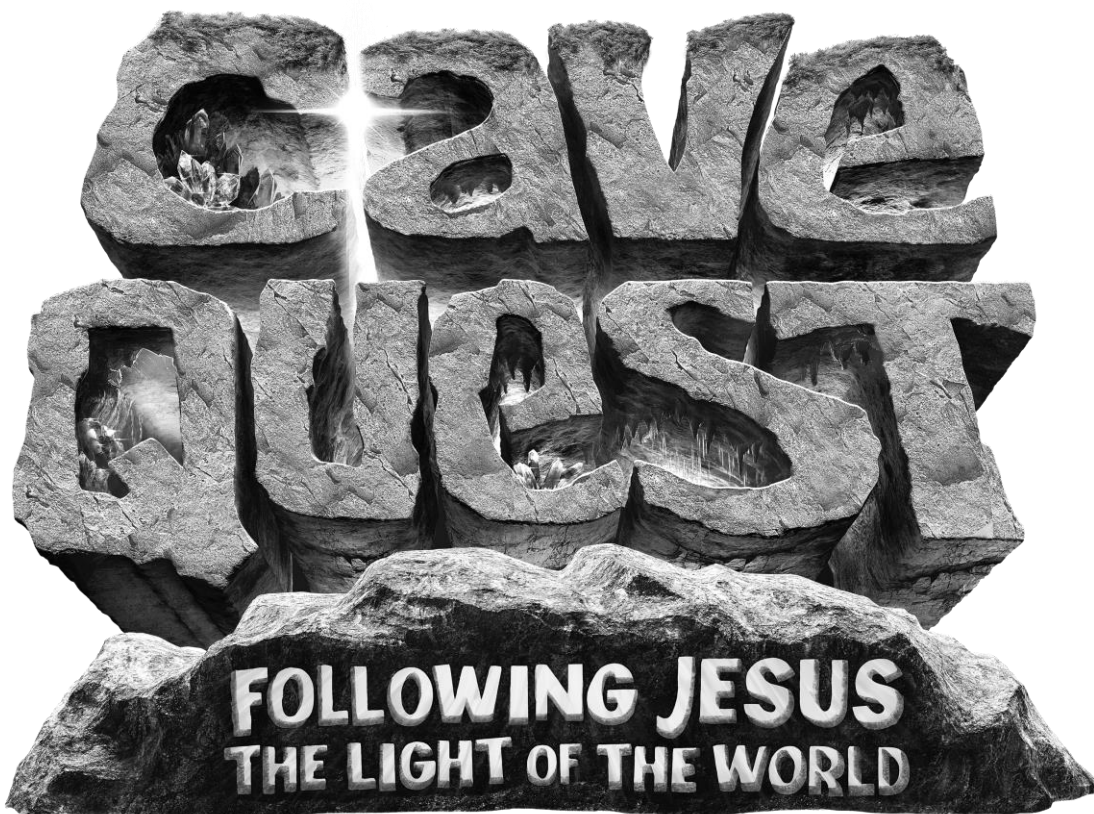


# **Saint Mark's Lutheran Church**

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*Vacation Bible School Sunday*

*August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016*

## **Assisting with Worship Today:**

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Offering Recorder	<i>Jen Schreiter</i>
Fellowship Hour	<i>VBS Snacks!!</i>
Altar Flowers	<i>Given By Dale Malantonio and Debbie Rodenbaugh in Loving Memory of Barbara and George Snear</i>

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# Welcome to St. Mark's, we are so glad you are with us today!

No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, you have a place here. ***This is Christ's Church. There is a place for you here.*** We are a church that shares a living and daring confidence in God's grace. Liberated by our faith, we embrace you as a whole person - questions, complexities and all. Join us as we do God's work in Christ's name for the life of the world.

**Children are always welcome** to participate in worship. We invite all children to try to be in worship through the children's sermon (about 20 minutes) and then invite the children, if they want, to head to the nursery, but we love to have the children with us through the whole worship service! To help our youngest worshipers, "Little Lutheran Activity Bags" are located in the rear of the sanctuary which have crayons and worship appropriate coloring pages. We offer a children's bulletin that has puzzles and activities for little worshipers to work on during the service, and we offer a "Soft Space" for infants and toddlers to spread out a bit in during worship. Worshiping with children is important to us, and so we hope you find these things helpful so that you may worship together as a family.

**Restrooms** are located through the back left – exit the sanctuary, go up the stairs, through the first room to the end of the hallway. If you need assistance, please see the attendants (ushers) at the back of the sanctuary.

