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| **Our Mission:**Celebrating God’s Love and Forgiveness, We Serve Others**Our Vision:**Following Jesus’s example we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, welcome the stranger, nurse the sick and visit the imprisoned as we see Jesus in the faces of those we serve.**Our Core Values:*** *PRAYER*
* *ACCESSIBILITY*
* *SERVICE*
* *COMMUNICATION*
* *EDUCATION*
* *WORSHIP*
* *YOUTH*
* *HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS*

**Purposes of Church Council:** 1. The Council is responsible for the general oversight of the life and activities of this congregation, especially its worship life. All decisions are made to ensure that everything is done in accordance with the Word of God, and the faith and practice of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.
2. The Council taps into the guidance and wisdom of the Holy Spirit to inspire and lead St. Mark’s into God’s future.
3. The Council monitors, guides, and supports the ministries of St. Mark’s.
4. The Council monitors and adjusts operational activities in accordance with the Constitution, By-Laws, God’s Word and good business practice in order to ensure efficient and effective management and growth of St. Mark’s ministries.
 |  **Date: NOTE: MONDAY, August 29th, 2021, Mid-Year Annual Dinner****Participants: Congregation Council and Families****Time: 5:00 – 7:15 PM** **Facilitator: Sheri Barker****Materials:** **Members Present:** Pastor Karla Halvorson, Pastor Alicia Saenz, Sheri Barker, Melissa Hernandez, Mari Lizarraga, Bob Lechner, Michael Marquez, Rachael Perez, Richard Roy, Oscar Uribe (\*Strike-through absentees)**Visitors**: Chris and Jean Lewis**Meeting Purposes:** * Ensure smooth and effective functioning of St. Mark’s Church to serve God’s purposes
* Monitor and refine the financial operations of St. Mark’s to ensure God’s mission is fulfilled
* Build our capacity to lead and work as a team to guide St. Mark’s to fulfill God’s plan

**AGENDA**

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| **TOPIC** | **COUNCIL MOTIONS** |
| **July 2021 Financials** | **Pastor Karla moved to accept the July 2021 Financial report, Sheri Barker 2nd. Motion passed.** |
| **Organ fundraiser** | **Nov. 20th, 2021 Angie Lightfoot Mulder & U.S. Navy Brass musicians will perform in an effort to raise money for ST. Marks Organ maintenance to be done.**  |
| **Congregational****“Thank you Dinner”**  | **Oct. 2nd, 2021 at 4pm- Church Council will host a Thank you Dinner for the entire congregation, families, and friends.**  |
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| **TIME** | **Topic** | **Activity** | **Lead** |
| 5:00 PM | **Call Meeting to Order** |  | Sheri |
| 5:00 -6:00 | **Meditation and Prayer / Dinner** |  | **Pastor Karla** |
| 6:10-6:45 | **3-Demensional SCM Vision**  | **Get into a small group and create a vision of St. Marks** | All |
| 6:45-7:00 | **Share designs** | **Each group shared design ideas** | All |
| 07:15 | **Closing Prayer/Meeting Adjourned** |  | Sheri |
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|  | **UPCOMING:** * **Next Council Meeting, Monday, Sept. 27, 2021, 6:00 PM**
* **Meditation and Prayer for Sept. 27th meeting Oscar Uribe**
* **Oct. 2nd , 2021 Church Council will host a Thank You dinner for the congregation.**
* **Nov. 20, 2021 Organ Fundraiser**
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