

CELEBRATING THE GOODNESS OF GOD

June 26, 2022



**GLORIFY HIM ...
GROW IN HIM ...
GO WITH HIS GOSPEL**

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

June 26, 2022

A place to call home: St. Mark's Lutheran Church & School

In the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, welcome home. We especially welcome to our house of worship our guests who have joined us today. We pray you will be strengthened by the good news about God's grace, love, and forgiveness to us through Jesus.

We say with the Psalmist, whether here on campus or viewing online, *"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD'"* (Psalm 122:1).

May the Lord continue to help us grow in His grace and knowledge as we hear, speak, and sing His holy Word.

Some items to keep in mind as we gather for worship in this place:

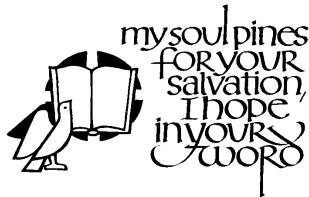
Members & our Guests ... Please pick up and fill out a **Connection Card** which can be found in the Entryway; before you leave place it in the basket labeled "Filled out Connection Cards." Thank you!

We do have **LARGE PRINT** copies of the Bulletin; you will find them on the table with the Bulletins.

Hymns from 'Christian Worship' are in the 'red' book / 'Christian Worship Supplement' in the 'blue' 'Christian Worship Hymnal' is our 2021 Edition (not yet in the Pens)

Personal **hearing assistance** devices are available on the entryway wall near the west entrance. The sanctuary is also 'looped' for those who have hearing aids that can pick up the signal.

Holy Communion is offered on the 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays. Since Holy Communion is a confession of faith, we ask that at this time only members partake of the Sacrament. If you are not a member and would like to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion, please reach out to our Pastor.



Explore our website. You will find information on Worship, Bible Study, Devotions, Children's Sunday School, and More.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Worship Focus: There is for sure one topic the majority of people do not like to talk about, but it does not have to be a sad or hopeless conversation. We will all have to go through this, unless Jesus comes first. When it happens, it is a powerful reminder that we are not in control or invincible, we are accountable and temporary; however, that does not mean our life is without meaning and purpose. The Lord reminds us of this truth. Let us listen to Him, and with our fellow believers – rejoice in what we have in and through Him.

PRELUDE

Meditation on “Schmucke dich”

Sandra Gay

Greeting & Invocation

Minister: God, our Father, each day is a gift of your grace

Congregation: Your mercies are new every morning.

M: Guide our steps by the light of your Word.

C: Shield us from harm and keep us from evil.

M: Better than life is your love.

C: Put joy in our hearts and praise on our lips. Alleluia!

M: Praise be to God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:

C: Let us worship Him.

OPENING HYMN

Musical Introduction

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

Christian Worship Supplement (blue) # 756

**We walk by faith and not by sight; No gracious words we hear
From him who spoke as none e'er spoke, But we believe him near.**

**We may not touch his hands and side Nor follow where he trod,
But in his promise we rejoice And cry, “My Lord and God!”**

**Help then, O Lord, our unbelief, And may our faith abound
To call on you when you are near And seek where you are found.**

**For you, O resurrected Lord, Are found in means divine:
Beneath the water and the Word, Beneath the bread and wine.**

**Lord, when our life of faith is done, In realms of clearer light,
We may behold you as you are With full and endless sight.**

RESPONSIVE SENTENCES ... Lamentations 3

M: ... this I call to mind

C: and therefore I have hope:

M: Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail.

C: They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

M: I say to myself,

C: "The LORD is my portion therefore I will wait for him."

M: The LORD is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him ... Though he brings grief, he will show compassion,

C: so great is his unfailing love.

M: For he does not willingly bring affliction or grief to the children of men.

C: Let us examine our ways and test them, and let us return to the LORD.

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

All: Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against your holy law. We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord! Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

M: God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

C: Amen. Thanks be to God.



M: Let us give glory to God, our light and our life.

C: Let us worship Him.

COME, OH, COME, LET US SING TO THE LORD

Psalm 95

(A short introduction will be played by accompanist)

①

Come, oh, come, let us sing to the Lord,

②

let us shout with joy to our sav - ing Rock;

③

come, en - ter in with our songs of praise,

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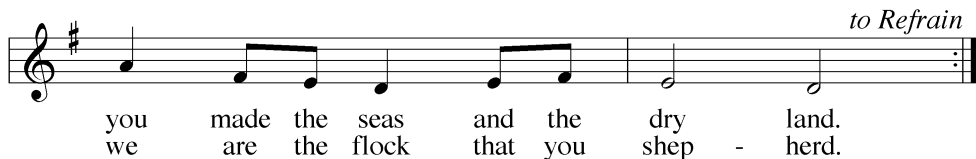
come, en - ter in with thanks - giv - ing.

