

St. Mark Lutheran Church and School

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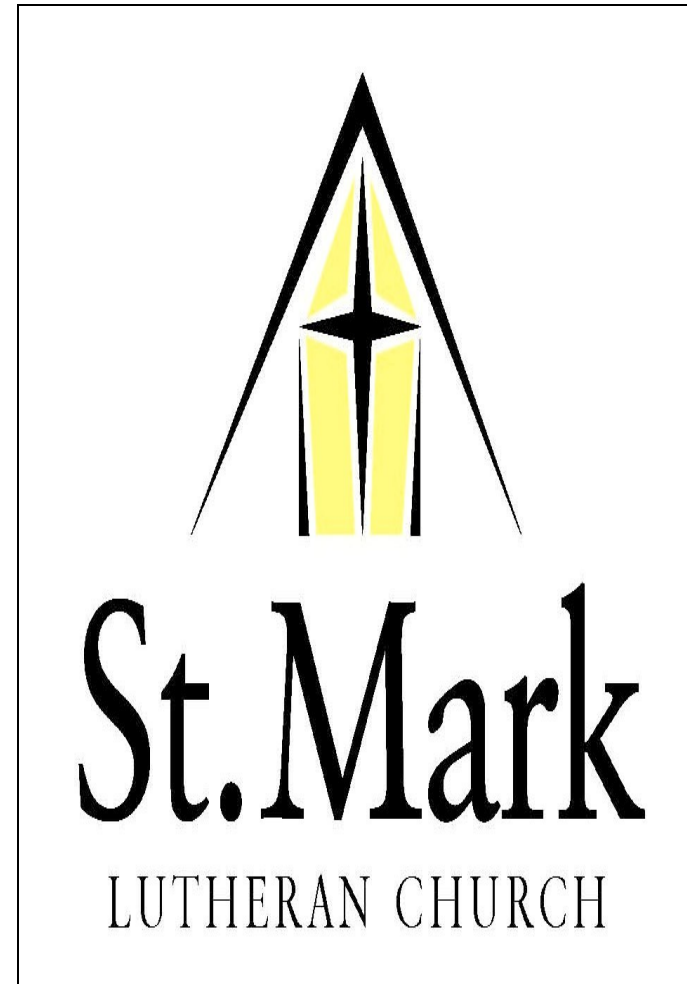
This Week at St. Mark

- Monday - Worship Service 7:00 pm
- Wednesday - Children's Service 8:30 am
- Bible Class Lexington Assisted Living Center 3:30 pm
 - Catechism Class 6:00 pm
 - Choir 7:00 pm
- Thursday - Bible Class 6:30 am
- Saturday - Church Cleaning: Sec. 1 Hodges Sec. 2 Hoefler
Sec. 3 Humphrey

Join Us at 10:20—11:10 am

Sunday School

Bible Class—The Foundations: Psalm 11:3



Reach, Teach, Rejoice!



Ephiphany 5

February 8, 2015



Please remember to turn off your cell phone.

Prayer Upon Entering Church Oh Lord—our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter—we are assembled in your presence to hear your holy Word. We pray that you would open our hearts by your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of your Word we may repent of our sins, believe in Jesus, and grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.



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 use 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 the nursery. Ask an usher to lead you to the nursery. 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.



Cake Challenge! St. Mark Lutheran School will be hosting the third annual Cake Challenge. This competition is open to St. Mark school families, members of St. Mark and Mt. Olive, and friends of St. Mark Lutheran School. The challenge will take place at St. Mark Lutheran School on **Friday, February 20th at 7:00 p.m.** The Cake Challenge will be divided into two divisions (Preschool-8th & High School-Adult). Prizes will be awarded to the most creative cake and best tasting cake in each division. Registration forms can be found in the Church foyer. Contact Mr. Drews for more information. May the best cake baker win!!

Birthdays— Sami Nelson 2/11, Verna Rank 2/12, Leah Stamps 2/13, Dewey Page 2/13, Martha Wilkinson 2/13, Phil Dinges 2/14, Tracy Jamison 2/14 **Anniversary**—Denny & Jean Riegsecker 2/14

Moving Expense Fund In order for us to be prepared as possible for our new pastor, we ask you to consider a gift for the Moving Expense Fund. You may write "Moving Expense Fund" on the envelope and put this special gift into the offering plate.

Thank you! We would like to sincerely thank everyone for all the wonderful sympathy cards, memorials and expressions of sympathy we received on the loss of our mother, Hilma Bork.

