

November Newsletter

November

The small church with a BIG heart.



Important Dates

Worship Service at Church and On-line

Worship Service Sundays - 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th @ 10 am

Bible Study Tuesdays - 5th, 12th, 19th @ 9:30 am

Quilting Tuesdays - 5th, 12th, 19th @ 10:00 am

Church Council Meeting Tuesday - November 12th @ 7:00 pm

Newsletter Deadline November 20th @ 11:30 am

Food Shelf - Tuesdays - 5th - 8:00 - 9:30 am,
12th, 19th, 26th - 4:30-6 pm

WELCA Wednesday December 4th @ 10:00 am

Church School - Sunday - 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th - 9:15 am - 9:45 am

Confirmation - Wednesday - 6th, 13th, 20th- 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Ol' Country Bazaar - November 30th 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Prayer Requests

Diane Trapp, Justine Ohman, Elaine Orvold (Lisa Molitor's mom),
Bill Richer, and Nicole Mies Anderson, Dureen/Tootsie Mies and her family.

Please keep all our seniors in your prayers, especially:

Robert & Margaret Hayes, Carolyn Horsch, Sharon Kappedahl, Chico & Clarice Krenik,
Leatrice Taylor and Wayne Weidner

Those who have lost loved ones recently, especially:

The family and friends of Virginia Willie

The family and friends of Jerry Reich Sr.

The family and friends of Jeff Wangstad (father of Jennifer Elioff)

The family and friends of Dorothy Young

When requested, we will be keeping loved ones on the prayer request list for a month.

If you would like them to stay on longer please let Dixie know.

You can contact Dixie at stmarksrandolph@gmail.com or leave a message at (507) 263-9182.

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Pastor's Message

Dear St. Mark's Lutheran Church,

As we enter the month of November, we are reminded that this time of year often invites us to reflect on gratitude, humility, and our connection to one another under God's grace. In this spirit, I'd like to bring our attention to the story of the Tower of Babel from Genesis 11—a story that holds a BIG and profound lesson in humility and unity.

In the story, the people of Babel, confident in their own strength and skills, set out to build a tower that would reach the heavens. They dreamed of making a name for themselves, forgetting the importance of humility and reliance on God. As their tower grew, so did their pride, until God intervened by confusing their language, scattering them across the earth. What began as a symbol of human achievement became a reminder of the importance of humility and the need for connection and understanding between people.

The story of Babel teaches us that when we focus too much on our own ambitions, we risk losing sight of the unity and love God desires for us. It reminds us that, rather than seeking glory for ourselves, we are called to be part of something BIGGER—God's kingdom. In our church community, we find strength in our shared faith, not in our individual pursuits. Our mission is fulfilled not by elevating ourselves but by lifting each other up, serving humbly, and coming together in the name of Christ.

As we gather for worship and fellowship this month, let us keep the lesson of Babel in our hearts. May we celebrate our unity in Christ, even as we embrace the diversity of our gifts, backgrounds, and experiences. Together, we can build a faith community that reaches far beyond any tower, rooted firmly in God's love and grace.

May November be a month of renewed faith and humble service for each of us, as we prepare our hearts for the Advent season and the hope of Christ's coming.

With grace and peace,
Pastor Lue

Confirmation



Pictured back left to right: Grady Taylor, Max Kuhn, Cade Gustafson, Logan Tate, Makim Krech, Kelso Olson.

Front left to right: Sibley Krueger, Lindsay Taylor, Paige Otte, Justine Ohmann, Isabella Haro, Madison Loritz, Pastor Lue Moua.

Not pictured Tyler Thomsen and Owen Braatz.

*May the Holy Spirit fill your
heart with heavenly blessings—the
desire to seek God, the faith to*

Congratulations!

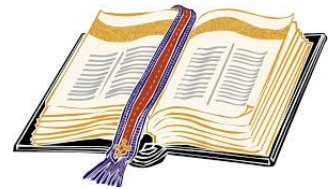
Bible Study Opportunities

Morning Adult Bible Studies

Bible study on Tuesdays starts at 9:30 am.
No Bible Study on November 26th.

The 1st Wednesday Bible Study starts at 11:00 am

Please join us.



WELCA Info



WELCA Is On Facebook

St. Mark's WELCA has started a page on Facebook.

Find us at:

St. Mark's Randolph MN WELCA

- **Next WELCA**-December 4, 2024 @ 10:00 am
- **Treasurer's Report:** Balance as of 10/31/24 \$16,206.95
- **Food Shelf** - 15 Families will receive groceries for a Thanksgiving Meal.
 - ◊ Randolph NHS brought in 600 lbs. of food on their Halloween Drive
- **Bazaar** - November 30, 2024 from 9am - 2pm
 - ◊ Kitchen Volunteers needed 11/29/24 from 9 am - noon
 - ◊ Bake Sale Volunteers needed 11/29/24 from 11 am - 2 pm
 - ◊ Bake Sale Volunteers needed 11/30/24 between 8 am - 3 pm
 - ◊ Kitchen Volunteers needed 11/30/24 between 8 am - 2 pm
 - ◊ Meal: Chicken Wild Rice Soup, Hot Beef, Sloppy Joes, Hot Dogs, Coleslaw, Chips, Cookies, and Sweet Rolls
- **Growing WELCA** Need surveys from all women members of St. Mark's
- **Facebook:** If needing something posted, send it to Dorry Wallof.
- **Christmas Families:** Beth is checking on Christmas Families in need.
- **Speaker 12/8/24:** Carolyn Keifer speaking on her mission trip.
- **Inspiration:** "Diary of Jesus" and a reading on expressing "Love"
- **Prayer Concerns:** - Prayers for America.

