



**FEBRUARY 4, 2018**  
**CONGREGATION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **ST. MARK MEN'S BIBLE GROUP**

A St. Mark men's small group Bible class is starting in February. It will be on Monday evenings from 7:30 – 8:30 PM. It is open to St. Mark men who are 21 years and older. It will be a combination of social interaction and Bible discussion, and will be held at the home of Paul Holzhueter. We will use the previous Sunday's sermon as a basis for discussion. Pastor Siverly will provide an outline to guide our discussions.

We want to know who would like to be involved. If you have questions or are interested in being included, contact Paul Holzhueter at 507-291-1286. Thank you.

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### **PROGRESSIVE DINNER**

Light of Faith is organizing a 3rd Annual Progressive Dinner on Saturday, February 24, 2018 beginning at 4 PM. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. Please sign up by February 11, 2018 indicating interest in hosting (may co-host) and/or attending so we can plan accordingly. This is an event for those over age 21. Please make plans to attend this fun evening of fellowship!

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**THE MLC LADIES' AUXILIARY** sponsors a **BINGO** game for all MLC students on Thursday, Feb. 15. Prizes include baked goods, gift cards, and quilts. Please consider donating a prize or two for this event. Bring you baked goods to church on Ash Wednesday or Thursday morning,

Feb. 15 by 10:00 AM. If you donate gift cards, please give them to Michele Wiederich personally any time on or before Feb. 15. If you have questions, ask Michele. (507-720- 4187) Thank you to all who make this a fun event for all our future church workers!

## **PRAYERS FOR OUR SYNOD'S MINISTRY...**

*Christian Aid and Relief* – Lord God, though this sin-cursed world is filled with trouble, you have overcome the world. As we, by our gifts to WELS Christian Aid and Relief, show love through the physical help of those affected by natural disasters, open their hearts to the ultimate love and the solution of all of life's problems won through the redeeming work of Jesus. Amen.

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## **WELS CHRISTIAN AID AND RELIEF**

We often hear about WELS Christian Aid and Relief (CAR) during times of major natural disasters, like the recent hurricanes in Texas, Florida, and Puerto Rico. But CAR also provides financial assistance, food, medicine, and supplies to people suffering from natural disasters and extreme medical and financial difficulties by assisting the local efforts of congregations and missions as they reach out to those among them in need. Find out more about how WELS Christian Aid and Relief assists people in time of disaster and need at [wels.net/relief](http://wels.net/relief).



- Tues., Feb. 13, 7:00 pm in Meyer Hall 101 - **"Deception, Suggestion, and Influence: A Lutheran's Guide to Navigating the Truth in an**

**Entertainment Culture"** Today it is more important than ever to identify and discuss the hidden deceptions and suggestions woven into the fabric of modern culture, that can instill false "truths" and beliefs. Pete Bloedel, Theatre Professor, will explore elements of dramatic/entertainment theory and practice, and identify common elements that make "the power of suggestion" work.

- Wed., Feb. 21 at 8:00 p.m., in the YFAC Theater — **The Legacy Show** is a multimedia concert of music by African American composers performed by violinist Tami Lee Hughes and pianist Byron Burford-Phearse. The program features classical music infused with a variety of styles, including spirituals, blues, gospel, hip-hop, and jazz. Poems and visual media provide deeper context for this concert experience. \$10 tickets at the door, and soon available online at [blc.edu](http://blc.edu).

## ST. MARK CONTRIBUTION REPORT

<b>December Total Received:</b>	<b>\$26,659.80</b>
January General:	\$10,734.42
January Narthex:	\$940.00
New 2 You:	\$1,000
<b>Total received month to date:</b>	<b>\$6,624.27</b>
<b>Needed monthly to cover expenses:</b>	<b>\$20,361.17</b>

### MLC VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

Calling all St. Mark Volleyball Players! If you would like to play in the MLC Tournament, please let Becky Bailey (Women's) and Brent Sexton (Men's) know by *Sunday, February 4, 2018.*



- Men's Volleyball Tournament is Saturday, March 17, 2018 and
- Women's Volleyball Tournament is Saturday, March 24, 2018.



MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE

- *February 8, 6:30 pm; February 9-10, 7:30 pm (Auditorium) – **WINTER PLAY: THE CRUCIBLE*** – No one thought that a group of young girls could do so much damage. In 1692 Salem, Massachusetts, however, the word of a few children can send you to court or even the gallows. When witch fever begins to sweep the town, it seems as though no one is safe from hanging. John Proctor speaks out against the trials, but when Abigail—a young woman with whom he had an affair—accuses John's wife of witchcraft, things heat up. All this and more horrifying secrets are found in Arthur Miller's *The Crucible*.

- *February 11, 2:00 pm (Chapel of the Christ) – **WIND SYMPHONY SACRED CONCERT*** – The Martin Luther College Wind Symphony presents *Foundation: A Sacred Concert for Wind Band*. Works on the program include *Suite from All-Night Vigil (Vespers)* by Sergei Rachmaninoff; *Festive Adorations* by Vaclav Nelhybel; and *Between the Two Rivers*, a theme and variations of Luther's great Reformation hymn "A Mighty Fortress." The concert will feature the regional premiere of *Foundation*, a new work by David Gillingham based on the hymn tune for "How Firm a Foundation." Please join us for these and other works as we celebrate God's glorious gift of music. "It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name, O Most High!" (Psalm 92:1).

<b>THIS WEEK IN THE SAVIOR'S SERVICE</b>			
<b>Sun 2/4</b>	9:00 AM	Worship w/ MLC Worship Band	
		<b>Ushers:</b>	Hans Rupnow      John Scholtes Marcus Rupnow      Matt Schumann
		<b>Greeters:</b>	John and Ruth Schwertfeger
	10:15 AM	S. S. and Adult Bible Class	
<b>Mon 2/5</b>	3:45 PM	PS Confirmation Class	
<b>Tues 2/6</b>	6:30 PM	Handbells	
<b>Wed 2/7</b>	8:20 AM	RSLs Chapel	
	5:00 PM	Teen Night at St. Paul's	
	6:00 PM	Board of Spiritual Growth (correction from printed calendar)	
<b>Thurs 2/8</b>		No Announcements	
<b>Fri 2/9</b>	8:15 AM	Women's Bible Class	
<b>Sat 2/10</b>		New 2 You Workers	
		St. Mark Basement reserved	
<b>Sun 2/11</b>	9:00 AM	Worship w/ Communion	
		<b>Ushers:</b>	Brent Sexton      Erv Tischer Carter Sexton      Ron Duehlmeyer
		<b>Greeters:</b>	Rich and Sally Shermock
	10:15 AM	S. S. and Adult Bible Class	
<b>ELDER OF THE MONTH:</b>		Robert Hanna	

**CHURCH ATTENDANCE:**    1/28/2018 — 98

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