## This Week at St Mark

November 18, 2018 – November 24, 2018

Sunday (11/18)

Thursday (11/22)



5.15 and Congregational I und Meeting

## Monday (11/19)

6:00 pm Deacons Meeting

#### Tuesday (11/20)

8:30 am Quilt Group

10:00 am Bible Study

#### Wednesday (11/21)

5:00 pm Bells Rehearsal

#### 6:30 pm Worship (w/HC)

7:30 pm Pie Social



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Forward Deadline for January

# Friday (11/23) 4:30pm - 9:00 pm Making Spirits Bright Saturday (11/24)

## Sunday (11/25)

9:00 am Worship Service
10:00 am Set up Christmas Decorations
10:15 am Bible Study
5:00pm Parade (Youth Serving Hot Chocolate)
Food Pantry Sunday



Thursday, November 15, 2018 Sunday, November 18, 2018

# **Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost**



#### Financial Information through 10/28/18

#### **General Fund**

					Variance
	Attendance	Offering	Budget	% Met	Amount
Weekly	86	\$3 <i>,</i> 937.00	\$4 <i>,</i> 658.00	84.52	(\$721.00)
Year to Date	4785	\$162,782.55	\$200,294.00	81.27	(\$37,511.45)

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Please make sure you use the calendar on the wall by the office to mark your meetings and events in order for them to appear in the Forward and Messenger.

We still need a volunteer to drive the van on the 2nd Sunday of the month. If you are interested or have any questions please contact Tom Kroll or the church office.

### Please remember to check your mailboxes.

The St Mark Mitten Tree is in the Narthex waiting to be decorated with mittens. caps and scarves. These will help keep needy Sheboygan kids warm through the upcoming winter. We will be collecting items until December 2nd.



**Thinking about joining St. Mark?** Please contact Pastor Matz or the Church Office. We will be starting a new members class soon.

#### Making Spirits Bright

Thank you to everyone that signed up for "St Mark Night."

If you signed up to help you will find instructions on where you need to park and when you need to be at the park in your mailbox.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED WITH THE FALL CLEANUP. IT WAS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

A report from the LCMS Hispanic Outreach program which the church helps fund will be posted in the Narthex each month. Feel free to take a copy of the report if you are interested in what they are doing in the community.

Advent is coming and so are the Soup Suppers. Supper will be served from 5:00pm until 6:00pm. December 5th - SonShine Cottage December 12th - Mixed Bunch Cottage December 19th - Open

#### Thrivent Choice Dollars

Thank you Thrivent members for assigning your Choice dollars to St. Mark. The church has received \$6,058 in Choice Dollars grant funds this year. Last year our total was \$4,497. Please remember to contact Thrivent Choice Dollars in order to keep the funds coming. You can do this by calling 1-800-847-4836 or on-line at Thrivent.com/thriventchoice and follow the prompts.

Carolyn will not be in the office on November 21st. She will at CUW assisting with the end of life simulations for sophomore nursing students that morning.

#### The next Council and Board of Directors meeting will be December 10th.

Remember, when you are in need of Pastoral care please contact either Pastor Matz or the church office at 458-4343.

Thank you to cottage 12 for purchasing a bunch of coats for the Coats for Kids drive. The church donated 9 coats and 2 pair of snow pants.

#### **Christmas Decorating Schedule**

November 25th: Outside Decorations December 9th: Set up Tree December 10th: Put lights on Tree December 10th: Decorate Tree December 22nd: Poinsettias delivered and placed January 6th: Take everything down Every little bit of help is greatly appreciated!

Game Night was cancelled. Due to the Holidays we are not holding Game Night until January 21st. If you have any guestions please contact Mike Hotz or Bey Sorenson.

The **Evangelism committee** is going to be collecting items for **Open Door**. The next two weeks (November 21st to December 2nd.) The items they are collecting will be nonperishable food items and snacks (canned items, mac & cheese, peanut butter, jelly, noodles, chips, pretzels, crackers, nutty bars, cereal bars, granola bars, etc.) Open Door is also in need of Men's clothing especially coats, boots, pants, jeans and long sleeve shirts.

#### Bring some Joy into Someone's Life at The Gathering Place -

Have you ever volunteered and felt that you received way more than you gave? That's what our volunteers tell us every day. We do so many different activities, there is something for everyone to enjoy doing with an adult with memory loss. Socializing, potato bowling, playing games, art, wood working or just doing a puzzle with someone is an important way to help. Bring some joy to someone else's life by spending your Mondays or Tuesdays with us. Call us today at 920-627-6847 or email carolb@stpaulfalls.com

#### Texas Roadhouse Churches

10% donation EVERY Sunday. Come in Sundays between 11am and 9pm to support your church! Present a copy of your church bulletin to your server and Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% of your total food purchase back to your church! Thank you to those that have used this wonderful program. The church has received \$49.40 so far this year. We also receive food from them for various events at the church.



Come join us for our Annual Pie Social on Wednesday, November 21st, after church services. Please bring your uncut pies to the kitchen before service.



Sheboygan Pops Concert Band Winter Concert Sunday, December 2nd @ 2:00pm at Trinity Lutheran Church. A free will donation will be accepted.

TRINITY GERMAN SERVICE: Trinity Lutheran Church. 824 Wisconsin Ave., Sheboygan would like to invite you to join us on Sunday, December 9 at 2:00 pm for our German Christmas Service. Rev. Donald Hougard is the quest preacher and the Concordia German Singing Society is the guest choir. A time of fellowship will follow the service. Service will be in German and English. Coffee, Hot Cider, Hot chocolate, German Christmas cookies, stolen and "Gemuetlichkeit" will be enjoyed by all after the Service. Bring your family, invite your neighbors, friends and acquaintances to celebrate and keep alive the German traditions (Holidays, family, church) in our hearts and our community.