

St. Mark's Lutheran Church
1600 Union Avenue
Fairfield, California 94533



All Saints Sunday ~~ November 5, 2023

It is the Church's tradition to celebrate all the faithful ones who have gone before us – who have taught us the faith – who have walked so that we might walk. We will celebrate our family and friends who have entered eternal life in the past year. Here is a list of those we know about.

Our Members

Sylvia Buringrud – December 14, 2022

Robert Evans – January 8, 2023

Larry Nelson – April 9, 2023

Doris Totten – December 10, 2022

Jerry Zaier – November 26, 2022

Our friends and Loved Ones

Mollie Bass Abraham – March 25, 2023 (friend of Stu and Gerda Reid)

Stan Barber – February 17, 2023 (long-time former member)

Byron Batey – January 23, 2023 (friend of Michael and V-Anne Chernock)

Sharon Beardsley – December 22, 2022 (friend of Tom Lingel)

Ken Briggs – September 1, 2023 (friend of Michael and V-Anne Chernock)

Colette Johanssen Custer – September 29, 2023 (former member)

Karen Digman – January 28, 2023 (Dennis Digman's sister)

Clara DiSano – August 26, 2023 (Dan DiSano's aunt)

Tom Eckhart – October 23, 2023 (ex-husband/friend of Judith Eckhart)

Pardon "Gismo" Gardiner – September 5, 2023 (brother of June Johnsen)

Nancy Hanson – February 11, 2023 (cousin of Pamela Lyons)

Gert Harwood – September 28, 2023 (Fay DiSano's mother)

Jimmy Howell – June 6, 2023 (Friend of Michael and V-Anne Chernock)

Gweneth Macroy – April 9, 2023 (Josephine Lord-Traugher's sister)

Carole Lish Schneider – October 1, 2022 (former member)

Mary Jane Starke – November 5, 2022 (Debi Lingel's mother)

Janice Strickland – July 1, 2023 (friend of Judith Eckhart)

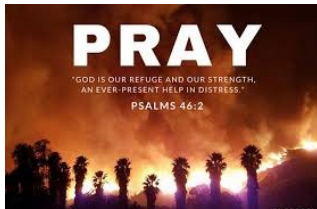
Christopher Thomas – October 10, 2023 (Pastor Karen's friend)

May Louise Todd – February 10, 2023 (Stu Reid's cousin)

Susan Van Wie – June 26, 2023 (Sharon Yost's niece)

Amber Villarreal – June 6, 2023 (Friend of Sherri and Nelson Scarrott)

Mickey Volk – January 15, 2023 (Ruth Sweatt's father)



Our members

Ivonne Bradford, Lew Broschard, V-Anne Chernock, Kathy Doty, Richard Ehman, Jim

Hanser and family, Robert McGee, Karen Mullin, and Josephine Traugher.

Those who are mourning

The family of Gert Harwood (Fay DiSano's mother) who died on September 28, 2023.

Collette Johnsen Custer (former member) who died on October 3, 2023.

Christopher Thomas (Ryan and Kelly Stetins' brother-in-law) who died on October 10, 2023.

Tom Eckhard (ex-husband/friend of Judith Eckhart) who died on October 23, 2023.

Our homebound

Judith Eckhart, Shirley Quinn, and Barbara Tenorio.

Our friends and loved ones

Debbie, Doug, Bruce Atkinson, Makita Bond, Josh Costan, Roxanne Costan, Dave Eubanks, Rob Hakenen, Chuck Hawkins, Brian Hiordahl, Jody Holmes, John Huston, James Leetch, Rene Maddox, Kirk Metz, Helen Powell, Cheryl Rassmussen, Joan Stevenson, Rhonda Stokes, Tammy Stone, Jamie Tobin, Weldon Tunnell, Ann Turek, Lorna Walter and Laurie Ziegler.



Our Homebound Members

We care for our homebound members with calls, cards and prayers.

