

St. Mark Lutheran Church and School

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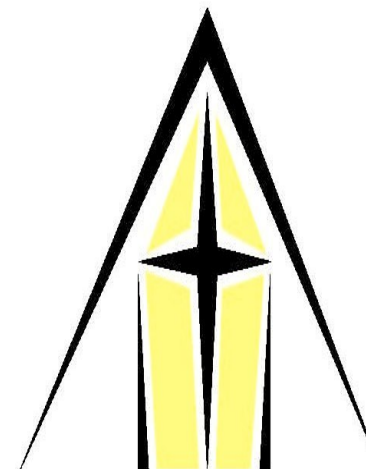
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This Week at St. Mark

- Monday - Worship w/Lord's Supper 7:00 pm
- Wednesday - Children's Service 8:30 am
- Bible Class Lexington Assisted Living Center 3:30 pm
- Catechism Class 6:00 pm
- Lenten Service 7:00 pm
- Thursday - Bible Class 6:30 am
- Saturday - Church Cleaning: Sec. 1 Mullen Sec. 2 Mundt
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St. Mark

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Reach, Teach, Rejoice!

A Measure of Our Love for Our Lord

Worship Attendance Last Week 135

Last Week's Thank Offering to our Lord

Home	\$2,463.15	Missions	\$90.00
Building Fund	\$20.00	NELHS Gen.	\$50.00
Moving Fund	\$5.00	Science Camp	\$90.00
Sunday School	\$7.50		

Total Offering— \$2,725.65

WELCOME

HYMN 221

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

STAND

INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

CONFESSION

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

ABSOLUTION

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Mark 10:47*

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

Holy Week Services

April 2, 2015—Maundy Thursday 7:00 pm

April 3, 2013—Good Friday 7:00 pm

April 5, 2013—Easter Sunday

6:30 am & 9:30 am

7:45-9:10 am—Easter Breakfast



Spring Cleanup Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 25th from 8-12. In order to accommodate more parents with young children, babysitting services will be offered this year. Please contact Carol Hans so she can get a head count on the number of kids to be watched. The council encourages anyone who is able to come out and participate. This is a great opportunity to work together and show the neighborhood the love we have for our God as we show them how much we care for his house.

Please contact Ben Schroeder with any maintenance items needing to be addressed so they can be put on the list.

Thank You for Serving!

Elders: Jarod Wilkinson, Jeff Schmidt

Usher: Brian & Trevor Wiles

Greeters: Bill & Valerie Ellsworth, Mark Nelson

Organist: Cindy Krushenisky

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.



Join Us at 10:20–11:10 am

Sunday School

Bible Class—The Foundations: Psalm 11:3

April 19—Open Forum 10:15 am

April 26—Voters’ Meeting 10:15 am

Birthdays—Carmen Wiles 3/16, Kaelyn Schroeder 3/17,
Emersyn Meyer 3/19, Eric Richert 3/20



Easter for Kids
at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church
7979 Holdrege Street

Saturday, April 4 / 12:00 pm—2:30 pm

Story of Easter* Crafts * Lunch * Music *

Free of charge: Children Ages 3-12 are Welcome!

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: Amen.

THE WORD

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, we confess that we deserve to be punished for our evil deeds. But we ask you graciously to cleanse us from all sin and to comfort us with your salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (spoken) Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Numbers 21:4-9

Psalm 38

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EPISTLE LESSON

Ephesians 2:4-10

GOSPEL

John 3:14-21

M: The Gospel according to John chapter 3.

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.

HYMN 392

Not unto Us

Sermon: Numbers 21:4-9

Struggling with the Consequences of Sin?
Stop and Look Up-God Supplies the Solution.

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 hu-
man. 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 as-
cended 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 res-
urrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

BE SEATED

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.

Easter Flowers - The Ladies Aid will be purchasing Easter lilies, tulips and mums for the altar. If anyone is interested in helping to purchase these flowers a freewill donation will be accepted. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the entryway. Please make checks out to Elfi Lee and give to her, or put checks or money in her church mailbox by March 22.



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!

Please remember in your prayers...

- Pastor Joel Vogel & Family
- Jacob Kander, Jean & Denny Riegsecker's nephew.
- Alida Freese, Julie Nelson's mother
- David and Holly Merklinger and family, whose relatives are dealing with various health issues.



SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis

Tune: WIE SOLL ICH DICH EMPFANGEN

1 O Lord, now let your serv - ant De - part in peace,
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All glo - ry to
 as - sured: For I have seen your prom - ised In -
 the Son, All glo - ry to the Spir - it, For -
 car - nate, sav - ing Word— A Light that will en -
 ev - er three in one; For as in the be -
 light - en All gloom where Gen - tiles dwell; The bril - liant,
 gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une
 crown - ing glo - ry Of those in Is - ra - el!
 name re - sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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.

OFFERING

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE SACRAMENT

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 comes with his Father to make his home in human hearts, working repentance and faith by his Spirit until he comes again. 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

Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

1 O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and
 2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly blest is
 might, Your glo - ry, earth and heav - en In
 he Who in God's name is com - ing To
 count - less ways re - cite. Ho - san - na! Come and
 set his peo - ple free! He comes to bring sal -
 save us, Lord God of hosts on high, And
 va - tion And with his blood out - poured, De -
 in your grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.
 liv - er us from bond - age— Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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.

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 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.

DISTRIBUTION

HYMN 377 Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

HYMN 379 Amazing Grace—How Sweet the Sound