

# ST. MARK CROSSINGS

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OUR MISSION: As disciples of Christ, St. Mark ministers that all may know the joy of Christ's love through ministries of Welcoming, Growing, and Caring.

## LOVE ONE ANOTHER

In the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter of the Gospel of John, Jesus is quoted as saying:

*"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends"*

As I see it, this is John's equivalent of the command Jesus gives in the Synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke) to take up the cross and follow him. Both the Synoptic tradition and the John tradition, here, are saying something similar....that God's kind of love (agape love) is costly. God's kind of love is not a casual experience of good feelings or endorphins. It is the kind of love exemplified in Jesus' life and ministry where he continually laid down his life for his friends, seekers, and followers. It is the kind of love best seen in the cross, upon which Jesus literally laid down his life for all.



Love is an awfully broad term in colloquial usage. People say they love pizza and their favorite sports teams. People "fall in love" and "fall out of love" all too easily. But God's kind of love is different. It comes not from emotion but from God's own Spirit poured out upon us, which bends our errant, self-oriented will toward a new direction – toward God's own will and purpose for our world. When our self absorbed will is turned toward God, we begin to pray as Jesus prayed in his teaching prayer... "Thy will be done." This is the beginning of "love" from the Christian perspective.

It is my hope that at St. Mark, through the power of the Spirit, we will continue to grow into God's kind of love as a community of faith. As we worship, study, serve, and give, let us never lose sight of the fact that our calling is to continually lay down our lives for one another and to love one another in the way of Jesus. In this, ironically, we will find our greatest joy. For Jesus has also told us that as we "lose our lives" in love and service toward him and toward one another, we will find that most blessed and new kind of life which comes only through him. Thanks be to God!

-Pastor Paul

## PENTECOST AND CONFIRMATION SUNDAY



On **May 31<sup>st</sup>** St. Mark will observe one of the church's major festivals, the Sunday of Pentecost. On this day, we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus' disciples in a powerful way preparing them to go out into the world with the Good News of Christ. The Day of Pentecost is also, traditionally, the day we confirm our young people at St. Mark. This is also Confirmation Day in many churches world-wide. We are very pleased to celebrate the Confirmation of 4 young people this year at St. Mark. They are:

**Stanford Borrell**  
**Hannah Hlad**

**Elliott Ellison**  
**Kristen Slater**

We congratulate them on the completion of the Confirmation program and we pray that they will grow in joy and ministry in the coming days and years as they live in the peace and the calling of Christ.

## DISASTER RELIEF

## COMMUNITY LUTHERAN PARTNERS May 21, 2009 FLOOD UPDATE



*Help those in need*

CLP would like to say "Thank You" to everyone who has made donations to the flood relief effort and offered help to transport supplies. Below is an updated list of items needed. Please leave the items in the narthex. CLP will make arrangements to pick up the donated items.

**Buckets**  
**Cleaning supplies**  
**Clorox**  
**Rubber Gloves**  
**Rubber Boots**

**Mops (string and sponge)**  
**Old rags**  
**Shovels**

**Also: One Plus Kits and S.T.U.F.F. Kits (list found on CLP website under relief supplies [www.clp-online.org](http://www.clp-online.org))**

If you would like to make a donation to help CLP buy supplies, reimburse fuel costs and eventually send work teams to the area, please send your donation to "CLP, P.O. Box 174, Shepherdstown, WV 25443."

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING US IN THIS EFFORT TO HELP OUR NEIGHBORS IN SOUTHERN WV!**

**\*\*If you are a Thrivent member and are making a monetary donation, please fill out a "Giving Plus" form available on the CLP website.\*\***

# CROSSROADS

## St. Mark's Youth in Ministry

### E.L.C.A. NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of July, 2 of St. Mark's youth and 2 adults will be making the journey to New Orleans for the E.L.C.A. National Youth Gathering. This is an event held once every 3 years for Lutheran high school youth from around the country and their adult leaders. It often attracts over 30,000 participants. The theme this year will be; "Jesus, Justice, Jazz." The Gathering will feature worship and servant events, music, study, fellowship, and much more. It is truly a "once in a lifetime" experience. Attending from St. Mark this year will be:

**Justin Robinson, Tammy Robinson, Gary Roesser, Sr., Gary Roesser, II**

"**Camp Luther**" is an annual event sponsored by the West Virginia-Western Maryland Synod of the E.L.C.A. It is a week of camp held at a 4H facility located between Cowen and Webster Springs, West Virginia. The camp is for youth who have completed 3<sup>rd</sup> grade up through the Senior year of high school. For many people, Camp Luther is the highlight of their year. Attending camp from St. Mark this year will be:

