

YOUTH EVENTS

JUNIOR HIGH/SENIOR HIGH

SUNDAY COOL for all 7th-12th graders is at 9:45 am in the Youth Room with Calvin & Kai. Follow the waffle scent!

ROCKY ROCOCO'S PIZZA & LASER QUEST on Sunday, December 1st. Meet at St. Mark's at 12:30 pm. Bring \$15 for pizza and 2 games of laser tag. Sign-up on the Youth Board!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP – Wednesday nights in December (4th, 11th and 18th) from 6:00-7:30 pm. Come for dinner and social time.

COCOA & CHRISTMAS MOVIES - Sunday, December 8th, 6:00-8:00 pm. Come for fun and some Christmas classics.

SENIOR HIGH

TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST registration due 12/15.

WESTERN STATES YOUTH GATHERING summer trip 2020! All current 8th-12th graders are eligible. Space is still available. Talk with Susan if you have questions. More details are on the Youth Board.

Worship Attendance

Saturday, November 23	5:30 pm	39
Sunday, November 24	8:30 am	152
	10:45 am	<u>151</u>
Total		342

Our working definition of Vocation: Christian vocation is our life path as we are called by the Holy Spirit in all realms of life (family, work, volunteering, church).

PRAYERS

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

Tom Fallquist
David Cobb
Nancy Fike
Chris Larson
Jerry Thomas
Pat Gunderson
Ted Norton
Gloria Baker
Arleen Libertini
Leslie Rendle
Terry Gillette
Lyra Cole, granddaughter of Jim & Sharman Watson
Kylee Devlin, daughter of Tim Devlin
Terry Young, cousin of Kathy Bohus
Eleanor Larsen, sister of Louis Larsen
Doug Adams, son-in-law of Harry Johnson
Leslie Buckaloo, daughter of Neal & Tiina Buckaloo
Shelley Barnard, daughter of Sue & Paul Luppert
Carolyn Turner, mother of Brett Hauber
Cody Robertson, grandson of Connie & Burt Finch
Dolly Dubois
Ayshea Midgley
Chris Caviness
Tim Bruketta
Isaiah Newman
Parker Boutain
Frankie
Marlene
Mark
Toney
Leo
Brigid

Prayers for the family of **Tom Landerman**, son-in-law of Darleen Fitzgerald, at the time of his death.

Please notify us of any changes to our prayer list. Those on the prayer list will be removed after one month, unless there is a specific request to the church office to remain on.

St. Mark's Lutheran Church

First Sunday in Advent

December 1, 2019

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Preaching Minister	Edwin Weber
Assisting Minister	Carter Dominguez (10:45)
Acolytes	
8:30	Kaden Pinyo & Jack Berg
10:45	Valerie Hanes & Sofia Olson
Greeters	
8:30	Mary & Mike Haberman
10:45	May & Tom Pinyo
Ushers	
8:30	Bob & Brenda Bray Ron & Shar Gill
10:45	Anne & Dave Nanni Jane & Steve Somers
Lector	
5:30	Steve Nash
8:30	Tara Haskins
10:45	Liz Grosen
Creed & Prayers	
8:30	Marilyn Thordarson
10:45	Tim Hansen
Sound	Jason Berg
Altar Guild	
5:30	Elaine Orness
8:30	Hillary Berg
10:45	Jane Summers
Bread	Diana Davenport
Music Director/Choral	Debbie Hansen
Music Director/Organist	Carol Miyamoto
Director of Children's Arts	Ann Benson

St. Mark's Lutheran Church

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Service times: Saturday-5:30 pm, Sunday-8:30 and 10:45 am

Pastor Eric Dull ♦ Pastor Kate LePard ♦ Pastor Edwin Weber

TODAY'S MUSIC

Prelude	<i>Nun Komm, der Heiden Heiland</i>	Walther
Postlude	<i>Thanksgiving and Praise</i>	Mallard

TODAY

WELCOME VISITORS! It is a pleasure to have you worship with us today. Please fill out a worship attendance card located in the pew and place it in the offering plate. All are welcome to the Lord's Table for communion. For more information about St. Mark's, go to our website stmarks-spokane.org or you may pick up a brochure in the narthex.

Large print worship folders, loaner reading glasses, and hearing devices (our facility is equipped with a hearing assistance system) are available in the narthex. Gluten-free wafers are available on a small table by the communion rail.

Busy Bags for kids during worship: Young children may pick up a "busy bag" from the yellow poles in the narthex. Please return the bag after worship to the basket under the poles. Worship bulletins are also available for older children who are pre-readers or readers.

