



# St. Mark

LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Reach, Teach,  
Rejoice!**

# He Lives

*To Be the Way*

HYMN: CW 143

He's Risen, He's Risen

## THE 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:** Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people, we admit and confess our sinfulness. We have turned away from each other in our thinking, speaking and doing. We have done the evil you forbid and have not done the good you command. We repent and are truly sorry for our sins. Have mercy on us because of the obedience of Jesus Christ, your Son. Forgive us for all that is past, and with the power of the Holy Spirit, move us to serve you faithfully.

## WORD OF FORGIVENESS

**M:** By living a perfect life in your place and dying on the cross as the payment for all iniquity, Christ has taken away your sins. His rising from the dead on Easter morning proves that *"As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us"* (Psalm 103:12). As a servant of the risen Christ and by his supreme authority, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

*Brief organ introduction...*

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

#### OH, TASTE AND SEE

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of seven lines of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e - ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for - ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him." The score includes various musical notations such as quarter notes, eighth notes, and rests.

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# THE WORD

## FIRST LESSON

1 Kings 18:21-42

TRUST

### 769

## Lord of All Hopefulness



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,  
2 Lord of all eag - er - ness, Lord of all faith,  
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,  
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



Whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de -  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the  
Your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em -  
Whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is



stroy, Be there at our wak - ing and  
lathe, Be there at our la - bors and  
brace, Be there at our hom - ing and  
balm, Be there at our sleep - ing and



give us, we pray, Your bliss in our  
give us, we pray, Your strength in our  
give us, we pray, Your love in our  
give us, we pray, Your peace in our



hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.  
hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.  
hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.  
hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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Tune: SLANE (Irregular) Irish folk song

**SECOND LESSON**

**1 Peter 2:4-10**

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

**M:** Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord. Alleluia. (John 14:6)

*Brief piano introduction*

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

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

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in the key of D major (two sharps) and common time (C). The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two sharps. The lyrics are: 'Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!'. The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: 'These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that'. The third staff continues with lyrics: 'Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.'. The fourth staff concludes with lyrics: 'Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!'.

**M:** Almighty God, You sent Your Son to be the Way to heaven by His death and resurrection. Comfort and enliven us with Christ, the Truth, in Your Word and Sacraments,

**C:** that we might rejoice in Him, our Life, both now and forevermore.

**M:** Heavenly Father, You honor the office of motherhood and make it a symbol of Your Church, where Your people are born in Holy Baptism and nursed with the pure spiritual milk of Your Word. Receive our thanks this day for Your gift of mothers: Bless them in their ongoing vocation of love, prayer and sacrifice for their children of all ages.

**C:** **Grant that their labors might remind us of the new life You have given us through Christ and His Bride.**

**M:** Almighty God, Your Son honored You and became obedient even to death on the cross. Hear our prayers on behalf of children and youth: Provide them good and godly homes where they might be trained in Your ways.

**C:** **Give them thankful hearts that honor their fathers and mothers as Your servants.**

**M:** Heavenly Father, bestow Your grace on all the nations of the earth. Bless our land and its inhabitants and all who are in authority.

**C:** **Cause Your glory to dwell among us, and let mercy and truth, righteousness and peace everywhere prevail.**

**M:** Almighty God, You provided men of good repute to serve so that the apostles might devote themselves to prayer and the ministry of the Word.

**C:** **Bless congregations with godly pastors and lay leaders who are willing to shoulder burdens for the blessing of Your people and the spreading of Your Word.**

**M:** O Lord, as You remember us in our living and our dying, remember all those who cry to You in need.

**C:** **Strengthen and deliver them according to Your will, and grant them confidence of Your faithfulness.**

**M:** Most holy God, we give You thanks for all those whom You have called out of darkness and into Your marvelous light.

**C:** **With thanks for all the saints whom You have gathered to Yourself throughout the ages, continue to enlighten us by Your grace until we join them before Your throne.**

M: Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray.

