

St. Mark

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Reach, Teach, Rejoice!

Jesus Appears

As the Lamb of God

HYMN: CW 78

O Light of Gentile Nations

OPENING DIALOGUE

M: We begin our worship in the name of God the Father,

C: **Who has created us to be the crown of his creation,**

M: In the name of God the Son,

C: **Who has redeemed us with his holy blood,**

M: And in the name of God the Holy Spirit,

C: **Who has brought us to faith and keeps us in faith.**

M: This is the day that the Lord has made,

C: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

M: I was glad when they said to me,

C: **Let us go into the house of the Lord.**

M: One thing I ask of the Lord; this is what I seek:

C: **That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Brothers and sisters, we come before a holy God knowing we are unclean people. Even when we want to serve him, our words, actions and thoughts betray the selfishness and indifference that still plague our fallen nature. So let us confess our sins to our holy God, knowing that he will never turn away from his repentant children.

C: **O Lord, my God and Father, I come before you as a broken sinner in need of restoration. You know my failings, my fears, my compromises and my doubts. You know my stubborn pride and self-righteousness. You know my most secret sins. I place these and all my sins before you. For the sake of your Son, my Savior Jesus Christ, and trusting in your mercy for his sake, I humbly ask for your forgiveness.**

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This Week at St. Mark

Sunday - Voters' Meeting 2:30 pm

Monday - No Worship Service

Wednesday - No Catechism Class

- Choir 7:00 pm

Thursday - Bible Class 6:30 am

Friday - Snow Removal: Bill Marker

Saturday - Church Cleaning: Sec. 1 Mullen Sec. 2 Rehm

Sec. 3 M. Nelson

Pastor Vogel will be out of town starting January 23rd and will return on January 25th.

Birthday— Bill Ellsworth 1/22, Harold Rank 1/24, Jacob Ripa 1/25, Beth Bergmeier 1/27

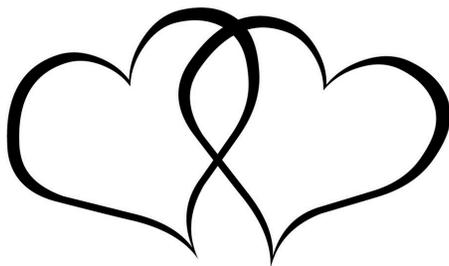
You are invited to the
2017 Marriage Seminar
 February 10 & 11
 at the Hyatt Place in downtown Lincoln

Intimate Allies

During the course of our time together, we will see how we give glory to God as we enhance the glory of our spouse. Some of the topics that we look at will be finding a common purpose and how to work to achieve it, growing our intimacy, and resolving conflict.

We will meet from 7:00 to 9:30 on Friday evening and from 9:00 to noon on Saturday. The cost will be \$25/couple. Please register by Monday, February 5.

You can call (402) 989-4775 or email
zion_clatonia@hotmail.com.



Silence for personal confession

WORD OF FORGIVENESS

M: Jesus said, "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven." So, Christ entrusted the forgiveness of sins to his Church and commanded us to forgive one another. Therefore, based on your confession and because of the promise and command of our Savior Jesus, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Be assured that you are a dear child of God and an heir of eternal life. Now leave your life of sin and serve God in all you do.

GLORY BE TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis

Tune: ST. CRISPIN



1 All glo - ry be to God on high!
 2 Our grate - ful thanks to you we bring,
 3 O Lamb of God, to you we pray.
 4 You, Christ, are ho - ly— Lord a - lone;



Your name, O Lord, we glo - ri - fy;
 For your great glo - ry, heav'n - ly King,
 You take all hu - man sin a - way.
 The Fath - er's glo - ry you made known.



We praise you for your peace and grace,
 For all, O Fath - er, you have done
 Have mer - cy, Lord; re - ceive our prayer;
 We by your Spir - it sing a - gain:



Your fav - or toward our fal - len race.
 Through Je - sus Christ, your on - ly Son.
 From God's right hand, your mer - cy share.
 "All glo - ry be to God!" A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 49:1-7

Congregation sings...

Lamb of God, pure and holy, who on the cross did suffer,
Ever patient and lowly, yourself to scorn did offer.
All sins you carried for us, else had despair reigned o'er us:
Have mercy on us, O Jesus!

SECOND LESSON

Acts 13:38-49

Congregation sings...

Lamb of God, pure and holy, who on the cross did suffer,
Ever patient and lowly, yourself to scorn did offer.
All sins you carried for us, else had despair reigned o'er us:
Have mercy on us, O Jesus!

GOSPEL

John 1:29-41

Congregation sings...

Lamb of God, pure and holy, who on the cross did suffer,
Ever patient and lowly, yourself to scorn did offer.
All sins you carried for us, else had despair reigned o'er us:
Your peace be with us, O Jesus!

