

ST. MARK'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 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 16th Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service—Sanctuary
10:00am Worship on YouTube Live -<http://www.youtube.com/@st.markslutheranchurchclar6483>
11:45am Confirmation Class meets

THIS WEEK AT ST MARK'S

SEPTEMBER

Monday 9/29 Staff meeting 10am
Preschool 9am-12pm
Tuesday 9/30 Yoga —Choir Room 9:00am
Preschool 9am-12pm
Preschool Chapel 9:15am
Quilt Mission—Parrish Hall 10:00am
Wednesday 10/1 Preschool 9am-12pm
Thursday 10/2 Preschool 9am-12pm
Friday 10/3 Claremont Daze 6-10pm
Saturday 10/4 NC Women of the ELCA 2025 Fall Conference Gathering 9Am—Sardis ELCA Hky
Claremont Daze 10am-4pm
Sunday 10/5 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
17th Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service—Sanctuary 10:00am
Noisy offering for Safe Harbor
Confirmation Class meets after Worship

Special prayers this week:

Hal Sigmon Family
Caleb Sigmon
Gail Carpenter
Larry Smyre
Carolyn Sherrill
Johnny Sigmon
Betsy Roberts
Dylan & McKenzie

Marlene Epps
Julie Jones
Norman Morrow
Deanna Butcher
Eva Cloninger & Family
Gary & Susan Carpenter
Bill & Laura McBrayer

Rich Surace
Carson Hollar
Phil Williams (Nobia's Father)
Evelyn Setzer
Bill Hollar
Scott Campbell

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The *NC Women of the ELCA* will hold the **2025 Fall Conference Gathering** on Saturday, October 4 at Sardis ELCA in Hickory. Flyers with more information are available on the tables at the entries of the Sanctuary. All Women are invited to attend. Registration deadline is Sept 28th (today).



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, October 5th:

Greeters: Dotty Isenhour
Read Lessons: Carol Schaefer
Asst. Minister: Carol Schaefer

Needed:
Ushers
Communion
Acolyte
Crucifier

Thrivent Choice Dollars

disbursed to St. Mark's:
Donations from **Thrivent** are sent to St. Mark's by wire transfer to our bank account. There is no other information sent. The Church Council would like to "clean-up" the balance sheet and disbursement funds properly.

If you request (or have requested recently) for Thrivent or any other entity to send a donation to St. Mark's, *please let the church office know*. We need to be correct in posting the donation to the proper person (giver) and where you want these funds to be used.

Any funds received that have not been specifically allotted by October 31, 2025 will be used for the General Fund.

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:

October 26
November 23

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

What we need . . .

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

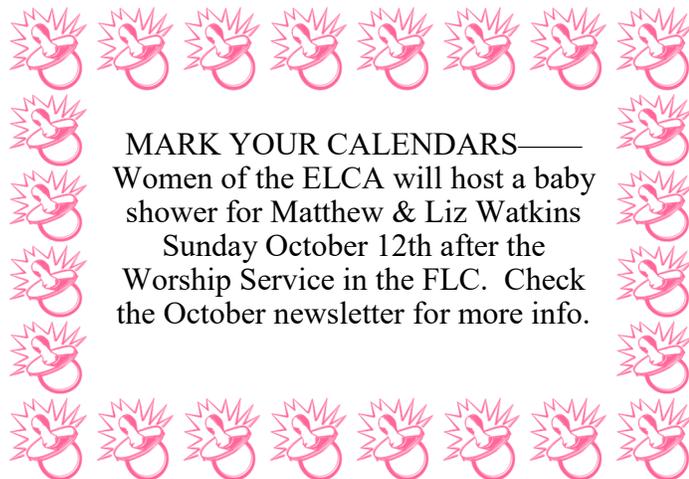
We **DO NOT** need . . .

- **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.*



MARK YOUR CALENDARS—
Women of the ELCA will host a baby shower for Matthew & Liz Watkins
Sunday October 12th after the
Worship Service in the FLC. Check
the October newsletter for more info.



The Annual Quilt Sale will start Sunday, October 26th, just in time for cooler weather and the coming holidays. Check out the beautiful handiwork of the Quilting Ladies and support their efforts.