



# The MARKINGS

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## "Inside Stuff"

Rev. Gary G. Schultz

**AMAZING:** That is the word that comes to our mind when we think of our time so far at St. Mark's. Nan and I have enjoyed getting to know many of you and are looking forward to getting to know more of you. Just so you know Nan followed me from church to church for 40 years of full-time ministry. So, I told her that she should pick our next place of worship, she chose St. Mark's.

**SMALL GROUPS:** Part of where we are using our gifts for the Kingdom is in mentoring and training small group leaders. We have purposely started small and will continue to recruit and train a handful or so of leaders each time. Our next small group training sessions will be January 22-8:30-10:00am and Thursday January 27-5:30-7pm. If you have an interest in taking the training, please talk to Nan or myself. If you would like to be a part of a group, please talk to Nan or myself.

**EPHESIANS:** Pastor Eric and I will start teaching the book of Ephesians starting January 2 during the Bible study/Sunday school hour. The book of Ephesians handles some very interesting topics: Free will, predestination, faith/grace, marriage (just to name a few). Plan on joining us during January and February.

**FAMILY:** By the time you receive this newsletter my daughter will have given birth to a new grandson...yeah!! I share that with because our purpose in retirement is to use our gifts for the Kingdom and to spend time with our children and grandchildren. We are so blessed to have them ALL in the area.

**FINALLY:** Blessed Epiphany to you and may you continue to be blessed to be a blessing!

This month's issue of the MARKINGS is sponsored by **Judy Young** for all of God's blessings.

*Thank  
You*

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# Christmas Thanks

**Donated this year's lovely tree:** TIM & LAURI UTECHT

**For the outdoor garland:** CLARICE BOEHM for procuring garland.

**Those who cut, put up the Christmas tree, hung the outdoor wreaths and put up the outside garland:**

GARY BIELEN, BURNELL UTECHT, JOHN WOLLER, ROGER BLOCK, JEFF KERN, DENNIS WALD, TED BORNOWSKI, KEN BERNDT, DEWAYNE GRAF, JASON GRULKOWSKI, RICH KLEIN, GARY KRAUSE and ERV ZIEGEL.

**Those who decorated the church:** CAROL HAWORTH, BOB & JULIE WATERMAN, ROSE GRAF, SUE BERNDT, SUSAN WOLLER, BOB & KIM CHRISTENSEN, BARB REYNOLDS, JOHN & RITA WOLLER, KAY BLOCK, KRIS SPARKS, KATHY SPARKS, MARY WADZINSKI, TOM & LINDA JAGODINSKI, HAUAN FAMILY

**Arranging the poinsettia plants:** JOAN CRISMAN, SHARON MICHALSKI & JASON GRULKOWSKI

**Cleaning and preparing candles for candlelight services:** ROGER BLOCK

**Changing of the paraments:** KAY BLOCK & CAROL HAFFEMANN

**Those who contributed to the decorating fund or purchased a poinsettia plant:**

GARY & KATHY BIELEN for the beauty of God's house

JOYCE BURISH in memory of Elton & Gary Burish

ROGER & DARLENE BURK in memory of Elmer & Elsie Burk and Ben & Ferne Hafeman

BOB & KIM CHRISTENSEN for the gift of our children and grandchildren

JUDITH MARIE COHEN in memory of Edwin and Charlotte Nivenski

JOAN CRISMAN in memory of Bernie Crisman

BOB & JOYCE FRICKENSTEIN for the beauty of God's house

MIKE & TRACY GENGALO for our beloved family members that are spending Christmas in Heaven with the Lord.

JASON & JULIE GRULKOWSKI for the beauty of His church

STEVE & JANET HERRING in memory of Donald Herring

ANDY & MARY HOPPE in memory of Alfred Hoppe

HENRY JENNEJOHN in loving memory of my wife Elsie Jennejohn

MARILYN KASTEN in memory of Verland Kasten

DIANE KLEINSCHMIDT in memory of DuWayne Kleinschmidt

JASON & PEGGY KNISS in loving memory of Marvin & Barbara Passow and Roger & Marge Kniess

DON KOSCHMANN, REBECCA VAUGHN & CYNTHIA KOSCHMANN we wish to place the plant on the Christmas altar in love and joy to honor Helyn, our departed wife, mother, and friend.

GINNY KOTTKE for the beauty of His church

RACHEL OLSON in memory of her parents Ralph, Sr. and Lucille Kresin

DAN & CATHY PAGE, EMILY, ERIC, KELLY AND KORY in memory of Sandy Schneider, mom and awesome "GMA"

MARJORIE RADDATZ, DAUGHTERS (Suzanne & Audra), STEP-CHILDREN (Janean, Julie, Hugh, Faye & Karla), GRANDSONS (Jonah & Braden), and STEP-CHILDREN & FAMILIES. "David Raddatz, you live on in our hearts."

TOM, TRACY, JACK & SAM RADENZ in memory of parents Lawrence & Jean Radenz, Jim Krueger

JERRY & CAROL RAY for the beauty of God's house

CRAIG & SHARON REZIN in memory of Verland Kasten and Gerald & Alex Rezin

VERN SCHADE in memory of Kaye Schade

KEVIN & LYNN SCHROEDER in memory of Ken & Esther Schroeder

PETER & CARLA SPYCHALLA in memory of Franklin & Madora Zimmerman

ELLEN TRESS in memory of Bradley Tress

ROBERT, MARY & TREVOR SCHULTZ for our many blessings



## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



- |                       |                     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Leah Alters         | 22 Wendy Knuth      |
| Debbie Doucette       | Perry Snoeyenbos    |
| 2 Ava Downing         | Rita Woller         |
| Emma Downing          | 23 Sharon Michalski |
| Lois Schultz          | 25 Kurt Haebig      |
| Carla Spychalla       | Jacob Novitch       |
| 3 Jim Haworth         | John Sparbel        |
| Harper Heindel        | 26 Rebecca Kuehl    |
| 5 Janet Herring       | Mary Schultz        |
| Ginny Kottke          | 28 Bradley Bisgrove |
| Audrey Peterson       | Diane Jehn          |
| Landon Thurs          | John Skoug          |
| 6 Barb Lutz           | 29 Tim Loeffler     |
| Ryan Werner           | 30 Marlene Laffin   |
| 7 Warren Pope         | Angela Mahar        |
| 9 Tom Hensel          | Jocelyn Mayer       |
| 10 Beth Hoff          | Nicole Thurs        |
| 12 Raymond Blaubauch  | Rod Werner          |
| 14 Arvilla Berens     | Avila Zinkowich     |
| Tim Goffin            | 31 Jenna Borchardt  |
| Melissa Shewmake      | Roxanne Jennejohn   |
| 15 Caleb Butzlaff     | Adilyn Witter       |
| Rev. Gordon Giese     |                     |
| 16 Chris Grosskreutz  |                     |
| Wes Hoffman           |                     |
| John Woller           |                     |
| 17 Carson Schemenauer |                     |
| 18 Lorraine Wilde     |                     |
| 19 Jan Feucht         |                     |
| Marlys Hartman        |                     |
| 21 Kyle Alters        |                     |
| Adam Dykman           |                     |
| Kailey Grosskreutz    |                     |
| Anthony Holzem        |                     |
| Beverly Sturm         |                     |
| Matthew Vande Boom    |                     |



Brad & Julie Bollmann	1/4/1992
Tim & Melissa Vergara	1/15/2011
Rob & Debbie Doucette	1/21/1978
Clint & Teri Smith	1/25/2014

### **Son-Shine Bible Study**

We will start the new year by continuing our Advent of the Savior study with Season of Wonder: Jesus Birth and In Search of the King: The Magi Meet Jesus on Wednesday, January 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> respectively. On the following week, we will go back to our Twelve Women of the Bible study and begin with Hannah: Surrendering in Waiting. These lessons include a video section, so in fall we found it worked best to plan on 2 weeks for each lesson which gave us time for scripture study as well as group discussion. We will meet in the classrooms from 1:00-2:00 each week. Looking forward to continuing our study and fellowship. Please join us if you can.

THE MONTH AT A GLANCE 2021	
**FINANCIALS**	
NOVEMBER	
CAME IN	
ENVELOPE/PLATE	\$ 29,139.97
E-GIVING	\$ 10,278.00
BUDGETED MISSIONS	\$ 5,382.00
Other Missions--OUTREACH	\$ 585.00
SPECIAL GIFTS	\$ 3,183.55
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND DONATIONS	\$ 100.03
LOAN	\$ 126.47
CREDIT CARD /CHARLES SCHWAB DONATIONS	\$ -
OTHER (Preschool tuition, room use, etc.)	\$ 5,126.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 53,921.02</b>

DISBURSED	
COMPENSATION	\$ 23,083.55
BENEFIT INSURANCE	\$ 6,573.95
PROPERTIES	\$ 3,661.72
MISSIONS	\$ 22,661.33
SPECIAL GIFTS - OUT	\$ 5,221.07
OTHER (Office Supplies, Pastoral Subs, Etc.)	\$ 4,769.94
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 65,971.56</b>

DIFFERENCE	\$ (12,050.54)
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\*\*\*NOTE: CAMP LUTHER'S COMMITMENT IS PAID IN FULL\*\*\*

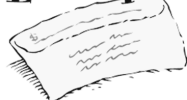
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A big "Thank you" goes out for the donations received to be put toward the pipe organ rebuild.

