

Living Hope

St. Mark's
LUTHERAN CHURCH

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER HOPE RESTORED

May 10, 2026

Settle in with Jesus and his family. Welcome home.

Make yourself at home. Find any open spot to sit and settle in. Our worship service is designed to praise God and enrich your faith. We make it easy-to-follow with everything printed for you in this bulletin. Feel free to stay after the service to get to know some of the people you worshiped with today. St. Mark's is a place you can call home, and we look forward to seeing you next time!

Bring the kids. Our congregation enjoys the worshipping family and our services include a children's message. Parents, you can help your kids follow along today with the Kids' Questions sheet. A quiet room to help a restless child is in the lobby (to the right as you exit the main worship space).

There's no obligation. Visitors, while our members regularly give offerings as an expression of thanks to God, you're not expected to give an offering. You are our guests; it's your choice. We're glad you joined us today!

Restrooms are at the back of the lobby—women's on the right and men's on the left.

Questions? If you'd like to know more about our church or our beliefs, feel free to speak with our pastor after the service and visit us online at stmarkslutheran.com.

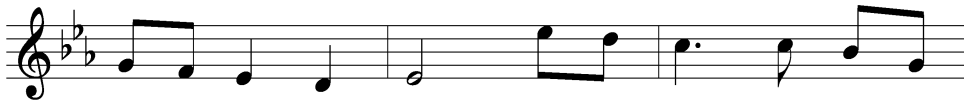
Come Away from Rush and Hurry



- 1 Come a - way from rush and hur - ry to the still - ness
- 2 In the pas - tures of God's good - ness we lie down to
- 3 Come, then, chil - dren, with your bur - dens— life's con - fu - sions,



of God's peace; from our vain am - bi - tion's wor - ry, come to rest our soul. From the wa - ters of God's mer - cy we drink fears, and pain. Leave them at the cross of Jes - us; take in -



Christ to find re - lease. Come a - way from noise and deep - ly, are made whole. At the ta - ble of God's stead his king - dom's reign. Bring your thirsts, for he will



clam - or, life's de - mands and fren - zied pace; come to pres - ence all the saints are rich - ly fed. With the quench them— he al - one will sat - is - fy. All our



join the peo - ple gath - ered here to seek and find God's grace. oil of God's a - noint - ing in - to ser - vice we are led. long - ings find at - tain - ment when to self we glad - ly die.

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Welcomed into the Family of God

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen!

Come and find freedom, hope, and peace as you are welcomed into the family of God. There's no need to hide. There's no need to pretend. We can honestly come as we are, acknowledge all of our brokenness to God, and receive full pardon for our sins as we place our trust in Christ alone.

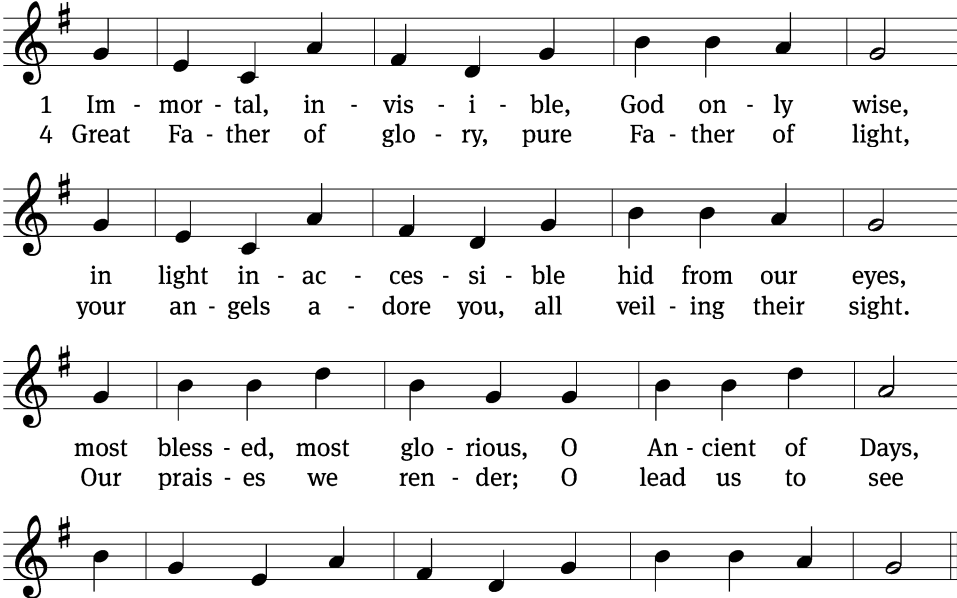
Holy and compassionate Lord, you are the God who forgives. Throughout my life, I have sinned, disobeyed you in countless ways, and failed to live as your child. For the times I have hurt you and others, I deserved your just punishment. I am sorry. But you were determined to make things right. Thank you for still loving me. Thank you for sending Jesus as my Savior!

Jesus came to this world as your mighty Savior and Champion. His perfect life is credited to you. God sees you as his holy child. Jesus' innocent death was offered in your place. He has paid in full the payment for all your sins. His resurrection is real. You can be certain that you are saved. By believing in him, you are welcomed home in God's family. You are a child of God!

Amen!

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Blue hymnal 614 sts. 1, 4



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
4 Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,
in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
your an - gels a - dore you, all veil - ing their sight.
most bless - ed, most glo - rious, O An - cient of Days,
Our prais - es we ren - der; O lead us to see
al - might - y, vic - to - rious, your great name we praise!
the light of your splen - dor, your love's maj - es - ty!

Text: W. Chalmers Smith, 1824-1908, abr., alt.
Tune: Welsh, Caniadau y Cyssegr, Denbigh, 1839
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Prayer

O God, by the humiliation of your Son, you lifted up this fallen world from the despair of death. By his resurrection to life, grant your people gladness of heart and the hope of eternal joys; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

¹³Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. ¹⁵As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; ¹⁶but they were kept from recognizing him.

¹⁷He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?"

They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

¹⁹"What things?" he asked.

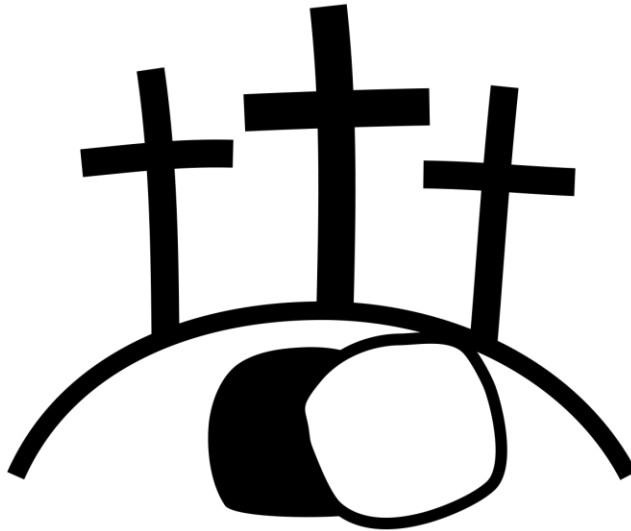
"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. ²⁰The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. ²²In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. ²⁴Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

²⁵He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" ²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

²⁸As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.

³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. ³²They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”

³³They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴and saying, “It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.” ³⁵Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.



God's Word

Acts 2:14a, 32-41

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: . . .

³²“God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it.

³³Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear.

³⁴For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said,

“ The Lord said to my Lord:

“Sit at my right hand

³⁵until I make your enemies

a footstool for your feet.” ’

³⁶“Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”

³⁷When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”

³⁸Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”

⁴⁰With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” ⁴¹Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

Children's Message

Abide with Me

Blue hymnal 783 sts. 1-2, 5-6



1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.
2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;
5 I need thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;
6 I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless;



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.
earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;
what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
ills have no weight and tears no bit - ter - ness.



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
change and de - cay in all a - round I see;
Who like thy - self my guide and stay can be?
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?



help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.
Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me!
I tri - umph still if thou a - bide with me.

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Message from God's Word

1 Peter 1:17-21

¹⁷Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear.

¹⁸For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. ²⁰He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake.

²¹Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

Your Faith and Hope Are in God

Statement of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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.

Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer follows the prayer spoken by the pastor.

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.

Blessing

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

Amen!

Day by Day

Blue hymnal 803



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you
wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to
grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will



send me draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal.
guide me o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day.
hear me when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.



Love di - vine, be - yond all mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the
I will fear no e - vil of the mor - row, I will trust in
Day by day, no mat - ter what be - tide me, you will hold me



bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior, lead me to the home I
your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior, help me bear life's pain and
ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior, with your pres - ence here to



tre - a - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

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TODAY AT ST. MARK'S

Serving at Worship

Worship Leader: Pastor Kurt Wetzel

Musical Accompanist: Jeri Reed

Audio/Visual: Curtis Roth

Altar Flowers: Altar flowers are given by Dee Stosich in honor of God's beauty.

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THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S

Today	8:00 & 10:45	Worship Service
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
Monday	6:30 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Coordinating Council Meeting
Wednesday	8:20 a.m.	School Chapel Service
	6:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	9:30 a.m.	Joy of Living Women's Bible Study
	10:00 a.m.	School Performance Dress Rehearsal
	6:30 p.m.	Starting Point
Friday	6:00 p.m.	St. Mark's School Spring Performance
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	River City Chorale Performance
Next Sunday	8:00 & 10:45	Worship Service with Communion
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	12:00 p.m.	School Soiree Meeting

<i>Birthdays</i>		<i>Anniversaries</i>
Carol Locke	<i>May 11</i>	
	<i>May 12</i>	Bruce & Julie Bartlow
Jayden Steward	<i>May 14</i>	
Derek Tipton	<i>May 15</i>	



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