



**St. Mark**

LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Reach, Teach, Rejoice!*

# PENTECOST 15

## THE HUMBLE WILL BE EXALTED

SEPTEMBER 1, 2013



Please remember to turn off your cell phone.

Prayer before worship:

Heavenly Father, I have come to worship you. Draw near to me in your gracious Word, assure me of your loving kindness. Curb my wandering thoughts, that with undivided attention I may hear your voice and sing your praise. Amen.

### 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.**

## St. Mark Lutheran Church and School

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### This Week at St. Mark

- Sunday - Campus Ministry Pizza Party 7:00 pm
- Monday - Labor Day
- Tuesday - Worship w/Lord's Supper 7:00 pm
- Wednesday - Catechism 6:00 pm  
- Choir 7:30 pm
- Thursday - Ladies Aid 6:30 pm  
- PTO 6:30 pm
- Friday - Mowing: Lawn—D. Remmers, Lot—M. Schwede
- Saturday - Church Cleaning: Sec. 1 J & K Zielinski  
Sec. 2 Fanning Sec. 3 Witt
- Sunday - Campus Ministry 7:00 pm

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

Worship Attendance Last Week 192

Last Week's Thank Offering to our Lord

Home	\$2769.11	Missions	\$111.00
Building Fund	\$75.00	NELHS General	\$50.00
Sunday School	\$6.00	Tuition	\$3785.00
Total Offering—		\$6796.11	

## 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.**

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.**

## GLORY BE TO GOD

Luke 2:14

*Gloria in Excelsis*

- 1 **All glory be to God on high!  
Your name, O Lord, we glorify;  
We praise you for your peace and grace,  
Your favor toward our fallen race.**
- 2 **Our grateful thanks to you we bring,  
For your great glory, heav'nly King,  
For all, O Father, you have done  
Through Jesus Christ, your only Son.**
- 3 **O Lamb of God, to you we pray.  
You take all human sin away.  
Have mercy, Lord; receive our prayer;  
From God's right hand, your mercy share.**
- 4 **You, Christ, are holy—Lord alone;  
The Father's glory you made known.  
We by your Spirit sing again:  
"All glory be to God!" Amen.**

## THE WORD

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

C: **O Lord Jesus Christ, preserve the congregation of believers with your never-failing mercy. Help us avoid whatever is wicked and harmful, and guide us in the way that leads to our salvation; for you live and reign with the father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON — Proverbs 25:6-7

PSALM 119a

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## EPISTLE LESSON — James 2:1-13

### VERSE OF THE DAY



## GOSPEL — Luke 14:1, 7-14

M: This is the Gospel according to Luke 14:1, 7-14

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.**

**Baptism** -Thomas Jeremiah Drews will be baptized today. We praise the God of creation for adopting this child into his family and washing away his sins. Thomas is the son of Jeremiah & Laura Drews. Sponsors are Ezekiel & Stephanie Drews and Ethan Wessel.

**St. Mark Ladies Aid** will have its first meeting of the fall on September 5th at 6:30 pm in the church basement. All ladies of the congregation are invited to join us at any of our meetings. They are held the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. We look forward to a year of encouraging one another, growing in God's Word and serving our Lord and Savior as we serve our fellow members in Christ. If you have any questions, please ask, and we hope to see you there. Karen Dinges—President; Jeannie Dahlke—secretary; Linda Hoefler—Treasurer

**Campus Ministry Kick-Off and Pizza Party** Campus Ministry will be kicking off the school year with a pizza party on **Sunday, September 1st at 7 pm** at St. Mark. All college students are invited for a great fellowship opportunity and, of course, food! We will also get together at St. Mark on **Sunday, September 8th at 7 pm**. Any questions or needing a ride? Please contact either Brittany or Bryan Hodges at 402-802-6471 or Joanna or Dan Schwede at 402-560-1167.

Please remember in your prayers...



- Suzi Vanchoiack
- Bill Aden
- Wendy Hall, Jeremiah Drews's mother
- Alida Freese, Julie Nelson's mother
- Gerta Krech, Erna Westphal's sister
- Laborers

## St. Mark News and Notes



Please remember to turn off your cell phone.

**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 make use of 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 make use of our nursery. Ask an usher to lead you to the nursery. The service can be watched on a television there. 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.

**Birthdays**—Mark Stamps 9/3, Matthew Blome 9/34, Lowell Froehlich 9/5, Brenda Ripa 9/5, Asher Baumann 9/5, Mel Soyk 9/6, Lenny Monroe 9/6

### THANK YOU FOR SERVING

**Elders:** Jarod Wilkinson, Jeff Schmidt

**Ushers:** Larry & Tim Hans (E), Tom Bork, Noel Lee (L)

**Greeters:** Gordon & Shirley Zacherson (E) Al Wattles (L)

**AV Team:** Randy & Vicki Rankin, Mark Schwede, Larry Hans, Paul Dinges

**Organist:** Eva Van Egmond

Join Us in Studying God's Word at 9:20 am

### Influencing God's Children

September 8—Influences: Past and Present

September 15—The Importance of Parental Influence

September 22—Train with the Law and the Gospel

September 29 — Teach Children to Know the Will of God

October 6 — Help Children Improve; Teach Respect

October 13 — Virtues to Instill in Our Children

Sunday School Children ages 3-14: 9:20 am

Hymn 521 Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace

Sermon: 2 Thessalonians 3:10-12

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OFFERING

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*

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

1 O holy, holy, holy  
Lord God of pow'r and might,  
Your glory, earth and heaven  
In countless ways recite.  
Hosanna! Come and save us,  
Lord God of hosts on high,  
And in your grace and mercy  
Receive our fervent cry.

2 Hosanna in the highest!  
How truly blest is he  
Who in God's name is coming  
To set his people free!  
He comes to bring salvation  
And with his blood outpoured,  
Deliver us from bondage—  
Hosanna, mighty 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 in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### DISTRIBUTION

#### LAMB OF GOD

*Agnus Dei*



## Hymn 317 O Lord, We Praise You

### SONG OF SIMEON

*Nunc Dimittis*

*Luke 2:29-32*

1 O Lord, now let your servant  
Depart in peace, assured:  
For I have seen your promised  
incarnate, saving Word—  
A Light that will enlighten  
All gloom where Gentiles dwell;  
The brilliant, crowning glory  
Of those in Israel!

2 All glory to the Father,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit,  
Forever three in one;  
For as in the beginning,  
Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding  
Through all eternity.

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 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.

## Hymn 323

### Almighty Father, Bless the Word