



ST. MARK'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH

November 2025



The Sierra Pacific Synod offered a Fresh Expressions workshop on October 17-18 for congregations to learn more about this 20+ year old concept of reaching out to people in our community. Thanks to Ann Hefner-Gravink who attended the workshop with Pastor Karen.

What is a "Fresh Expression" (yes, it is used as a noun)?

A Fresh Expression:

- **Is designed for those outside the church:**
The primary purpose is to reach people who are not yet members of any church.
- **Meets people where they are:**
Gatherings happen outside the church building, in places like public spaces, homes, or online, often around shared interests like a hobby, a passion, or a life experience.
- **Forms new communities:**
The goal is to form new, organic communities of belonging and faith, rather than to simply grow attendance at an existing church.
- **Can be flexible and experiment with where and when to meet:**
Each fresh expression takes on the unique shape, patterns, and language of the community it is trying to serve. Meeting patterns fit the participants' needs and abilities.
- **Is designed so church members do things WITH people not FOR them:**
This is not just the traditional church model of "how can we serve others?" but how can we connect with others, support them and foster the creation of new community.
- **Is lay-led but connected to an established church:**
The goal is to catalyze disciples in our congregation (typically 2-3 to start) to connect with those outside our church. While they have their own identity, they are anchored to and supported by an existing congregation.
- **Starts with listening to those around us**
We should explore our community, be aware of others around us and listen when they talk about their wants and needs.

The Fresh Expression Movement

Started in 2004, this movement emerged out of the Anglican and Methodist churches in England. Pastors and leaders started to recognize new, organically-forming trends of church as an opportunity to “proclaim the faith afresh to each generation.” The Mission Shaped Church report called them “fresh expressions,” and their popularity exploded across many denominations.

What is their mission?

To help churches and pioneering leaders connect more deeply with the community around them, allowing the places we are in and the people around us to participate in shaping a form of Christian community that can best reflect God’s kingdom right there. Where God’s Spirit is kindling these fresh expressions of church, new people are coming to faith and bored Christians are coming to life. For more information please see:

<https://www.freshexpressions.com/>

What could we do at St. Mark’s?

At the workshop, Ann and Pastor Karen learned how other congregations started “Fresh Expressions” by creating micro-communities of people that shared hobbies or interests, lived in the same neighborhood, or were battling the same challenges (recovery, hunger).

See Ann or Pastor Karen if you have ideas for being Christ in our community.



All Saints Sunday
November 2



Remember to bring photos and mementos for the display table in the sanctuary. **Also**, photos for Sunday Connections to share stories of the saints (past and present) in our lives and creating a “Great Cloud of Witnesses.”



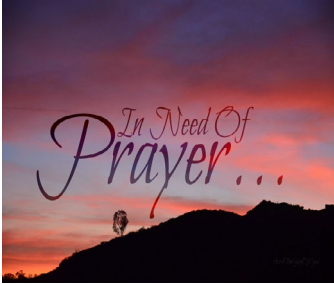
Hanging of the Greens
November 23 – 9:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m.

Do you remember how much fun we had last year preparing our space for Advent and Christmas? Tressa and Gerda do! Join us as we turn this annual chore into a blessed family event. Everyone participates!





We nurture our discipleship when we care for and celebrate one another.



We are praying for...

Our members:

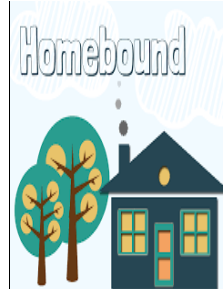
Ivonne Bradford, V-Anne Chernock, Elsie Edgeman, Richard Ehman, Sarajane Hakenen, Gabby Hansen, Jim Hanser and family, Cheryl Hurd, Pamela Lyons, Robert McGee, Karen Mullin, Gerda Reid, Stu Reid, and Josie Traugher.

Our homebound

Janet Benson, Kathy Doty, Judith Eckhart and Shirley Quinn.

Our friends and loved ones

Kim Arnold, Bruce Atkinson, Zoe Barrett, Makita Bond, Adrian Butler, Roxanne Costan, Dave Eubanks, Kyle Forristall, Dave Frogget, Ed Goldberg, Rob Hakenen, Nicholas Hanson, Shaman Houpt, Craig Jimenez, Phil Ladiero, Sonja Maclay, Rene Maddox, Mike Michaelson, Rev. Kirsten Moore, Helen Powell, Cheryl Rassmussen, Jo Reed, Sharon Sanderson, Toni Scarrott Collins, Bob Stevenson, Rhonda Stokes, Tammy Stone, Nardos Tesfaye, Weldon Tunnell, Lorna Walter, Suzanne Wilson, and Laurie Ziegler.