C: 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 343 Christ Is the World's Light

### CONFESSION OF FAITH

*Luther's explanation to the 1st*

*Article of the Apostles' Creed*

C: I believe in God the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

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

C: I believe that God created me and all that exists, that he gave me my body and soul, eyes, ears and all my members, my mind and all my abilities.

And I believe that God still preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, property and home, spouse and children, land, cattle and all I own, and all that I need to keep my body and life. God also preserves me by defending me against all danger and guarding and protecting me from all evil.

All this God does only because he is my merciful Father in heaven, and not because I have earned or deserved it.

For all this I ought to thank and praise, to serve and obey him.

## CLOSING PRAYER

**M:** Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever...

**C:** **Amen.**

## 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: CWS 759 (pg. 9)      **Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled****

*Congregation sings the refrains; Soloist sings the verses*

# 759 Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled

*Refrain*



Do not let your hearts be trou-bled; have faith in God and faith in  
me. I will go forth to pre-pare a place for you; then I'll come  
back to take you with me, that where I am, you may al-so be.

- 1 In God's house there are many places For you alone to dwell in safety.  
You know the way to where I'll lead you; If you are lost, I will show the way.

*Refrain*

- 2 I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life; Only through me can you know what I know.  
If you knew me, you would know the Father; If you see me, you see your God.

*Refrain*

- 3 The words I speak are not only of myself; It is your God who lives within me.  
If you believe that your God and I are one, I will provide when you call my name.

*Refrain*

Text: John 14:1-3,6-7,10-14; alt. David Haas, b. 1957

Tune: DO NOT LET YOUR HEARTS BE TROUBLED (88 11 99 99 99)

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## 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 there. 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.

**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.

**Birthdays**—Alexis Page 5/16, LuAnn Wattles 5/18, Ben Wiles 5/18

**VBS** will take place at St. Mark on June 26-30 from 6-8 pm, with a supper from 5:30-6:00 pm. The kids will enjoy crafts, music, God's Word, fellowship, and recreation. VBS is for ages 3-13. At this time we are looking for individuals to help out this year. If you are interested, please contact Jarod Wilkinson (402) 470-7073, [jdw1996@hotmail.com](mailto:jdw1996@hotmail.com) . Thank you!

## Thank you For Serving

**Elders:** Blake Baumann, Jarod Wilkinson

**Ushers:** Dan & Dawson Dorn (E) Al Wattles, Ken Holm (L)

**Greeters:** Detlef & Marcia Gartzke (E) Ashley Hussman (L)

**Pianist:** Jocelyn Vogel



Please remember in your prayers...

Shirley Zacherson

Tammy Koepsell, Wendy Colson & Eric Richert's sister

Sarah Brauer, Margaret Booth's daughter

# St. Mark Lutheran Church and School

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## This Week at St. Mark

Monday

- Worship Service 7:00 pm

Wednesday - Bible Class Lexington Assisted Living Center 3:30 pm

- Catechism Class 6:00 pm

Thursday

- Bible Class 6:30 am

Friday

- Mowing: Craig Goodrich

Saturday - Church Cleaning: Sec. 1 Krushenisky Sec. 2 Hussman

Sec. 3 Kumwenda

## Upcoming Events

May 21, 2017 — Confirmation 10:30 am

May 25, 2017 — Ascension Service at St. Mark 7:00 pm

May 30 -June 2 Science Camp at St. Mark (3rd–8th grade)

June 11, 2017—Outdoor Worship Service

at Holmes Lake Park — hosted by Mt. Olive 10:00 am

### **A Measure of Our Love for Our Lord**

#### Worship Attendance Last Week 145

Home \$6,716.00

Missions \$587.00

Building Fund \$215.00

Building Addition \$2,315.00

NELHS Gen. \$245.00 Science Camp

\$250.00

Tuition \$120.00 Sunday School \$14.00

Total Offering— \$10,462