St. Mark's Lutheran Church News Notes May-June 2025

God saw everything that He had made and it was very good.

Genesis 1:31

May Birthdays

- 4 Kris Stotelmyer
- 6 Leigh Ann Eason
- 7 Joyce Coblentz
- 8 Harriet Buhrman
- 11 –Tara Feaga
- 12 Lois Kuhn
- Nelson Lynn Michael 13 – Lauren Wolfe
- 15 Diane Mills Audrey Wolfe
- 16 Greg Moser
- 17 Brenda Hoffman Brody Mann Erinne Newman
- 18 Shannon Cameron Barry Feaga
- 19 Allison Cline
- 23 Piper Green
- 25 Alex Coblentz
- 26 Christopher Emmett Haven Lynott Sam Schell
- 27 -- Karel Henneberger Sadie Wolf
- 30 Grant Bush Connie Stover
- 31 Mike Rohrer Midge Harshman

May Anniversaries

- 4 James and Ashleigh Itell
- 5 Nathan and Melissa Cristler
- 21 Jason and Nikki Rudy
- 22 Jim and Vicki Thomas

Annual Spring Spruce-Up Sat., May 10 8:00 a.m.

(Rain date – May 17)
Preparing the cemetery for mowing season
Spreading mulch
Cleaning inside church

Lunch: Sandwiches and drinks provided
Optional – Bring a side dish, dessert, or snacks
to share.





Wolfsville Community Youth Group Sun., May 18 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Host church: St. Mark's

Pizza, game, fundraiser discussion, scripture lesson

Gr. 5-12 (plus younger siblings)

CHURCH YARD SALE and BAKE SALE

Sat., May 24 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Benefit: Wolfsville Community Outreach

Please wait until **May 18-23** to drop off items in marked rooms downstairs.

Please no furniture no clothing

Baked Goods may be dropped off in the kitchen area on **Fri.**, **May 23**



Bible Study
Thursdays in May
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Studying the gospel
according to St. Matthew





Remembering fallen soldiers

MEMORIAL DAY Monday, May 26

Each Memorial Day our nation remembers men and women in the military who have died while serving in the U.S. armed forces.

For those who would like to help, we will be placing flags on soldiers' graves in our cemetery on **Thurs.**, **May 22** at **6:00 p.m.**

DELAWARE MARYLAND SYNOD ASSEMBLY

Fri., May 30 9:30 a.m. through Sat., May 31 12:45 p.m.

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church Westminster, MD

Two adult volunteers are needed to be lay representatives. We will be voting on the synod budget, nominees for various committees, and any memorials or resolutions that are presented. One youth (under 18) may also attend as a voting member.

Please let Pastor Eric know by **Sun., May 11** if you are able to volunteer.

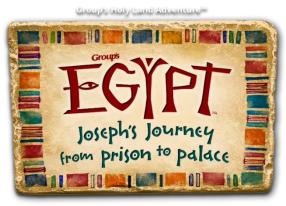
June Birthdays

- 1 Vicki Thomas
- 2 Linda Keller
- 5 Karen Kunde Mary Ridenour Dale Wolf
- 8 Dana Eason
- 9 Debbie Axline
- 10 Dennis Smith Kim Smith
- 14 Kay Goad
- 16 John Njiomouo Doris Smith
- 18 Charles Buhrman
- 20 Jasper Itell Alan Spade
- 21 Gregory Green
- 23 Kathy Green
- 24 Reese Dillon
- 25 Michael Paul Morgan
- 27 Tyler St. John
- 28 Karen Bowyer Gretchen Gawler
- 29 Kaitlinh Chen Cristen Elliott
- 30 Michael Morgan Larry Ross

June Anniversaries

- 2 Leon and Janet Kline David and Mary St. John
- 3 Tony and Diane Mills
- 6 Darren and Sadie Wolf
- 10 Bob and Lori Wisner
- 20 Jonathan and Carrie Wolf
- 29 Derek and Katie Parsley

COMING SOON



Wolfsville Community VBS July 14-18 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Salem Community Church

Pack your bags because we are headed to Egypt! Don't worry about a passport -we have you covered! Salem Community Church is excited to host the community Vacation Bible School this year. We will be learning how to walk with God as we travel through Egypt with Joseph. Children ages 3 (must be potty trained) through 8th grade are welcome to join us on this journey. We will host a special performance on July 20 during church at 9am to give the children time to share their journey. Please register at https://vbspro.events/p/293486. Follow us on Facebook or contact Hannah Rouzee at HEccard@comcast.net for more information.

Memorial Day - Lest We Forget



On the east wall of the Sunday School hangs this tribute to St. Mark's members who served their country during World War II. Included in the photo are six sons born to Jim and Sadie Hessong—Robert, James, Parker, Arthur, Joseph, and Charles. Other siblings included Ruby, Naomi, Ruth, Tom, George, and Paul.

Robert Lee Hessong was born on April 19, 1922 and went by the nickname of Bob. He graduated from Middletown High School in 1940 and entered the service in December 1942. Bob served in the 26th Infantry of the 1st Division of the US Army and reached the rank of Private First Class. He saw action in the African and Sicilian campaigns. He was killed in action in Normandy, France on June 12th, 1944, having taken part in the legendary D-Day Invasion. His unit landed on Normandy at 7:30 p.m. on D-Day. He would die a week later in the coastal town of Caen, France.

Less than two months after the death of Robert, the Hessong family would receive more terrible news—the death of son Arthur Jacob Hessong. PFC "Art" Hessong was a member of the Army's 141st Infantry Regiment assigned to the 36th Division. He too would die in France, but in the southern part of the country. The 24-year-old was born on March 13, 1920. He was a member of the 36th Division and fought through the Italian campaign with the American 5th

Army. Instead of having their sons buried in the family's home church of St. Mark's Lutheran in Wolfsville, the Hessongs opted to have them buried in Frederick's Mount Olivet cemetery on September 18, 1948. Rev. Raymond Markley officiated at the double funeral with full military honors. PFC Robert Lee Hessong occupies lot #10 within the cemetery's World War II memorial area. Arthur occupies Lot #11. (Note: Some info gathered from Chris Haugh, historian/preservation manager for Mt. Olivet since 2016).