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. 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.

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

Elders: James Mullen, Bryan Hodges

Ushers: Mark Schwede, Tyson Martin(E) Noel Lee, Ken Holm (L)

Greeters: Nate Workentine (E) LuAnn Wattles (L)

Organist: Cindy Krushenisky

Building Addition Fund: If you would like to give specifically to the new building addition, please write "Building Addition Fund" on the envelope to be sure that the money is allocated correctly. Put the envelope in the offering plate.

Ladies Aid - Thursday, February 3 at 6:30pm. Please join your sisters in Christ as we discuss plans for our upcoming event featuring a book signing and Q&A with our own Elfi Lee, as well as a community service/outreach project. We will also review the purchase of an "Alleluia" Banner for Easter, the purchase of ladies' service aprons, and our plans for the Ash Wednesday soup supper and fellowship. You are welcome any time!

Sue Soyk/President

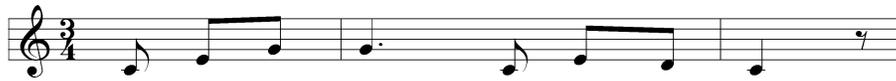
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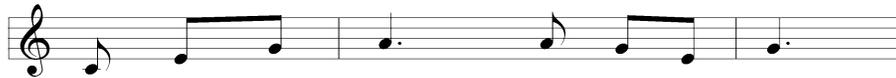
- Shirley Zacherson
- Tammy Koepsell, Wendy Colson & Eric Richert's sister
- Sarah Brauer, Margaret Booth's daughter
- Jacob Kander, Jean & Denny Riegsecker's nephew

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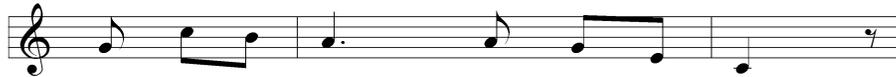
Lamb of God



1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide,
 2 Your gift of love they cru - ci - fied.
 3 I was so lost; I should have died,



But you have sent him from your side
 They laughed and scorned him as he died:
 But you have brought me to your side



To walk up - on this guilt - y sod
 The hum - ble King they named a fraud
 To be led by your staff and rod



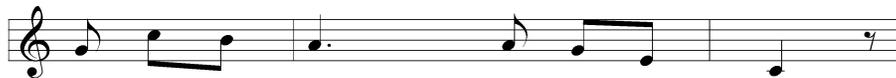
And to be - come the Lamb of God.
 And sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God.
 And to be called a lamb of God.

Refrain

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,



I love the ho - ly Lamb of God!



Oh, wash me in his pre - cious blood,



My Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

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SERMON

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Eternal God and Father, we give you thanks for the blessings we share as members of your holy Church, for your gracious Word and sacraments, for opportunities to worship and to grow in faith and knowledge, for occasions to serve and be served, for fellowship with believers in our congregation and in our synod.

C: **Help us to rejoice in these blessings, dear Lord, and to use them faithfully.**

M: Jesus Christ, Lord of the Church, you give grace to your people by calling us to be your witnesses in the world. Open our eyes to see the great and noble mission that lies before us. In the hurting eyes of the lonely, in the pained eyes of the sick, and in the searching eyes of the lost, help us to see your face, O Jesus, and to serve others as we would serve you.

C: **Awaken us to the opportunities you give to proclaim your message of love.**

M: Holy Spirit, giver of life, through Word and sacrament bestow on us the wisdom and power we need to witness clearly and to act boldly. Help us to speak the truth in love, to give the reason for the hope we have, and to conduct ourselves with gentleness and respect.

C: **Set our hearts on fire as we work and witness for Christ.**

M: Hear us, Lord, as we pray for a family member, an acquaintance, a neighbor, or a friend who does not believe in you, or whose faith is weak or troubled.

Silent prayer.

M: Bless the Church with men and women who are willing to proclaim your Word in places where we cannot go. Keep them and their loved ones in your care, and let nothing hinder their work. By the power of the gospel, restore their spirits each day, so that they do not lose heart as they serve us and others.

C: **Move us to support them with our sincere prayers and generous offerings.**

M: Wherever your Word is proclaimed, O Lord, grant it success. Let your kingdom come to us and others, so that we and many more might join the assembly of saints and angels to sing your praise forever.

C: **Savior of all, hear our prayer and help us in our mission. 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.**

HYMN: CW 82

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Confession of Faith:

Luther's Expl. to 2nd Article of Apostles' Creed

C: **I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.**

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

C: **I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord. He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with his holy, precious blood and with his innocent suffering and death. All this He did that I should be his own, and live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence and blessedness, just as he has risen from death and lives and rules eternally. 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.**

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.**

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 329

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing