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Special Worship Opportunities
Reformation Rally

Bethel Lutheran Church — York, NE
 November 3, 2013 — 4:00 PM

Bible Presentations at 2:30 pm

Luther's Wisdom on Lutheran Worship

Using More Instrumentalists More Frequently in Worship



Give Thanks to the Lord!

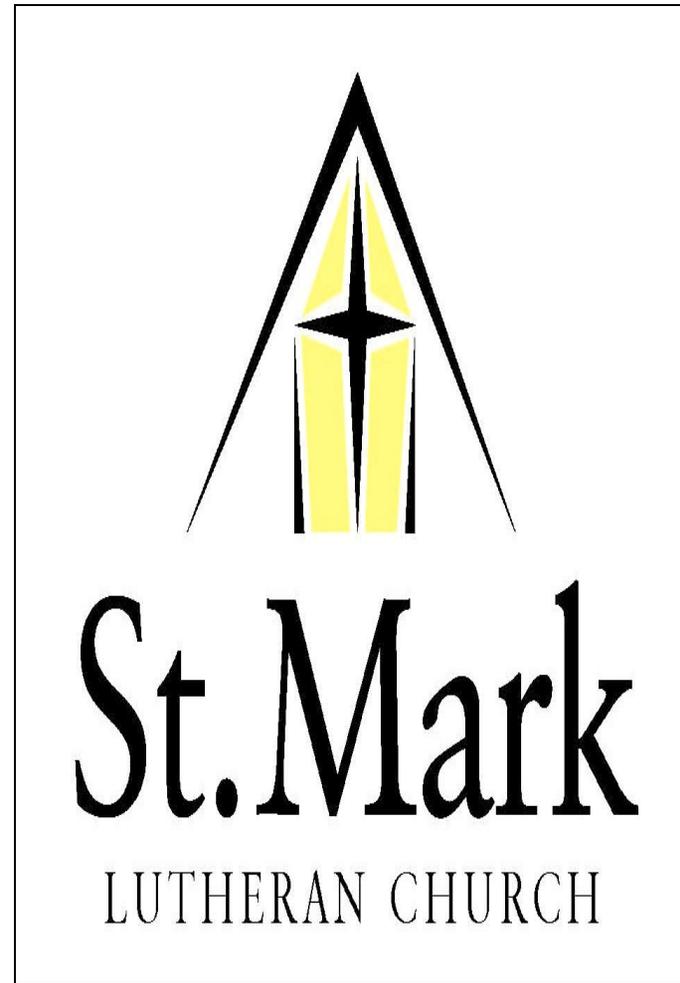
Thanksgiving Eve

Wednesday, November 20th at 7:00 PM



Upper Grade Photo Contest Attention members of St. Mark! We need your help. The upper grade students worked for the last several weeks snapping photographs with their digital cameras. They created their own personal albums for art class, and also an 8 x 10 portrait of their favorite photo. We need you to vote for your favorite photo. You can find the portraits, albums and ballots located near Mr. Drews's office. Each vote counts. Enjoy the photos.

A Measure of Our Love for Our Lord			
<u>Worship Attendance Last Week 209</u>			
<u>Last Week's Thank Offering to our Lord</u>			
Home	\$ 3168.25	Missions	\$263.00
Building Fund	\$76.00	NELHS Gen.	\$160.00
Nursery / TV	\$3.00	Forward in Christ	\$11.00
Sunday School	\$8.25	NELHS Debt.	\$200.00
Tuition	\$200.00		
Total Offering— \$4089.50			



Reach, Teach, Rejoice!

GATHERING RITE ON THE WORD OF GOD

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

C: *(spoken)* Amen.

“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”

Blessed Jesus, at your Word
We are gathered all to hear you.
Let our hearts and souls be stirred
Now to seek and love and fear you,
By your teachings, sweet and holy,
Drawn from earth to love you solely.

M: Oh, how I love your law!

C: I meditate on it all day long.

M: Your commands make me wiser than my enemies,

C: for they are ever with me.

M: I have more insight than all my teachers,

C: for I meditate on your statutes.

M: How sweet are your words to my taste,

C: sweeter than honey to my mouth! *(Psalm 119:97-99,103)*

“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”

All our knowledge, sense, and sight
Lie in deepest darkness shrouded
Till your Spirit breaks our night
With the beams of truth unclouded.
You alone to God can win us;
You must work all good within us.

This Week at St. Mark

Monday	- 7:00 pm	Worship w/ Lord’s Service
Wednesday	- 8:30 am	Children’s Service
	- 3:30 pm	Bible Class at the Lexington Assisted Living Center
	- 6:00 pm	Public School Catechism Class
	- 7:30 pm	Choir
Saturday	- Church Cleaning: Sec. 1 Humphrey Sec. 2 Hoefler Sec. 3 Rod Kramer	

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

November 10—You’re a Lutheran. So who is Martin Luther?