Our homebound Members

Janet Benson
3305 Hartford Ave
Fairfield, CA 94534

Kathy Doty, Magnolia Court Senior Assisted Living, 111 Ulatis Dr, Room 204, Vacaville, CA 95687

Judith Eckhart, 3760 Upland Drive, Auburn, CA 95602

Shirley Quinn, 11 Lemon Tree Cir., Vacaville CA 95687

Please remember them with your cards, visits and calls. They soooo appreciate it!



We celebrate you!!!

Pat Broschard	11/3
June Johnsen	11/5
Gordene Pienovi	11/7
Colleen Rivers	11/11
Eva Lipke	11/25
Garret Gravink	11/27
Richard Ehman	11/28
Aura Hansen	11/28

We wish you
a Happy
Anniversary!!!



Michael and Ann Gravink	11/6
Lourdes and Donald Eager	11/13
Nelson and Sherri Scarrott	11/28



**Thank you to the
Luther Mania Cast
and the Tech Team –**
Cast: Jim Hanser,
Marillyn nelson, Sherri

Scarrott, Stew Irwin, Stu Reid, and
Josephine Traughber. Tech Team:
Michael Gravink and Rose Hanser

Thank you to
the Stewardship
Committee:



Pastor Karen and
the congregation appreciate all your hard
work and time spent on this year's
campaign.

A Shout-out to Jim Hanser, Stewart
Irwin, Diane Metz, and Colleen Rivers.

Little Libraries

Our adult and children's
little libraries have been
refurbished, repainted and
replanted.

We invite you to donate
books and take books for
your pleasure. Please remember to bring
books that are likely to be enjoyed by
others.



**Thank you
from the
bottom of
my heart!**
Your love and
generosity
are so
amazing! I

felt seen and loved on Sunday. You know
my likes and dislikes, what is exciting to
me and who I am. Purple roses, lemon
meringue pie, chocolate cake, steak, and
goodies for Alaska – who could ask for
anything more. Thank you just doesn't
seem like enough.



Thank You
Diane Metz

Thank you, Diane, for sharing your
special gift of preaching with us on
October 12, 2025. You are appreciated!



Saturday, November 1:

Don't forget to set your clocks BACK one
hour at bedtime.

Daylight Savings ends Sunday,
November 2.



We Remember the Saints who entered eternal life

November 1, 2024 – November 2, 2025

St. Mark's Members

Helen Bergoust	1/18/25
Lillian "Bonnie" Demuth	7/1/25
Judy Lyons	11/23/24

St. Mark's Loved Ones and Friends

Barbara Cetko 1/25/25 Pat McKillip's sister
Alisha Chandoín 4/6/25 Beth Williamson's niece
Josh Costan 1/18/25 Janelle Jolley's friend
Mrs. Day 3/7/25 Aunt of Day family (preschool)
Mickey Drake 2/24/25 Sherri Scarrott's friend
Jan Dushane 4/23/25 Former member
Arthur Engell 1/25/25 Cheryl Hurd's daughter-in-law's father
Pope Francis 4/21/25
Donna Graber 4/2/25 Former member
Barbara Green 7/17/25 Pam Lyon's best friend
Al Hurd 4/7/25 Cheryl Hurd's husband
John Huston 12/4/24 Chuck Huston's brother
Dave Jones 6/25/25 Cindy DeRosier's father
Alice Kovarcik 5/24/25 Jackie Marrolli's grandmother
Scott Macroy 9/25/25 Josie Traugher's nephew
David Mitchell 5/18/25 Pam Lyon's ex-son-in-law
Don Neuner 5/14/25 Diane Metz' daughter-in-law's father
John Nyquist 7/22/25 Carole Greeley's friend/neighbor
Santiago Navarro Quintero 9/3/25 Noemi Vaquez' father
Desmond Short 7/11/25 Dan DiSano's friend
Robert Stetins 4/15/25 Pastor Karen's father-in-law
Joan Stevenson 1/18/25 Tom Lingel's mother
Dottie Torres 5/16/25 Dennis Digman's daughter-in-law's mother
Allen Yost 4/30/25 Sharon Yost's son





We nurture our discipleship when we
use our gifts to serve



Council met on Thursday, October 9, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. in Pastor Karen's office.

