

June 21, 2026
Father's Day

RINGING OF THE BELLS ~ WELCOME and GREETING

OPENING SONG: "House Of The Lord"

(10:30) Baptism

William James Traska

Emma Ann Traska

son & daughter of Kevin & Angela Traska

INVOCATION

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

FATHER'S DAY VIDEO

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG OF PRAISE: "Who You Say I Am"

OLD TESTAMENT: Jeremiah 20:7-13

O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! "Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" say all my close friends, watching for my fall. "Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him." But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause.

Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE: Romans 6:12-23

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL: Matthew 10:5a, 21-33

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, “Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans.

Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, and you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

“A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

“So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ!

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

SERMON SONG: “Build My Life”

SERMON

PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD

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.**)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 SONG:

"His Name is Jesus"

BLESSING and BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: "Alive In You"

DISMISSAL

PRAISE BAND

Julia Hauan, Dave Johnson, Caleb Novitch, Anna Peterson, Hope Rebman, Helaina Wills

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, Jessie Myers, Marliss Fritz, Carol Leopold, Emily Ramthun, Jamesetta, daughter of Pastor Kollie, who is in need of a transplant, daughter-in-law of Ruby Phillips who had a stroke, Grace Kobs.

Battling Cancer: Brenda Barttelt, sister of Carla Haebig, Lee Seis, brother-in-law of Henry Jennejohn, Bill Kobs, Aissen Witter, Mike Ferry, brother of Scott, Jody Krieg, Rhonda Payne, Jean Majewski, niece of Sandy Cotey, son of Ruby Phillips who is battling cancer.

Military Service - SSGT Jacob Lang, deployed with the U.S. Marine Corp., PFC Ty Crisman who is base in Poland.

Dearest St. Marks Family - I am pleased to share that after 368 days, my son Mitchell is home from his overseas deployment with the WI National Guard. A heartfelt thank-you for all the thoughts and prayers you lifted up for us. I am blessed to have you in my life. - Pam Fromm

For Joe & Alyssa Bender. We pray God's blessings upon their transition and look forward to serving Christ together.

Ordination & Installation of Joe Bender

You are invited to join us on **July 12th at 2:00pm** for the ordination & installation of Joe Bender as our Associate Pastor.

Afterwards, please join us for light refreshments in the Fellowship Hall to welcome Pastor Joe & Alyssa to the St. Mark's family.

Save
the
Date



Mission Corner: Hearts in Action

Connecting Our Church to Outreach Opportunities

Welcome to our Mission Corner—a dedicated space highlighting the outreach efforts and opportunities that connect our church family with our broader community and the world. Each month, we'll share updates, stories, and ways you can get involved in making a positive impact through missions.

Spotlight: Blessing Bags

This month, our Mission Corner shines a spotlight on those in need in our community with **Blessing Bags** for the homeless or those down on their luck.

These are Care Packages filled with essential items: Shirt & socks, toiletries, hygiene products, non-perishable snacks, resource card for area services. Feel free to take one to keep it in your vehicle to hand out to someone in need.

Spotlight: The Babies Place at The Neighbors Place

The Neighbors Place has a program for new mothers and their babies to provide diapers and products to help care for them. We are starting a literacy component with board books (harder cardboard for babies to handle).

Spotlight: New Beginnings for Refugees

New Beginnings for Refugees is a local organization that supports refugees in the Wausau area. They are welcoming new arrivals in September. They are especially in need of: Fry pans (no Teflon), saucepans w/ lids, stock pots, tea kettles, cookie sheets, casseroles (med), mixing bowls – large, dish drainers, scrub buckets – 3.5 gal., NEW mops, NEW bed pillows, NEW queen sheets, NEW bath / hand towels, 1st aid kits, spatulas for turning food (nylon, Silicone or metal).

How You Can Help?

- Take a **Blessing Bag** to keep in your vehicle to give to a person in need.
- Bring in a board book to share a love with reading with **The Babies Place**.
- Bring in items for **New Beginnings for Refugees** by June 29.
- Pray for our mission projects and those we serve.