**Jason Felici** (senior camp counselor)  
**Megan Ondrik** (intermediate camp)  
**Ashlee Robinson** (junior camp counselor)  
**Kaylee Robinson** (junior camp)  
**Justin Robinson** (senior camp)  
**Robert Schafer** (junior camp)  
**Pastor Paul Schafer** (intermediate camp teacher)

Camp Luther always begins on Father's Day (June 21<sup>st</sup> this year) and ends on the following Saturday (June 27<sup>th</sup>). We wish all of our campers a joyous time of renewal this year! **As is our normal practice we will have a "Camp Luther Sending Rite" at both the 8:00 and 10:15 worship on the Sunday before camp begins, June 14<sup>th</sup>. We hope to see everyone there.**

### SOFTBALL UPDATE

**All games will once again be played at Bridge Street field this year.** This is obviously a good thing in terms of the location to St. Mark and many of our players and fans. We hope to have our usual good fan support again this year.

Here is St. Mark's schedule for the remaining season:

June 7 2:00 P.M. play Church of Christ	July 12 1 P.M. Elm Grove Methodist
3:00 P.M. play The Vineyard	2 P.M. The Vineyard
June 14 1:00 P.M. play The Vineyard	July 19 1 P.M. Church of Christ
June 21 2 P.M. Simpson Un. Methodist	2 P.M. Martins Ferry
3 P.M. Martins Ferry	July 26 2 P.M. Elm Grove Methodist
June 28 5 P.M. Simpson Un. Methodist	4 P.M. Simpson Un. Methodist

### OFFICIAL ACTS

Confirmed:

Stanford James Borrell  
Hannah Marie Hlad

Elliott David Ellison  
Kristen Renee' Slater

Marriage: Donald O. Richmond, Jr. & Julie R. Naumann



### JUNE ALTAR FLOWERS

May 31—Art & Cathy Schehl in honor of their Wedding Anniversary 6/1  
Mary Ellen Knauss in honor of grandson Brandon Wayne's birthday 6/1

June 7—Merv & Ellie Evans in honor of their 52nd Wedding Anniversary 6/8  
Jill Vessels & Jenny Humphrey in memory of father and husband at his birth date 6/10  
Les & Jane Cline in memory of Jane's father, John Amick at his birth date 6/5

14—Jim & Nancy Braden in honor of their Wedding Anniversary 6/16  
Herb Breeden in memory of wife, Pat at her birth date 6/18

21—Dan & Karen Walker in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary  
Dot Pyle in memory of husband, Jim at his birth date 6/27

28—Pershing & Jeanette Butler in honor of their 64th Wedding Anniversary 6/29  
Carl & Judy Bowman in honor of mother, Odessa's birthday 6/29  
Wilma Rentschler in memory of husband, Fred at their Wedding Anniversary date 6/30  
Art & Cathy Schehl in honor of Mark & Lori Zambito's Wedding Anniversary 7/1  
Breeden Family in memory of mother, Elizabeth, at her birth date 7/2

### JULY ALTAR FLOWERS

5—Joe & Patty Shaver in memory of mother, Betty Earp at her birth date 7/9  
Bryson Family in memory of father, Leroy at his birth date 7/9

12—Gary & Cheryl Stuntz in honor of their 44th Wedding Anniversary 7/17  
Bill & Lila Dumas in honor of 63rd Wedding Anniversary 7/13  
Judy Bowman in honor of husband, Carl's birthday 7/11

19—Mark & Joan Fulton in honor of their 31st Wedding Anniversary 7/17

26—Helen Petri in memory of husband, Joe at his birth date 7/31  
Fred & Lynette Rentschler in honor of their 13th Wedding Anniversary 8/1

## JUNE & JULY BIRTHDAYS

**JUNE** 1—Robert Cook  
 3—Connie Knollinger, Harry Peyton, Arianne White  
 4—Gertrude Hall, Willa Knollinger  
 6—Corrine Heil, Trey Prather  
 7—Vicki Crawford  
 8—Steven Black  
 9—Ricardo Farrow  
 10—Kathryn Bell  
 12—Kathie Porter  
 13—Carmen Heil, Helen Mendel, Art Schehl  
 14—Catherine Bell, Sharon Cook  
 15—Dick Strickler  
 16—Kim Nelson, Jason White  
 18—Carol Black  
 19—Paula Condor, Sam Lapp  
 20—Gary Roesser, II  
 21—Gavin Glass  
 22—John Jones  
 23—Nicole Black  
 24—Sarah Borrell  
 26—Anita Lang, Pat Walton  
 27—Dick Farrow  
 28—Erin Cappiccie, Gina Cappiccie  
 29—Odessa Francis, Fallon O'Connor  
 30—Carly Slater