Bonnie DeMuth
Legacy at Bear Creek
200 Keller-Smith Road So
#210
Keller, TX 76248
682-600-3398

Judith Eckhart
2113 Alturas Court
Fairfield CA 94534

Shirley Quinn
11 Lemon Tree Circle
Vacaville CA 95687

Barbara Tenorio
266 DeSoto Drive
Fairfield, CA 94533

As the holidays approach, please remember our homebound with cards, phone calls and visits. They appreciate them so much.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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



Lourdes and Donald Eager	11/13
Nelson and Sherri Scarrott	11/28



**Altar
Flowers**
Ministry Opportunity

Flowers – Potted or Fresh –
Your Choice

There is still time to sign up for Altar Flowers/Plant for 2023. Do you have a loved one celebrating a birthday? Perhaps you are remembering the death of a loved one. Flowers/Plants can be requested by signing the poster in the narthex/lobby and filling out a green request form





Growing Group

Many thanks to:

Cindy DeRosier
Debi Lingel
Karin MacMillan
Diane Metz
Victor Romualdi

These faithful ones have agreed to continue the work we started on September 10 at our God's Work, Our Voices gathering. Under the umbrella of "Communicate the Gospel," they have been tasked with doing research on the suggested areas of focus and propose action items that work within the mission focus for the year.

We will commission them for this work on Sunday, November 15 during our worship service. Please keep them in prayer as they pray, research, and discern where God is calling the people of St. Mark's in 2024 and beyond.



Growing Group

November 2023



With grateful hearts we give back...

Active members should have received a pledge card in the on Sunday, October 22 or by mail shortly thereafter. We will celebrate and bless our pledges during our worship service on Sunday, November 12. Please return your paper pledge card by November 5. To pledge online to: <https://www.stmarksfairfield.org/pledge-online>

Council appreciates the commitment of each member to keep our ministries moving forward in God's time, in God's world.



Advent
Series
2023

We invite you to join us for our Advent and series, Keeping Watch, as we keep watch for Jesus. The Week One theme is Watching for the Messiah, we wait with the people of Israel, who spent centuries looking for the promised Messiah to come, and with the priest Zechariah, whose son would prepare the way for Jesus.

Week 2: Watching for the Child
Week 3: Watching for the Lamb
Week 4: Watching for the Savior



Celebrating Semyon Lohss

The congregation gathered to celebrate Semyon Appreciation Day on Sunday, October 22nd. Semyon Lohss has served as a Music Director since 2003 guiding choirs, voice and bell at times, plus serving as accompanist. His professional skills as the Conductor of the Solano Community Symphony augment the music ministries, one and all, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Fairfield, CA.

Thanks to the *Growing Together Ministry Team* for organizing this event, to the *Worship and Music Ministry Team* for saying kind words, to the *Council* for their support and especially to *Debi Lingel* for the musical decorations and food. The event was a blessing to Semyon and all who attended and contributed to the celebration in any way.





Veterans Day Saturday, November 11, 2023

We thank and celebrate all the veterans who have been a part of this congregation and our lives. Here are just a few of those that served:

Members (*deceased)

*Charles Doty - Navy
Dennis Digman - Navy
Dan DiSano – Air Force
*Art Duncan – Air Force
Donald Eager – Navy
Judith Eckhart – Army
Richard Ehman – Air Force
*Robert Evans – 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
Michael Michaelis – Air Force
Sam Mullin – Air Force
Stu Reid – Air Force
Michael Sweatt – Air Force
Jeffrey Thoma – Air Force

Former Members, Friends 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
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
Scott Mall – Air Force
Robert Maclay – Air Force
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



Thursday October 19, 2023

- Approved the minutes of the September 2023.
- Approved the report of the Finance Chair
 - Offerings were down a little in September; the 5 weeks of October seem to be balancing that out
- The Budget Committee is gathering information to complete a draft of the 2024 budget.
- Stewardship letter and pledge cards will be handed out to members present on 10/22/23 and mailed to others.

