This Week at St Mark

December 5, 2021 – December 12, 2021

Sunday (12/5) Thursday (12/9)

9:00 am Worship Service (w/HC)

10:00 am Bible Study

Friday (12/10)

Monday (12/6)

Saturday (12/11)

Tuesday (12/7)

Sunday (12/12)

9:00 am Worship Service

5:15 pm Choir Practice

10:00 am Bible Study

10:00 am Set up Christmas Tree

Wednesday (12/8)

9:00 am Parish Nurse

5:00 pm Bells Rehearsal

6:30 pm Worship Service

Church office closed in the afternoon.

* You can watch a live stream of Sunday's service at Facebook.com/stmarksheboygan.

If you are unable to join us live the service is recorded and available on our Facebook page.

Sermon will continue to be recorded and available after Sunday's service on our website.



THE MESSENGER Sharing the Love of Jesus



Sunday, December 5, 2021

Second Sunday in Advent



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Offerings to St. Mark

We now have online giving through Vanco. You can use this option to make a one time offering or set up a regular contribution. The link for this is on the website stmarksheboygan.com. Click on the box that says Donate to St. Mark Lutheran Church. If you need more information please contact the office.





Thank you for your commitment to this mission. December 2018 \$247, 2019 \$2,676, 1st Half 2020 \$813, 3rd Quarter 2020 \$510, 4th Quarter 2020 \$631, 1st Quarter 2021 \$549, 2nd Quarter 2021 \$689, 3rd Quarter 2021 \$521, October \$141 & November \$196

We need volunteers to help on Sunday mornings with Projection, sound booth and assisting with our Facebook live stream. Contact Rob Sass if you are interested.

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.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Thank you Thrivent members for assigning your Choice dollars to St. Mark. The church has received \$3,251 in Choice Dollars grant funds this year. Last year our total was \$4,532 . 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.

Holiday Service Schedule

Midweek Services Wednesday @ 6:30pm (December 8, I5 & 22)

Christmas Eve 4:00pm Christmas Day 10:00am December 26th 9:00am New Year's Eve 6:30pm

HELP BEAUTIFY OUR CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS

Order your Poinsettia plants! Order forms are in the Narthex. If you have any questions please contact the church office.



Sunday, December 5th: LHS is pleased to welcome community favorite, the **Sheboygan 'Pops' Band** to the LHS Worship Fine Arts Center stage for their annual holiday concert. The concert is free and open to the public, no ticket

necessary. Freewill donations will be accepted at the door. Concert start time is 1:30pm. Doors open at 1:00pm.



Christmas Decorating Schedule

December 12th @ 10am: Set up Tree
December 13th @ 6pm: Decorate Tree
December 18th @ 9am: Poinsettias delivered

and placed

January 2nd @ 10am: Take everything down

Every little bit of help is greatly appreciated!

Special Meeting of the Voter's Assembly December 19th, 2021 Following the Church Service



A special Voter's Assembly Meeting is to be convened to vote on extending a Call . The voter's present will constitute a quorum to conduct business.

Saturday, December 11th: The Sheboygan Lutheran Chamber Choir has been invited to sing with the Sheboygan Symphony Orchestra and Chorus for their annual "Sounds of the Season" concert at the Stefanie H. Weill Center, downtown Sheboygan. You are invited to celebrate the holidays with LHS and the SSO as they combine to sing holiday classics, new favorites, and even a singalong to top it off. Please vis-

it <u>sheboygansymphony.org</u> to purchase tickets for the concert. Concert time is 7:30pm.

GERMAN CHRISTMAS SERVICE: Please join us on Sunday, December 12, 2:00 pm for our German Christmas Service At Trinity Lutheran Church (824 Wisconsin Ave, Sheboygan). Rev. Donald Hougard is the guest preacher. The Service will be in German and English. A time of fellowship will follow the service. Coffee, Hot Cider, Hot chocolate, German Christmas desserts and pastries 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.

Our Food Pantry is in a constant need of the following items: Jelly, Jam, Snacks, Pork & Beans & Chunky

Soups & Chun





Call Committee Update

- The Self Study and Survey were completed last month (September) and submitted to Synod
- Bishop Hardy will review those two documents and then compile group of possible pastors for us to review
- Call Committee met Monday 10/11 to prioritize even further our Pastoral Expectations; we are incorporating those back to the results of the CADS Survey
- Bishop Hardy has compiled a list of names for review

Call Committee needs to complete Confidentiality Agreements- once done, we will be able to starting reviewing names

The St. Mark R & R luncheon will be held at the Yacht Club, on Wednesday, December 15th at 11:30 am. For reservations contact Lorena Tislau at 920-467-9118.



Looking for something new to do? Come check out The Gathering Place at our satellite location in Sheboygan and see what volunteering can do for you! If you enjoy baking, games and live music, it's the place for you. Give us a call at 920-627-6847 or email ginas@stpaulfalls.com for more details.