Sign Up Genius Link for Bazaar or contact Dixie:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508094FADAC29A2FC1-53325528-olcountry>

ANNUAL OL' COUNTRY BAZAAR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30th
9:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.

Our Annual Bazaar is right around the corner! We already have crafters/vendors registered – some favorites from years past and some new ones. Not only do we have crafters/vendors, a huge part of the success of the Bazaar is our **Craft and Bake Sale!** For that part to be successful, we need your help! Do you have a favorite recipe for cookies, bars, candies, breads, snack mixes, etc. to donate? Also if you sew, knit, crochet, do woodworking, make crafts of any kind, we'd appreciate if you could donate to our craft tables. You can drop your items off at the Church on Friday, **November 29th between 11:00 am and 2:00 pm** when the WELCA ladies will be setting up.

Our **Lunch Counter** is always a favorite but we need help in the kitchen! We ask for volunteers to help this part of the Bazaar to be the success it has always been. Many hands are needed! We will have an envelope at church for any monetary donation to help defray the cost of the food.

Another great way to help is to come and have lunch! You'll not only enjoy great food, you'll be able to visit with friends & neighbors, and put a dent in your Christmas shopping!!

This is a fun event!! Come do some Christmas shopping – have lunch –and maybe a little more shopping!!

Sunday, November 24th- after church we'll be moving pews in the sanctuary & clearing the Fellowship Hall & classrooms, bringing down the Christmas decorations and setting up the trees and also decorating. We could sure use some help.

On **Saturday, the 30th** after the Bazaar is over (2:00 p.m.), what was moved will need to be put back for Sunday service. The more people helping – the quicker this will get done.

Thank you for your consideration!!

Sign Up Genius

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508094FADAC29A2FC1-53325528-olcountry>

Church School Information

Church School Calendar

Sunday Mornings 9:15 am-9:45 am
Confirmation Wednesday Evenings 7pm-8pm

****Thanksgiving Break****

No Confirmation on 11/27/2024

**Church School Schedule for
November & December**

November 17th 9:15 am to 9:45 am
November 24th **9:00 am** to 9:45 am
December 1st - Thanksgiving Break
December 8th - **9:00 am** to 9:45 am
December 15th - **Christmas Program**

November Family Event

November 3rd the Church School Children sang in church and after church they made sandwiches for the Homeless.

Church School Christmas Program

Sunday, December



Community Events

Community Food Shelf

Here at Saint Mark's Lutheran, we try our best to serve our neighbors. One of the many ways we help is by providing food to our local communities. Saint Mark's Lutheran would like to thank you for your generosity in supporting our food shelf.

If you know anyone that could benefit from receiving some extra food please let them know we're here to help.

1st Tuesday- 8:00 am - 9:30 am
2nd, 3rd, 4th Tuesdays -
4:30 pm to 6:00 pm

All cash donations are used to buy healthy perishable food items.

College Student Food Shelf Invite

The Food Shelf is inviting any College Student to come and get some supplies from the food shelf. We want to help with your expenses during these years. Please come when the Food Shelf is open or contact Beth Bester at (651) 246-9301.

1 Wheelchair Available



If you are in need of a wheelchair, for a day, a week, a month, or six months, we have 1 wheelchairs at church that you can borrow. Check with Dixie on availability.

If you know of any events that we should add to Community Events, please contact Dixie at stmarkschurch@northfieldwifi.com or call (507) 263-9182 before the Newsletter deadline which is the 3rd Tuesday of the month by 11:30 am.



Saint Mark's Lutheran Church

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Sunday Worship
10:00 am
And Live on Facebook

The Small Church
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We're on the Web
& Facebook

Giving Options

You can send your offering
through the mail at
PO Box 206 Randolph
or
download the **Vanco Mobile**
app on your mobile phone
search **st marks randolph mn**
or
click the **GIVE** button on our
website.

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ST. MARK'S

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Annual

OL' COUNTRY BAZAAR

Saturday

NOVEMBER

30

2024

9am - 2pm

ST. MARK'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH

28595 Randolph Blvd
Randolph, MN 55065
507-263-9182

CRAFTS

BAKE SALE

SANTA AND
MRS CLAUS

-- 12pm - 2pm --

LUNCHEON

-- Hot Beef Sandwiches --

-- Sloppy Joes --

-- Chicken Wild Rice Soup --

-- Cinnamon Rolls, Caramel Rolls --

-- Cole Slaw, Chips --

-- Bars, Beverages --

FELLOWSHIP