- The minutes from the September meeting were approved.
- Finance Report for September was approved.
- The income was just "so-so." October and November will give us a better picture for what to expect in 2026. The General Fund balance was over the \$10,000 threshold set by Council. One correction to the written report was noted: \$2,000 had been received toward our \$2,500 bill for tree removal and campus clean-up.
- Ministry reports were reviewed. The Personnel Committee had an action item (see below)
- The name of the Social Justice Committee was changed in the Chart of Accounts to "Outreach."
- The Social Ministry update (see Old Business) was moved to Ministry Reports. In the Chart of Accounts "Social Media Coordinator" position will be removed and a new line, "Social Media" will be added.
- Voted to remove "Update on Senior Fair for April 11, 2026" from agenda. (Will add again if interest rises)

- Voted to accept Operations Manual proposed changes, including the Personnel Policy.
- Voted to recommend to the Congregational Meeting a change in the Constitution, Bylaws & Continuing Resolutions. (C11.01.03.h). All changes will be reported to the Congregation in December of 2025.
- At Seeker's request, the Charge of accounts will move WELCA and Seekers into Outreach. In November Council will review the charge of accounts and funds with our current active ministries.
- The November Council meeting will be on Thursday, November 6 (normally scheduled for the 13th) at 11:30 a.m. in Pastor Karen's office.



Time to clean your closets!

We are collecting men's, women's, and children's clean new or gently used **coats, hoodies, socks, gloves, and beanie-style hats** to give to our guests at our Thanksgiving Meal on Tuesday, November 25. **The deadline for dropping off your donations is Sunday, November 23.** We are expecting between 300 and 400 neighbors to attend.



Empowered
by Grace!
The Joy of
Being Faithful
and Doing
Your Best

As we wrap up our 2025 stewardship emphasis "Empowered by Grace." The focus for today is "Empowered by Grace to Do Your Best." A familiar acronym for the word "joy" is: "J" for Jesus; "O" for others; and "Y" for you. Jesus is to be first, others second, and yourself last. Joy is one of God's greatest gifts to us. This theme focuses on the joy that comes from living in God's love and reflecting it to others by being faithful and fruitful stewards.

We have such a joyful feeling when we give to our church, someone in need and servicing others. The ability to give and the joy that comes from giving are both gifts of God. The Apostle Paul, admonishing his hearers to "help the weak." Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35).

Outside a relationship with Jesus, we may not find his words to be true, but, as we abide in him, we bear fruit ... the fruit of giving, serving, helping, and loving others as he gives, served, helps, and loves us. Jesus tells us, "that joy may be in [us], and that [our] joy may be full" (John 15:11).

Through the giving of our time and money, we experience one of the true

joys of being Christians—and humans. God doesn't need our gifts, but we're asked us to give of ourselves and our blessings. God accepts and uses these gifts and gives us joy in sharing them.

"Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure, you use it will be measured back to you" (Luke 6:38). Although we don't give and serve so that we will receive God's blessings, God's Word promises us that, when we do things faithfully and willingly, we will receive an abundance of spiritual blessings and, sometimes, material blessings as well.

Through faith, we realize that the joy that comes from the world is not lasting nor does it satisfy. Our pursuit of joy culminates in the discovery that, by God's grace, we receive joy not from serving ourselves, but from helping others. The Stewardship Ministry Team and the entire congregation thank you for DOING YOUR BEST!

If you missed making your financial commitment in October, your commitment gift is welcomed at any time. Commitment Cards are available in the pews and in the lobby. You may complete one and put it in the Offering basket on Sundays OR you can pledge online [here](#). Hover over "Giving" on the top far right and then click on "Pledge Online."

Stewardship Team members are happy to assist if you have questions: Jim Hanser, Stewart Irwin, Diane Metz or Colleen Rivers.



