St. Mark's Lutheran Church **Baptism of Our Lord** JANUARY 7, 2024 10:00 A.M. GATHERING PRELUDE **GATHERING HYMN** Here I Am to Worship **Projection Screen** WELCOME WELCOME HYMN Your Grace is Enough Projection Screen Cinthya Sotelo CHILDREN'S SERMON PRAYER OF THE DAY WORD READING Genesis 1:1-5 - Kim Winn GOSPEL Mark 1:4-11 MESSAGE Baptism: A New Beginning Pastor Mericle HYMN OF THE DAY Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized ELW 304 Stanzas 1, 2 & 4 AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM AND FAITH Jessica Beacom **Projection Screen** MEAL PEACE OFFERING OFFERTORY RESPONSE **Baptized in Water** ELW 456 OFFERTORY PRAYER PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH **BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION** WORDS OF INSTITUTION LORD'S PRAYER COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION Songs of Thankfulness and Praise **ELW 310** PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS BLESSING SENDING HYMN As with Gladness Men of Old ELW 302 Stanzas 1, 3, 4 & 5 **DISMISSAL & VISION** POSTLUDE **SERVING TODAY** Last Sunday's PASTOR: Rev James "Jim" Mericle Attendance WORSHIP PIANIST/CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR: Graham Jackson **COMMUNION ASSISTANT:** Lynn Yann 40 in-person ALTAR GUILD: Lynn Yann 50 online TECH: Chris Birtja, Garrett Birtja CO-DIRECTOR OF USHERS: Phil Barnhart, Frank Winn HEAD USHER: Steven Chou USHERS: Dick Heinrich, Frank Winn FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD: In memory of Vernon Weigand. Given by the Weigand family.

PRAYER LIST:

HEALING: Krystal Barnhart; Norma Collosi – significant health issues; Bradley Holmes (Frances Weigand's grand-nephew) - healing; Patrick Fields (husband of school employee) - medical; George Trapani (Sharon Heck son-in-law) - medical issues; Hugo Hsu-Chen - recovery from surgery

ILLNESS: Pat Dickerman - cancer; Bob Mericle - lung cancer; Robert Dutil - dementia & neck pain; Erin Taylor (Nathan Magdaleno's friend) - ALS; Charlotte Fugate (friend of Aaron Figueroa) - Alzheimer's; Darlene Corgan (Mary Rosentreter's sister) - liver transplant, cancer; Barbara Richards - leg surgery

TREATMENTS: Daniella Escalante - cancer treatments, surgery; Lorna Delgado (Ms. Dominique's mom) - cancer treatments; Bill McDonnell (Krista Guerrero's boss) - prostate cancer; Christine Tseng (friend of Chou family) - cancer treatments; Marty Green -Ponce (friend of Juliana Guerriero) - cancer

HOSPICE: Faye Heinrich; Tom O'Connell (Dan O'Connell's brother); Anne Evans

COMFORT: Family and friends of Vernon Weigand

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZOOM BIBLE FELLOWSHIP WITH PASTOR JIM ON TUESDAYS: Tuesday from 11:00 A.M. - Noon. Tuesday evening 7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

NEW HORIZONS needs breakfast items only.

ACTION FOOD PANTRY needs all kinds of canned and boxed foods.

RUTH CIRCLE

Ruth Circle will meet on Zoom on Monday, January 8, 7:00 pm. A Zoom link will be sent a couple of days before the meeting. The Bible study will be in the January/February Gather magazine and is titled "Scripture and nature: Teachers of faith, Session one - Weather." The magazine is late in arriving, so a copy of the study can be found on Women of the ELCA.org. Janna Barnhart will lead our discussion. If you are not receiving our emails, contact Sharon Heck to be added to the group email. <u>s.heck4peace@gmail.com</u> We hope to see many of you at our Zoom meeting, Monday, January 8, 7:00 pm.

JOIN US!

All church members, families and friends are invited to lunch on Sunday, January 14th after service at the Northwood's Inn in Covina (corner Azusa and San Bernardino Rd.) No reservations needed, but please let Mary Rosentreter or Anna Guerriero know, so we will know the size of our group.

OUT TO LUNCH

January 23, 2024--noon Crepes and Grapes Cafe 6560 Greenleaf Ave. Whittier, CA 90601 562-696-3255 Crepes and<u>Grapes@Me.Com</u> Contact Anna Guerriero, 626-330-7310, for more information or if you need a ride.

OFFERINGS: You can give by text to St. Mark's Church. Just text Stmarksgive to 1-888-364-GIVE (4483) in order to receive a reply with the link to your giving interface. The code is not case sensitive. Zelle is a way to give with no fees. Just go to your online banking, find your access to Zelle, and type in church@stmarks.ws and follow the instructions. We thank you for your generosity.

Thank you for joining us!