

ST. MARK'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 16, 2025

SUNDAYS - WORSHIP / FAITH FORMATION

9:00am Fellowship—Family Life Center
9:15am Sunday School—Family Life Center
9:45am Musical Prelude—Sanctuary
9:55am Announcements—Sanctuary
10:00am 23rd SUNDAY after Pentecost Worship Service—Sanctuary
10:00am Worship on YouTube Live -<http://www.youtube.com/@st.markslutheranchurchclar6483>
11:00am Congregational Meeting and Vote
11:45am Confirmation Class

THIS WEEK AT ST MARK'S

NOVEMBER

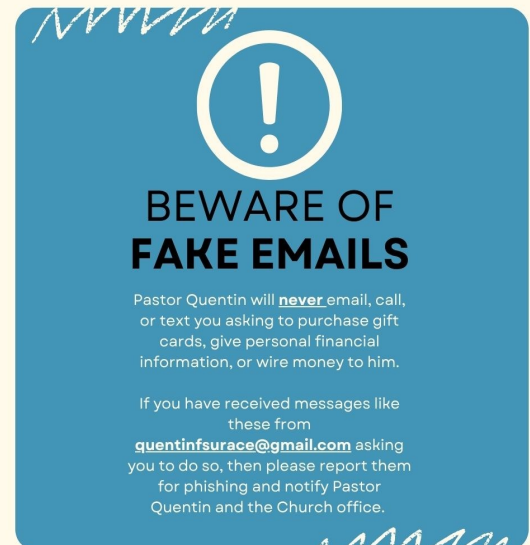
Monday	11/17	Preschool 9am-12pm Witness 10am Executive Team 6pm Church Council 6:30pm
Tuesday	11/18	Yoga —Choir Room 9:00am Preschool 9am-12pm Preschool Chapel 9:15am Quilt Mission—Parrish Hall 10:00am
Wednesday	11/19	Preschool 9am-12pm December newsletter mailed
Thursday	11/20	Preschool 9am-12pm Preschool Thanksgiving Program and Feast
Friday	11/21	Setup for "Gifts From The Heart"
Saturday	11/22	"Gifts From The Heart" shopping day 10am-1pm
Sunday	11/23	Fellowship—Family Life Center 9-9:15am Sunday School—Family Life Center 9:15-9:45am Musical Prelude—Sanctuary 9:45am Announcements—Sanctuary 9:55am Christ the King/Women's Sunday Worship Service—Sanctuary 10:00am Community Thanksgiving Service—Bethlehem UMC 3:30pm Last day to order Poinsettias

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Special prayers this week:

Eva Cloninger Family	Rich Surace
Hal Sigmon Family	Carson Hollar
Pastor Bill Hollar family	William Hewitt
Norman Morrow	Julie Jones
Gail Carpenter	Deanna Butcher
Carolyn Sherrill	Dylan & McKenzie
Johnny Sigmon	Baby Adaline Yang
Gary & Susan Carpenter	Jason Carpenter
Marlene Epps	Bill & Laura McBrayer
Jonathan Ray	Zane Albert
Larry Smyre	Jerry Herman
Phil Williams (Nobia's Father)	Jason Sharpe
Jamaica and all those affected by Hurricane Melissa	



reminder

We are so thankful for our volunteers for worship assistance. If you would like to assist us with worship, the sign-up clipboard is on the table by name tag stand. All ages are welcome to help!

Here are the sign-ups for next Sunday, November 23rd:
Greeters: Cheryl Brown, Marchetta Campbell
Read Lessons: Tamarah Hefner
Asst. Minister: Carol Schaefer

Needed: Acolyte Crucifier Communion Ushers



The Annual Quilt Sale is ongoing. Check out the beautiful handiwork of the Quilting Ladies and support their efforts.



This year's *Community Thanksgiving Service* will be held at Bethlehem United Methodist Church on Sunday, November 23rd at 3:30pm. 3214 Catawba St, Claremont. Let us come together to give thanks.

Orders for Poinsettias are due Sunday, Nov. 23rd. They will be delivered to the church on Dec. 18th and will be on display for services on Sunday, Dec. 21st and Christmas Eve, Wednesday, Dec. 24th.



PRAISE BAND/BLENDED SERVICES

We will have the Praise Band and blended services once a month on the following Sundays at our 10am Worship Service: November 23rd

This will also be *Women's Sunday* with NC Synod Bishop Emily Hartner presiding over the service.

Gifts from the Heart 'Shopping Day' Saturday, November 22nd 10 am — 1 pm

What we need . . .

VOLUNTEERS

- gifts bags (all sizes)
- Peel & Stick gift tags
- Tissue paper
- Cookies for lunch

We **DO NOT** need . . .

- **Clothing**
- Old, worn or broken items
- Jewelry
- Women's scarves
- Wrapping paper

Our event was very successful last year and we want to make this year special as well.

We are asking for new or gently used items for our shopping areas.

Listed are areas to remember when you are gathering items and suggested items:

Men's (toolkit sets/car care items/gloves/flashlights with batteries/socks/wallets)

Ladies (nail care kits/stationary/pen sets/gloves/inspirational items/keychains)

Christmas Mugs (also candy canes, marshmallows, large treat bags)

Blankets - Home Goods - Household Candles

Kitchen (towel sets/cookie mix - cookie cutter - oven mitt sets/spatulas/insulated cups)

Bath and Body (lotions/body wash/loofah/soaps/men and women)

and Christmas Knick Knacks.

These are just suggestions.

Upcoming December dates to remember:

Dec 6 ~Seniors Christmas Breakfast @ St. Mark's by City of Claremont 8:30am

~Decorate church for Advent and putting the parade float together 10am

~Claremont Christmas Parade 4pm

Dec 12~Seniors trip to Reynolda House in Winston-Salem. Tickets are \$18. Lunch On your own. Contact Wendy Hefner for reservations. 828-270-6008

Dec 14~Children's Christmas Program during 10am Worship Service. Light lunch will be provided after worship for our congregational Christmas Lunch.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16 THE HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS ARE GOING TO BE OUR GUESTS HEAR THEIR STORY AND SEE THEIR BEAUTIFUL OLIVEWOOD CRAFTS

A Christian family from Bethlehem will be telling us the story of the Christians of the Holy Land and they will be presenting these carvings after the services.