

**St. Mark Lutheran Church and School**  
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**This Week at St. Mark**

- Monday - Worship w/Lord's Supper 7:00 pm
- Wednesday - Bible Class Lexington Assisted Living Center 3:30 pm
  - Catechism 6:00 pm
  - Choir 7:30 pm
- Friday - Mowing: Lawn—Bryan Hodges, Lot—Curt Jamison
- Saturday - Church Cleaning: Sec. 1 Baumann Sec. 2 D. Bork  
 Sec. 3 A Bork

**Free Will Offering for Flat Screen Televisions:** Have you noticed? By the grace of God, we've made some major improvements to our facilities. Next we hope to beautify our entry and nursery areas by replacing the existing televisions with wall-mounted flat screen televisions. This would greatly improve the organization and traffic flow of each area, as well as be more pleasing to the eye. And nowadays, they're not as expensive as you might think! How can you help? Next Sunday and the following Sunday, we will accept free-will offerings after the service. You may also designate an offering and place it in the offering plate during the service. Any leftover funds will go toward purchasing storage furniture for toys in the nursery . Contact Tracy Jamison or a Council member if you have questions. Thank you!

<b>A Measure of Our Love for Our Lord</b>			
<u>Worship Attendance Last Week, 178</u>			
<u>Last Week's Thank Offering to our Lord</u>			
Home	\$ 4492.25	Missions	\$781.00
Building Fund	\$308.00	NELHS Gen.	\$400.00
NELHS Debt. Ret.	\$100.00	Sunday School	\$8.25
Total Offering— \$6089.50			



Reach, Teach, Rejoice!

**WELCOME**

**HYMN 379 Amazing Grace—How Sweet the Sound**

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.  
C: (spoken) Amen.

**CONFESSION OF SINS**

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

**LORD, HAVE MERCY**

*Kyrie*

Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy  
on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us. A - men.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

C: (spoken) Amen.

**St. Mark News and Notes**

**Nursery** At St. Mark, we love children and encourage their worship, too! In the foyer, we have some children’s busy bags hanging from hooks that you are most welcome to make use of in church. If your child becomes restless during the service and you feel you both could just use a little break, you’re welcome to make use of our nursery. Ask an usher to lead you to the nursery. The service can be watched on a television there. If you need a private place to feed your baby, there is a chair downstairs in the women’s restroom along with a changing table. Most of us have or have had young children, so you’re with caring people who understand what it’s like to have little ones.

**Birthdays**—Robert Kramer 9/15, Bill Aden 9/17, Kim Kumwenda 9/18

**THANK YOU FOR SERVING**

**Elders:** Jarod Wilkinson, Jeff Schmidt  
**Ushers:** Larry & Tim Hans (E), Tom Bork, Noel Lee (L)  
**Greeters:** Gordon & Shirley Zacherson (E) Al Wattles (L)  
**AV Team:** Randy & Vicki Rankin, Mark Schwede, Larry Hans, Paul Dinges  
**Organist:** Eva Van Egmond

**Join Us in Studying God’s Word at 9:20 am**

September 15—The Importance of Parental Influence  
September 22—Train with the Law and the Gospel  
September 29 – Teach Children to Know the Will of God  
October 6 – Help Children Improve; Teach Respect  
October 13 – Virtues to Instill in Our Children

**Sunday School Children ages 3-14: 9:20 am**

**Please remember in your prayers...**

- Thankful for the rain
- Darvin Raddatz, Pastor Raddatz’s father
- Wendy Hall, Jeremiah Drews’s mother
- Alida Freese, Julie Nelson’s mother
- Gerta Krech, Erna Westphal’s sister



DISTRIBUTION HYMN 741 Take and Eat (with choir in 2nd service)

SONG OF SIMEON

*Nunc Dimittis*

In peace, Lord, you let your  
 ser - vant now de - part ac - cord - ing to your word. For my  
 eyes have seen your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for  
 ev - 'ry peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the  
 glo - ry, the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

THANKSGIVING

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures forever.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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: (spoken) Amen.