Let's continue to be the hands and feet of Christ, sharing love and hope through mission work. Stay tuned to the Mission Corner for more ways to serve and stories of impact!

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...” – Matthew 28:19

The Gathering-Monk Gardens

Join us for an afternoon of fellowship on Tuesday, June 23rd, as we explore the Monk Botanical Gardens (1901 N 4th Ave). **We will meet at 12:30 pm by the entrance to the gardens.** June 23rd is a free admission day for the gardens.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Linda Jagodinski at 715-297-8605. Hope to see you there!

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!

Please join us!

We Are 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 cpage@stmarkslcms.org for 715-848-5511 for specific information.

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 cpage@stmarkslcms.org or 715-848-551.

Son-Shine Bible Study

The climax of our Matthew study comes this week based on Matthew 28, The Victory of the King. This chapter highlights Christ's resurrection and victory over sin, death, and Satan! In addition, it focuses on the various messengers who spread this Good News – the angel, the women, the disciples, and the guards, and the importance to continue the Great Commission to all nations today. You are welcome to join us for this final chapter on Wednesday from 1:00 – 2:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

During the month of July, we will not be meeting as a group but are encouraging each other to read portions of the Bible each day and to take time to prayerfully reflect on the passages. We will resume our group study in August with Praying the Names of God.

2026 St. Mark's Softball Schedule

Date	Home/ Visitor		Time	Field	W/L
5/17/2026	H	Christ Community Church	7:30PM	3	Won 10-1
5/31/2026	H	Cheeks Bar and Grill	6:30PM	3	Won 6-3
6/7/2026	H	The Garage II	7:30PM	2	Lost 4-7
6/7/2026	V	Falcon Valley Farm	8:30PM	2	Lost 7-19
6/14/2026	H	L&S Electric	6:30PM	2	Lost 12-17
6/21/2026	H	Family Insurance Center	7:30PM	3	
6/28/2026	V	S.O.S.	5:30PM	3	
7/12/2026	V	The Garage	7:30PM	3	
7/19/2026	V	Melonheads	5:30PM	3	
7/26/2026	V	Immanuel Baptist Church 2	7:30PM	2	

St. Mark's Scoop

June 21 - 28, 2026

Sun, June 21	8:00 Worship 9:15 Bible Study 10:30 Worship
Mon, June 22	7:30 Preschool Summer Camp 8:00 OGT 11:30 Noon Optimists 5:00 FH rented out
Tues, June 23	6:30 MIA Bible study 7:30 Preschool Summer Camp 10:00 Bill Hussong funeral visitation 11:00 Funeral service 12:30 The Gathering touring Monk Gardens (meet at garden entrance)
Wed, June 24	7:30 Preschool Summer Camp 1:00 Son Shine Bible study 6:00 Worship
Thurs, June 25	7:30 Preschool Summer Camp
Fri, June 26	~ Markings Deadline ~ Office Closed@ Noon Pastor & Blaine's Family Day
Sat, June 27	_____
Sun, June 28	8:00 Worship 9:15 Bible Study 10:30 Worship



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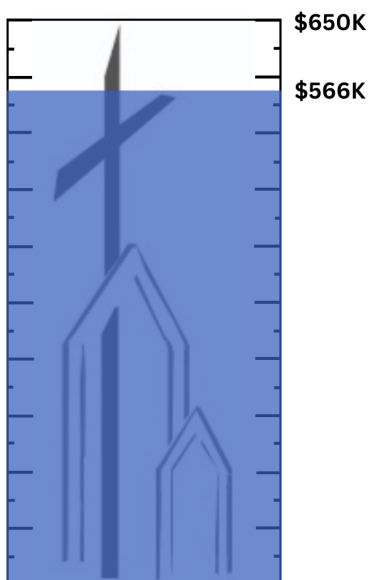
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Help us reach our
initial goal of raising
\$650K to kick off our
expansion project!
Only **\$84K** left!!



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