Our Nursery, open during worship times for children age infant up to kindergarten, is at the top of the stairs on the right. Pagers are available for parents. Please, no food in the nursery.

No Adult Forum, Alleluia Choir, or Godly Play Sunday School. Join us next Sunday at the regular times.

THIS WEEK

Scripture and Coffee is Tuesday, December 3, at 10:30 am in the conference room. This group meets for a Bible-based conversation with one of the pastors to study the scripture texts for the following Sunday. This week's readings are **Isaiah 11:1-10, Psalm 72, & Matthew 3:1-12.**

Eat, Pray, Laugh will meet on Tuesday, December 3, at 7:00 pm in the Parish House. All women are invited to this women's fellowship group for food with conversation, laughter, and prayer.

A **Women's AA group** meets every Wednesday at 6:30 am in the conference room. Contact Angela at 981-5608 for more information.

Holden Evening Prayer for Advent is on Wednesdays, December 4, 11, & 18 at 7:00 pm. This worship service lasts around 30 minutes. Following our worship time we will serve wine, juice, crackers, and cheese for a brief fellowship time. Your prayer time will be accompanied by beautiful music as we look to the light of Christ to scatter the darkness.

The German American Christmas service is Sunday, December 8, at 4:00 pm at St. Mark's. Our very own Pastor Eric will be preaching (hopefully not in German ☺).

INFORMATION

Stewardship Drive: Pledge cards are in the pews. Feel free to fill them out and stick them in the offering plate or return them to the office at your convenience. Thanks for your support!

LCS & SPEAR CHRISTMAS WISH TAGS are out! Please sign out the tags you take on the clipboard. Talk with Susan Hagen if you have questions. All gifts should be wrapped and the original tag attached. Please return to St. Mark's by Sunday, December 15.

COMING SOON

SUNDAY SCHOOL KIDS! ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT!

All Sunday School kids are involved in the annual Christmas Pageant. It's a great way to bring the Christmas story to life for them. We try to keep it as low-key as possible, doing most of our preparations during Sunday School. You won't want to miss it, so put it on your calendar now!

Rehearsal #1: Sun. Dec. 8, at 9:45 am DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Rehearsal #2: Sun. Dec. 15, at 9:45 am DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Dress Rehearsal: Sunday, December 15, at 3:40 pm. Parents: Bring your kid to church; go enjoy the Smorgasbord at 4:00 pm. We'll feed them dinner after rehearsal and then you're all set to enjoy the...

Christmas Pageant Performance: Sunday, December 15, at 5:00 pm. Any questions or interested helping out? Contact Ann Benson at annmb_benson@gmail.com or 954-9819.

It's a Wonderful Life benefit performance for LCS and Lutheran Campus Ministry at EWU is Wednesday, December 11, at


7:30 pm (no host bar begins at 6:00 pm) at the Spokane Civic Theatre. For info or tickets contact Christie McKee at 343-5020 or cmckee@lcsnw.org.

Learn the Art of Lefse Making – We will be making lefse on Saturday, December 14, in the St. Mark's kitchen starting at 10:00 am. Please consider making a batch of dough the day before; the St. Mark's recipe is available at the Smorgasbord sign-up area in the Narthex unless you have a favorite recipe. We would love to have some new folks participate. We'll have extra rollers and griddles to share if you don't have your own. We hope to make enough lefse for the Smorgasbord the next day. If you have questions, please contact Randy Belstad at 954-8093.

Mark Your Calendars! Our annual **Smorgasbord** is on Sunday, **December 15** at 4:00 pm or 6:00 pm. There is information about how you can help on the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

Sankta Lucia Brides – If you are in 3rd grade or older and enjoy singing or want to try something new, please sign up to be a Sankta Lucia Bride for our Smorgasbord. The entire event happens on Sunday, **December 15**, starting at 3:00 pm, when you will be fitted for a robe, then learn and practice the song in the choir room. The "brides" sing and serve cookies at **both seatings** of the Smorgasbord, usually at 4:20 and 6:20. Many girls sing and participate in the pageant, so you can be a star all evening long!

SPEAR CHRISTMAS PARTY, Thursday, December 19, at St. Mark's. We are hosting the SPEAR families for their Christmas dinner. Volunteers are needed to help with dinner. Helpers of all ages welcome. Our guests will enjoy dinner and the children will receive their Christmas gifts. We need some strong voices for caroling too! Talk with Susan Hagen if you can help.

	4:00 pm	Holy Communion, candlelight family service
	6:00 pm	Holy Communion, candlelight and carols
	10:00 pm	Holy Communion, candlelight and carols with Chancel Choir
<i>*All children are invited to worship. There is no nursery for these services.</i>		

MISSION STATEMENT

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