**JULY** 1— Louise Savage, Thyra Parshall  
                   Heather Reineke  
 2—Herb Breeden  
 4—Phyllis Holeczy, Becky Naumann  
 5—Melissa Vargo  
 6—Robert Jones, Jacki Roesser  
 7—Tammy Robinson  
 8—Gwayne Folmar, Donita White  
 9—Jill Holeczy May, Steven Parshall  
 10—Beth Ann Gast  
 11—Carl Bowman, Alicia White  
 12—Michael Steele  
 13—Alvin Schafer  
 15—Martha Abplanalp, James Glaser,  
                   Patrick King, Connie Schmidt  
 16—Jeanette Butler, Jamie Schmidt, Joni Slater  
 17—Cathy Schehl  
 18—Kara Jarrett, Ellen Kriner, P.J. Ondrik,  
                   Stephanie Diehl, Gary Stuntz, Lanie Burris,  
                   Cynthia Sample  
 19—Seth Bell, Russell Dunkin

20—Joshua Krumski, Shirley Naumann  
                   Carolyn Nortemann  
 21—Grace Kennedy  
 22—Tracy Schmidt  
 23—Amanda Roesser Polomik  
 24—Kathryn Jewell  
 28—Deborah Hinkelman, Ryan Jewell  
 29—Nancy Reass, Mike West  
 30—Linden Nelson  
 31—Collin Hlad, Jackie Kennedy

## JUNE & JULY WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

**JUNE** 1—Brent & Kimberly Nelson  
                   Art & Cathy Schehl  
 8—Merv & Ella May Evans  
 10—Kirk & Meredith Ferrell  
 12—Dave & Darlene Lang  
 14—J.R. & Jessica Charnock  
 16—Jim & Nancy Braden  
 17—Jim & Peggy Glaser  
                   Ken & Ellen Kriner  
 20—Dan & Karen Walker (50th)  
 21—Jim & Bonnie Robinson  
 23—Jody & Beth Prather (25th)  
 24—Bill & Monica Herman  
 25—Ron & Kathy Jewell  
 26—Bill & Mary King  
 29—Pershing & Jeanette Butler  
 30—Gerry & Sharon Cappiccie

**JULY** 1—Mark & Lori Zambito  
 2—Fred & Cheryl Simon  
                   Reese & Joni Slater  
 11—Craig & Cheryl Peyton  
 13—Bill & Lila Dumas  
                   Gwayne & Edith Folmar  
 15—Russell & Christine Dunkin  
 17—Gary & Cheryl Stuntz  
 22—Pat & Jill Walton  
 23—Chris & Karen Jarrett  
 24—James & Sharon Higgins  
 29—Ralph & Dottie Boyd  
                   Mike & Bethany Hughes

**If you are considering a gift to St Mark – please use the following list as a guide:  
– Approximate pricing is listed if known -**

**St Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church Wish List**

Giftng may be tax deductible

**2 AED Units** – (defibrillator units) one for each floor of the church ...Cost \$1800 each - total cost of the project \$3600

**St Mark Disaster Response Fund** – development of community readiness program

**Electronic Elevator Sensor** – upgrade to keep the door from shutting when something or someone is in the doorway - Cost \$2480

**Seminary Support Fund** – financial support to our St Mark seminary students

**Clavinova Piano** for the musical performances first floor/fellowship hall - Cost \$3500

**Camp Luther Assistance Fund** – sponsor St Mark youth attendance to camp (cost \$170 per person)

**Donations** (of any size) to **reduce the rental property demolition costs line of credit** .... Total needed \$16,000

**College Grant/Scholarship Fund** – financial assistance to our college attendees

**Storage building** - to store lawn equipment and gasoline - Cost \$4500

**National Youth Gathering Fund** – help support our youth being involved in this National event (cost approximately \$1,000 per person)

**Donations for Parking Lot Repaving** – Estimated total cost \$40,000 - \$50,000

**Sidewalk Replacement** – much needed project. We need to replace about 450 feet of sidewalk at a cost of about \$20,000 - \$25,000. \$50 will replace about 8 sq. ft. or 1 linear foot with curbs

