



**“Give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”**

1 Thessalonians 5:18

NOVEMBER 2024



**FROM THE
PASTOR’S DESK**
Greetings St. Mark!



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“What is God’s will for my life?” Everyone has asked that question. Thank God, He has answered that for us clearly in Scripture. First, in John 6:40, Jesus says, “For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.” We also have passages like 1 Thessalonians 5:18, “Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” In all circumstances...huh. Even when life is hard? Yes. Even in sickness and suffering? Yes. Even if the person I voted for did not get elected? Especially, yes. In all circumstances, give thanks because you know the King of all kings, and He reigns supreme over sinful men just as He reigned from the cross and rose again to rain down salvation upon the whole world. You know how this all ends, and you know you will see the face of God when the Day comes that He brings the new heavens and the new earth. That Day when every knee will bow and every tongue confess what you and I already know to be true: Jesus Christ is Lord of all.

God’s will for you is that you are thankful in all circumstances because You know and trust what He has already accomplished and won for you through His resurrected Son, Jesus Christ.

God wins. You know that. Be thankful!

We have so much to be thankful for here at St. Mark! The Lord continues to work the power of His Gospel among us, through us, through you, and the many ministries of St. Mark that clearly proclaim and connect people to Jesus.

As we near the season of Advent, there will be a lot going on, so be sure you are connected and stay in the know. [Subscribe to the Spirit Newsletter](#) if you have not already done so as we use this as the e-mailing list for all general announcements. [Download our mobile app](#) and be sure to turn the notification on in the settings tab (upper left).

May the thankfulness God wills for you in Jesus be the joy that fills your heart today and always.

Your Servant in Christ,
Pastor Jay

WEDNESDAY

MID WEEK

DINNER • KIDS • STUDENTS • ADULTS

5:30pm Dinner • 6:30pm Activities

CLASSES FOR ALL AGES!

FOOF FOR THE BODY. FOOD FOR THE SOUL.

WEDNESDAY MID WEEK Schedule

NOVEMBER 27

No Midweek

DECEMBER 4, 11, & 18

Meal @ 530pm

Advent Service @ 630pm

DECEMBER 25 - JANUARY 1

No Midweek

JANUARY 8

Midweek Resumes

**5:30pm DINNER
served all night!**

**\$5 requested
donation per meal.**

6:30pm

Fellowship Activities

Bible-based activities

and curriculum for all
ages. Children, youth,

and adults!

FINANCIAL PLANNING WORKSHOPS

Scott Searcy

Nov. 6th, 13th, 20th

- Budgeting & Debt
- Saving and Investing
- Taxes

Optional workshops coinciding with adult fellowship



WEDNESDAY
MID  WEEK

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ANNUAL VOTER'S MEETING



**Sunday
Nov. 17th
11:30am**



HELP BLESS CHILDREN AROUND THE WORLD!

**Saturday, Nov. 9
9am - 12pm**

Sort and load tables for packing.
Come downstairs after Saturday night
service and pack a shoebox.

**Sunday, Nov. 10
Packing Day!**

Before & after Bible Study, & after
service. Easy and fun to do! Bring your
children, they love to help!



send Good News
and Great Joy
**OPERATION
CHRISTMAS
CHILD**



Worship Services



THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

November 27 @ 6:30pm



ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICES

Wednesdays

December 4th, 11th, 18th

1pm & 6:30pm



CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Christmas Eve @ 4pm & 6pm

Christmas Day @ 10am



8:00am Sunday Service

Begins Jan. 5, 2025

FEAST, FELLOWSHIP & YOUTH FUNDRAISER

Sunday, November 24th

Following 10:30am worship. Served by our youth program! Turkey, ham, stuffing, mashed potatoes, veggies, coffee, and dessert. It's all gonna be there! (And the calories don't count if you donate to our youth program!)



COOKIE WALK!

December 7th & 8th

Sign-up in the Gathering Space to help our youth bake cookies for their annual fundraiser!

Recipes provided or bake your own special cookies!

Questions? Email Lydia Woods
lwoods@stmarkomaha.org

2025 Summer Youth Trip



All Things NEW

Higher Things Conferences 2025

July 8-11

Concordia University Nebraska

Registration Now Open! Closes November 22nd.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

LEARNING HOW GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES!

GOD SAID TO ABRAHAM, "IN YOU ALL THE FAMILIES OF THE EARTH SHALL BE BLESSED." FULFILLED IN JESUS!



VOLUNTEER AS A SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER!

"Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." - Matt. 18:3

On many occasions, Jesus taught His disciples the importance of not only having child-like faith, but also actively ministering to children. "Let the little children come to me!" That's what Jesus said, and He expected His disciples to receive and minister to those little ones that came to them for Jesus.

SERVE THE LORD & HELP US SERVE HIS LITTLE ONES!

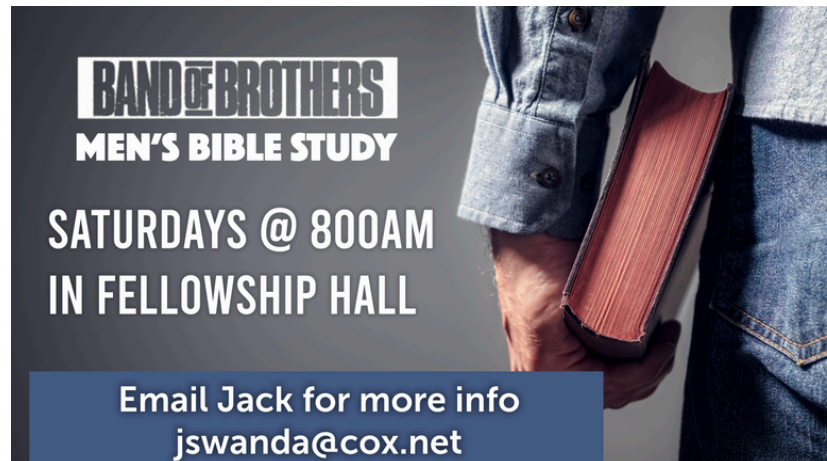
Contact Miss Lydia - lwoods@stmarkomaha.org



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sunday School • Nursery • Childcare

volunteer@stmarkomaha.org



BAND OF BROTHERS
MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

SATURDAYS @ 800AM
IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

Email Jack for more info
jswanda@cox.net



Mother's Fellowship

Every other Tuesday @ 6:30pm

Contact Caitlyn:
cait.baumann@hotmail.com



IMPACT
Never a Stranger

"You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself."
Numbers 19:34

Need Volunteers!

Please contact Jennifer Henry. immpact@stmarkomaha.org

Can we pray for you?

<https://stmarkomaha.org/prayer-requests/>

or

prayer@stmarkomaha.org

(Indicate public, email prayer chain, or both)

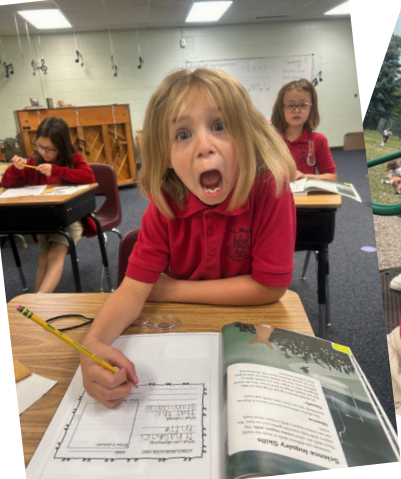
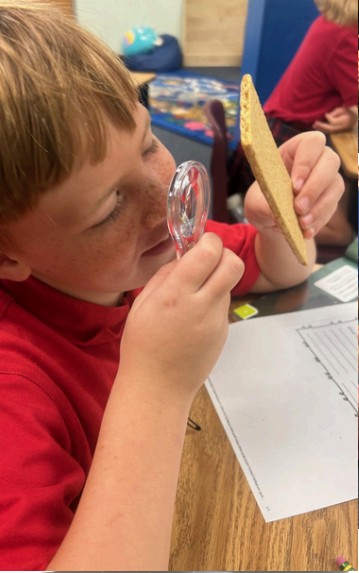
PRESCHOOL & K5 SCHOOL AT ST. MARK!



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& CHILDCARE**



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Join us each week as we tour the Book of

JAMES

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James 1:5a

Want to maximize your study? Read each chapter ahead, then listen!

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WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

Saturday 5pm (Traditional)

Sunday 9:15 Adult Bible Study
(Childcare and Sunday School Available)

Sunday 10:30am (Blended)



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- Daily Devotionals
- Radio Show Episodes
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 - Latest News
- Ways to Connect

Get Involved in the Many Ministries at St Mark!



- Men's Fellowship/Study
- Women's Fellowship/Study
- Connect 3 Small Groups
- IMMPACT Immigrant Ministry
- Youth Ministries
- Children's Ministry
- Vacation Bible School
- Preschool & Childcare

Contact the church office!

"Follow Me" ~ Jesus

Here are the ways you can get involved in your Lord's work at St. Mark.

Worship Music & Tech: From playing an instrument or singing, to helping with the on-screen media and sound. All experience levels welcome.

Ushering: Help Pastor prepare and execute worship service logistics and be a smiling face to welcome folks to worship.

Sunday School Teachers: As young families continue to join St. Mark, we really need help with our 9:15am and 10:30am Sunday School classes. We do all the prep and provide all materials. An easy and impactful way to serve the Lord.

IMMPACT: Serve the immigrants and refugees among us by simply having conversations in English with them as part of our IMMPACT Immigrant Ministry citizenship and English classes.

Musicians Needed! We are always looking for more talented musicians to help us glorify God through excellent and reverent worship. Contemporary band, traditional choir, handbells, it's all here!

EMAIL CONTACT@STMARKOMAHA.ORG TO SERVE!

CHURCH STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Rev. Eric Jay, Senior Pastor
Rev. Glenn Meyer, Associate Pastor
Lydia Woods, DCE
Julie Kyriss, Preschool & Childcare Director

Beth Kelly, Church Administrator
Jason Conell, Facility & Operations Manager
Daren Clark, Facility Technician
Glenda Bock, Organist



ST. MARK
LUTHERAN CHURCH
Connecting People to **Jesus**

Elders: Doug Doerr, Andy Groothuis, Steve Henry, Mike Ringler, Jack Swanda, Greg Zebolsky

Parish Leadership Council: Irv Dana, President; Dan Buman, Vice President ; Mike Munderloh, Treasurer;
Aaron Flaugh, Secretary; Lisa Buchele, Mark Cherney, Lisa Hayes, Chuck Kuntz, Andy Rygol



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