Verses

1. You are a great and a won - drous God,
2. Come, let us wor - ship and, bow - ing low,

cup - ping in your hands all the depths of earth.
kneel be - fore the One who has made us all.

You made the hills and the moun - tains high,
You are the God whom we call our own,



M: Let us pray. O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do;

C: through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

RESPONSIVE SENTENCES ... Psalm 119

M: Your Word, O LORD, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens.

C: Your faithfulness continues through all generations; you established the earth, and it endures.

M: How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

C: I gain understanding from your precepts; therefore I hate every wrong path.

A READING FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

1 Kings 17:17-24

God is the Lord of life and death. Trust!

Some time later the son of the woman who owned the house became ill. He grew worse and worse, and finally stopped breathing. ¹⁸ She said to Elijah, “What do you have against me, man of God? Did you come to remind me of my sin and kill my son?” ¹⁹ “Give me your son,” Elijah replied. He took him from her arms, carried him to the upper room where he was staying, and laid him on his bed. ²⁰ Then he cried out to the LORD, “LORD my God, have you brought tragedy even on this widow I am staying with, by causing her son to die?” ²¹ Then he stretched himself out on the boy three times and cried out to the LORD, “LORD my God, let this boy’s life return to him!” ²² The LORD heard Elijah’s cry, and the boy’s life returned to him, and he lived. ²³ Elijah picked up the child and carried him down from the room into the house. He gave him to his mother and said, “Look, your son is alive!” ²⁴ Then the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the LORD from your mouth is the truth.”

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HYMN

Musical Introduction

Speak, O Lord

Christian Worship Supplement (blue) # 735

**Speak, O Lord, as we come to you To receive the food of your Holy Word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us All your purposes for your glory.**

**Teach us, Lord, full obedience, Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes In the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail, Let their truth prevail over unbelief.**

A READING FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Philippians 1:18b-26

God has through Jesus given our life a win-win outlook. Rejoice!

Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, ¹⁹ for I know that through your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance. ²⁰ I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹ **For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.** ²² If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! ²³ I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; ²⁴ but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body. ²⁵ Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶ so that through my being with you again your boasting in Christ Jesus will abound on account of me.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HYMN

Musical Introduction

For Me to Live Is Jesus

Christian Worship (red) # 606

**For me to live is Jesus; To die is gain for me.
So, when my Savior pleases, I meet death willingly.**

**For Christ, my Lord and brother, I leave this world so dim
And gladly seek another, Where I shall be with him.**

**My woes are nearly over Though long and dark the road;
My sin his merits cover, And I have peace with God.**

**In my last hour, oh, grant me A slumber soft and still,
No doubts to vex or haunt me, Safe anchored in your will.**

**Amen! For Christ my Savior Will grant this unto me.
Your Spirit lead me ever That I fare happily.**

Our Worship centers on the Gospel Reading for the day.

A READING FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Luke 7:11-17

God does help His people, though we do not always see the how. Believe!

Soon afterward, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went along with him. ¹² As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out—the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the town was with her. ¹³ When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, “Don’t cry.” ¹⁴ Then he went up and touched the bier they were carrying him on, and the bearers stood still. He said, “Young man, I say to you, get up!” ¹⁵ The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother. ¹⁶ They were all filled with awe and praised God. “A great prophet has appeared among us,” they said. “God has come to help his people.” ¹⁷ This news about Jesus spread throughout Judea and the surrounding country.

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to You, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY

Musical Introduction

I Walk in Danger All the Way

Christian Worship (red) # 431

**I walk in danger all the way; The thought shall never leave me
That Satan, who has marked his prey, Is plotting to deceive me.
This foe with hidden snares May seize me unawares
If e’er I fail to watch and pray; I walk in danger all the way.**

**I pass through trials all the way, With sin and ills contending;
In patience I must bear each day The cross of God’s own sending.
Oft in adversity I know not where to flee
When storms of woe my soul dismay; I pass through trials all the way.**

**Grim death pursues me all the way; Nowhere I rest securely.
He comes by night, he comes by day, And takes his prey most surely.
A failing breath, and I In death’s strong grasp may lie
To face eternity today. Grim death pursues me all the way.**

**My walk is heav'nward all the way; Await, my soul, the morrow,
When you farewell can gladly say To all your sin and sorrow.
All worldly pomp, begone! To heav'n I now press on.
For all the world I would not stay; My walk is heav'nward all the way.**

FOCUS ON THE SCRIPTURES

Based on 1 Kings 17:17-24

“The Word Of The Lord Is Truth”



A CONFESSION OF FAITH – Based on the 3rd Article of the Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

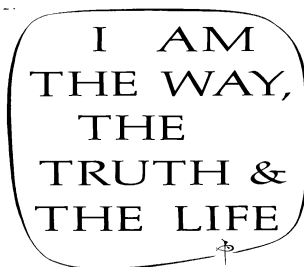
M: What are we meaning to say with these words?

