

St. Mark Lutheran Church and School

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This Week at St. Mark

- Sunday - Sunday School & Bible Class 8:30 am
- Worship Service 9:30 am
- Monday - Worship Service 7:00 pm
- Bible Class Lexington Assisted Living Center 3:30 pm
- Thursday - Bible Class 6:30 am
- BIC 7:00 pm
- Saturday - Church Cleaning: Sec. 1 Wathor Sec. 2 Van Egmond
Sec. 3 Wiles
- Sunday - Worship Service 8:00 am & 10:30 am
- Sunday School & Bible Class 9:20 am



Starting Sunday, November 1, St. Mark church services will be at 8:00 am & 10:30 am. Sunday School and Bible Class will be at 9:20 am.

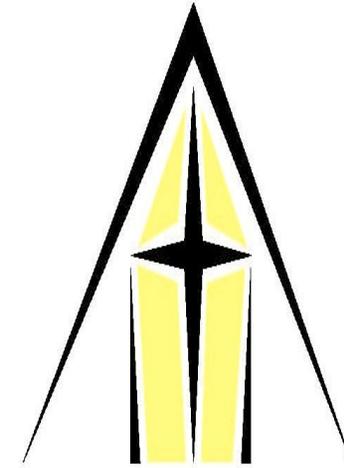
Poinsettias The Ladies' Aid will be purchasing Christmas poinsettias for the church altar. If you wish to give a donation toward the purchase of the poinsettias to help cover the cost, please make your check out to Elfi Lee and put your donation in her mailbox by Dec. 6th.

A Measure of Our Love for Our Lord

Worship Attendance Last Week 156

Last Week's Thank Offering to our Lord

Home	\$2,719.00	Missions	\$186.00
Building Fund	\$742.00	NELHS General	\$75.00
Moving Fund	\$558.00	Sunday School	\$7.00
Total Offering— \$4,287.00			



St. Mark

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Reach, Teach, Rejoice!

'God's Ambition'

HYMN: CW 411

What A Friend We Have in Jesus

Remain seated.

RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

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.**

Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when he said: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. At our baptism he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:

C: **Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.**

M: As baptized children of God we confess our sins:

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.**

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 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 use our 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.

Birthday—Dennis Riegsecker 10/25, Peggy Lindblad 10/26, Tyler Randazzo 10/26, Eva Van Egmond 10/27, Gus Stamps 10/31
Anniversary—Jim & Susan Rehm 10/28

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

Elders: James Mullen, Bryan Hodges

Ushers: Bill Marker, Mark Nelson

Greeters: Jeremiah & Laura Drews, Marcia & Detlef Gartzke

Organist: Eva Van Egmond

Coming Events:

Oct. 25 — NELHS Silent Auction 1:30 pm—4:30 pm followed by the School Fall Concert

Nov. 21 — Annual Fall Cleanup 8:00 am

Nov. 25—Thanksgiving Eve Service

The Women's Bible Study will be starting a new book, *The Best Yes* by Lysa Terkeurst, on November 1st. Please let Stacy Schleusener know if you are interested in participating at [402-202-8971](tel:402-202-8971) or schleusener1@gmail.com. The group meets on the first and third Sundays of the month at 6:30.

Please remember in your prayers...

- Sarah Brauer (Margaret Booth's daughter)
- Jacob Kander, Jean & Denny Riegsecker's nephew.
- Alida Freese, Julie Nelson's mother

My Com - for - ter, my all in all,
 For ev - 'ry sin on him was laid.
 For I am his and he is mine—
 Till he re - turns or calls me home,

(Fine)

Here in the love of Christ I stand.
 Here in the death of Christ I live.
 Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

This christological hymn summarizes the sacrificial, earthly life of our Savior and the glory that is now his forever and ours through faith.

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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: **Amen.**

The Rite of Baptism continues at the font.

M: In obedience to our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought this child to be baptized. Jesus told us: "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God's Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

M: Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart (+) to mark you as one redeemed by Christ.

