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April 19, 2026
Christ Figures in Film
*The Chronicles of Narnia:
The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe*

RINGING OF THE BELLS ~ WELCOME and GREETING

OPENING SONG: *"This Is Amazing Grace"*

INVOCATION

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG OF PRAISE: *"What A Beautiful Name"*

OLD TESTAMENT: Isaiah 53:4-6

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE: Hebrews 4:12-16

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL: Matthew 10:34-39

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 10th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. And a person’s enemies will be those of his own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ!

APOSTLE’S CREED

SERMON SONG: “Trust In God”

SERMON - Rev. Dr. Ryan Peterson

PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD

THE LORD’S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS / OFFERING

RITE OF FELLOWSHIP

*(Please indicate if you are a member or visitor in the Rite of Friendship books and if you will be joining us for Holy Communion. **If visiting please leave us a means to contact you as we would love to follow up with you.**)*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

HOLY COMMUNION

We believe Christ’s body and blood are truly present in the bread and wine of this Sacrament for the forgiveness of sins to all who believe. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us. If you share this belief and practice, please join us in celebrating the meal of God’s family – Holy Communion, please receive the wafer in the palm of your hand. (The cups with white juice are for those who have requested them. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.)

COMMUNION SONGS:

“Living Hope”

“Good Good Father”


BLESSING and BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: “Battle Belongs”

DISMISSAL

PRAISE BAND

Tyler Dusso, Caleb Novitch, Dave Johnson, Anna Peterson, Hope Rebman, Matt Rhyner, Helaina Wills

	Sunday, April 19 at 6:00pm		
	Doors open at 5:00pm		
Food and drinks provided at no charge	DOOR PRIZES and Champion's Trophy	Teams of 2-8 Register at the door	

Please keep the following people in our prayers:

Medical / Health Concerns: Jenny Garcia, daughter of Andy & Mary Hoppe, Ella Holmes, Anne Raduechel, Raphael Klein, Cindy Barton, Marie Borchardt, Donna Schroeder, Ava Downing, Lana Wilkinson, Carla Grulkowski, Sandy Flanagan, Lizzy Marciniak, Evelyn Mielke, sister in law to Carol Leopold, Judy Young, Henry Jennejohn, Jessie Myers, Marliss Fritz, Daniel & Melissa Shewmake for medical concerns, Carol Leopold, Terri & Brad Kankelfitz, Emily Ramthun.

Battling Cancer: Brenda Barttelt, sister of Carla Haebig, Paul Michalski, Lee Seis, brother-in-law of Henry Jennejohn, Bill Kobs, Aissen Witter, Roger Baumgart, father of Lisa Peck, Mike Ferry, brother of Scott, Jody Krieg, Rhonda Payne.

Grieving: family and friends of Bill Hussong who passed away last week.

Military Service - SSG Mitchell Fromm, deployed overseas with the Wisconsin National Guard. SSGT Jacob Lang, deployed with the Marine Corp.

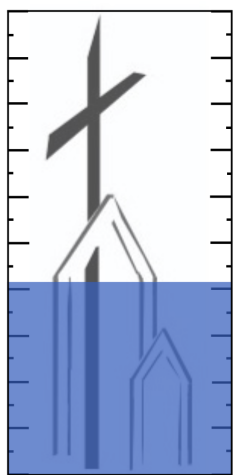
We would love for you to become a part of our vibrant community at St. Mark's. If you're looking for a place to grow in your faith, connect with others, and serve the community, then there are plenty of opportunities for you here.

Come join us for a service, learn more about our church, and discover how you can get involved. We welcome all who are seeking to deepen their spiritual journey and connect with a loving church family.

We look forward to welcoming you!

(Our next New Member classes will be April 30th, May 7th & 14th from 5:30-8:00)

***** Childcare provided if needed. Please call the office if you plan on using this service *****



\$650K

\$269,000

**Help us reach our
initial goal of raising
\$650K by MAY 24
to kick off our
expansion project!**



As of 4-13-2026 there are a total of 52 families who have provided gifts for the Built In Love Campaign. **As of 4-13-2026 the total dollar amount of the gifts is \$ 266,894.67.**

GIVE HERE!



