

ST. MARK'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
SUNDAY DECEMBER 21, 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 Fourth Sunday of Advent Worship Service—Sanctuary
10:00am Worship on YouTube Live -<http://www.youtube.com/@st.markslutheranchurchclar6483>

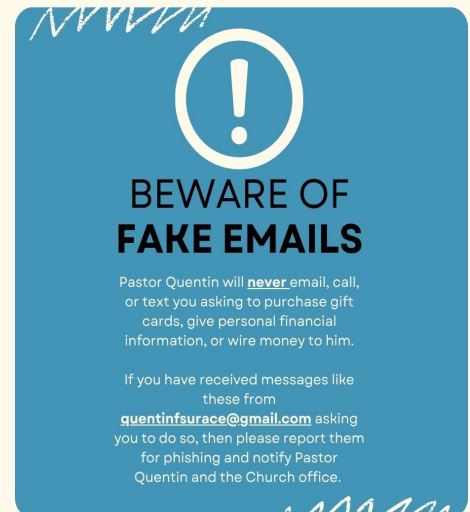
THIS WEEK AT ST MARK'S

DECEMBER

Monday	12/22	Preschool closed all week Pastor Quentin's Birthday	Pastor Quentin's contact information: Email: pastor@smarklc.org Cell: 704-280-9921 Office: 828-459-2161
Wednesday	12/24	Church office closed Christmas Eve Service 4pm Christmas Eve Service 8pm	
Thursday	12/25	MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS Church office closed	
Sunday	12/28	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 First Sunday of Christmas Worship Service—Sanctuary 10:00am	

Special prayers this week:

Kay Deal Family	Marlene Epps Family
Frances Lafone Family (Debbie Herman's Mother)	
Carolyn Sherrill	Unspoken
Norman Morrow	Carson Hollar
William Hewitt	Dorothy Willis
Gail Carpenter	Julie Jones
Johnny Sigmon	Deanna Butcher
Gary & Susan Carpenter	Baby Adaline Yang
Larry Smyre	Joyce Oakley
Zane Albert	Bill & Laura McBrayer
Wayne Smith	Phil Williams (Nobia's Father)
Rich Surace	Dylan & McKenzie
Layne Olson	



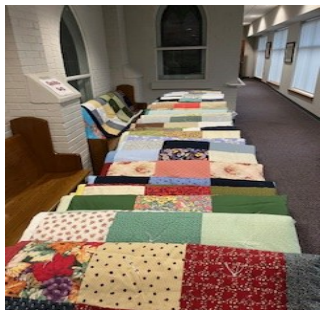
reminder

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, December 28th:

Needed:

Asst. Minister, Read Lessons, Usher, Greeters
Crucifier, Communion, Acolyte



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



December's **Noisy Offering** provided 12 Food Lion gift cards, each a \$25 value, for Claremont Elementary to be given to needy families for Christmas.

ELCA Good Gifts Giving Tuesday:

Tuesday, December 2nd was ELCA Good Gifts Giving Tuesday. The Stewardship Team used \$500 from the Milk Pail Fund to contribute to ELCA churchwide ministries throughout the US and abroad. Donations are sent where they are needed most. On Giving Tuesday the donations are matched (or doubled). The \$500 purchased 4 goats, 4 pigs, 9 chicks and 6 roosters.

With the matching, total given will equal \$1000 or 8 goats, 8 pigs, 18 chicks and 12 roosters.



Upcoming dates to remember:

Dec 24~Christmas Eve Services at 4pm and 8 pm

Dec 24-25~Church offices will be closed

Dec 25-27~Pastor Quentin will be out of town with family. Please call Terry Hefner if you have an emergency (828) 446-9029

Dec 29-Jan 5~ Pastor Quentin will be on vacation. Please call Terry Hefner if you have an emergency (828) 446-9029

Jan 1~Church offices will be closed

Jan 4~Lesson in Carols

Jan 9-10~Council Retreat @ St. Mark's

Jan 25~Winter Jam 2026 Christian Music Concert

Pictorial Directory 2026

An updated Pictorial Directory of St. Mark's members is in process.

If you would like to submit a new photo for the Directory, please email a png. or jpeg. file photo to secretary@smarklc.org. Or you may drop a picture by the church office. Previous photos will be used if an updated photo is not received by January 15th.

If your address or phone number has changed, please also update that information for the church records.

The 2025 St. Mark's Yearbook is in process. If you have information, photos, etc. from your Teams or events at St. Mark's from 2025 you would like included that you have not already sent please email to secretary@smarklc.org by January 20th.

Each Team should submit a written yearly report to be included in the yearbook.