**Cell phones** and other electronic devices are welcome to be used to Post, Tweet and Instagram the Good News you hear today, but we kindly ask you to turn the sound off on them so that they do not cause a distraction to other worshipers.

**Our team of ushers** is available throughout the service to be of any assistance you might need. Assistive Listening devices are available. Please see an usher.

**Are you new or visiting St. Mark's?** If you would like to receive more information about St. Mark's, we have several methods where you can leave your information with us. At the entry ways to the sanctuary, you will find our guest books in which you can leave your name and contact information, or in the pews we have blue cards that you can fill and place in the offering plate, or if you like, you can sign our electronic guest book. We'd be delighted to keep you informed about the many events and opportunities here at St. Mark's and hope you will join us again. For the electronic book, open your mobile device to the bar code scanner and take a picture of this square QR code; it will take you to our electronic guest book.





When the world feels dark and lonely,  
His love illuminates.  
He's the one I trust and I will follow him.

He is the light that breaks through the darkness  
Follow his lead and light it up light it up.  
Jesus will guide us through every dark time.  
Follow his lead and light it up, light up the world.

I'm going to follow Jesus wherever he will lead me.  
I'm going to follow Jesus all the way-ay.  
I'm going to follow Jesus wherever he will lead me.  
I'm going to follow Jesus all the way-ay

He is the light that breaks through the darkness  
Follow his lead and light it up light it up.  
Jesus will guide us through every dark time.  
Follow his lead and light it up, light up the world.  
Light up the world.  
Light up the world.

## Day One

Jesus gives us HOPE –  
**Follow Him!!**

## Key Bible Story

Prophets dreams and hopes for the Messiah  
(Isaiah and John 1)

Key Bible Verse –  
“O Lord, you alone are my hope!”  
Psalm 71:5



**Song** *My Hope Is In The Lord*

I can't help but feel a little down,  
A little worried when I look around.  
That's why my hope is in,  
My hope is in the Lord.

I fix my eyes upon the God who gives,  
'Cause all I need is what I have in him.  
That's why my hope is in,  
My hope is in the Lord.

My hope is in the Lord.  
I belong to him.  
He will never let me go-oh-oh-oh.  
My hope is in the Lord.  
I can count on him.  
My hope is in the Lord.

I can't help but feel a little down,  
A little worried when I look around.  
That's why my hope is in,  
My hope is in the Lord.

I fix my eyes upon the God who gives,  
'Cause all I need is what I have in him.  
That's why my hope is in,  
My hope is in the Lord.

My hope is in the Lord.  
I belong to him.  
I will never let me go-oh-oh-oh.  
My hope is in the Lord.  
I can count on him.  
My hope is in the Lord.  
*(Repeat)*

## Day Two

Jesus gives us COURAGE –  
**Follow Him!!**



## Key Bible Story

Jesus and Peter walk on water.

Key Bible Verse – “Take Courage! I am here!”  
Matthew 14:27



## Song

*Learning to be the Light*

It's so much brighter living in your world.  
Savior, what you did for me,  
You gave me something I want everyone to see.  
When we stumble and it all goes wrong,  
Only you can make it right.  
So I say, oh, I'm learning to be the light,  
Woh-oh, woh-oh-oh, learning to be the light,  
Woh-oh, woh-oh-oh.  
(Repeat)

So much brighter living in your world.  
Savior, what you did for me,  
You gave me something I want everyone to see.  
When we stumble and it all goes wrong,  
Only you can make it right.  
So I say, oh, I'm learning to be the light,  
Woh-oh, woh-oh-oh, learning to be the light,  
Woh-oh, woh-oh-oh.  
I'm learning to be the light.

## Prayers of the People

*Prayers reflect the wideness of God's mercy for the whole world*

These people need courage this day, and we pray that you are in their lives.

*Don Dunn  
Dottie Woodring  
John I. Holdsworth  
Derry  
Ben and Janice  
Dawn W.  
Jenny  
Bruce  
Viola Tomlinson  
Ricky B.  
Jenny  
Bruce  
Veronica Smith  
Nancy  
Aunt Rosie*

*Katie Gresh  
Ann Beatty  
Bob  
Linda Jara  
Jarrod  
Dot  
Dominic  
George Kobi  
Jack C.  
Cullaban Phillips  
Dot  
Thomas  
Dillon McKay  
Joanne  
Susan Jacovino*

## Day Three

Jesus gives us DIRECTION –  
**Follow Him!!**



## Key Bible Story

Jesus sheds light on how to live in the sermon on the mount (Matthew 5-7)

Key Bible Verse – “He will show you which path to take”  
Proverbs 3:6

*GOD SIGHTINGS – all week we have been illuminating our cave scape with God Sightings!! Places of light that we see in our world that show us the love of God.*





## Song

### *I'm All In*

God, I'll follow you wherever you lead.  
Just tell me where to go – I'm all in.  
Show me the path of light.  
Lead me day and night.  
No matter where we go, I'm all in.