November 17- You Are My Witnesses : Acts 1 & 2

November 24 -You Are My Witnesses : Acts 3 & 5

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

Flower Chart The flower chart is up next to the mailboxes in the secretary’s office. If you would like to provide flowers for the altar to celebrate an anniversary, birthday, etc., please sign your name next to the date you’d like. Please contact Karen Dinges or Elfi Lee if you have any questions. Thank you!

The flowers on the altar are given in remembrance of Irene Dinges who joined our Lord November 2008.

Thank you to my St. Mark family for all the cards, prayers and thoughts after I broke my wrist. *Betty Duensing*

Worship Concert

By Michael Schroeder

St. Mark Lutheran Church — Lincoln, NE

November 10, 2013 8:00 and 10:30 am

Bring your Friends!



Reformation

November 3, 2013

Welcome in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ. We love our Savior for he sacrificed himself for us. We love because He first loved us. Our love for God shows itself in a love of His Word and a love for our fellowman. We welcome all visitors into our midst. If you have questions about our beliefs or God’s Word, please ask.

Birthdays- Nate Workentine 11/3, Alta Beltz 11/5, Lois Weise 11/6, Sue Soyk 11/7, Rod Kramer 11/9, Makena Colson 11/10

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

Elders: Nate Workentine, Ben Schroeder
Ushers: Mark Schwede, Todd Blome (E), Brian & Trevor Wiles (L)
Greeters: Mel & Sue Soyk (E) Carmen Wiles (L)
AV Team: Detlef Gartzke, Amy Gartzke, Logan Flood, Dave Dahlke and Larry Hans
Organist: Cindy Krushenisky

Snow Removal If you would be willing to help shovel the sidewalks before church services there is a sign up sheet on the table in the entryway. **Thank you!**

Mark Your Calendars! All undergrad and graduate students: Campus Ministry will be the first two Sundays in November, the 3rd and 10th at 7 pm at St. Mark. Please join us for devotion, fellowship and snacks!

Poinsettias The Ladies’ Aid will be purchasing Christmas poinsettias for the church altar. If you wish to give a donation toward the purchase of the poinsettias to help cover the cost, please make your check out to Elfi Lee and put your donation in her mailbox by Dec. 8th.

Children’s Christmas Service practices will be held on Saturday, Dec. 7th and 14th at 9-10:30 am. Please make sure your children attend all of the practices. If your child is not able to attend please let their teacher know.



M: All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,
C: **so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.** *(2 Timothy 3:16,17)*

M: Yet so often we have despised God’s Word and failed to gladly hear and learn it. For this and all our sins, we bow before God and humbly ask his 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.**

“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”

**Gracious Savior, good and kind,
Light from Light, from God proceeding,
Open now our heart and mind;
Help us by your Spirit’s pleading.
Hear the cry your people raises;
Hear and bless our prayers and praises.**

M: God gave his Word so “that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name” *(John 20:31)*. The Scriptures testify about Jesus, who lived a perfect life for you, died on the cross to pay for all your sins, and rose again to assure you of your salvation. 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: **Amen.**

“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”

**Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Praise to you and adoration!
Grant that we your Word may trust,
Confident of our salvation,
While we here below must wander,
Till we sing your praises yonder.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

C: Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

BE SEATED

FIRST LESSON

JEREMIAH 31:31-34

PSALM 46

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SECOND LESSON

ROMANS 3:19-28

VERSE OF THE DAY

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Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Faith comes from hear - ing the mes - sage, and the



mes - sage is heard through the Word of Christ. Al - le -



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

BE SEATED

377 DEAR CHRISTIANS, ONE AND ALL REJOICE

STAND

SONG OF SIMEON

O Lord, now let your servant
Depart in peace, assured:
For I have seen your promised
incarnate, saving Word—
A Light that will enlighten
All gloom where Gentiles dwell;
The brilliant, crowning glory
Of those in Israel!

All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever three in one;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.

M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING Numbers 6:24-26

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.

203 LORD, KEEP US STEADFAST IN YOUR WORD

There is a TV and mirror in the coatroom that is no longer needed. If you have use for them, please feel free to take them.

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."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

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

STAND

GOSPEL

M: The Gospel according to John chapter 8:31-36.
C: **Glory be to you, O Lord.**

After the Gospel:

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

BE SEATED

HYMN 200 A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

SERMON

REVELATIONS 3:7-13

Christ Opens Heaven's Door

STAND

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 glorified,
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.

BE SEATED

OFFERING

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE SACRAMENT

Our church practices close communion. We ask that only members partake of 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 will soon come again to deliver us forever from this present evil age. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

1 O holy, holy, holy
Lord God of pow'r and might,
Your glory, earth and heaven
In countless ways recite.
Hosanna! Come and save us,
Lord God of hosts on high,
And in your grace and mercy
Receive our fervent cry.

2 Hosanna in the highest!
How truly blest is he
Who in God's name is coming
To set his people free!
He comes to bring salvation
And with his blood outpoured,
Deliver us from bondage—
Hosanna, mighty Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

(Jesus took bread and gave thanks [Matthew 26:26].)

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.
By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.
By his innocent death, he overcame hell.
By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:10 b

C: **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.**