HYMN 490 Love in Christ is Strong and Living

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

GLORY TO GOD

*Gloria in Excelsis*

Glo - ry to God in the  
 high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.  
 Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and  
 Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
 praise you for your glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the  
 high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.  
 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly  
 Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,  
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
 world; have mer - cy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the  
 Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer, re -  
 ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the  
 high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the  
 Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,  
 Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry to God in the  
 high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.  
 Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: *(spoken)* Amen.

## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

*Agnus Dei*

O Christ, Lamb of  
 God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
 mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of  
 God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
 mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of  
 God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
 grant us your peace. A - men. A - men.

## THE SACRAMENT

### PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

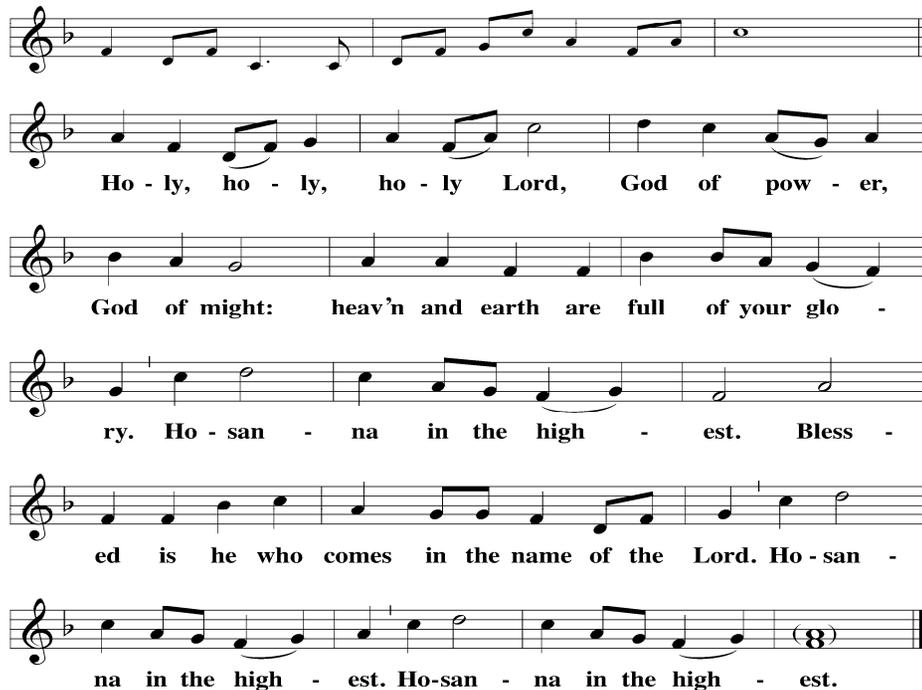
M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has called us to be his own so that we may live under him in his kingdom and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Sanctus*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,  
God of might: heav'n and earth are full of your glo -  
ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless -  
ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -  
na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us join together in prayer.

C: Lord, we pray that your mercy and grace may always go before and follow after us that, loving you with undivided hearts, we may be ready for every good and useful work; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

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### THE WORD

#### FIRST LESSON Hosea 3:1-5

#### VERSE OF THE DAY

Alleluia. Everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. Alleluia. Romans 15:4

#### GOSPEL Luke 15:1-10

*After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:*



Glo-ry be to you, O Lord! Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

*After the Gospel, the congregation sings:*



Praise be to you, O Christ! Praise be to you, O Christ!

## NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is,  
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,  
and became fully human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glo-  
rified, who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN 304 Jesus Sinners Does Receive

SERMON 2 Corinthians 2:5-11

THE PURPOSE OF CHURCH DISCIPLINE

*After the sermon, the congregation sings:*



Cre - ate in me a  
pure heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with -  
in me. Do not cast me a - way from your  
pres - ence or take your Ho - ly Spir - it from  
me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -  
hold, up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

## OFFERING

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.