Built in Love FAQs

- 1. Who can use the additional spaces? Is it strictly for the Preschool?** Anyone can use it! However, the main need is for our church ministries. Both the Preschool and our members will have continual access to the spaces.
- 2. Who is on the Built in Love committee?** Leon Woller (Team Leader), Hannah Ness (Communication Coordinator), Michael Deedon & Chris Grosskreutz (Education Coordinators), Sheri Mayer (Prayer Coordinator), Madie Schlosser (Financial Coordinator), Julie Bollmann & Amy Smet (At Large Assistants).

If you have a question you would like to see answered here, please contact the office or email Jean at jdrake@stmarkslcms.org as we have the most up to date information.

Just to Clarify:

All donations to the “Built in Love” campaign are placed in a designated fund that can **only** be used for the building expansion—no matter how long it takes to begin the project.

Donations (cash, check, EFT, or QR code) can be sent directly to St. Mark’s, to my attention. Stock transfers should go through Chris Grosskreutz.

Please contact me with any questions.

Kurt Haebig
Financial Manager
715-848-5511 Ext 4

UPDATE

PEW Sisters: New Dates for May

Join us as we begin a study of Esther. Due to scheduling conflicts, our meetings this month will be held on **Tuesday, May 12 & 26 from 5:00–6:00 p.m.**

We will resume our regular Thursday schedule on June 4 and June 18.

*Please
join us!*

A new sermon series going through 6/7/26.

Christ Figures in Film

Jesus Christ as portrayed in the Bible has affected and infiltrated culture in more ways than people can imagine or understand. Jesus dying for His people; Jesus being given New Life from His Father and, in turn, giving His people New Life; Jesus rebelling against unbiblical cultural norms; Jesus speaking for the poor, the lost, and the sinner; and Jesus showing everyone a Greater Love. These, and many other aspects of Jesus, are what tug at the heart strings of society to move and motivate people into faith and being something more. This coming sermon series will show how aspects of Jesus have been portrayed in film to move the hearts of the viewers.

ST. MARK’S LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL IS NOW ENROLLING FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

St. Mark’s



Lutheran Preschool

St. Mark’s Lutheran Preschool offers 2-day, 3-day, 4-day 4K, and 5-day classes for three and four year old children in a caring, Christian environment. Before and After School Care is also available. **Enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year is now open.** Classes are expected to fill up quickly so don’t wait! For more information, contact Preschool Director, Cathy Page, at 715-848-5511 or cpage@stmarkslcms.org.

“Spring Into Reading” Literacy Event

St. Mark’s Lutheran Preschool invites all families of 3-5 year old children to their “Spring Into Reading” Literacy Event on Saturday, April 25th from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Attendees will participate in hands-on literacy activities, games, crafts, storytime adventures, and snacks. Please RSVP to Cathy Page by April 19th at 715-848-5511 or cpage@stmarkslcms.org if you plan to attend. We hope to see you there!



We Are Hiring!

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HIRING!**



St. Mark’s Lutheran School is hiring several teaching positions for the 2026-2027 school year. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming part of our wonderful St. Mark’s Preschool staff, please contact Cathy Page at 715-848-5511 or cpage@stmarkslcms.org for specific information.

Genesis II Bible Study ~ runs thru May 26th

Pastor Gary & Dan Mansk (who has 40+ years in Lutheran teaching) will be having a Bible study on the Genesis on Thursday mornings from 9am – 10am. Walk-ins are always welcome! Please bring your Bible.

Listening Assistance Devices



St. Mark's is exploring the addition of listening assistance devices for use during worship services. We would appreciate knowing if you, or someone you know, would benefit from this resource. Please contact the church office to let us know if this is something you would utilize .