St. Mark's Lutheran Church Fairfield, CA Honoring our Veteran's

Current and Deceased Members

Dennis Digman - Navy
 Dan DiSano - Air Force
 *Charles Doty - Navy
 *Art Duncan - Air Force
 Donald Eager - Navy
 Judith Eckhart - Army
 Richard Ehman - Air Force
 *Robert Evans - Air Force
 Carl Hakenen - Air Force
 James Hanser - Navy
 Stewart Irwin - Air Force
 Les Johnsen - Navy
 *Robert (Bob) Jordan--Air Force

Chris Lindauer - Navy
 *Art Lipke - Air Force
 Jacqueline Marroli - Air Force
 Robert McGee - Air Force
 *Barry McKillips - Air Force
 Vic Metz - Navy
 Merle "Mike" Michaelis - Air Force
 Sam Mullin - Air Force
 *Roger Quinn
 Stu Reid - Air Force
 Michael Sweatt - Air Force
 Jeffrey Thoma - Air Force

Friends, Former Members and Loved Ones

Ronald Armenta, Jr. - Air Force
 Ronald Armenta, Sr. - Marine Corp
 Kim Arnold - Army
 Michael Barnum - Army
 David Caldwell, Sr. - Air Force
 David Caldwell, Jr. - Army
 Eugene Caldwell - Army
 *Willis Carlman - Navy
 Geoff Dashner - Air Force
 David Danzeisen - Air Force
 Kathy Danzeisen - Air Force
 Charles Hettlinger - Marine Corp
 Delbert Hoover - Army
 *Al Hurd - Air Force
 Elizabeth Jenkins - Air Force
 Kevin Jenkins - Air Force
 Robert Jordan - Air Force
 Sean Kennedy - Veteran
 Cliff Lipke - Army
 David Lipke - Army

Joseph Lipke - Marine Corp
 Lenny Lipke - Army
 Rich Lipke - Army
 *Dan Looney - Army Air Corps
 Robert Maclay - Air Force
 Scott Mall - Air Force
 *Fred MacMillian, Sr. - Navy
 Adrian Reece - Army
 Tim Scarrott - Army National
 Guard
 Alan Sklove - Air Force
 Burton Stenson - Navy
 Charleton Stenson - Army
 H.A. Stenson - Army
 Marlow Stenson - Air Force
 Chris Swanson - Navy
 Dennis Sweeney --Marines
 *Robert Williamson - Air Force

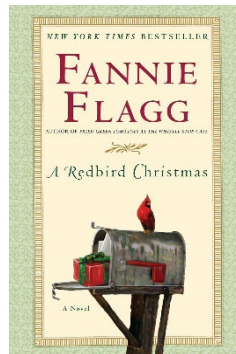
 *Deceased as of October, 30, 2025



We nurture our discipleship when we
worship and study together

Tuesday Book Study

The Tuesday group is taking a little hiatus until December 2 when we will start reading/discussing, "A Redbird Christmas" by [Fannie Flagg](#). Everyone is welcome to join us at any time. In person or on Zoom.



If you would like a few laughs, pick up this book!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88381121677>

Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

This is a great way to learn more about the scripture readings for the coming week. You'll talk about what they might have in common (or not!) and get a more in-depth understanding of the readings. Contact Jim Hanser (hanserjames@comcast.net) for more info.



Choir Rehearsals

The choir rehearses every

Tuesday at 11:30am and Sunday at 8:30am. The enhance the Worship Service with their anthems on the second and fourth Sundays of the month.



Here's what's happening in November

November 2 – Ancestry & Faith: Remembering Those Who Shaped Our Faith

November 9 - Facebook and Social Media – How we can use it for good (Ann)

November 16 - Crash Course #12 Chinese Religions/Prayer Board Craft

November 23 – [Hanging of the Greens] Christmas Cookie Contest

November 30 - Advent Craft (Cindy)

Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85397371644>

Email Ann at drannhg@sbglobal.net for more information. Everyone is invited to join us and offer their ideas for events, classes, etc. Our next meeting is Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. (Zoom)



Sunday Connections Group



Seekers Circle will meet on **Thursday, November 13** from 9:30am to 11:30 a.m. in the Digerud Room. Beth Williamson will be the leader of the session.