**Educational wing faucet replacements** – 9 or 10 needed @ \$120 each

**Sunday School/Parish Education Support fund donations**

**Property Acquisition Fund** – Four properties - @ \$50,000 - \$80,000 each Total cost \$200,000 - \$320,000

**Lawn Tractor with plow unit** – \$4,000

**Office Equipment/Supply Fund donations**

**Surveillance system** – buzzer, bell and/or camera on the side door (buzzer \$160)

**Technology fund** donations to allow for continued upgrades as needed.

**Portable Display Easel** – when a temporary sign is needed

**Sq. Card Table replacements for Fellowship Hall** – Cost \$57 each or \$1,183 for 24 (save \$200)

**Padded Chairs for Fellowship Hall** - cost approx. \$35 each

**Support for St Mark's Music Ministry** and Special Music Fund

**Supplemental heater for nursery** - Safety operation must be the primary concern. Cost \$300

**Painting the Secretary's Office area** – this really needs it.

**Cost of repair and painting** various areas in the church.

**New Advent Banners** – \$500 - \$600

**Air conditioning unit upgrade** for the units that service the Sanctuary and Kitchen

**Additional St Mark members – cost - just an invitation – try it, it works!**

Consider donations of **cash, stocks and bonds** to add to St. Mark's income producing portfolio – this will help produce an income stream to help pay for some of the needed improvements listed above and help provide St Mark with long term financial stability – **Bonus to you** - it may be income tax deductible. Giving an IRA or "Qualified" money to a church can be exempt from capital gains tax.

## IT'S THE FAMILY VACATION OF A LIFETIME!

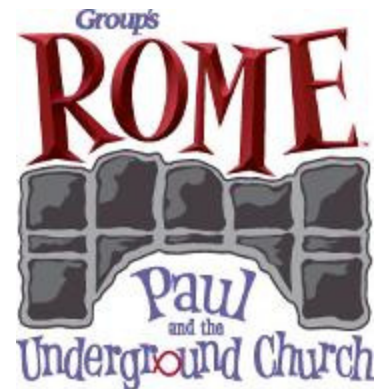
Rome Registration Form (one per family)

Bring your entire family to the ancient city of Rome! You'll travel back into Bible times—without setting foot outside our Church property. Kids age three through those finishing grade five will be part of Roman families that move around the ancient city of Rome. Youth and adults can participate in many ways, as shopkeepers, family leaders, drama team members or games leader.

Experience this fun, hands-on Bible-times empire at St. Mark. Each day, your family members can become part of history as they see, hear, touch, and even taste what it was like to live in Rome during Bible times! You'll explore authentic Marketplace shops, visit the Apostle Paul (who's under house arrest), sneak to the cave where the Underground Church meets, take part in games, dance to lively Bible songs, and sample tasty tidbits as you discover more about the early church. These experiences make God's Word come alive with new meaning for all who participate!

So mark these dates on your calendar: July 27-31, 2009. The adventure starts at 9:00 AM and will end at noon, except on Friday when a luncheon closing celebration for the whole family concludes our week of fun. To register your family for this awesome Bible adventure, visit our web site: [www.groupvbs.com/webtoybox/myvbs/elmgrove2009](http://www.groupvbs.com/webtoybox/myvbs/elmgrove2009) or fill out the registration form in this newsletter and return it to the Church office by July 21, 2009. Sign up early because we will have to stop accepting new students when we reach 100. Sincerely,

Amy Hinkelman—Your Rome Director



Name(s) and age(s) and grade(s) completed:

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\_\_\_\_\_

Street address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Home telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of family members participating in Rome: \_\_\_\_\_

Will parents be helping in other areas of Rome? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

In case of emergency, contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies or other medical conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

Home church: \_\_\_\_\_

Roman Family name (for church use only): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of a special friend your child might like to be with: \_\_\_\_\_

## SHOPKEEPERS

You'll enjoy being a shopkeeper if you enjoy things like

- working with your hands,
- doing arts and crafts projects,
- working with or leading children, and
- participating in role-play and drama.

As a shopkeeper, you'll be responsible for

- attending scheduled leader training,
- maintaining dramatic dialogue with kids and adults as they work,
- collecting supplies for your unique shop,
- helping families understand how your shop fits into Bible-times culture,
- guiding hands-on craft projects, and
- playing the role of a Bible-times artisan or merchant

## DRAMA TEAM MEMBER

You'll enjoy leading the drama team if you enjoy things like

- telling stories
- directing skits or dramas,
- performing in improvisations, and surprising others.

As the drama team member, you'll be responsible for

- attending scheduled leader training,
- scheduling and leading rehearsals,
- coordinating collection of necessary supplies and props

## WE NEED ACTORS TO PLAY THE FOLLOWING ROLES:

Brutus (a Roman guard who guards Paul)

Festus (an athlete)

Tullius (a male slave)

Senator Atticus (a man)

2 soldiers (both men)

Severus (the architect, a man)

Marcus (a man)

Claudia (Food Shop proprietor, a woman)

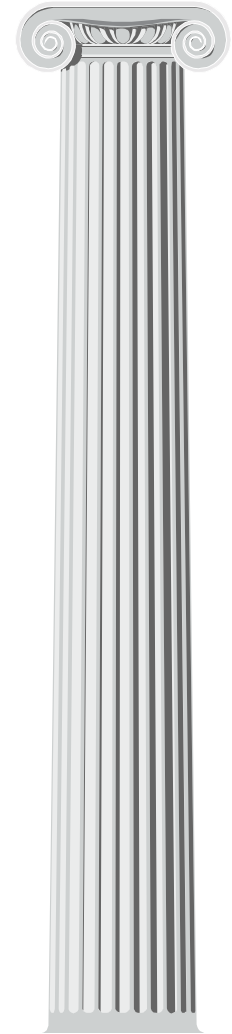
Thief (a young man or woman)

Junia (the metalworker, a woman)



## ROME PHOTOGRAPHER AND/OR VIDEOGRAPHER

If you have a digital camera and or camcorder and like to take photos and would like to help document our Rome please contact Amy Hinkelman.



## GAMES LEADER

You'll enjoy leading Apprenticeship Games if you enjoy things like

- joining in team sports,
- participating in outdoor recreational activities,
- leading kids in fun activities, and
- encouraging others to do their best.

As the Apprenticeship Games Leader, you'll be responsible for

- attending scheduled leader training,
- collecting necessary supplies,
- clearly explaining each activity,
- leading four sessions of Apprenticeship Games each day, and
- assisting the Rome Director as needed.! Contact Amy.



## ROMAN FAMILY LEADER

Become part of living history by leading a small group of kids called a Roman Family.

Love the Lord

Love children

Like to have fun

Have some experience working with children

As a Roman Family Leader, you'll be responsible for

Attending scheduled leader training

Attend Rome VBS

Participate in fun activities while shepherding Roman Families around the building on schedule

Wear a watch

Arrive by 8:40 AM to greet Family members each morning.

## PUBLICITY COORDINATOR

If you are unable to join us in the morning, but have good communications skills, check out being our publicity coordinator. Responsibilities include contacting newspapers, TV stations, radio stations in the area and providing them with information about our Elm Grove Community VBS. Please contact Amy if you are interested.

Registration Personnel

We are looking for a few good people who can help us with walk-in registration on Monday, July 27 from 8:15-10:15 AM. If you are organized and can greet our guests with a cheerful spirit that morning and attend scheduled leader training contact Amy.

Granny Patrol

If you like greeting people, are available in the mornings and would like to help our VBS, perhaps you would like to be a part of our Granny Patrol. Responsibilities include attending scheduled leader training, sitting by a door during the program to insure kids don't go where they aren't supposed to and answering questions (mainly directions). Grandkids are not required.

## SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

For June, July and August kids age 3-13 are invited to join us and Live B.I.G (Belief In God) each Sunday from 9-10 AM in the Kid's Worship Room.

Much fun and excitement waits.

The following supplies are needed:

Travel theme scrapbook paper and stickers  
 Plastic lids (Yogurt, margarine, etc. size) 6/21 last date  
 World map to borrow  
 Tent for use 7/26 \*also need for whole week for VBS  
 Beanbags  
 White sheet 6/14  
 Modeling clay 6/21  
 Sailboat toys 6/28  
 Wooden block 8/2  
 Balloons 8/9  
 Craft foam letters 8/16



## SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE

<b>MARCH:</b>	Martha Abplanalp Merv Evans Ola Marshall	Harry Abplanalp Judy Fedczak Kristen Slater	Elliott Ellison Jacee Glass	Sharon Edgell Ken Kriner
<b>APRIL:</b>	Martha Albplanalp Elliott Ellison Alex McKenzie Rylie White	Harry Abplanalp Ellie Evans Bryan McKenzie	Emily Braun Merv Evans Emilee Ondrik	Morgan Diehl Judy Fedczak Allison Roesser

## ADULT SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School Reminder. The Adult Class does not, I repeat, does not take the summer season off. We still meet every Sunday at 9 A.M. sharp. We are currently studying a series by Max Lucado titled "Life Lessons". The lessons bring the New Testament to life filled with intriguing questions, inspirational story telling, profound reflection and response from the class members. Our next series will be on the book of Acts. So come, join us; we sometimes have coffee and home made cookies.

**Hope to see you... Adult Class.**

## SUMMER 2009 LIVE B.I.G.(BELIEF IN GOD)

### JUNE

B.I.G. Theme—The Story of Paul

B.I.G. Idea—We believe that the stories of Paul’s life give us strength to tell others about Jesus in all situations.

Bible verse (Preschool): Romans 1:16, CEV

Bible verse (Elementary/Tween): Romans 1:16

6/7 Paul’s Conversion Acts 9:1-19

6/14 The First Journey Acts 13-14

6/21 The Second Journey Acts 16-17

6/28 The Third Journey Acts 19-20



### JULY

B.I.G. Theme—Stories of Friends

B.I.G. Idea—We believe that stories of faithful friends help us know how to be a faithful friend.

Bible verse (Preschool): Proverbs 17:17

Bible verse (Elementary): Proverbs 17:17, CEV

Bible verse (Tween): 1 Samuel 20:42

7/5 Ruth and Naomi

7/12 David and Jonathan 1 Samuel 18:1-5; 20

7/19 The Five Friends Mark 2:1-12

7/26 Priscilla and Aquila Acts 18:1-4, 18-21



## APPALACHIAN OUTREACH DAY

Elm Grove Neighborhood Watch is sponsoring an Appalachian Outreach Day on Saturday, June 13th, at 12:00 Noon til 3:00 P.M. at St. Mark Lutheran Church. People will be there to accept your items. Please do not leave items if there is not someone present.

What is needed? Everything from household appliances, tools, furniture, toiletries, Plus Size clothing, children’s clothing from infants to six. Drop off leftovers from your garage sales. Appalachian Outreach knows a family that could use it.



**SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2009**

**IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE 10:15 WORSHIP WE WILL GATHER ON THE  
SIDE PARKING LOT FOR AN  
AFTERNOON OF FUN AND FELLOWSHIP**

**ALL FAMILIES, CHILDREN AND FRIENDS  
ARE INVITED TO JOIN US.**

**EACH FAMILY IS ASKED TO BRING  
A COVERED DISH.**

**THE CHURCH WILL PROVIDE  
HOT DOGS, HAMBURGERS, AND DRINK**

**WE ARE PLANNING SEVERAL ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE,  
INCLUDING AN INFLATABLE FOR THE CHILDREN TO PLAY IN,  
A SCAVENGER HUNT, BINGO AND MORE**

**(In case of rain it will be moved inside to Fellowship Hall)**

**Please park in the back lot or at Kepner's or Altmeyer's parking lots, unless you need a  
handicapped space in our side lot.**

**Need any additional information call:  
Wendy Bogers 304-242-1211 or Ray Braun 304-242-6082**

## THIS 'N THAT

**Rob & Becky Naumann** announce the engagement of their daughter, **Julie Rebecca** to D.J. Richmond. Naumann is a 2004 graduate of Wheeling Park High School. She is scheduled to graduate from Fairmont State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in business and an Associate of Applied Science degree in interior design. She is employed as an assistant manager for Pier One in Morgantown. The couple was married in a beautiful ceremony on May 23rd here at St. Mark.

WE THANK the following for planting the outside flowers: **Denny Bartolovich, Fran Braden, Ashley Ondrik, Jackie Shay, Charles Vargo and supervisor Jim Braden.** Thanks everyone!

*We would like to thank Susan West and her committee, Sandy Beck, Norma Robinson, Jackie Roesser, Carolyn Rose and Jackie Shay for doing a great job with the Spring Banquet. The food was excellent and the men did a beautiful job of serving the ladies. Thank you all for a job well done. The entertainment by The Pitt Sisters, was also very uplifting.*

*-The Women of the Church*

**PRAYER LIST UPDATE:** We would appreciate those of you having family or friends on the Prayer List to please review their status and inform the church office (304-242-3466) to remain on the list or be removed. We continue to lift up in prayer all those in need of our communal prayers and we want to keep current the Prayer List included in Sunday's bulletin.

**GRADUATES:** Congratulations to all St. Mark youth graduating from high school, college, technical school, etc. May success follow you in any future endeavors.

**Carly Slater and Morgan Wojchowski** were received into the Wheeling Park High School chapter of the National Honor Society for the recent school year. Congratulations to both!

**YOUTH LUNCHEONS:** St. Mark youth recently held three (3) luncheons (Spaghetti, Potato Bake and Youth Gathering) to raise funds for those attending the "ELCA Youth Gathering" in New Orleans this summer. They raised a total of \$1,147! Thrivent Financial for Lutherans contributed \$693 in matching funds.

For information about donating to our VBS program: [www.fundraising.group.com/site/rome/stmark](http://www.fundraising.group.com/site/rome/stmark)

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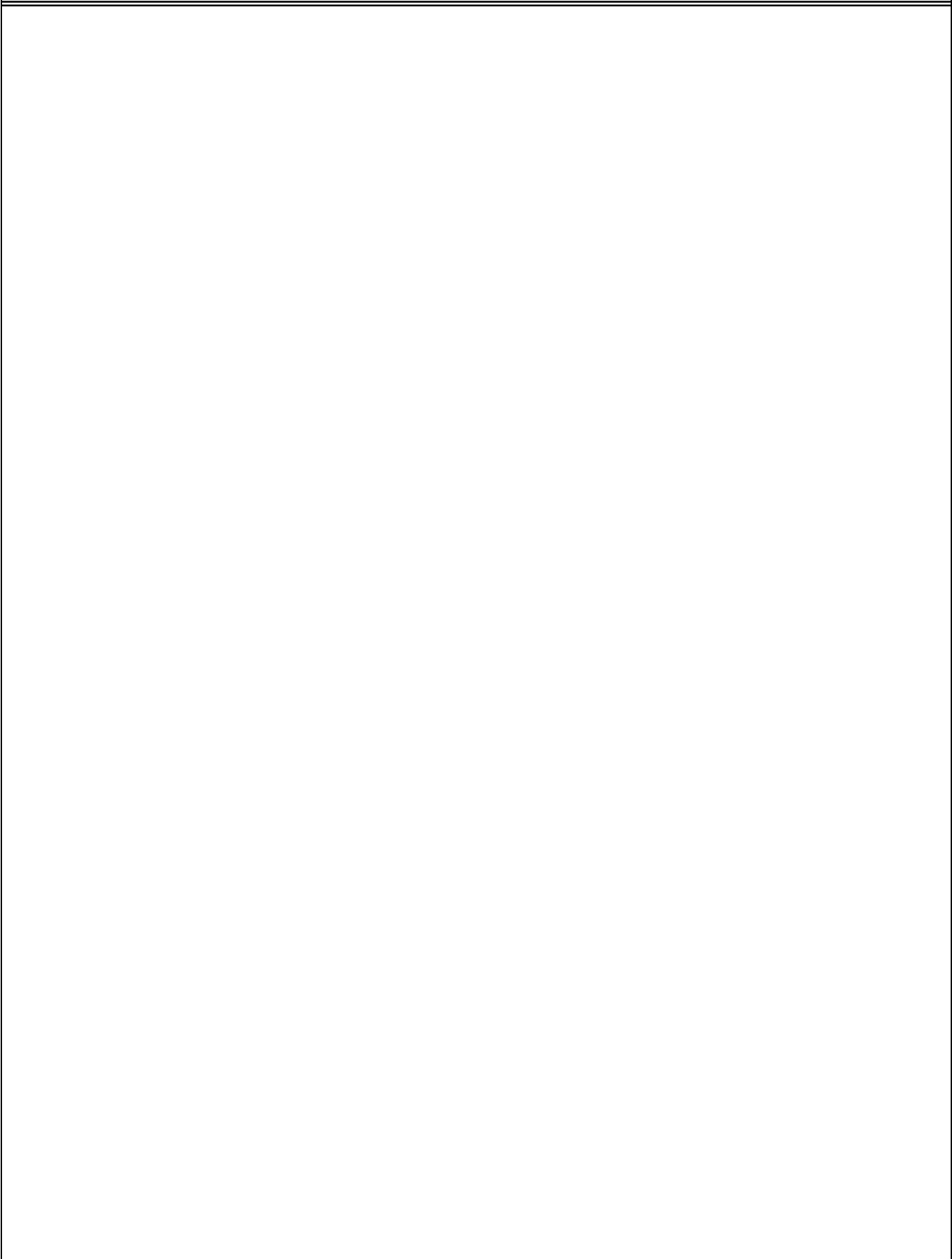
In our next "Crossings" issue (August) we would like to recognize as many of our graduates as we can by name. If you would like to have a graduate recognized by name, please fill out the form below or call the church office, or email us at [stmark@wvdsi.net](mailto:stmark@wvdsi.net).

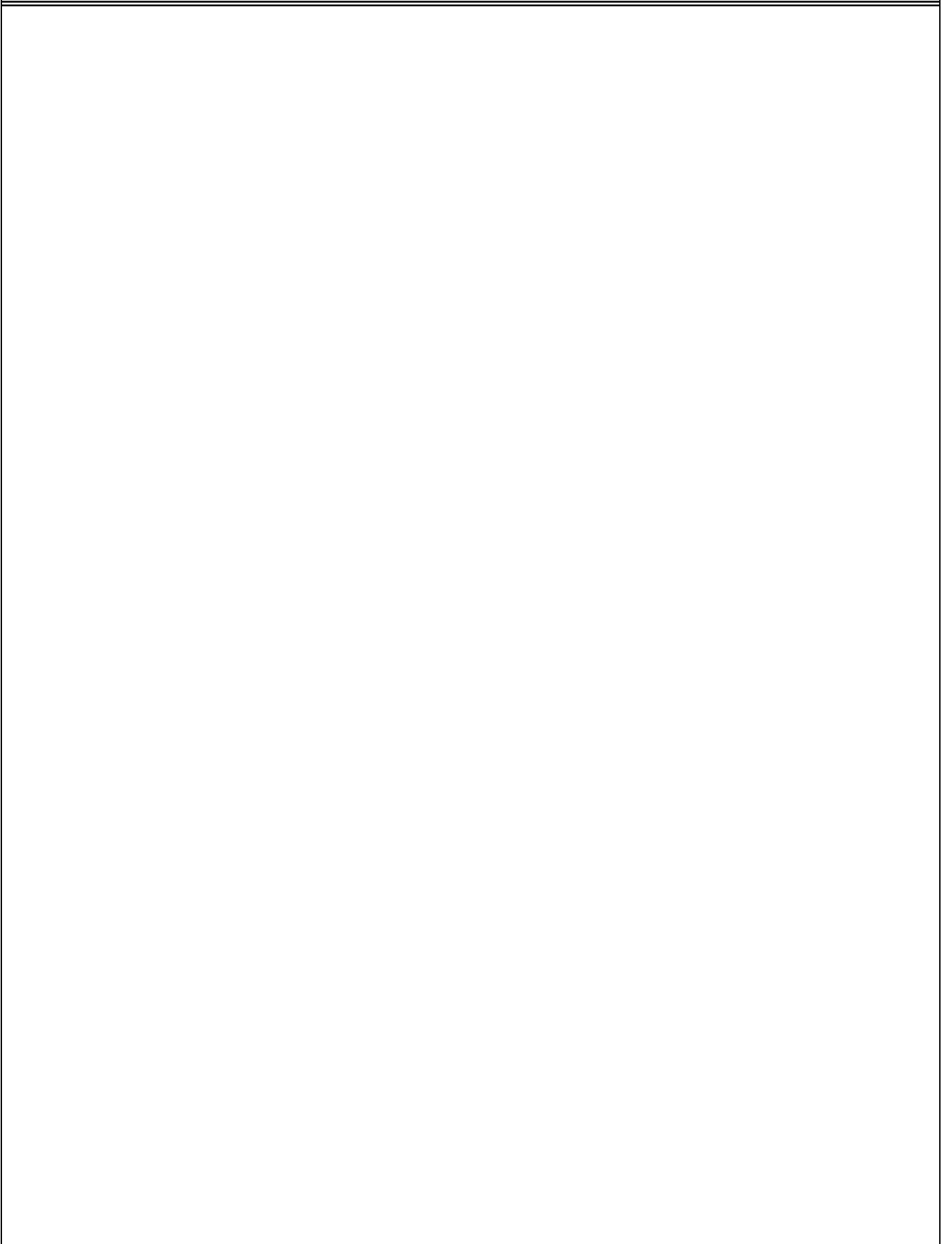
Name of Graduate \_\_\_\_\_

High School, College or Vocational Institute graduating from \_\_\_\_\_

Future plans (higher education, employment, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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