- \* In memory of Erik & Lester Rusch from Leon & Connie Rusch.
- \* Dick & Donna Schroeder for blessings received.



## Offering Envelopes



### 2022 Offering Envelopes

The new offering envelopes are now available to be picked up in church. If you do not find yours, please contact Jean in the office at 715-848-5511, Ext. 1. A **BIG THANK YOU** goes out to Janet Herring who helped print and sort the envelopes this year.

### Winterfest

On Sunday, January 23 starting at 11:45 STMK is hosting a Chili Feed with all the fixings. Yum... Chicken vegetable casserole with salads will be available also. ALL the proceeds from this free will event will be given to WVLHS. On the credenza you can sign up to share your favorite chili to share or sign up to share some cookies or bars. Questions can be directed to event coordinators Kevin Heinking (715) 551-8716 and Dan Page 715-921-0404. Bring a friend and your appetites.

DONALD URBAN in memory of his wife Lorraine

MELISSA VERGARA in memory of Joel Hanna & Dr. Victor Vergara

DENNIS & GAYLE WALD in memory of Gayle's mom, Helen Ahlers

LORRAINE WILDE in memory of Bill Wilde

JUDITH YOUNG in memory of Glenn Young and Bill & Dorothy Downing

ROD & RHONDA ZICK in memory of brother Dave Zick and parents Bill & Sandy Zick, Duane & Norma Sandbom

ERV ZIEGEL in loving memory of my wife Ruth Ziegel



As we go into 2022, we are looking for a Head Usher. After many years of being the lead, Erv Ziegel would like to transition into full retirement. THANK YOU Erv for all you've done through the years! The new lead would help with making sure the Usher Teams are fully staffed for all the services throughout the year and be trained in the behind-the-scenes work Erv oversaw. Please contact Erv Ziegel at 715-845-5368 or Sharon Rezin at 715-848-5511, ext. 4 if interested.

### Comfort Quilters

After a 2 month break, the Comfort Quilters will commence a 9 week session on January 4th. We gather Tuesdays from 9:00 to 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall to tie beautiful quilts.

We're looking for volunteers with some sewing experience and a sewing machine to hem (sew around) tied quilts. This piece of the quilting process is done at home at a time that works best for you. Please consider hemming 2-3 quilts a week. We'll train! If you have a willing heart ready to pitch in, please call Joan Crisman at 715-842-9800.



**How the Lord works...** The Son Shine Bible study gals asked for donations for the KATS group in the 12/12/2021 bulletin. One item on the list was lap blankets. Well it just so happens that is one of the items so efficiently produced by St. Mark's Comfort Quilters. So with great joy, 21 lap blankets were donated to support this worthy cause.

### General Church Updates

**Governance Team:** As mentioned previously, Dan Novitch, Sharon Jacobi and Jackie Duerst have stepped down from their positions on the Governance Team. During the Voter's Meeting the following people were selected to replace them: Becky Dahlke, Denise Snoeyenbos, and Rich Klein. ~ WELCOME!

**Minutes:** If you would like to receive monthly minutes for each Governance Team meeting as well as Voter's meeting minutes, please contact Jean in the office. They can be emailed to you or put in your church mailbox.

**Pictorial Directory:** Mark your calendar! We will be putting out a pictorial directory next year with the first round of photos being taken April 19<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, and the second round May 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>. More information will be coming as the dates get closer.

# Thank You

Dear St. Mark's family,

On behalf of Pastor Eric, Jill, Julia, Cal, and Hazel we would like to thank everyone for your continued support to our entire family and the congregation that we all serve together. 2021 has been another interesting year in the books. I sure wish Seminary would have offered the elective on Pandemic training, but I guess we can just learn on the fly. I am very grateful for much more familiarity this year than last year, and St. Mark's has certainly thrived during these difficult times. It is starting to feel like a little ant colony again with people coming in and out doing various things for the church and our surrounding community. We knew coming to St. Mark's would be farther away from both sides of our families, but I am humbled by many of you becoming our adoptive family. Thank you for your support of my family and love you have showed us this Christmas season!

