# September 7, 2025

# Together, with faith, we can: connect, grow and serve

Flowers on the altar this morning are given by:

- \* Tom and Nancy Wittkopp in loving memory of Michael Wittkopp
- \* Shannon Horne in loving memory of her mother, Christine

**Visitors and Guests:** Thank you for worshiping with us this morning. Offerings may be placed in the blue boxes in the lobby. Please fill out the "A Place for You" card found on the same table, and hand it to the Pastor or Elder of the day as you leave. Welcome home!

A Quilt of Valor presentation will be held on Sunday, September 14 at 2 pm in the Fellowship Hall to honor 10 of our congregation members who are veterans. A Quilt of Valor is not a gift, but an earned award to honor veterans who have been touched by war. All are welcome to attend to offer thanks for their service. Cake and coffee will be served following the presentation.

**Did you sign up?** Sign up at the bulletin board for "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World", which starts September 19, so we can order a book for you. The video-driven Bible study will be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month, September through June. Bring a friend for crafting or sewing from 9 am to 4 pm, or just for the Bible study. The study will begin at 12:15 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**Thank you** to those who give so generously to the Muskegon rescue mission. If you would like to also donate food and personal items, please make sure items are not expired, and place them in the bin in the vestibule between the Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary. ~ Carolyn Bickmeyer

**The Rakowski family** will have be having a celebration of Judy's life today, Sunday September 7, 2025 at Hager's Hideaway from 1 to 4. There is a poster on the bulletin board with more information.

**The Ladies Guild** Salad and Casserole Luncheon for fall is happening September 23, 11 am - 1pm. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for kids. Sign up sheets to serve and bring a dish are posted on the bulletin board.

**LWML is inviting** the ladies of St. Mark to a one-day retreat on Saturday, October 11 at Geneva Retreat Center in Holland from 9am to 3pm. Cost is \$45 and includes lunch and all materials. Ages 10-18 are free when accompanied by an adult. Contact Pat Vorac for more information (912)312-2243.

**Bible Study will resume** this week. 7pm Bible Study has been moved from Thursdays to Wednesdays.

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### Serving St. Mark today:

Elder Bruce Schouten
Reader Mary Bishop
Greeters John and Jan Strahl
Streaming Nate Lapham
Ushers Marsh and Sue Lohr
Recording Secretaries Sandy
Fuller and Rollys Miller
Coffee Connection Burmeister
Family

#### Next week:

Elder Mark Zimmerman
Reader Brent Plumhoff
Organist Phil Konzyk
Greeters Rollys Miller
Streaming Linnea Larson
Ushers Can You Help?
Recording Secretaries Shannon
Horne, and Erica Faith
Coffee Connection Barb Doan,
Charlotte Hosko and Mike and
Brenda Schluentz

## **Coming Up:**

7pm Bible Study 9/10

Morning Bible Study Resumes 9/11

Quilts of Valor 9/14

Bible Study 9/19 12pm

Salad Casserole Luncheon 9/23

**Ladies Guild Meeting** 9/30 4pm FH 11am - 1pm



Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. ISAIAH 41:10

**St. Mark family continuing medical care, undergoing treatment or in need of prayer**: Lois Blum, Robert Council, Nathan Erickson, Shannon Horne, Barb Jados, Barb Lewis, Allison Plumhoff, and Jill Sorenson.

**Please keep the Tino family**, Ben, Scarlett, and Jaako Rene in your prayers as they serve as missionaries in Puerto Barrios, Guatemala

**Please pray for St. Mark members who reside in assisted living facilities:** Jean Dusenberry at Medi Lodge, Grand Haven; Don Larabee, Fountain View Assisted Living, Coopersville; Larry Miller at Lake Woods on Vulcan Street; Brenda Neuman at Robbinswood, Grand Haven, and Diane Wittkopp at Grand Pines, Grand Haven.

#### Family and friends of St. Mark:

Mary Gamble, niece of Tami Sheehy

Karen Szpeinski and Carol Weaver, friends of Carolyn Bickmeyer

Sandra Stuemke, sister of Larry and Gloria Miller

Olivia Gillespie, and Barbara Barnhouse, friends of Gary and Kathleen Schottke

Janet Havey, sister, and Lakelyn Locke, family of Larry and Cindy Bolduc

Lee Suits, friend of Sandy Hosko

Jim Mikesell, son-in-law of Marcia Carlson

Friends of Dan and Louise Hvizdos

**Ken Wilson**, friend of Sharon Johnson

**Brock Stromer**, friend of the family, of Al and Mary Sheldon

Sarah Israel, granddaughter of Lynne Guerne

Cory Jurrians, husband of Julie and son-in law of Michael and Carol Sutton

**Joe Lutz**, brother of Mary Bishop

Gary Wentzloff, brother, Carl Peters, father and Randy Maycroft, friend of Cherié and Duane Wentzloff

Paula Cruickshank, cousin of Pauline Kaminski

Elliot Sieffert, grandson, and David Sieffert, son of Tom and Loretta Sieffert

Sara Link, daughter of Steve and Joan Link

Joanna Vink, sister of Joe Nemeth

Ron Terpstra, friend of Marsh and Sue Lohr

Terri Ahonen, sister, and Nanette Nasol, and Mark Schueller, friends of Steve and Holly Lowney

**Rob Perry**, cousin of Ted Hosko

Hayes Floyd Kemp, friend of Bill and Laura Castle

#### Stewardship of God's Gift to Us: 2025-2026

2025-2026 fiscal year budget needs:	\$	343,200 .00
Anticipated offerings	\$	59,400.00
Actual offerings	\$	55,826.04
Anticipated weekly offering	\$	6,600.00
Last week's offering	\$	4,705.81

### This week at St. Mark September 8-14

Monday: Office Open 9:30am-1:30pm
Tuesday: Office Open 9:30am-1:30pm

Quilters 12pm FH

Church Council 7pm FH

Wednesday: Office Closed

Bible Study 7pm

**Thursday:** Office Open 9:30am-1:30pm

Bible Study 10:30am

Sunday: 9:30 am Sunday Service

5 pm Service