You can tell me to wave my hands up in the air.  
Shout loud like no one else is there.  
You can tell me to start up high and twist it down.  
Here we go now, jump up and spin around.

God, I'll follow you wherever you lead.  
Just tell me where to go – I'm all in.  
Show me the path of light.  
Lead me day and night.  
No matter where we go, I'm all in.

You can tell me to wave my hands up in the air.  
Shout loud like no one else is there.  
You can tell me to start up high and twist it down.  
Here we go now, jump up and spin around.

Everybody say hey-ay-ay. (*Echo*)  
Oh-oh-oh. (*Echo*)  
Root doo doo-doo doo doo doo. (*Echo*)  
Doo doo doo doo-doo dow. (*Echo*)

You can tell me to wave my hands up in the air.  
Shout loud like no one else is there.  
You can tell me to start up high and twist it down.  
Here we go now, jump up and spin around.

**Day Four**

Jesus gives us LOVE –  
**Follow Him!!**



**Key Bible  
Story**

The story of resurrection.

Key Bible Verse – “We know what real love is because Jesus gave up his life for us.”

1 John 3:16

**Song**

*Jesus Loves Me*



Jesus, he loves me.  
He loves me.  
He is for me.  
Jesus, how can it be,  
He loves me.  
He is for me.  
*(Repeat)*

I couldn't run, couldn't run from his presence.  
I couldn't run, couldn't run from his arms.  
I couldn't run, couldn't run from his presence.  
I couldn't run, couldn't run from his arms.

Jesus, he loves me.  
He loves me.  
He is for me.  
Jesus, how can it be,  
He loves me.  
He is for me.

He holds the stars  
And he holds my heart  
With healing hands that bear the scars;  
The rugged cross where he died for me,  
My only hope, my everything.

Jesus, he loves me.  
He loves me.  
He is for me.  
Jesus, how can it be,  
He loves me.  
He is for me.  
He loves me.  
He is for me.

**Words of  
Institution**

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

**Lord's  
Prayer**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit we are bold to pray in the words our Savior taught us,

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those**

**who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

*The Assembly may be seated.*

**Communion**

*The bread may be broken for the communion.*

Christ invites you to a place of honor at this banquet. Welcome to the feast!!

*Here at St. Mark's we invite all people to the Lord's Table no matter where you are on your faith journey. This is Christ present for you – freely offered in bread and wine – all are welcome to commune.*

**Communion  
Song**

*Light of the World*

The world is searching for an answer,  
A ray of hope in a hopeless world.  
Who can we turn to?  
Where is our rescue?  
There is someone, he's the answer.  
He's the light, and he'll light the way.  
His name is Jesus, and he came to save us.

He is the light, light, light,  
Light of the world,  
And he shine, shine, shines  
All over the earth,  
Shining bright, bright, bright.  
He is the light of the world.

He is the light, light, light,  
Light of the world.  
And he shine, shine, shines  
All over the earth,  
Shining bright, bright, bright.  
He is the light of the world.

*(Repeat from the beginning)*

Woh-oh, woh,  
Woh-oh, woh,  
Woh-oh, woh.  
He is the light, light, light,  
Light of the world,  
And he shine, shine, shines  
All over the earth,  
Shining bright, bright, bright.  
He is the light of the world.

## Day Five

Jesus gives us POWER –  
**Follow Him!!**



## Key Bible Story

Jesus ascends and gives us his power. (Acts 1: 1-11)

Key Bible Verse – “Our great power is from God, not from ourselves.”

2 Corinthians 4:7

## Song

*Everywhere I Go*

Hey, hey, hey, hey.  
Everywhere I go, your love surrounds me.  
Everywhere I turn, your grace reminds me.  
Nothing in the world can separate us now.  
Oh, oh, every step I take, you're there to guide me.  
Every day I wake, your mercy finds me.  
Nothing in the world can ever take this love away.  
*(Repeat)*

O God above, your love has opened my eyes.  
Now all I see is you.  
All I see is you, oh.

