

This Week at St Mark

December 15, 2019 – December 22, 2019

Sunday (12/15)

9:00 am **Worship Service** (w/HC)

10:15 am Bible Study

10:15 am Congregational Fund Meeting

Monday (12/16)

Tuesday (12/17)

8:30 am Quilt Group

10:00 am Bible Study

Wednesday (12/18)

9:00 am Parish Nurse in Office

9:00 am Pantry Sort & Store

11:30 am R & R Luncheon

5:00 pm Bells Rehearsal

5:00 pm Soup Supper

6:30 pm **Worship Service**

Thursday (12/19)

5:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

No Church Services

Friday (12/20)

8:00 am Pantry Workers

9:30 am Food Pantry

Saturday (12/21)

8:30 am Women's Discussion Group

9:00 am Poinsettia's Delivered

Sunday (12/22)

9:00 am **Worship Service**

10:15 am Bible Study

Food Pantry Sunday



**Just a
reminder...**

We have services on
Thursday night at 6:30pm
if you can't attend on
Sunday morning.



THE MESSENGER

Sharing the Love of Jesus



Wednesday, December 11, 2019

Sunday, December 15, 2019

Third Sunday in Advent



*The altar flowers this week are provided by
Bill Hewitt in loving memory of
Joyce Hewitt's Birthday.*

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Pastor Brett Matz

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 15th.



Evangelism Committee would like to start with S.O.S (acronym for their "Supply Our Shelter" need). This includes donations of supplies that help to keep the shelter running and make all the difference in the lives of the residents. Some of the general and ongoing needs are: Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, General Cleaning Spray, Carpet Cleaner, Feminine Products (Pads & Tampons), Magic Cleaning Erasers, Kleenex, 13-Gallon White Garbage Bags, Laundry detergent (pods are best), Bleach, Dryer Sheets, Brooms/Mops, Air Fresheners, Towels, Rags, and Hangers.



St Mark R & R December luncheon will be at the Yacht Club on Wednesday, December 18th at 11:30am. All retirees and friends welcome. RSVP to Pat Machut (254-7225) or Jim Rose (457-3414).

If you would like to receive a copy of The Lutheran Witness magazine delivered to your home please fill out the forms that are provided in the Narthex. Please return to the office by January 12th along with \$10.80 to cover the cost for the year.



All donations need to be in to the church office by December 31st to be included for 2019.

We are reaching out to members who are interested in volunteering for all positions for the Christmas and New Years services.

We still need greeters, sound booth, projection and ushers to volunteer for Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Years Eve services. Please sign-up on the sheets in the Narthex!



Please remember to check your mailboxes.

Thank you to those that helped with the Salvation Army Bell Ringing. Our group collected \$442.25.

Advent is coming and so are the Soup Suppers. Supper will be served from 5:00pm until 6:00pm. December 19th - Social Gatherings

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Thank you Thrivent members for assigning your Choice dollars to St. Mark. The church has received \$7,866 in Choice Dollars grant funds this year. Last year our total was \$6,071. 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. Please contact Bev Sorenson at 458-4279 to let her know where you want to designate the funds at St. Mark.

EVERYONE LIKES SOMETHING FOR NOTHING

We're starting to clean out storage rooms in the church and have found a wealth of Sunday school and religious books and supplies which we would like to make available to our members at no cost. Many of the books would be great Christian reading and training for your family and grandchildren.

Cherie Leonhardt will be available in the church basement before and after church on Sundays to give you an opportunity to take a look at what's available and pick up what you and your family can use.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO OBTAIN SOME WONDERFUL CHRISTIAN MATERIAL AND YOU CAN'T BEAT THE PRICE!!

This Christmas season, Meals On Wheels will again be delivering boxes of home made cookies to our clients. For some, this will be the only gift they receive this Christmas. The boxes have been donated, and some very talented local youth groups have decorated them, so now all we need are the cookies! Please consider donating some of your home-baked specialties to our project. We have set up cookie drop off sites in both Sheboygan and Plymouth and will be packaging the cookies Tuesday, Dec. 17. For more information, or to be added to the list of cookie donors, please call Maureen or Amy at Meals On Wheels at 920-451-7011. Thank you for making our clients' holidays a little brighter!

Christmas Decorating Schedule

December 21st @ 9am: Poinsettias delivered and placed
January 5th @ 10am: Take everything down
Every little bit of help is greatly appreciated!

Blessed Trinity Parish's 10th Annual Homemade Christmas Cookie & Candy Sale

NEW THIS YEAR: PICTURES WITH SANTA BRING YOUR CAMERA OR CELL PHONE & CAPTURE A HOLIDAY MEMORY!

When: **Saturday, December 21 – 9AM to Noon (or until sold out)** Where **Blessed Trinity's Front Entrance Gathering Area 319 Giddings Avenue Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin**

Purchase assorted Cookie & Candy Boxes (\$8/box).

Just in time for Christmas! Cookies & Candy make a great gift for your family and friends.

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

Our Food Pantry is in a constant need of the following items: Jelly and Jam



LHS Christmas Concert: Sheboygan Lutheran High School is hosting their annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 15th at 6:30pm at the Weill Center in Sheboygan. The performance, entitled "How Greatly God Must Love Thee", will feature the Symphonic Band, Chamber Choir, and Konzertchor, and Jazz Band. Featured this year will be the premier of a beautiful Christmas Cantata for choir and strings composed by David Von Kampen with lyrics by Paul Gerhardt. Also, returning this year will be the traditional singing of the Hallelujah Chorus. Parents, alumni, friends, and supporters of LHS are all invited to join in singing the piece with the Konzertchor (music will be provided for you.) There is no cost for admission, however a freewill offering will be collected during the concert. Please join us for what promises to be a wonderful evening of music and fellowship.