C: I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him. But the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

M: In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

C: In this Christian church He daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

All: This is most certainly true.



YOU ARE GOD; WE PRAISE YOU

(A short introduction will be played by accompanist)

Refrain



You are God; we praise you. You are Lord; we ac - claim you.



To you, O Fa-ther ho - ly, all cre - a-tion of - fers praise.

Verses



1. With the an - gels in heav - en,
2. Cre - a - tor of all things, **We praise you, we**
3. O Christ, King of glo - ry,



praise you! With the cher - u - bim and ser - a-phim,
O Je - sus Christ, the Son of God, **We**
You be - came a man to set us free;



praise you, we praise you! With a - pos - tles and proph - ets,
O Spir - it, most ho - ly, **We**
You have ris - en to free us;

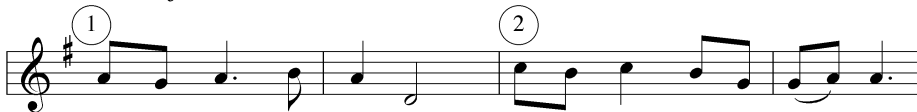


praise you, we praise you! With the mar - tyrs and your
To the Trin - i - ty most
And with all your saints in



ho - ly Church, *to Refrain*
 bless - ed, We sing in end - less praise! *to Refrain*
 glo - ry, *to Final Refrain*

Final Refrain



You are God; we praise you. You are Lord; we ac - claim you.



To you, O Fa-ther ho - ly, all cre - a-tion of - fers praise,



all cre - a - tion of - fers praise, all cre - a - tion of - fers praise.

OUR THANK OFFERING

Thank you for continuing to support our ministry. Your thank offering can be received in the following ways: placed in the basket on the table, mail your thank offering to the church, or give online through our website under the “Resources” tab. The QR Code to the giving link is at the end of the bulletin.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Grant us, O Lord, to live each day in gladness and peace, without stumbling and without stain, that reaching the evenings victorious over all temptation, we may praise you, the eternal God, for you govern all things and are praised now and forever. Make us instruments of your peace: where there is hatred,

C: let us sow love;

M: where there is injury,

C: pardon;

M: where there is doubt,

C: faith;

M: where there is despair,

C: hope;

M: where there is darkness,

C: light;

M: where there is sadness,

C: joy.

M: O Lord, grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love;

C: for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

M: Dwell in our homes, O Lord, and let the trust of our families be centered in you alone, so that no difficulty, trial, or adversity rob us of the conviction that you are our helper in every time of need. Relieve the afflictions of the weary and the sick, and dry the tears of the troubled and sorrowful. Lead them to look to you as the unfailing spring of healing and hope.

C: Help us believe and trust in him, love and serve him, that in all our thoughts, words, and actions we may manifest his spirit. Rebuke our selfishness and subdue our self-indulgence. Deepen our sympathies, strengthen our hope, and confirm us in our faith.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: All these things we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

And we also pray ...

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

HYMN

Musical Introduction

I Leave All Things to God's Direction

Christian Worship (red) # 414

**I leave all things to God's direction;
He loves me both in wealth and woe.
His will is good, sure his affection;
His tender love is true, I know.
My fortress and my rock is he:
What pleases God, that pleases me.**

**God knows what must be done to save me;
His love for me will never cease.
Upon his hands he did engrave me
With purest gold of loving grace.
His will supreme must ever be:
What pleases God, that pleases me.**

**My God desires the soul's salvation;
My soul he, too, desires to save.
Therefore with Christian resignation
All earthly troubles I will brave.
His will be done eternally:
What pleases God, that pleases me.**

**My God has all things in his keeping;
He is my ever-faithful friend.
He gives me laughter after weeping,
And all his ways in blessings end.
His love endures eternally:
What pleases God, that pleases me.**

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Musical Introduction

All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night

Christian Worship (red) # 592

**All praise to thee, my God, this night For all the blessings of the light.
Keep me, oh, keep me, King of kings, Beneath thine own almighty wings.
Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son The ill that I this day have done,
That with the world, myself, and thee I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.**

**Teach me to live that I may dread The grave as little as my bed.
Teach me to die so that I may Rise glorious at the awe-full day.
Oh, may my soul on thee repose And may sweet sleep mine eyelids close,
Sleep that shall me more vig'rous make To serve my God when I awake.**