From the Sewing Room



This Tuesday, our sewing will shift from quilts to backpacks. We have been given so many pieces of upholstery material that will work great for making backpacks for both Haiti and Orphan Grain Train. We will also continue to make shorts and dresses on **April 28th, May 5th and 12th**. There are jobs for everyone including cutting, ironing, pinning, sewing, and putting the cord in the casings. We meet in the Fellowship Hall from 9:00-11:30. We would be 'sew' happy to have you join us!

Son-Shine Bible Study

Our Son-Shine Bible study this week is based on Matthew 18, The Greatest in the Kingdom. It focuses on Jesus' reply to the disciples when they asked him "Who, then is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" You are welcome to join us on Wednesday from 1:00-2:30 in the Youth Room.

The Gathering-Quilling

Please join us on **Tuesday, April 28th at 12:30 pm** in the fellowship hall for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. Sandy Flanagan will share her love of quilling with us. The art of quilling uses paper that is rolled, shaped, and glued to create decorative designs. We will have the opportunity to learn about the history, materials, tools, and methods used in quilling. There will be time to make a simple quilling project. To help construct your project, please bring a tweezer. A free will offering will be available to offset the cost of the project.

In addition to quilling, we will have time for conversation and cards. Please bring a snack to share. All are welcome!



A big thank you to the Borchardt/Mielke/Hickman families for hosting the Easter breakfast again this year and for all the youth who volunteered! The food was wonderful, and we truly appreciate all the time and effort that goes into making this event so special.



We are transitioning to electronic distribution of *The Markings* by 2027. We understand that some members prefer to receive a printed copy, and we are happy to accommodate those requests. If you would like to continue receiving a paper copy, please contact Jean at jdrake@stmarkslcms.org or 715-848-5511, ext. 1.

There is also an option to submit your offering electronically through ACH. If you would like to enroll in ACH giving, please contact Kurt Haebig at 715-848-5511, ext. 4 or khaebig@stmarkslcms.org.

St. Mark's Scoop

April 19-26, 2026

- Sun, Apr 19** 8:00 Worship
9:15 Bible Studies/ Youth Programs
10:30 Worship
5:00 Trivia Night
- Mon, Apr 20** 8:00 OGT
11:00 Preschool Book Fair
11:30 Noon Optimists
5:30 Governance Team
7:00 Meet Me At the Well
- Tues, Apr 21** 6:30 MIA Bible study
9:00 Sewing
- Wed, Apr 22** 1:00 Son Shine Bible Study
6:00 Worship
6:45 Midweek / HS Youth / Confirmation
~ Preschool Grandparent's Day ~
- Thurs, Apr 23** 9:00 Genesis II Bible Study
~ Preschool Grandparent's Day ~
- Fri, Apr 24** Markings Deadline
8:00 Early Childhood Directors Gathering
Pastor & Blaine's Family Day
- Sat, Apr 25** 8:00 Preschool Literacy Event
4:00 Dick Wick Funeral
- Sun, Apr 26** 8:00 Worship
9:15 Bible Studies/ Youth Programs
10:30 Worship
11:30 Confirmation & Youth Education Appreciation Lunch
5:30 WASA

Attention Brewer baseball fans!



There is a tentative date set for the annual Brewer baseball game against Seattle for **Thursday, August 20, 2026**. The game starts at 1:10 p.m. and seats are in section 110, lower level, just outside of 1st base. Tickets for the game and transportation will be **\$108.00/ticket**. Registration forms can be found on the credenza in the narthex. If all tickets are not sold, trip will have to be cancelled and money returned. **Money & registration are due by April 27th**. Contact Lee Belmas at 715-551-7394 or lee.belmas@gmail.com with questions. **The tickets are non-refundable tickets after April 27th**

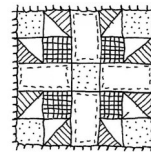


A sincere thank you to Kim Christensen and everyone who helped serve and prepare the funeral lunch for Frank Walters. Your kindness, time, and care during this difficult time were truly appreciated and meant so much to all who attended.

~ the family of Frank Walters

2026 Quilt Sale

- Wednesday, May 6th: 4:00-6:00pm and after 6:00pm service
- Sunday, May 10th: between services



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