The group will spend time assessing service projects and consider ELCA's Good Gifts catalog at 9:30 a.m. The group will also celebrate Colleen Rivers birthday. ***Come and join us as we grow in our understanding and faith.***

In our Gather Magazine this fall we look at: "Money, Stewardship and Generosity" by the Rev. Christa von Zychlin

- November 13 Session: Money, Stewardship and Generosity – *Generosity – A wideness in God's mercy*

God loves a cheerful giver, because our cheer in giving reflects God's own cheerful mercies. Can the biblical practice of gleaning be considered a class in Generosity 101? We will consider the enemies of generosity: Pharoah, the stingy boss, and the "religion" of Mammonism. Finally, we will turn to the little-noticed women who were generous with Jesus, and the wild generosity of the first Christian churches. Contact: Diane Metz

November Video Supplement Link:
[November 2025: "Money, Stewardship and Generosity" video supplement 3 - Gather Magazine](#)



St. Mark's Preschool has an **Amazon wish list**. Many past and current parents, friends, and church members have asked us what we need so we created the list so it can be accessed anytime.

[Click for Amazon Wish List](#)



Fairfield Suisun
Rotary Pumpkin
Patch

This year's event included a Scarecrow Contest. Our thanks to Janelle Jolley for setting up an adorable display on behalf of the Preschool. While we didn't win the prize, we are grateful to everyone who voted for us and enjoyed a beautiful fall outing. The display is now outside the Preschool door.



Feeding more
and more
people each
week!

The Pantry would like to thank our regular weekly donors: Costco, Target and Sprouts in Vacaville as well as Raley's on North Texas in Fairfield We encourage you to frequent these stores. We would also like to thank Tenbrink Farms for their regular contributions of produce.

September Stats:

Total Served	4,257
Total Families Served	942
Weekly Average Served	851
Average Families Served	188

YTD Total Served	33,963
YTD Families Served	7,369
YTD Weekly Average Served	871
YTD Weekly Average Families	189
Volunteer hours: 763	



Christmas Bags for our neighbors

Please bring non-perishable food, calendars, greeting cards, and wrapping paper to help us fill 200 Christmas bags. Please place your items in the black bin in the narthex by December 15. See Janelle if you are available to help sort and fill on Friday/Saturday, December 19/20 or to help with distribution on Monday, December 22.



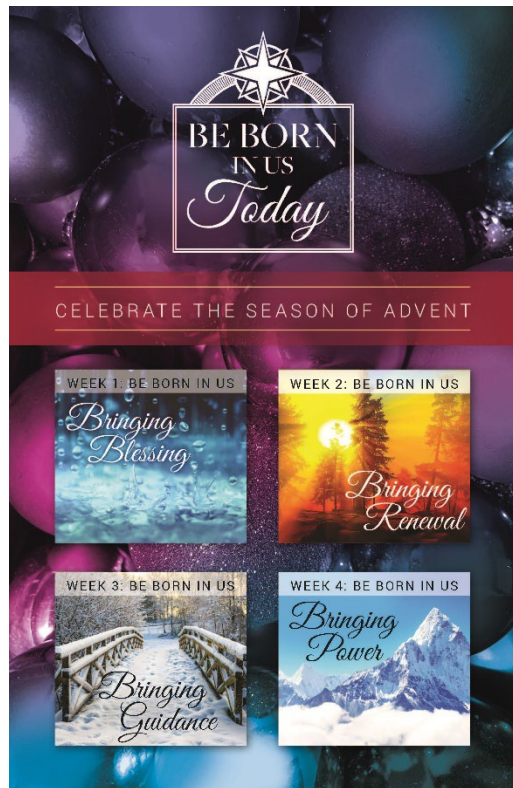
Quilts for LWR are on Their Way

After the Quilt Blessing on October 5th, the Quilters packed the 37 quilts, weighed and labeled the boxes on October 8th and Ann Hefner-Gravink graciously chauffeured the boxes to Bethel Lutheran Church in Cupertino.

The following is an excerpt from the update we received:

"Our 2025 Northern California Ingathering was Incredible. Impressive results: 25 Churches participated. The Quilts 1,394; Fabric kits 75; Personal Care kits 943; 170 Baby kits and 777 School Kits. Boxes will be picked up from us on October 30, delivered to Seattle and then, via rail to the warehouse in New Windsor, Maryland. Watch [here](#) to see what happens after our boxes arrive. Another [video](#) shows two women, two lives, touched by an LWR Quilt. Thank you so much for all you have done for LWR this past year. If you are in Maryland, please stop by the LWR headquarters and take a walk on the Good Samaritan Quilt Plaza. You can also take a tour of the warehouse in New Windsor. I know you will share this exciting information with your colleagues. Until next year, Happy Quilting." -- Joann Weberg, Bethel Lutheran Church, Cupertino, CA."