**When in the night I sleepless lie, My soul with heav'nly thoughts supply;
Let no ill dreams disturb my rest, No pow'rs of darkness me distress.
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & POSTLUDE

Postlude on “Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”

Matthew McConnell

TODAY AT ST. MARK'S

Serving at Worship

Presiding Minister: Pastor Jonathan Kolander

Accompanist: Marty Puckett

Violin/Cello: Vince Beiderbecke

Percussion: Don Black

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Sunday Bible Studies

Adults, 9:30-10:20 am, in person & online ... “The Gospel of Luke”

Family Sunday School ... Meet at 9:15 in the Multi-Purpose Center

Teens, in person, at 9:30 in the Teen Room ...

For Reflection based on Today's Scripture Readings ...

1st: Read the preceding verses to capture the context. What was truth about life was this woman struggling with? Was it wrong of her to ask the question? What if the answer had been ‘no,’ then what? What truths does God’s Word speak? Read Genesis 3.

2nd: How did Paul handle the thought process of remaining alive or preparing to die? Paul did not see his current situation as a what from God, but rather a what? How does verse 21 help us day to day? Read 1 Corinthians 15.

3rd: Did Jesus just happen to walk by at the same time the procession was taking place? What was Jesus teaching through this encounter? How does this account give us confidence through this life? Read 1 Peter 1.

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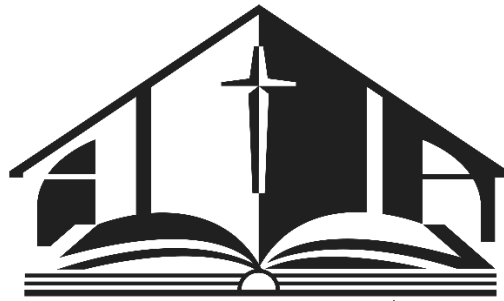


THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S

Weekly Calendar

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| Today | 8:00 & 10:45 | Worship Service |
| | 9:15 a.m. | Family Sunday School, in the MPC |
| | 9:30 a.m. | Bible Study |
| | 12:00 p.m. | Congregation & Voter's Meeting |
| Monday | 6:30 p.m. | Worship Service (in the Admin Building Chapel) |
| Saturday | 6:30 p.m. | River Cats Event |
| Sunday | | Mission Box Offering |
| | 8:00 & 10:45 | Worship Service with Holy Communion |
| | | No Family Sunday School today |
| | 9:30 a.m. | Bible Study |
| | 2:00 p.m. | Jesus Cares, in the MPC |

| <i>Birthdays</i> | | <i>Anniversaries</i> |
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| Francesca Galvez | <i>June 26</i> | |
| Hannah Hinaman | | |
| Jayland Brown Jr. | <i>June 27</i> | Michael & Linda Lane |
| Ronald Radenz | | |
| Christi Wolcott | <i>June 28</i> | Ryan & Jennifer Hopping |
| | | Ryan & Kaisa Miller |
| | | Darren & Christi Wolcott |
| Dan Cummins | <i>June 29</i> | |
| Jonathan Kolander | <i>June 30</i> | Ray & Jan Garrett |
| Frank Beaushaw | <i>July 1</i> | Rich & Pamela Baker |
| | | Avery & Lynn Clark |
| Shannon Burke | <i>July 2</i> | Edward & Linda Hartog |



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Sunday Services at 8:00 am (Live streamed) & 10:45 a.m.

Children's Sunday School Study, 9:15-10:30, meet in the Chapel

Sunday Bible Discussion 9:30-10:20 (Live streamed) ... Teens in the Teen Room

Monday Evening Service at 6:30 PM in the Adm Building Chapel

Wednesday School Chapel Service at 8:20 a.m.

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| Jonathan Kolander | Pastor |
| Stacie Malone | Office Admin |
| Linda Halfhill | Office Admin, Finances |
| Erin Donoho | Office Admin, Events |
| Shawn Butler | Campus Custodian |
| Mike Rausch & Daniel Joseph | Teen Study Leaders |
| Darren Vogt | Principal, Grades 7-8 |
| Tyler Wahl | Grades 5-6 |
| Jodi Rowe | Grades 3-4 |
| Rosemarie Boushek | Grades 1-2 |
| Hannah Ripley | Jr.K/Kindergarten |
| Greg Thiesfeldt | Associate Teacher, Grades 3-8 |
| Alyssa Bergemann | Summer Teaching Assistant |
| Ruth Vogt | Art |
| Dena Oswald | Ext. School Day Care |

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