And everywhere I go, your love surrounds me.  
Everywhere I turn, your grace reminds me.  
Nothing in the world can separate us now.  
Oh, oh, every step I take, you're there to guide me.  
Every day I wake, your mercy finds me.  
Nothing in the world can ever take this love away.  
Hey, hey, hey, hey.



**Closing  
Blessing**

May the light of God fill you with HOPE:

**We will follow Him!!**

May the light of God empower you with COURAGE:

**We will follow Him!!**

May the light of God give you DIRECTION:

**We will follow Him!!**

May the light of God surround you with LOVE:

**We will follow Him!!**

May the light God bestow on you his POWER:

**We will follow Him!!**

May you go forth in peace in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**Closing  
Song**

*This Little Light of Mine*

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Even when I'm afraid, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Even when I'm afraid, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Even when I'm afraid, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

**Dismissal** The worship has ended but the service continues...  
Go in peace, share the light of Christ!!  
**Thanks be to God.**

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## **Service Ministry Announcements:**

*Ways you can help us serve God here at St. Mark's*

### **August Special Collection Items: Solid-Colored Backpacks and Lunch Boxes for CNC**

Each fall Colonial Neighborhood Council gives away backpacks with school supplies for children in need in our community. St. Mark's helps this effort by bringing in solid gender neutral backpacks so that CNC is able to give out supplies for the school year.

CNC will begin to distribute these backpacks on August 17th, so if we can help get these items in as soon as possible we can get them over to her to help get them distributed.

### **Special Collection Envelopes: Martin Luther Silver Springs School**

During the month of August, we will collect money to support the Martin Luther Silver Springs School. Silver Springs – Martin Luther School was founded in 1859 in Philadelphia as an orphanage. Located today in Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania, Silver Springs promotes trauma recovery and family reunification in a nurturing and healing environment with a quality educational program. Through trauma-informed approaches children are helped to heal and manage the overwhelming feelings and memories of the bad, sad and scary things that have happened to them. The children's program offers comprehensive services including residential treatment for children ages 6-14, special education for grades K through 8, and community based services.



## Community Garden spot up and running

Matt Hoffman and others remain busy down at the Conshy Community Garden where St. Mark's has a plot to grow veggies for the summer. All of the produce that is grown will be donated to our local food pantry, CNC, to help with providing healthy food to people in need. To sign up to help with our plot at the garden, email Matt Hoffman ([mhoffmanpga@gmail.com](mailto:mhoffmanpga@gmail.com)) to be connected with the sign-up-genius volunteer sheet.

## Knitting and Crocheting for Christmas at Sea

Christmas at Sea is a program run by the Seaman's Church Institute, providing Christmas packages for merchant mariners. The global economy runs on the transfer goods across the oceans, and mariners are often away from home for months on end. The Seaman's Church Institute has provided a variety of services for mariners since 1893. St. Mark's members who knit and crochet are invited to make watch caps and scarves. Copies of the patterns can be found at the rear of the church. More information can be found at the website: <http://seamenschurch.org/christmas-at-sea>. If you have any questions, please see Kathy Pokalo, send her an email at [kpokalo@gmail.com](mailto:kpokalo@gmail.com) or call her at (610) 825-6879.

## Property Report

The final repairs to the parsonage and church building/education roof were done by Russell Roofing on July 13<sup>th</sup>. The total cost for this work, which included shingle roof areas, gusset flat area, counter-flashings, pole gutter, and downspouts was \$7,000. All but \$1,000 of this amount was paid from part of the Fellowship House Grant we received. Therefore, we are asking for a "special appeal" from St. Mark's congregation to cover this cost. Please use the white envelopes found in the pews for your contribution and mark it "Property Specials Appeals". Thank you again for your support on behalf of the Property Committee!

## Faith Formation Ministry Announcements:

*Ways you can develop your faith life, learn about God and develop as disciples*

## Bible Study with Pastor

Pastor holds a bible study on Tuesday mornings at 10:30am. Currently we are exploring the lesser prophets from the Old Testament – you know, the books you have never read! So join us to explore more about our faith story and learn about God!

## **God's Great Road Trip Mobile Bible Study**

Each week in the Pastor's email there is a quick bible study that reflects on various stories of people on the move throughout scripture. It invites us to consider how God is moving among us and traveling with us this summer as we head out for vacation, to work, or to the grocery store. These bible studies and reflection questions can be done while in the car, waiting for the next flight, or around the dinner table.