The St. Mark's Quilters began quilting for 2026 on October 15th with excitement. They received a 'care package' from our fellow quilters at Bethel Lutheran and started to create new patterns using those materials. All are welcome; no experience is needed. We quilt on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or so. Please know that your gifts of gently used or new cotton fabric pieces can be turned into quilts. If you love to thrift shop, look for dark sheets to use for backings. Cotton tablecloths, curtains, etc. can be transformed as well. Financial donations to the Quilt Fund are also appreciated to provide ministry supplies. Contact: Cindy deRosier, Carole Greeley, Linda Frogget, Pat McKillips, Diane Metz, Josephine Traugher or Donna Zaier for more information.



Advent Begins November 30

This Advent we will be reminded that Christ is born in us spiritually today and every day. He enters us daily to strengthen and support us, save us and renew us. We are changed by his presence within us as we become more like him as we live our lives.

Week 1 • Be Born in Us Today Bringing Blessing (Genesis 12:2): God promises Abraham that an offspring from his line would bring blessing to all. When Jesus was born, that promise came true with an abundance.

Week 2 • Be Born in Us Today Bringing Renewal (Isaiah 40:31): The prophet Isaiah declared that a Holy One from God would be born into this world to bring renewal to all the faint and weary. Christ's birth restores our strength that we might serve him.

Week 3 • Be Born in Us Today Bringing Guidance (Psalm 31:3): The children of Israel wandered in the desert for 40 years, often doubting God's plan for them. With the arrival of Jesus on the scene, we have a clear path to the promised land of heaven through him who is the Way.

Week 4 • Be Born in Us Today Bringing Power (Exodus 15:6): John the Baptist pointed to the power of God present in Jesus Christ. As we prepare for the birth of baby Jesus, we point others to the power at work in our lives through our Emmanuel, God with us.

Walk with us through these amazing stories each Sunday of Advent at 9:30 a.m.



Midweek Advent Services

Join us as we explore "Mary's Song," "Zechariah's Song," and "The Church's Song" while we sing one of our favorite Evening Prayer Services, "Joyous Light" by Ray Makeever. [Join us on Zoom.](#)



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The Future Need for Pastoral Leaders in the ELCA

Part 1: Trends in Pastoral Transitions and affordability

Did you know that “today, more than 1 in 4 U.S. adults are religiously unaffiliated (the “nones”)? That makes them the largest religious demographic and the only group that is growing.” Or that “Many U.S. adults who identify as religiously unaffiliated do not do so on a whim. Nor do many of them seem eager to affiliate.”

Do these quotes pique your interest? What does that mean for leadership in the ELCA and the church in general? The ELCA has published Part 1 of this intensive study that gives us all something to think about. ([click here](#))

Do we just give up – throw our hands in the air and say, “what’s the use?” That is an option. We can also consider new models of pastoral ministry that can adapt to the changing conditions of our religious landscape. What will that look like?

This is Part 1. Watch for more thought provoking information in the future.

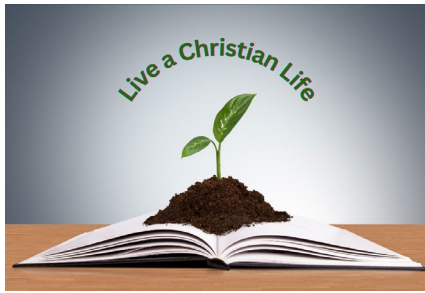
Gift Giving Time is Coming Soon—

Consider an ELCA Good Gift
Congregational Resources: A variety of free resources are available to help you share ELCA Good Gifts with friends and members of your congregation. Order by visiting the ELCA e-store or by calling 800-638-3522. Need help planning an event in your congregation? Contact us! ELCA Good Gifts catalog

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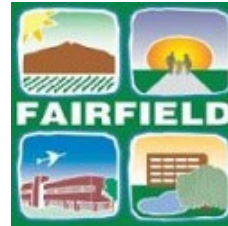
Monday and
Wednesdays
at noon
Digerud Room

Al-Anon (meaning Alcoholics Anonymous) is a mutual support group for people who have been affected by a loved one's drinking. Alateen is a similar family group that supports young people who live with or who have been affected by alcohol.