In Christ,

The Hauan family

**A BIG THANK YOU** to all you donated to the MIA Christmas food baskets.  
You helped 15 families have a brighter Christmas. Your generosity is appreciated!

Once again, the Salvation Army "Angel Tree" was a huge success thanks to the generosity of our St. Marks family. **THANK YOU** to all of you who grabbed a tag, shopped and returned the items for distribution to needy families in the surrounding area.

## **KATS (Keeping Area Teens Safe) Christmas Wishes**

A heartfelt **THANK YOU** to all of you who so generously donated items and money to make Christmas brighter for these area homeless teens. Your response was beyond expectation!

Son Shine Bible study gals plan to continue to support KATS as their local mission outreach in the coming months. God bless you for your participation!

Dear members of St Marks Lutheran Church

The Rich Klein and Cihlar families would like to thank every member of this congregation for all of the prayers, spiritual support, and love showered upon us during our recent struggles. The Congregation at St Marks has been a source of strength, a beacon of light and a reminder of the hope that is within us. Never before have we experienced so many individuals who cared so genuinely and continuously. Jesus commands us to love our neighbor. This congregation understands how to love, and for that we feel very blessed and are grateful to worship our Lord at such a place. God is Love, therefore, Love is God displayed.

"I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers." Philemon 1:4

Thank you,  
Richard and Rochelle Klein



Couch Table, Double Bed, Mattress, Blankets, TV, Table & Chair set, TV Stand, Kids clothes, Winter boots, Shampoo

Help us find a suitable home for our family as our current home is in foreclosure, Toilet paper, Paper towels, Pull Ups 4T, Gas cards for medical appointments, Help find a suitable apartment as we have limited income, Rent help, Finding a job, Rugs

Dan Page

## A group of nine diverse children are shown singing and playing musical instruments. In the front row, a girl with blonde pigtails and a pink bow plays a pink guitar, a boy with glasses and a green shirt plays a green guitar, and a boy with dark skin and a green shirt plays a green guitar. Behind them, a girl with a large brown ponytail and an orange shirt plays a brown guitar, a boy with brown hair and a yellow shirt plays a yellow guitar, a girl with red hair and a red shirt plays a red guitar, and a boy with blonde hair and a yellow shirt plays a yellow guitar. Musical notes are floating around the children, indicating they are singing.

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## February MARKINGS Deadline

The deadline to submit articles and announcements for the February edition of the MARKINGS will be **January 25th at 10 am.** Thank you!

## OFFICIAL ACTS— December 2021

### RELEASED

*Linda Caudill (to Mt. Olive)*

### DEATHS

*Delores Rusch (passed 12/6/21)*



**2022 Flower Chart** is now posted on the bulletin board in the narthex. Stop by and sign up for your special day.

## MARKINGS Sponsors

Sponsors are needed for upcoming issues of the MARKINGS. We currently have sponsors for **February and April**. If you would like to reserve a special month, please contact the church office at 715-848-5511. The cost is \$50.00.



## Help taking down Christmas Decorations

We need YOUR help on **Tuesday, January 4th at 2:00 pm** to remove and put into storage all the Christmas decorations at church. "Many hands make the labor light and go much faster."