Kathy & Ken Holm, Tom & Pam Bork

News and Notes

FRIENDSHIP REGISTRY

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 fellow man. We welcome all visitors into our midst. If you have questions about our beliefs or God's Word, please ask.

Thank You for Serving!

Elders: Nate Workentine, Ben Schroeder

Usher: Mark Schwede, Larry Hans

Greeters: Carol Hans

Organist: Cindy Krushenisky

SOUP SUPPER - Our Ladies Aid will be hosting a soup supper on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18 at 6 pm. The free-will offering collected at the meal will go to our Central Africa Medical Mission (Camm). There are sign-up sheets on the table in the back of the church if you are interested in making soup or helping in another way. We hope that you can join us! *St, Mark Ladies Aid*

Flower Chart and Altar Duties: There is a 2015 flower chart located on the door near the mailboxes. All members are invited to sign up to glorify our God by beautifying our altar with flowers. You may also sign up for a month of altar duty. It's easier than ever! Helpful instructions are now located on the bookshelf in the office. Sign up now to get the dates you want!

GREETING

HYMN 580

EVERY MORNING MERCIES NEW

INVOCATION

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

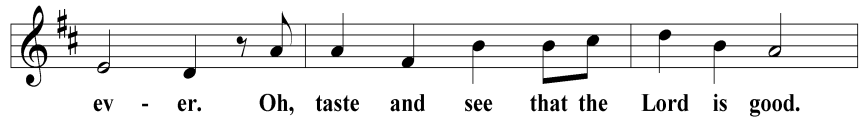
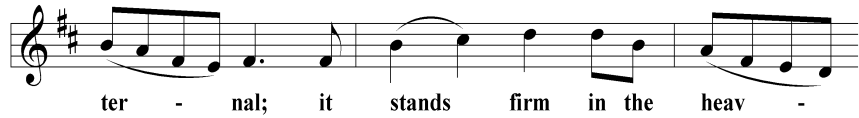
M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

OH TASTE AND SEE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: We join together in praying the prayer of the day.

C: **Almighty God, you sent your one and only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Please remember in your prayers...



- Larry Hans, who is recovering from surgery
- Vicki Marker, who is recovering from surgery
- Laura Drews, whose cousin passed away
- Pastor Joel Vogel & Family
- Jacob Kander, Jean & Denny Riegsecker's nephew.
- Karen Kander, Jean Riegsecker's mom.
- Alida Freese, Julie Nelson's mother

THE WORD

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.

HYMN 429

WHAT GOD ORDAINS IS ALWAYS GOOD

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.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.



HYMN 496

GLORIOUS IN MAJESTY

FIRST LESSON

JOB 7:1-7

PSALM OF THE DAY

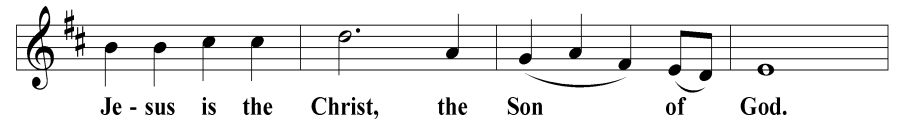
PSALM 103 (CW P. 105)

EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 8:28-30

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life. Alleluia (John 8:12)



GOSPEL

MARK 1:29-39

AFTER THE GOSPEL, THE CONGREGATION SINGS:



HYMN 451

PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND

SERMON

Mark 1:29-39

The Lord displays a low tolerance for pain.

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.

BE SEATED

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING PRAYER

Please fill out the friendship cards that are located in the hymn racks.
We ask that all members and non-members fill them out in full.
Thanks for your help.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- M:** Lord God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.
- C:** **We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.**
- M:** You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.
- C:** **We thank you for those who teach and preach your saving truth at this place and everywhere. Grant them a rich measure of patience, wisdom, and love.**
- M:** Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Watch over those who travel by land, sea, and air. Keep our loved ones from whatever perils may threaten them.
- C:** **Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.**
- M:** Bless our land, our people, and those who hold offices of high trust. Keep our government and schools upright and strong for the advancement of good citizenship and useful vocations, that we may enjoy your gifts of peace, security, and well-being.
- C:** **Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars, may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger, or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

- M:** We bring these requests before you in the name of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Take all that we have, our bodies and minds, our time and skills, our ministries and offerings, and use them to your glory.
- C:** **We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight. Amen.**