Azlin Clover Monroe, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The Almighty God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

EXHORTATION

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Azlin may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

C: **Yes, as God gives me strength.**

M: Let us pray:

Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as a robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Azlin and grant her a rich measure of your Spirit that she may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to all those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come the blessed joys of heaven.

C: Amen.

HYMN: CWS 752

In Christ Alone (pages 9,10)

THE WORD

GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45

Psalm 116 (selected verses)

M: I love the LORD, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy. (vs.1)

C: Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live. (vs. 2)

M: The LORD is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion. (vs. 5)

C: The LORD protects the simplehearted; when I was in great need, he saved me. (vs. 6)

M: Be at rest once more, O my soul, for the LORD has been good to you. (vs. 7)

C: For you, O LORD, have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling. (vs. 8)

M: How can I repay the LORD for all his goodness to me? (vs. 12)

C: I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people. (vs. 14)

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In Christ Alone



1 In Christ a - lone my hope is found.
2 In Christ a - lone— who took on flesh,
3 There in the ground his bod - y lay,
4 No guilt in life, no fear in death,



He is my light, my strength, my song;
Full - ness of God in help - less babe.
Light of the world by dark - ness slain;
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;



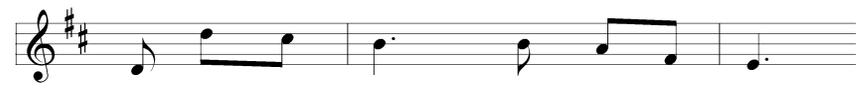
This cor - ner - stone, this sol - id ground,
This gift of love and right - eous - ness,
Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day
From life's first cry to fi - nal breath,



Firm through the fierc - est drought and storm.
Scorned by the ones he came to save.
Up from the grave he rose a - gain!
Je - sus com - mands my des - tin - y.



What heights of love, what depths of peace,
Till on that cross, as Je - sus died,
And as he stands in vic - tor - y,
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man



When fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease!
The wrath of God was sat - is - fied;
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
Can ev - er pluck me from his hand;

M: You have made us glad through your Word.

C: **We triumph in the work of your hands.**

M: Grant us your power from on high by sending us the gift of your Holy Spirit according to your promise.

C: **As you have given us the power to become your children through faith in Jesus Christ, so grant us the determination to spread your Word.**

M: Strengthen our faith and help us to put our faith into action.

C: **As we anticipate the fulfillment of your glory, give us the zeal to accomplish your will.**

M: Confident of our forgiveness and God's power working in us, our mission is clear: We dedicate ourselves...

C: **to REACH all the world with the Gospel of Jesus,
to TEACH all according to His saving Word,
and to REJOICE in the salvation that Christ has won for us all.**
(St. Mark Mission Statement)

THE BLESSING

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.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN: CW 588

Abide with Me

M: O LORD, truly I am your servant...you have freed me from my chains. *(vs. 16)*

C: **I will sacrifice a thank offering to you and call on the name of the LORD.** *(vs. 17)*

M: I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people, *(vs. 18)*

C: **O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD.** *(vs. 19)*

LESSON

1 Corinthians 9:7-12, 19-23

HYMN: CW 181 (vs. 1-4) Come, Oh, Come, Life-Giving Spirit

SERMON

2 Chronicles 26:16-23

After a brief introduction, the congregation sings...

**Grant our hearts in fullest measure
Wisdom, counsel, purity,
That we always strive to please you,
Working for you willingly.
Let the gospel spread and grow,
Bringing Satan's overthrow.**

OFFERING

Please stand.

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 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.

The Lord's Prayer

M: O Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray...

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.

Please be seated.

HYMN: CW 484

Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Luther's explanation to the 3rd Article of the Apostles' Creed

C: 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.

M: What do you mean when you make this confession of your faith?

C: I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to him. But the Holy Spirit has called me by the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way he calls gathers, enlightens and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers. On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead; and he will give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

CLOSING DIALOGUE

M: We give thanks to you, O Lord, Most High.

C: You show forth your loving-kindness every morning and your faithfulness every night.