## **Faith Formation Leaders for the Fall**

Hard to believe, isn't it? But if you would be interested in helping out to lead or support our Faith Formation Classes on Sunday mornings we would welcome new teachers!! Currently we "Team teach" through a rotation of folks on Sunday mornings for the little ones and Joanne Copestick is the faithful leader of our Adult Forum class that meets before worship. Both groups could use some help though this fall!! Each of the classes is led by an easy-to-follow curriculum that is very user-friendly to prepare. To find out more about leading either of these classes please see pastor, Kim Kriebel or Beth Patruno for the little ones, or Joanne Copestick if you are interested in helping to lead the Adult Forum.

## **Worship Ministry Announcements:**

*Learn about worship opportunities here at St. Mark's*

## **Vacation Bible School**

A huge THANK YOU to our Vacation Bible School participants for organizing today's worship and to spending a ROCKn week connecting to the ultimate guiding light – JESUS! Also, thanks to all of the folks who organized, planned, donated to, and participated as adult volunteers – you are AMAZING and it wouldn't have been such a success without your support!

## **Dinner Church on Thursdays**

Summer is in full swing – and folks are all over the place. If you missed worship on Sunday - don't miss out on God – come, get your fill of grace at Dinner Church!! Over the summer we are looking for volunteers to make a salad (or buy a salad) to share with 10 – 15 folks. Sign-up sheet is in the McCarney Room if you are interested. During the summer months we all share in "Holy Hot Dogs" as our meal – so as always, we promise to feed you in more ways than one.

## Altar Flower Sponsorship

Currently there is an opening in the Altar Flower sign-ups for the last Sunday in August. If you would like to sponsor the Altar Flowers that day, please call Ann Beatty 215.482.4132 or email the church office at [admin@stmarksconshy.org](mailto:admin@stmarksconshy.org). The fee for both vases is \$40.00, and when you call please indicate if you would like to have this Sunday to observe an anniversary or memorial each year, or if this is a one-time flower sponsorship.

## Fellowship and Evangelism Ministry Announcements:

*Learn how to spread the “Good News” and get to know other St. Mark’s members*

### Flat Jesus goes with you this summer!!

This summer as we head off to great adventures, we remember that Jesus goes with us!! Jesus is with us no matter where we go! We invite folks to take “flat Jesus” with them in their suitcase, for the car ride, out to dinner, to the museum, the beach, on a bike ride, to the ball game, to the shore, out fishing, and everywhere we go this summer! As you take pictures we invite you to tag St. Mark’s Facebook page in the post—or you can email / text the picture to Pastor—[pastor@stmarksconshy.org](mailto:pastor@stmarksconshy.org) or 540.287.3663. Let’s see how many place we can find Jesus this summer!! And remember that no matter where you go—Jesus goes with you!!



## Good News I heard today

*Space for you to write down what you take away from worship today*

## This Week @ St. Mark's:

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Office Closed</i>	<i>6am - Meals on Wheels</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>10:30am – Pastor’s Bible Study</i>	<i>6am – Meals on Wheels</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>7:00pm – Worship and Music Meeting</i>	<i>6am – Meals on Wheels 7pm – Yoga Group</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>6:30pm – Dinner Church 7:45pm – Theology on Tap at Great American Pub</i>	<i>6am – Meals on Wheels</i>
<i>Friday</i>		<i>6am – Meals on Wheels 6:30pm – AA / Al-Anon</i>
<i>Saturday</i>		<i>7pm – AA Group</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>9:30am – Worship Service 10:30am – Fellowship Hour</i>	<i>7pm – Venture Crew</i>

### Assisting with Worship Next Sunday:

Assisting Minister	<i>Sheldon Erb</i>
Communion	<i>Lauren Parkin</i>
Assistant	
Reader	<i>Joe Ruggiero</i>
Usher	<i>Karen Hanna &amp; Terry Spence</i>
Acolyte	<i>Joe Dryburgh</i>
Nursery	<i>The Spinner Family</i>
Altar Guild	<i>Erin Orekar &amp; Pam Keebler</i>
Counters	<i>Susan Jacovino &amp; Lara Hoffman</i>
Offering Recorder	<i>Kathy Pokalo</i>
Fellowship Hour	<i>Open</i>

#### Readings for next week:

##### [Jeremiah 23:23-29](#)

*God's word is like fire, like a hammer that breaks rocks*

##### [Psalm 82](#)

*Arise, O God, and rule the earth. (Ps. 82:8)*

##### [Hebrews 11:29--12:2](#)

*The faith of the Hebrew people, a great cloud of witnesses*

##### [Luke 12:49-56](#)

*Jesus brings fire on earth and has a baptism with which to be baptized*

*If you are unable to serve next week, please let pastor know, we kindly ask that you do your best to find a replacement.*