Senior Food Program

Location: St. Mark's Food Pantry
Dates: First and Third Wednesdays
Time: 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.



Fairfield News

Join neighbors and friends supporting our community.

Veterans Day Parade

Tuesday, November 11, 2025

Concert at 10:00 a.m.

Parade starts at 12:30 p.m.

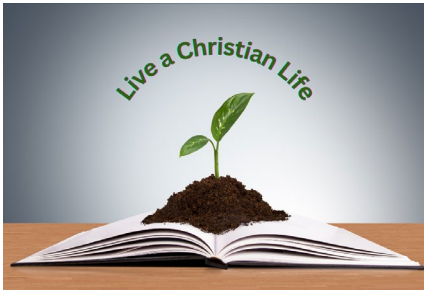
Click here for the latest local events:
[Fairfield Weekly | Latest News | Fairfield, CA](#)
[Fairfield Weekly Newsletter](#)



Sierra Pacific Synod
committed to being re-formed

There are a number of great things happening in our Synod! Please sign up for their newsletters and participate in conversations, special worship services, education opportunities and more. Go to <https://www.spselca.org/> and click the button in the upper right corner to stay informed.

[**Sign Up For The Newsletter!**](#)



What's Happening at St. Mark's

November 2025

Recurring Calendar of Events

Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30 a.m. SMLC Worship (Worship Center/Live Streaming)
- 10:30 a.m. Fellowship (Worship Center)
- 10:45 a.m. Sunday Connections (Digerud/Zoom)
- 11:00 a.m. Pentecost Temple (Comm. Cen.)
- 2:30 p.m. Ministerios Ebenezer (Community Center)

Monday

- 12:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting (Digerud Room)

Tuesday

- 9:30 a.m. Preschool Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Book Study (Zoom)
- 11:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 2:00 p.m. St. Mark's Food Pantry Distr.

Wednesday

- 9:30 a.m. Preschool Chapel
- 9:30 a.m. Solano Food Bank Senior Program (Food Pantry 1st & 3rd Wednesday)
- 10:00 a.m. Quilter's gathering (Quilt Rm)
- 12:00 p.m. Al-Anon (Digerud Room)
- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday

- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Music Team Rehearsal (Worship Center)

Friday

- 7:00 p.m. Ebenezer Mission (Comm Center)

Additional Events

Tuesday, November 4

- 5:30 p.m. Worship and Music Committee Mtg.

Wednesday, November 5

- 10:00 a.m. Monthly Bible Study at Magnolia Court

Thursday, November 6

- 10:00 a.m. Budget Meeting
- 11:30 a.m. Council Meeting

Monday, November 10

- 11:30 a.m. Widow's Lunch at Mimi's Café

Tuesday, November 11

- Veteran's Day Holiday – Office Closed

Thursday, November 13

- 9:30 a.m. Seeker's Circle
- 7:00 p.m. Symphony Strings

Monday, November 17

- 7:00 p.m. Symphony Strings

Tuesday, November 18

- 12:15 p.m. Preschool Board (Zoom)

Thursday, November 20

- 10:00 a.m. Capitol Valley Conference Mtg

Tuesday, November 25

- 12:00 p.m. Fairfield CAN Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 27 & Friday, November 28

- Thanksgiving Holiday Office Closed

Join us for worship every Sunday
9:30 a.m. for in person & live streaming service
on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/@SMLCFairfield> (or click [HERE](#))

St. Mark's Mission: To Nurture Discipleship, Communicate the Gospel and Serve the Community.

St. Mark's Vision: To transform each church member into Christ-led disciples, nurtured and equipped by God's Word, whose purpose is to build up the Body of Christ in Solano County and the world.

St. Mark's Welcoming Statement: Adopted January 19, 2020

"We are St. Mark's Lutheran Church where everyone is welcomed and everyone is loved. We invite all into the grace, love and acceptance we have from God. We welcome YOU: who you are, as you are.

- All who are single, married, partnered, divorced, with or without children
- All sexual orientations, gender identities and gender expressions
- All racial, ethnic, and social backgrounds
- All who are homed or homeless
- All who are struggling with addictions or other personal hardships
- All ages and levels of physical and mental health and abilities
- All faith backgrounds, those questioning their faith and those new to faith

We invite you to fully participate in the life and ministry of St. Mark's Lutheran Church where we seek to share God's love and grace through word and action."



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