

YOUTH

SPLENDID SUNDAY TODAY, AUGUST 2, AT 11:00 AM

We are bringing our Splendid Sundays programming back today after worship.

This is a family/youth/intergenerational potluck and activity time, all are welcome. **Please bring a potluck side dish and enjoy a chance to connect with the community and participate in some fun games.**

Attendance for July 24 & 25

Saturday 5:30	23
Sunday 9:30	160
Virtual	95
Total	278

prayers

This week we pray for those who are ill, in treatment, bereaved, deployed, or in need of support.

Josh Andersen	
Georgia Lang	
Shelley Barton	
Jim Morgan	
Sue Brueggemeier	
Greg Saue	
Susan Ankenbrand	
Don Schelling	
Steve Woodard	
Dan Tutt	
Jon Merrell	
Debbie Hansen	
Keith Beck	
Ella Olson, mother of Gretchen Olson	
Shirley Belstad, mother of Randy Belstad	
Mary Lancaster, mother of Gail Lancaster	
Caroline Alderette, caregiver for Mary Lancaster	
Teresa Berg, sister-in-law of Patti Berg	
Kurt Rudy, brother of Scott Rudy	
Allison Rasor, daughter of Rachel Lorenz	
Carla Brewer	
Natalie Abu Dayyeh	
Karen	
Katie	John
Rachel, Ezra, & Xavier	Sarah
Liesl	Jack
Shar	John
Suzie	Lisa

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ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 1 & 2, 2026

Worship Participants

Preaching Pastor	Pastor Edwin Weber
Presiding Pastor	Rev. Susan Briehl
Greeters	
9:30	Linda Smith Robin Spedden
Ushers	
9:30	Bob and Brenda Bray Joe Nevill
Lectors	
5:30	Ellie Merrell
9:30	Fred Stahl
Creed and Prayers	
9:30	Robin Spedden
Altar Guild	
9:30	Susan Pine
Bread	Susan Briehl
Communion Set-up	Donna Huck
Sound/Livestream	
9:30	Randy Darst Charlie Wagner
Service Coordinator	
5:30 & Altar Guild	Ruth Schmidt
9:30	Becky Keene
Director of Music/Instrumental	Carol Miyamoto
Director of Music/Choral	Ann Benson
Faith Formation Minister	Kendra Chapman

MISSION STATEMENT

To share the gospel through worship and service.
To be an inclusive community for justice and
peace among diverse peoples.

MUSIC

St. Mark's Summer Handbell Choir

Offering *Shall We Gather at the River*
Communion *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

TODAY

Welcome - Whether you are a regular visitor, longtime member, or worshipping with us at St. Mark's for the first time, we're grateful you are with us today. **All are welcome at the Lord's Table for Holy Communion.** Listing everyone in your household helps us keep our membership records current and strengthens our pastoral care. **Please fill out an attendance card from the pew and place it in the offering plate.**

Please remember to silence phones when in the sanctuary, thank you.

Nursery – Summer hours are 9:00 – 11:00 am. The nursery is up the stairs, then follow the signs. We welcome infants to kindergarten aged children.

Baptized today at the 9:30 am service is Kailash Myers Kochhar, son of Cara Ann Myers and Shubhdeep Kochhar.

Splendid Sunday–Join us **after worship at 10:45 am.** This is a family/youth/intergenerational potluck and activity time, all are welcome. **Please bring a potluck side dish and enjoy a chance to connect with the community and participate in some fun games.**

THIS WEEK

No Monday Yoga this week. See you next Monday at 4:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Women's AA meeting is Tuesday from 8:00 – 9:00 am in the Parish House.

Staff Meeting every Tuesday from 8:50 – 10:20 am.

Scripture and Coffee – We meet Tuesdays at 10:30 am with a pastor and discuss preassigned bible verses. The bible readings for this week are **1 Kings 19:9-18, Romans 10:5-1, and the Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33.**

Thursday Pickleball – Join us from 8:00 – 9:30 am on the courts in our parking lot by 25th Ave.

COMING UP

Next Sunday, August 9, join Fred and Karen Stahl after worship to celebrate Fred's 60 years of teaching. Learn about his amazing teaching experiences in the U.S., England, Hungary, Germany, Nepal, Ghana, Peru, and more. **This takes place at 10:45 am in the Fellowship Hall.**

Boots & Pearls Fundraiser at Camp Lutherhaven - St. Mark's is sponsoring a partner church table at **Lutherhaven's Boots & Pearls Hootenanny on Saturday, August 22.** This festive evening on Lake Coeur d'Alene includes dinner, live music, and other activities. Funds raised support Lutherhaven's outdoor ministries and help provide affordable camp experiences so that no child is turned away because of an inability to pay. We have six complimentary tickets available to members of the congregation. If you would like to attend, please contact the church office. Tickets will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis.

WAYS TO HELP

Can you help? Our neighbors at Shalom Ministries downtown are in extreme need of bottled water. We will collect cases throughout the summer. Just bring them to the church during office hours (M - Th 9 - 3, F 9 - 12) and we will get them downtown. If getting the cases to the church is an issue, please call the office at 509.747.6677.

It's that time of year again. We collect school supplies for youth around the world, distributed through Lutheran World Relief – Last year we were able to put together 268 school kits, maybe we can beat that number. We are

collecting the following school supplies to fill the kits, quantities for each kit in parentheses:

- **Spiral notebooks** – 70 sheets, wide or college ruled (4) *available at Target for 35¢*
- **Ruler** (plastic preferred) must have centimeters (1) *available at Target for 59¢*
- **Pencil sharpener** (1) *available at Target 49¢*
- **Scissors** – blunt, safety scissors with embedded steel blades (1) *2 pair available at Target \$1.69*
- **Ball point pens** – blue or black ink (5) *available at Target 10 for 99¢*
- **Crayons** – box of **16 or 24** (1) *Fred Meyer 49¢ Target 50¢*
- **We have enough erasers** – thank you!



Don't forget bulk purchasing options, teaming with a friend can make your dollar go further.

GIVING FOR JUNE

June 2026 Giving	Year-to-date 2026 Operating Budget			
	Giving	Expenses	Budgeted Expenses	Net YTD
\$ 71,450	\$ 430,359	\$ 421,942	\$ 450,380	\$ 8,417

Our congregation continues to amaze us with its generous support. We are in the black even though we are in the summer months, known as a slower giving season. After such an incredibly successful Vacation Bible School at the end of the month, we have several fun youth and intergenerational activities scheduled as the summer progresses. Spokane Public Schools starts earlier this year, so we've moved up our fall programming a bit. Stay tuned for details. See you in church!