

April 12, 2026

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

Flowers on the altar this morning are given by:

\* Gerry and Karen VanOeffelen in celebration of their 45th wedding anniversary.

\*Caroline Bickmeyer in memory of sister Sue Swanson and parents Fred and Amanda Smith.

Visitors and Guests: Thank you for worshiping with us this morning. Offerings may be placed in one of the blue boxes in the lobby. Please use the QR code on the back of the paper or fill out the blue "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!

**Thank you to** everyone who helped with the Easter Service and the activities that followed. It was greatly appreciated. The Board of Ed would like to thank anyone who donated candy for the Easter egg hunt.

**To reserve areas of the church,** please complete the new form in advance. There will be a QR code you can scan in the office, a link can be sent to your email, or you can scan the code on the back of this newsletter. Once the form is completed, please allow the office a week to confirm your request. A confirmation email will be sent to your email.

**The Altar flower sign-up** sheet for 2026, located on the bulletin board, still has many openings available. Placing flowers on the altar is a nice way to honor a loved one or a special occasion. Flower vases are \$23 each and can be taken home after church services.

**Purple and Green Neighborhoods** are up for serving in April. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board. The sheets are labeled with the month and neighborhood colors. The list of neighborhood members is located at the bottom of the sign-up sheet. If you have any questions about signing up, please call the office at (231) 798-2197.

**Ladies Spring luncheon** and Grannies Attic, May 19, 11 am-1 pm. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board.

**The last day of W.O.W.** will be Wednesday, April 29. Student Ministries will be hosting a carnival in celebration. Donations of one-liter bottles of pop for ring toss and cakes for a cake walk would be greatly appreciated. Cake donations can be dropped off on Tuesday, April 28th, during office hours or 5:30-7 pm.

**Gift bags for the confirmands,** Josey Aney, Reese Marquez, and Zander Aney, will be in the entryway for you to leave a card for their confirmation next Sunday, April 19th.

**Dorothy McNiece's obituary** is on the bulletin board, and a link has also been posted on our Facebook page.

**Our Christian congratulations** to parents Jordan and Taryn Briney on the birth of their daughter, Palmer Briney. Jordan and Taryn welcomed Palmer on March 22, 2026. Palmer was 7lbs 5oz. and 20 inches long. Happy birthday, Palmer!



### Serving St. Mark today:

**Elder** Brent Plumhoff

**Reader** Dawn Eggerding

**Greeters** Larry and Cindy Bolduc

**Streaming** Faith Family

**Ushers** Jim Schouweiler

**Recording Secretaries** Jen

Hamdorf and Kimmy Hackney

**Coffee Connection** Patty Seifert,

Loretta Seifert, and Charlotte

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### Next week:

**Elder** TBA

**Reader** Karen VanOeffelen

**Greeters** Purple and Green, can you help?

**Streaming** Linnea Larson

**Ushers** Purple and Green, can you help?

**Recording Secretaries** Sue Lohr and Ellen Haney

**Coffee Connection** Vergie Council

### Coming Up:

Confirmation Sunday 4/19

Ladies Guild Meeting 4/21 4 pm

W.O.W Carnival 4/29

Ladies Guild Luncheon 5/19 11 am-1 pm

NOW IN CHRIST JESUS YOU  
WHO ONCE WERE FAR OFF  
HAVE BEEN BROUGHT NEAR  
BY THE BLOOD OF CHRIST.  
FOR HE HIMSELF IS OUR PEACE,  
WHO HAS MADE US BOTH  
ONE AND HAS BROKEN DOWN  
IN HIS FLESH THE DIVIDING  
WALL OF HOSTILITY.

**St. Mark family continuing medical care, undergoing treatment, or in need of prayer:** Paul Abair, Barb Bishop, Mary Bishop, Robert Council, Nathan Erickson, Barb Jados, Barb Lewis, Carole Meade, Gary Meister, Allison Plumhoff, and Jill Sorenson.

**Please pray for St. Mark members who reside in assisted living facilities:** Lois Bluhm in South Carolina; Jean Dusenberry at Medi Lodge, Grand Haven; Don Larabee at Fountain View Assisted Living, Coopersville; Brenda Neuman at Robbinswood, Grand Haven; and Diane Wittkopp at Grand Pines, Grand Haven.

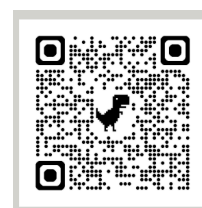
**Family and friends of St. Mark:**

**Mary Gamble**, niece of Tami Sheehy  
**Karen Szpeinski** and **Carol Weaver**, friends of Carolyn Bickmeyer  
**Sandra Stuemke**, sister of 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  
**Sarah Israel**, granddaughter of Lynne Guerne  
**Cory Jurrians**, husband of daughter Julie, and **Ben Jurrians**, grandson of Michael and Carol Sutton  
**Joe Lutz**, brother of Mary Bishop  
**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  
**Jaxton Batka**, family of Bill and Laura Castle  
**Linda Landon** and **Jack Hetchler**, cousins of Gail Whittaker and Judy Yonker  
**Lynn Samuels**, friend of Ruth Bunnell  
**Emmett Gilbert**, family of Gerry and Karen VanOeffelen  
**Corey Gillespie**, **Bill Frazier**, and **Debra Sheckler**, friends of Jane Bednarz  
**John Schuerele**, friend of Sandy and Joanna Philips  
**Gabriel**, great-grandson, and **Becky Wall**, cousin of Marsh and Sue Lohr  
**Caleb Sheldon**, grandson, and **Joanna Skuse**, friend, of Al and Mary Sheldon  
**Steve and Tiffany Mills**, family of Bob and Linda Mills  
**Lucy Filius**, part of St. Mark Quilting Group

ROOM RESERVATION  
FORM



Visitor QR Code



2025-2026 fiscal year budget needs:	\$343,200.00
Anticipated offerings	\$264,000.00
Actual offerings	\$264,692.32
Anticipated weekly offering	\$6,600.00
Last week's Offering	\$6,455.34

This Week at St. Mark April 13-19			
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Office Open</b> 9:30 am-1:30 pm	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Office Open</b> 9:30 am-1:30 pm <b>Bible Study</b> 10:30 am
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Office Open</b> 9:30 am-1:30 pm <b>Quilters</b> 12 pm	<b>Friday</b> <b>Saturday</b>	<b>Office Closed</b> <b>Gym Reserved</b> 4 pm-6 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Office Closed</b> <b>W.O.W</b> 5 pm- 7 pm <b>Choir</b> 7 pm <b>Bible Study</b> 7 pm	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:30 am Service</b> W/ Communion Confirmation Sunday 10:30 am Coffee Hour, 4:12, Sunday School <b>5 pm Service</b> w/ Communion

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