- Pastor reported that the CAOES security grant we applied for (2023) was not granted; a 2024 application will be submitted the end of October.
- God's Work, Our Voices task force members are still being confirmed. A meeting will be scheduled as soon as everyone is onboard.
- The annual meeting was scheduled for Sunday, January 28, 2024 with a budget forum to be held on Sunday, January 14 after worship.
- A new Vision & Mission banner for the narthex/lobby will be ordered.
- Approved the cost of cleaning of all gutters on all buildings -- \$950.

The approved minutes can be found on the link sent out with the weekly announcement email. Paper copies can be requested from the office.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 9, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.



Sunday Bible Readings November 2023

November 5

Revelation 7:9-17

The multitudes of heaven worship the Lamb

Psalms 34:1-10, 22

1 John 3:1-3

We are God's children

Matthew 5:1-12

Blessed are the poor in spirit

November 12

Amos 5:18-24

Let justice roll down like waters

Psalms 70

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

The promise of the resurrection

Matthew 25:1-13

The story of the wise and foolish bridesmaids

November 19

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

The day of the LORD

Psalms 90:1-8 [9-11] 12

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Be alert for the day of the Lord

Matthew 25:14-30

The story of the slaves entrusted with talents

November 26

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

God will shepherd Israel

Psalms 95:1-7a

Ephesians 1:15-23

The reign of Christ

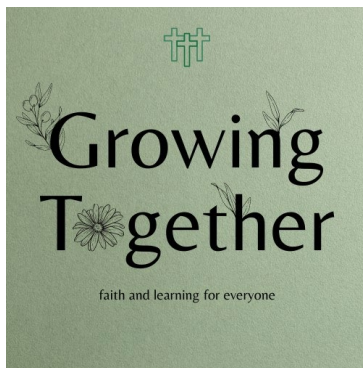
Matthew 25:31-46

The coming of the Son of Man; the separation of sheep and goats



Readings for the Assembly (Emended)

So, what are "Emended Readings?" Is it a new bible translation? No. It is being called "Revised Standard Version (NRSVue)." SMLC has been using the New Revised Standard Version of the bible for a number of years. So why a new edition? "The purpose of this updating was to make use of the current scholarly consensus concerning the best Hebrew and Greek manuscripts and to register recent changes in the English language." St. Mark's began using the NRSVue on October 1 and will continue through the end of November. Please be in touch with Stu Reid or any Worship Committee member to let them know what you think.



Small Groups are for life-long learning, support of one another and connecting more deeply with God.
We have in-person and online opportunities.



Sundays at 10:45 a.m.

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

November 1 - Jerry Metzker Lutheran Social Services-Northern CA –Updates on Solano Co. Activities

November 12 - Tax Advice: Deductions & More Sherri Scarrott

November 19 - Sundays of Advent Calendar - Cindy de Rosier

November 26 – Thanksgiving Break

December 3 – Council Updates and Q&A

December 10 – Holiday Cookies from your heritage

December 17 – Christmas Carol Sing-Along

Next meeting of the Growing Together Team:

Thursday, January 18, 2024

1:00 p.m.

Digerud Room and via Zoom

(<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85311503903>)

Everyone is invited to join us and offer their ideas for events, classes, etc.

Tuesday Book Study

We will be taking a break until early January.



Wednesday Bible Study

6:30 p.m.

Participants look at the readings for the upcoming Sunday and go a little deeper into the Word. Contact Jim Hanser (hanserjames@comcast.net) for more information. See pages 7 for a list of the readings for November.





Seeker's Circle
2nd Thursday
10:00 a.m.
Thursday,
November 9, 2023

9:30 a.m. – Digerud Room & Zoom

Seekers' Circle members invite you to join in their community of learning and grace. The Circle meets each month on the 2nd Thursday at 9:30 a.m. beginning with fellowship in the Digerud Room at the St. Mark's Lutheran Church campus. At November's meeting, Beth Williamson will report on her recent attendance at the National Women of the Evangelism Lutheran Church in America's 2023 Gathering event. The November Lesson is the 2nd in a two-part series called *Holy Places* which focuses upon Israel/Palestine. It begins at 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. A no-host Lunch to celebrate October/November birthdays will wrap the group's meeting. Join via ZOOM if you prefer. If you would like the ZOOM link, please contact Diane Metz at DLMetz6@gmail.com.

