Dedication*

## APRIL

### Sunday Worship Helpers

April Altar Care: *Need Volunteer(s)*

#### April 7<sup>th</sup>

**CPIC:** Martha Lippy

**Lector:** Our Church Youth

**Comm. Assts:** Martha Lippy | *Need Volunteer*

**Acolyte:** Marcus Lobaugh

**Greeters:** Our Church Youth

#### April 14<sup>th</sup>

**CPIC:** Gail Merlo

**Lector:** Alex Spalding

**Comm. Assts:** Gail Merlo | *Need Volunteer*

**Acolyte:** Abby Shermeyer

**Greeter:** Bill Leppo

#### April 21<sup>st</sup>

**CPIC:** Kathy Gates

**Lector:** Karen Feeser

**Comm. Assts:** Kathy Gates | *Need Volunteer*

**Acolyte:** Morgana Lobaugh

**Greeter:** Bill Leppo

#### April 28<sup>th</sup>

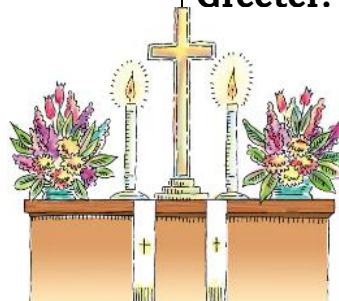
**CPIC:** Mike Merlo

**Lector:** Alex Spalding

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Worship Helpers



**Preschool Sunday:** Please join us for St. Mark's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Preschool Sunday. On Sunday, **April 7<sup>th</sup>**, we will welcome St. Mark's preschoolers as our extra special guests. They will add to our service by performing a song or two during Children's Time with fellowship time following worship. We will also host this special day by having our Youth of St. Mark lead many parts of our morning worship.

**Host a Fellowship Time:** We need hosts for our monthly fellowship time from May forward so we can keep this sweet social opportunity going! The church provides the donuts and coffee, and the host sets up and cleans up after. If you enjoy this nice gathering time after church on the first Sunday of each month, please sign up to help so we can continue it.



## News and Happenings in Our Community

**Provide-A-Lunch Team #3 will be serving at HACC on April 28<sup>th</sup>:** Our primary team members include: Linda Bolin, Dale Dull, Shirley Hippensteel, and Nancy Beimler.

**PAL is an important program hosted by HACC to make sure local people in need get at least one hot meal per day, 365 days a year.** To maintain our three teams, we can use more PAL volunteers. Each team only serves **once every three months**, so it's not a huge time commitment. Any help is appreciated. Call or just come to one of our serving events at HACC on Carlisle Street.



### HACC NEWS & SPECIAL NEEDS THIS MONTH:

**PAL (Provide-a-Lunch) Program:** Cans of Mixed Vegetables, Corn, Green Beans, Bags of Potatoes, Butter, Sugar, Milk, Snacks, Scalloped Potatoes, Fruit Cups, Grocery and/or Shopping Bags.

**Ruth's Harvest:** Single Serve Fruit Cups, Single Serve Cereals, Single Serve Granola Bars.

**Clothing Bank:** Children and Teen Clothing (All Sizes), Men's Jeans Waist Sizes 30-34 Shoes/Sneakers (All Sizes), Grocery and/or Shopping Bags.

**Shelter:** Hygiene and Toiletry Products (Shampoo, Conditioner, Soap, Body Wash), Clorox Wipes, Kitchen Trash Bags, Ziploc Bags (Sandwich and Gallon Sizes).

**Meals On Wheels:** Adult Coloring Books, Colored Pencils, Word Search Books, Compression Socks, Handkerchiefs, Box Tissues.

*Please place donations in the bins by the office on the corner table at end of hall.*

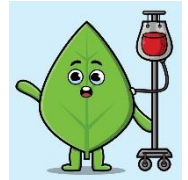


Hospice of Central PA

**Camp Dragonfly:** Hospice of Central PA is offering a weekend camp from **June 7<sup>th</sup> through June 9<sup>th</sup>** for children coping with loss. The registration deadline is **May 1<sup>st</sup>**. For more information, visit [hospiceofcentralpa.org](http://hospiceofcentralpa.org) or call 717-732-1000.



**UPMC Blood Drives:** We had another successful drive in March. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped save lives! We will be hosting more of these blood drives in 2024. The next one will be on **June 13<sup>th</sup>**. To donate, go to [717giveblood.org](http://717giveblood.org) and look for “UPMC” in the Donate Now dropdown menu.



**June 13<sup>th</sup> | August 15<sup>th</sup> | October 17<sup>th</sup> | December 12<sup>th</sup>**



**Rent-a-Kid:** If you need help around the house this spring and summer, check out the York County Area on Aging’s Rent-a-Kid program. They match seniors to middle school and high school students who are interested in helping with household chores, tech assistance, and yard work. Contact 717-771-9103 for more information.

**Slagle Scholarship DEADLINE SOON:** The deadline to turn in applications for the Slagle Scholarship is coming sooner than you think! If you know of a graduating senior of Hanover or SWHS who plans to enter the nursing profession, the ministry or other religious work, or attend a vocational school, tell them to contact Martha Lippy at 717-637-8891. Completed applications must be **received by the church office on or before April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024.**



**Sight & Sound Bus Trip:** Clearview Terrace Travel Club is planning a trip to see *Daniel* at the Sight & Sound Theater on Wednesday, **May 22<sup>nd</sup>**, leaving at 9:00am and returning at 5:00pm. The cost is \$150 and includes the show, transportation, lunch, and all gratuities. Registration deadline is **April 12<sup>th</sup>**. There are only 52 seats available, so get your ticket soon if you’re planning to go!



**Free Spring Concerts:** Emmanuel UCC (717-632-8281) on Broadway presents the L’abri Trio on **April 7<sup>th</sup>** at 3:00pm. And on **April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**, the College Choir of Lebanon Valley College will sing at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Carlisle (717-249-3310).



**Help Feed Kids on the Weekends:** HACC’s Ruth’s Harvest program was established to make sure kids on the free-lunch program at school are also fed on weekends and holidays. To keep this program going and make sure kids don’t go hungry when schools are closed, they need single-serve packages of nutritious food to hand out to kids on Fridays. Please place donations in the HACC shelter bin near the Church Office.

## April Preschool News



### **Preschool Sunday:**

Our preschoolers will be extra special guests on **April 7<sup>th</sup>** at 9:00am worship and will add to the service by performing two songs during Children's Time. This will be an enjoyable time for all!

### **2024-2025 Registration Updates:**

At this time, we have three openings left in the 4-year-old afternoon class (Mon, Wed, and Fri) from 12:30pm to 3:15pm.

### **THE 4-YEAR-OLD MORNING AND BOTH 3-YEAR-OLD CLASSES ARE FULL**

For more information about our preschool program and to download a registration form for the 4's PM Class please visit:

[stmarkpreschoolhanover.weebly.com](http://stmarkpreschoolhanover.weebly.com) (St. Mark Preschool's website)

[stmarkhanover.org](http://stmarkhanover.org) (St. Mark Church's website)

If you have any questions about 2024-2025 Registration, or if you'd like to set up a tour of our preschool, please contact Idonia Klunk at 717-451-4803.










### **Joe Corbi's Fundraiser:**

Order pickup is on **April 2<sup>nd</sup>** from 10:30am to 12:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Idonia at 717-451-4803 if unable to pick up at that time.



**Thank you to everyone who helped make our fundraiser a great success!!**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p>1 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>  <p>APRIL FOOL'S DAY</p>	<p>2 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>1pm St. Mark Eats @ Chili's</p> <p>Joe Corbi's Pickup</p>	<p>3 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>  <p>NATIONAL FIND A RAINBOW DAY</p>	<p>4 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>9:00am-12noon Quilting Group</p> <p>3pm Evangelism Mtg</p>	<p>5 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>11:00am Bible Study</p> 	<p>6 5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word</p>
<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter 7</p> <p>9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School</p> <p>Preschool Sunday Fellowship following Worship</p>  <p>Bells Rehearsal</p>	<p>8 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>  <p>PYGMY HIPPO DAY</p>	<p>9 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>9:30am Property Mtg</p>	<p>10 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> 	<p>11 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>9:00am-12noon Quilting Group</p>  <p>NATIONAL FAST AND PRAYER DAY</p>	<p>12 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>11:00am Bible Study</p>	<p>13 5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word</p>
<p>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter 14</p> <p>9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School</p> <p>Confirmation Class</p> <p>Private Event in Fellowship Hall</p> <p>Bells Rehearsal</p>	<p>15 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> 	<p>16 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>1pm Garden Club Mtg</p> <p>2pm Preschool Board Meeting</p>	<p>17 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>  <p>WORLD CIRCUS DAY</p>	<p>18 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>9:00am-12noon Quilting Group</p> <p>6pm Fellowship Mtg @ Railside Diner</p>	<p>19 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>11:00am Bible Study</p>	<p>20 5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word</p> <p>Private Event in Fellowship Hall</p>
<p>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter 21</p> <p>9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School</p> <p>Bells Rehearsal</p>	<p>22 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>  <p>EARTH DAY</p>	<p>23 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>Election Day Polling @ St. Mark</p> <p>4pm Council Mtg</p> <p>7pm Future Task Force Mtg</p>	<p>24 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>	<p>25 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>9:00am-12noon Quilting Group</p>	<p>26 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p> <p>11:00am Bible Study</p> <p>ARBOR DAY</p>	<p>27 5:30pm Spoken Liturgy of Word</p>
<p>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter 28</p> <p>9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School</p> <p>Confirmation Class</p> <p>PAL Team 3</p> <p>Bells Rehearsal</p>	<p>29 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>  <p>WORLD WISH DAY</p>	<p>30 9:00am-12noon Office Open</p>				

\*NOTE: St. Mark Preschool classes are in regular session MONDAY through FRIDAY each week between the hours of 8:30am and 4:00pm. Please see the preschool calendar for more information.

# St. Mark Lutheran Church

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*By the grace of God in and through Jesus Christ, the mission of the people of St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hanover, Pennsylvania, is to hear and share the Good News of Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament ministry. Since our founding in 1864 it has been the mission of the people of St. Mark to testify in word and deed that no one is outside God's mercy in Jesus Christ.*

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