



Sunday worship - 10:30 am virtually; and in person with masks and socially distant seating, alternating locations between Zion/St. Mark; and 8:00 am re-broadcast on local tv channel

For online access information:

Zion: Beth Deskins

St. Mark: the LeRoy and Smith families

Prayer requests – parish office
zionstmk@swva.net or 745.2096

Please let us know if there is any way we may be of assistance to you

Pastor Wanda Childs – 304.920.5965

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“Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see.” —Mark Twain

To the People of the Floyd-Willis Parish,

This month we will celebrate Easter with millions of people around the world. We will gather for our traditional Easter breakfast. We will rejoice in our children as they joyfully hunt brightly colored eggs – some hidden & some in plain sight on the front lawn. We will gather for praise and thanksgiving in our worship where we will sing the Easter hymns and hear the Easter story. We will then celebrate for 50 days the Easter season and the resurrection of our Lord.

Yet, Easter is truly more than a one-time event. Easter is a recurring event, a recurring process, that God is constantly initiating, constantly engaged in. Resurrection is one of those things that God is about in the world.

Do you know what I mean? That the love and power of God that raised Jesus from that grave is still at work in the world, reinvigorating people and relationships, situations, institutions, governments, families, lives and communities. God is in the business of bringing life, even when death seems like the only possibility, the only reality, the only truth. Those situations where God breathes new life into something that was definitely dead. The situations where something happens, some spark of the eternal takes hold, and we look back later and say in wonder, “That was a God thing.”

This Sunday, we will celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus. We will also celebrate the possibility of Resurrection in our lives, in our church, in our world. We will remember that the scope of Easter includes all of life — indeed, all of creation. And just as we believe that one day God will make all things new, we affirm that between the first Easter and today, there continue to be many Easters. Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen, indeed!

In Peace and Grace to Our Risen Lord, Pastor Wanda

Lent and Easter

**Mid-Week Devotion Services for Lent, “Making Change”
 6 pm, Zoom only, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20, Wednesdays**

Palm Sunday, 3/24, St. Mark and Zoom

Maundy Thursday, 3/28, 6 pm, St. Mark and Zoom

**Good Friday Community Service, 3/29, Noon,
 Floyd Baptist Church (Methodist/Lutheran/Presbyterian)**

**Easter Sunrise Service and Breakfast, 3/31, 7 am, St. Mark
 Easter Worship Service, Egg Hunt, Brunch, 3/31,
 10:30 am, Zion**

Contact Us

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ST. MARK LUTHERAN CHURCH

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635 Needmore Lane, Floyd, VA 24091

PASTOR WANDA CHILDS

Pastor Wanda will be happy to meet with you by phone or in person. Please contact her to set up a time. She also has weekly office hours.

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Alive in Christ, Christ alive in us

St. Mark Council Members

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Michael Daiber
Bill Gardner
Linda Fox
Jack Wall
Marjorie Wells

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BJ Bauermeister, Treasurer
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Altar Guild Zion – Marty Holliday
Cemetery/Columbarium-Bill
Gardner

Community Cares – Kamala Bauers
Prayer Shawls – Linda Fox
RIC – Linda Fox
Social Justice – Marty Holliday
Zoom Services – Marty Holliday
Webmaster – Tom Roemhildt

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"Above all, love each other deeply" - 1 Peter 4:8

Funny Bone -

- They say March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb. Ewe might say it leaves sheepishly.
- What kind of shoes does a frog wear? Open Toad
- I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I just can't put it down.
- What kind of rabbit works in the dentists office? The Ether Bunny
- The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine last week is now fully recovered
- What's Irish and comes out in the spring? Paddy O'Furniture.
- This girl today said she recognized me from the Vegetarians Club, but I'd swear I've never met herbivore
- With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- Police were summoned to a day care center where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.

**St. Mark Parish Lunch at the church
Friday, March 1st, Noon.
Bring your lunch and a friend!**

*Be kind and compassionate to one
another.....Ephesians 4:32*

March Worship Services

3 - Zion, 10:30 Sunday Worship
Noisy Offering for Plenty Farm/Food Bank Fund

10 - St. Mark, 10:30 Sunday Worship

17 - Zion, 10:30 Sunday Worship

**24 - St. Mark, 10:30 - Palm Sunday
Worship**

**28 - St. Mark/Zoom, 6 pm - Maundy
Thursday Worship**

**29 - Good Friday Community Service,
Noon, Floyd Baptist Church**

**31 - St. Mark, 7:00 am Easter Sunday
Sunrise Service and Breakfast**

**31 - Zion, 10:30 am Easter Sunday
Worship Service, Egg Hunt, Brunch**

**Wednesdays 3/6, 3/13, 3/20
Midweek Lenten Services
6:00 pm via Zoom**

A Thank You from the Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service.....

Dear Friends of the Floyd-Willis Lutheran Parish,

I want to thank you for putting your faith in action through your friendship with LIRS, and the people we serve. Your steadfast compassion and support provide safety, security, help, and hope to immigrant and refugee families who are rebuilding their lives in a new land. Your presence and support have been incredibly meaningful, and I genuinely can't express my gratitude enough.

With sincere appreciation for your faithful prayers and generous support,

Krish O'Mara Vignarajah
President and CEO
Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service

Thank you to Marty and Carter for always putting together a wonderful Easter Egg Hunt....buying eggs, stuffing eggs, hiding eggs.....and traffic control.

Prayers for the People

Joe Sowers, husband of Vickie

Wayne Pennell, husband of BJ Bauermeister

Keel Frost, friend of Gardner's granddaughter

Luca Gucciardo

(prayer requests/deletions- parish office voice mail 745.2096 or email zionstmk@swva.net)

Tithes and Offerings can be mailed to:

Zion - Floyd Willis Lutheran Parish, PO Box 37, Floyd, VA 24091

St. Mark- Nadine Rutrough, 952 Christiansburg Pike, Floyd, VA 24091

"A little Consideration, a little Thought for Others, makes all the difference."

—Eeyore



Birthdays

7-Beth Smith
18-Virginia Garden
24-Jeremy Spangler

Anniversaries

8-Crystal and Jason Kocol
20-Phyllis and Sherrell Poff

“Carry out a random act of kindness, with no expectation of reward, safe in the knowledge that one day someone might do the same for you.” —Princess Diana

Easter Egg Hunt

Please let Marty Holliday know if you have kids, grandkids, or neighborhood kids who will be participating in our annual parish egg hunt following worship on Easter Sunday so the Easter Bunny will know how many eggs to bring.

Egg Hunts in Two Groups

First Group – 1 year old to Pre-K

Second Group – K to 6th Grade

Marty email: marty.holliday@gmail.com or 540.392.4110