The group will discuss their upcoming project of preparing Christmas Plates for those unable to worship in person.

This is the link to the video supplement to the lesson: [Fall 2023 "Holy Places" Bible study video supplement Session 2 - Gather Magazine](#). The link follows to download the written lesson: [Bible-study-Sanctuary.pdf \(gathermagazine.org\)](#).

Sunday Connections
Speaker
November 5, 2023

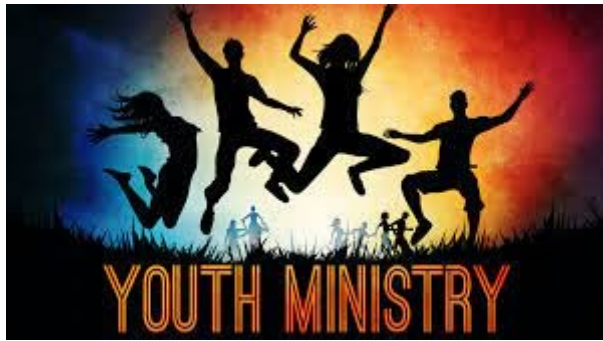


St. Mark's is pleased to welcome Jerry Metzker from Lutheran Social Services of Northern California as the guest speaker at our Adult Forum on November 5, 2023. With a history dating back to 1884, Lutheran Social Services

(LSS) serves the most vulnerable throughout Northern California, providing housing and supportive services to those experiencing or at risk of homelessness. Lutheran Social Services is a partner of the Sierra-Pacific Synod. LSS follows a housing first method that ensures that those we serve get a safe and secure place to lay their heads every night and then provides the support and guidance the transition age youth, seniors and other adults need to achieve their highest level of stability. All donations make a difference in lives and the community. LSS serves 4,200 people via 40 different programs and initiatives in nine counties, including Solano County.

Jerry Metzker joined Lutheran Social Services as Development Director two years ago, where he oversees the organization's fundraising, communications and community relations, including parish relations. Jerry is a cradle Lutheran, born in Ohio, attended Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio and moved to the Bay Area from New York City. He has worked in development for more than 25 years. He currently attends St. Paul Lutheran Church (an ELCA congregation) in Oakland. Jerry can be reached at 925.825.1060 x15 or jmetzker@lssnocal.org.





Through our high school youth group, our Pre-school programs, weekly Children's Chapel and more we celebrate the gift of children and youth.

Children's Time ~ Sunday mornings

Do you have a message you'd like to share with our little ones on Sunday mornings?

Children benefit from hearing many different, loving voices in the congregation letting them know we are all their family in Jesus. Let Pastor Karen know if you would like to talk with the kids.



What's Happening in November

Our students will have their annual Thanksgiving (Potluck) Feasts on November 15 and 16. The kids will make pumpkin pie all by themselves! (Okay, with a little help from their teachers 😊)

Remember to save your ink cartridges from your printers. The Preschool gets free supplies when they turn them in. There is a bin in the narthex/lobby and in the church office.

Please check out the Preschool's wish list on Amazon if you would like to share in the gift of educating out little ones:
https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/73AAO2PC2OWG?ref=wl_share



The new Genesis videos are now available in Spanish and English! You can find this amazing series of bible stories for children of all ages at: Genesis Studios:

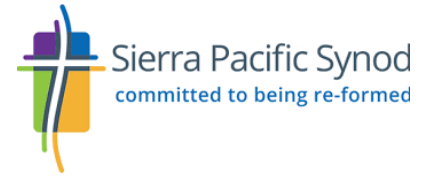
<https://www.youtube.com/@smlcgenesis>



The ELCA Youth Ministry Network exists to strengthen and empower adult leaders in children, youth and family ministry, in service to Christ. The network offers events, blogs, and more to encourage and support anyone who feels called to work with children and youth.

They offer tools and resources to help make youth ministries throughout the ELCA vibrant and meaningful.

You can find out more about the ELCA's Youth Ministry at elca.org/youth and the ELCA Network at <https://www.elcaymnet.org/>



St. Mark's Lutheran Church is connected to the larger church and the world through our Sierra Pacific Synod (a geographic area of churches working together) and as a part of the denomination known as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Together we can do what no one group can do alone.

Opportunities for Social Justice Activities



V-Anne Chernock Appointed Emeritus Board Member Lutheran Social Services of Northern California

Lutheran Social Services of Northern California is pleased to announce the formation of an Emeritus Board. This new body is comprised of former board members and staff who have made significant contributions to the growth and mission of LSS.

The role of the Emeritus Board is to share their knowledge and experience with the Board as well as create team projects that serve our participants. "We created the Emeritus Board to provide the opportunity for those who love LSS to continue to serve after they have left the Board of Directors," says CEO Carol Roberts. Our initial Emeritus Board members are Becky Burad, Chrislyn Carson, V-Anne Chernock, Joan Hilse, Nancy Nielsen, Lois Peacock, Crystle Vitari and Mary Wolkenhauer. They held their first meeting in July and are already strategizing on how they can best use their experience and talents to serve the LSS mission. "The energy and excitement of these wonderful people is going to November 2023

enhance all that we do to serve our community," adds Roberts. Over the next several months, watch our social media and E-newsletters for introductions to each of these remarkable and dedicated people.

Congratulations and thanks to V-Anne for giving life to this Board and LSS of Northern CA. To read more: [LSS-Summer-23-Newsletter.pdf](#)

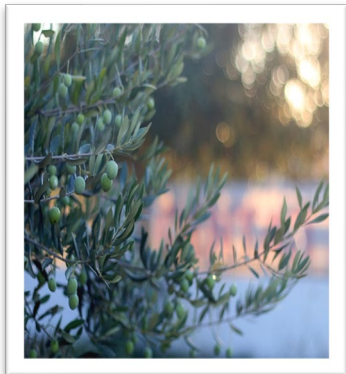
We remember the Reverend Dr. Linda Boston



The Reverend Boston who died September 14, 2023. While you may not have known her or shared in her ministries, she had ties to Solano County. Here's a link to an article in the Living Lutheran that she wrote a few

years ago.

Her stories can be found at [Living Lutheran](#). Boston is remembered as an ordained ELCA pastor serving in California. She was the first African American woman ordained on the West Coast.



Israel-Hamas War resources and statements

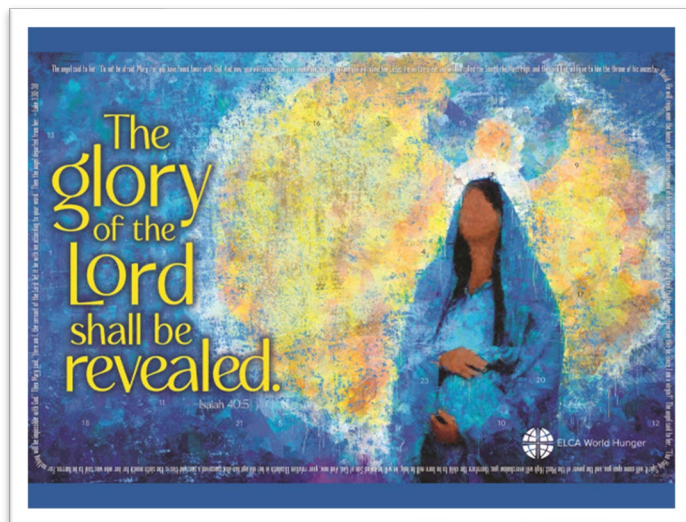
In the past weeks we have borne witness to the horrors of the escalating crisis between Israel, Hamas, and the people in Israel/Palestine. In response to the Hamas attacks in southern Israel on Oct. 7 and Israel's declaration of war against Hamas, including the ongoing siege of Gaza, the ELCA offers statements from some of our Lutheran and global partners in the region. Included are ELCA resources for a deeper understanding of the context, the humanitarian crises of the current war, and the ELCA's work for a just peace in Palestine and Israel. [Learn more.](#)



Draft social message on gun violence

What is a faithful Lutheran response when considering U.S. gun culture? The draft of a social message on gun-related violence and trauma probes that question, and your feedback is requested. The draft focuses on trauma, public health and an ethic of shared responsibility for peacemaking, seeking to move beyond the strict polarization of gun rights versus gun control. This is an issue that affects everyone in the United States — let your voice in this process be heard! To participate in the public feedback period, [read the draft and use the response form](#). Responses are due by Jan. 31, 2024.

Advent resources from ELCA World Hunger



New resources are now available from ELCA World Hunger to enrich the life of your congregation in Advent 2023 and Lent 2024. These study guides and calendars will guide your devotional practices with Scripture, prayer, and storytelling. As congregations across the ELCA creatively find new ways to lean into the future, we are eager to equip leaders with ELCA World Hunger resources during the important church seasons of Advent and Lent. [Browse resources.](#)



ELCA Good Gifts is your opportunity to provide critical support to the ministries and programs that mean the most to you and the people you love. Just find a gift you like, decided who you would like to honor, get a card, personalize it, send in your donation and everyone wins. To find out more or to get a catalog of gifts available, go to: <https://goodgifts.elca.org/>



“Community Engagement” at St. Mark’s, can be defined by our active participation in God’s mission to feed the hungry, lift up the oppressed, give comfort to the grieving – in a sense be Jesus in a world that is struggling to see God’s love and light. Below you will find just some of the ways we reach out to others in our neighborhood, city, state and world.



An Opportunity to
Grow in Generosity

The Fairfield Clergy Action Network (CAN) invites those of us affiliated with St. Mark Lutheran Church community to gather gifts to share at the Community Thanksgiving Dinner to be held at Willow Hall in the Fairfield Community Center.

Please collect coats, hats, beanies, scarves, gloves, and toiletries (soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs, shampoo, etc.) that can be shared with the guests who attend this event.

The items should be in good condition and clean and ready to use. Many of the guests do not have laundry facilities. Please pack the items you’ll give in clean bags, so they don’t get dirty before they are disbursed. This collection can involve all ages and can teach us about living generously. Volunteers will be needed to pass these items out on the day of the event too. Look for the BIG BOX marked **CLERGY ACTION NETWORK COLLECTIONS**



Mondays and
Wednesdays at noon
(Digerud Room)



Have you seen it lately?

We have a great team of volunteers that make our food pantry possible. They are here Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday picking up donations, sorting, stocking, cleaning and so much more. If you have a chance, stop by sometime and say “thanks” to them for all their hard work.

Also, thanks to our regular donors and partners. Please be sure to let our partners know you care by visiting their stores: Costco (Vacaville), Target (Vacaville), Raley’s (North Texas), and Sprouts (Vacaville).



Senior Program

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



Narcotics
Anonymous
Meeting
Saturdays at
7:00 p.m.

St. Mark's Community Center



Recycle Now

Don't forget to recycle your used batteries and ink jet cartridges! There are bins on the table in the narthex as well as in the church office.



Christmas Food Box Distribution Time!

We will again be assembling and distributing boxes/bags of food this year for Christmas. The date of the distribution will be Monday December 18.

We will need a team to help sort food and pack boxes and bags on Saturday the 16th of December at 9 am to noon in the Mural room in the Community Center Building. It's a fun time together. We also need a small team on Monday for the distribution from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

In the meantime, we will need donations of any canned goods (sorry no glass jars), rice, beans, boxed meals, peanut butter, cookies, packets of turkey gravy mixes, etc. Also welcome are 2024 calendars and gift wrapping. I'll be putting a box with a flyer showing the "Christmas Box/Bag Donations" in the Narthex for donations. We also could use money donations for buying items that may be needed, please note on check "Christmas Boxes"

For more information, please contact Janelle Jolley at 415-505-8538, email is jolley@pacbell.net.



Veterans Day Parade & Commemoration November 11

The City of Fairfield is hosting the Veterans Day Parade in downtown Fairfield on Saturday, November 11 starting at 12:30 pm. The commemoration ceremony and concert will be held at the Downtown Theatre at 10 am. Volunteers are needed from 10 AM to 2 PM to serve as parade ambassadors and pacers.

Please call Karen Rees at (707) 428-7767 for more details.



Small Business Saturday November 25

The City of Fairfield is partnering with Boss Con again this year to celebrate Small Business Saturday® on November 25.

Plan on checking off all of the items on your holiday shopping list while supporting small businesses!

The downtown offers a fabulous variety of unique shops and food and Boss Con will be hosting a fabulous pop-up market with live music, photo ops, and more!



shelter solano

Shelter Solano programs are built on the experience that they have gained over 36 years of helping people. They believe that housing is a human right, and by integrating case management, they help participants address the root causes of what has led them to become homeless, or is putting them in jeopardy of losing their homes.

Their services include eviction prevention, and multiple housing solutions including interim and long-term housing. Find out more and ways you can help at <https://shelterinc.org>



Sierra Pacific Synod
committed to being re-formed

Your prayers and presence are requested at the service of



**HOLY
ECHARIST**

with the

RITE OF INSTALLATION

For the 6th Bishop of the Sierra Pacific Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

December 9, 2023 – 2:00 p.m.

St. Matthew Lutheran Church
399 Wiget Lane
Walnut Creek, CA

All clergy and deacons are invited to vest and process. **Red is the color of the day.** Clergy and others who are processing should arrive by 1pm.

Ample parking is available on-site and in the surrounding neighborhood.

If you will be staying in the area overnight, nearby accommodations include the Walnut Creek Marriott, the Renaissance Walnut Creek Hotel, and others.

Reception with light refreshments to follow.

RSVP is preferred, but not required.

Click here to RSVP online:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfO073tQA79qKEvSDI3BwbDsZ6_WY33UAH1ktL1RDZgJ01WXQ/viewform

What's Happening at St. Mark's

November 2023 – Calendar of Events

Recurring Weekly 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 (Community Center)
- 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 (Worship Center)
- 2:00 p.m. St. Mark's Food Pantry Distribution

Wednesday

- 9:30 a.m. Preschool Chapel
- 9:30 a.m. Solano Food Bank Senior Program (Food Pantry 1st & 3rd Wednesday)
- 1:00 p.m. Al-Anon (Digerud Room)
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Music Team Rehearsal (Worship Center)
- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study (Zoom)

Friday

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

Saturday

- 7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous Meeting (Community Center)

Additional Events



Tuesday, November 7

- 9:45 a.m. Preschool Board Meeting (Zoom)
- 5:30 p.m. Worship & Music Committee (Zoom)

Thursday, November 9

- 10:00 a.m. Seeker's Circle (Digerud Room)
- 5:30 p.m. Council Meeting (Digerud Room)
- 7:00 p.m. Solano Symphony String Rehearsal (Worship Center)

Saturday, November 11 – Veteran's Day

Monday, November 13

- 7:00 p.m. Solano Symphony String Rehearsal (Worship Center)

Thursday, November 16

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

November 20 – 24 Preschool Closed

Tuesday, November 22

- 12:30 p.m. CAN Thanksgiving Dinner

November 23 & 24 Church Office Closed

Join us for worship every Sunday

9:30 a.m. for in person & live streaming service

on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SMLCFairfield (or click [HERE](#)) and 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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Dave McCallum, Personnel Committee Chairperson, Janelle Jolley, Property Committee Chairperson