# January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Cable Channel 980 <b>Worship Times:</b> Tuesday: 11:00 am Wednesday: 6:00 pm Thursday: 7:00 am						1  Happy New Years!
2 <b>CONTEMPORARY</b> 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sun School / Bible Study (Book of Ephesians) 10:30 Worship 12:00 Baby Shower 6:00 The Bridge <b>P. Eric Vacation</b>	3  11:30 Noon Optimists	4  6:30 MIA Bible Study 9:00 Quilting Starts 2:00 Decoration Removal	5  6:00 Worship 6:45 Midweek	6  6:30 Autism Society	7	8    <b>P. Eric Vacation</b>
9 <b>TRADITIONAL</b> 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sun School / Bible Study (Book of Ephesians) 10:30 Worship 6:00 The Bridge	10  8:00 OGT 11:30 Noon Optimists 1:00 Staff Meeting 3:00 Trustees 5:30 Governance Team	11  6:30 MIA Bible Study 9:00 Quilting	12  6:00 Worship 6:45 Midweek	13	14  <b>Pastor's Family Day</b>	15  8:00 Small Group Training
16 <b>CONTEMPORARY</b> 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sun School / Bible Study (Book of Ephesians) 10:30 Worship 6:00 The Bridge	17  8:00 OGT 11:30 Noon Optimists 1:00 Staff Meeting	18  6:30 MIA Bible Study 9:00 Retired Teachers 9:00 Quilting	19  6:00 Worship 6:45 Midweek	20  6:00 Celebration Choir 6:00 Elders Meeting	21  <b>Pastor's Family Day</b>	22  8:00 Small Group Training
23 <b>CONTEMPORARY</b> 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sun School / Bible Study (Book of Ephesians) 10:30 Worship <b>11:45 Winterfest</b> 6:00 The Bridge	24  8:00 OGT 11:30 Noon Optimists 1:00 Staff Meeting 3:30 Driver's Ed Class	25 <b>Markings Deadline</b> 6:30 MIA Bible Study 9:00 Quilting 1:00 LWM/ML Ex Board 3:30 Driver's Ed Class	26  3:30 Driver's Ed Class 6:00 Worship 5:30 Sylvan Hill Tubing (grs. 9-12) 6:45 Midweek	27  8am-3pm NWD Team Ministry Workshop 3:30 Driver's Ed Class 5:30 Small Group Train 6:00 Celebration Choir	28  <b>Pastor's Family Day</b>	29  Baby Shower
30 <b>TRADITIONAL</b> 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sun School / Bible Study (Book of Ephesians) 10:30 Worship 6:00 The Bridge	31  1:00 Staff Meeting 3:30 Driver's Ed Class			<div> <div>January Bible Studies</div> <div>The Book of Ephesians</div> </div>		

DATE	TIME	GREETERS	READERS	POWERPOINT	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	USHERS
NO SERVICES TODAY						
January 1st, 2022 (Saturday)						
January 2nd, 2022 Wafers: Ken Berndt Contemporary Wafers: John Woller	8:00 a.m.	Ruth Tritten, Marilyn Kasten	Tom Radenz	Nick Schoch	Tom Radenz, Ruth Tritten	Group #1
	10:30 a.m.	Judith Cohen	Rich Klein	Michael Deedon	Rich Klein, Rita Woller	Group #2
January 5th, 2022 (Wednesday)	6 p.m.	Jim Jacobson	Pastor	Nick Schoch	Scott Werner	Henry Jennejohn Group #1
January 9th, 2022 Wafers: Ken Berndt Traditional Wafers: John Woller	8:00 a.m.	Jim & Carol Leopold	Burnell Utecht	Jason Grulkowski	Carol Leopold, Burnell Utecht	Group #1
	10:30 a.m.	Ken & Marie Borchardt	Jerry Ray	Derek Simon	Rachel Olson, Brian Borchardt	Group #2
January 12th, 2022 (Wednesday)	6 p.m.	Jim Jacobson	Pastor	Jason Grulkowski	Scott Werner	Henry Jennejohn
January 16th, 2022 Wafers: Ken Berndt Contemporary Wafers: John Woller	8:00 a.m.	Sid & Leslie Sorensen	Joan Crisman	Jason Grulkowski	Joan Crisman, Sharon Michalski	Group #1
	10:30 a.m.	Judith Young	Rich Klein	Michael Deedon	Rich Klein, Rita Woller	Group #2
January 19th, 2022 (Wednesday)	6 p.m.	Jim Jacobson	Pastor	Nick Schoch	Scott Werner	Henry Jennejohn
January 23rd, 2022 Wafers: Ken Berndt Contemporary Wafers: John Woller	8:00 a.m.	Steve & Dorothy Reed	Jeff Kern	Jason Grulkowski	Jeff & Kathy Kern	Group #1
	10:30 a.m.	TBD	Rich Klein	Derek Simon	Rich Klein, Rita Woller	Group #2
January 26th, 2022 (Wednesday)	6 p.m.	Jim Jacobson	Pastor	Nick Schoch	Scott Werner	Henry Jennejohn
January 30th, 2022 Wafers: Ken Berndt Traditional Wafers: John Woller	8:00 a.m.	Ginny Kottke, Ella Holmes	Pastor Eric	Jason Grulkowski	Ginny Kottke, Ella Holmes	Group #1
	10:30 a.m.	John & Jill Simon	Pastor Eric	Michael Deedon	Rita Woller, Rachel Olson	Group #2
ALTAR GUILD FOR January 2022: Kris Sparks, Sue Berndt						
USHERS:		Group #1 --Ken Berndt-Lead, Kevin Schroeder, Todd Hass, Michael Deedon Group #2--Brad Peck-Lead, Roger Block, Chris Dahlke, Tyler Woller, Jim Wilkerson				

MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO SERVED DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY