



# April 2025 Newsletter

## St. Mark Lutheran Church



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## From the Pastor

Have you ever wondered how the service that you see on the wall is developed? I asked Devin Biggs to give us a summary. Here is his response.

We added the PowerPoint to St. Mark in 2019. It got some use before it went dark for a short time. I volunteered to build the PowerPoint and the rest is history. As we've grown with it as a Congregation, Terri, Sally, Pastor Miller, and myself built a routine for assembling the PowerPoint.



Early in the week Terri will email me the first draft of the bulletin. Sally will then check for any corrections. Terri, or Sally when appropriate, will send any corrections my way. I then take the bulletin, corrections, and start putting it into PowerPoint form with my computer at home. I have separate files for No Communion, Communion, and special services like Christmas and Easter for example. Most of the assembling is copy and paste. It typically takes me 30-45 minutes to put it together. I use 2 computer screens. One for PowerPoint. One for the bulletin. Makes it easier to organize.

Anything outside of the copy and paste procedure boils down to the corrections, or even a change in the pictures on the PowerPoint. Andy Wyss made all the "Welcome" and "Depart" images you see every week. Sometimes I have to build multiple PowerPoints in a week if there are special services.

The other trick is formatting. Those in the Congregation, and even viewing at home, need to be able to read the PowerPoint. I make sure it doesn't get any smaller than 50 point font.

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# Business Old & New



Once the PowerPoint is put together, I email it to myself and the church email. I download the PowerPoint to the projector computer. I title it by the appropriate day and service. I then check the presentation with the bulletin by the computer to make sure there are no errors. I also fire up the projector at the same time to make sure everything is working and fits properly.

Once that's done, it's all ready for our wonderful volunteers to run on Thursday, Sunday, or when we have a special service. By the way, we're always looking for volunteers to run the PowerPoint in church! Get in touch with myself and/or Terri in the office if you're interested! It's easy to learn!

## HOLY COMMUNION

If you need to have Holy Communion brought to you in the pew, please let an usher know. Pastor will be happy to accommodate you.

## THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

“Thank you” to all members continuing to participate in the “Choice Dollars” donation to St. Mark Church. We received \$69.00 for the month of March.

## EASTER SEASON SERVICES

Palm Sunday	4/13	9:00 AM
Maundy Thursday	4/17	6:00 PM
Good Friday	4/18	6:00 PM
Easter Sunday	4/20	9:00 AM

**Easter breakfast served after Easter Sunday service in lower level..**



## ST. MARK QUILTERS

If you guessed **148** then you are correct. That is the number of quilts transported to Wausau recently, awaiting distribution worldwide at the end of the year. Lord willing another load will be ready for the October send off. Thank you, the quilters are grateful for your prayers and financial support that make this ministry possible. St. Mark quilters meet on Tuesdays every month at 9:00 am and sew until noon. We would love to have some new people who may be interested. You do not need to know how to sew to join this group. If you can tie a knot, your help would be appreciated and you will enjoy the fellowship with this group of ladies. Come and join us.

## LADIES PRAYER LUNCH

The St. Mark Ladies Luncheon is held the first and third Tuesday of every month. We meet at the Rhinelander Family Restaurant across from the American Inn at 12:00pm. It is a great chance to spend some time with your fellow members. Everyone is welcome to come.

# 2025 BUDGET VS ACTUAL

21-Mar-25

Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

Actual \$  
Received  
Budget

13365	11560
14712	14712

