

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 6:00 pm
 - Choir 7:30 pm
 Saturday - Church Cleaning: Sec. 1 Brady Sec. 2 Dorn
 Sec. 3 P & K Dinges

Silent Auction - Oct. 20 is the date of our area Lutheran High School's Fall Concert and Silent Auction. This annual fundraiser is hosted by the NE Lutheran Ladies Auxiliary, and proceeds will be used to purchase new curtains for the south gym stage. Please consider showing your support by donating auction items. Contact Carol Hans with your questions and donations (489-3787, hanselec@windstream.net).

Ladies Aid - Every year St. Marks is asked to help with one Auxiliary event at Nebr. Lutheran High School. This year we will be helping four area churches furnish and serve a meal to approximately 300 people after the Silent Auction/Fall Concert on Oct. 20. Monetary donations will allow us to purchase the groceries needed to prepare this meal. Please give your donations to Carol Hans, Karen Dinges or any one of our Ladies Aid members. Checks should be made payable to *St. Marks Ladies Aid*. Your help is greatly appreciated!

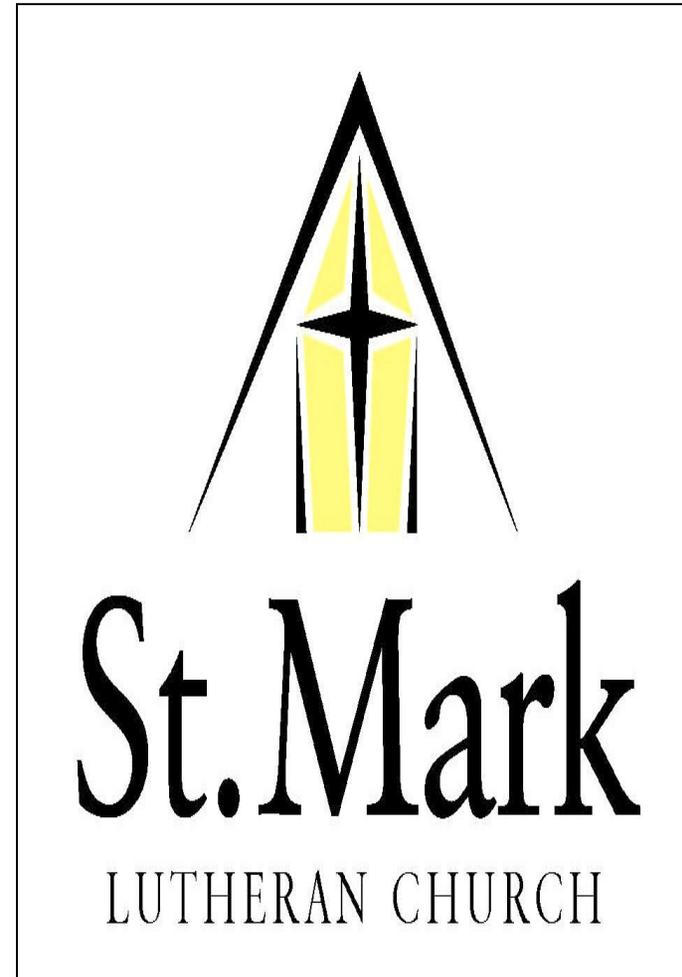
A Measure of Our Love for Our Lord

Worship Attendance Last Week, 152

Last Week's Thank Offering to our Lord

Home	\$ 2627.85	Missions	\$151.00
Building Fund	\$204.00	NELHS Gen.	\$80.00
Flat Screen TV	\$183.00	Tuition	\$690.00

Total Offering— \$3935.85



Reach, Teach, Rejoice!

WELCOME

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

C: *(spoken)* Amen.

Hymn 221 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word s. 1

**Blessed Jesus, at your Word
We are gathered all to hear you.
Let our hearts and souls be stirred
Now to seek and love and fear you,
By your teachings, sweet and holy,
Drawn from earth to love you solely.**

M: Oh, how I love your law!

C: **I meditate on it all day long.**

M: Your commands make me wiser than my enemies,

C: **for they are ever with me.**

M: I have more insight than all my teachers,

C: **for I meditate on your statutes.**

M: How sweet are your words to my taste,

C: **sweeter than honey to my mouth!** *(Psalm 119:97-99,103)*

Hymn 221 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word s. 2

**All our knowledge, sense, and sight
Lie in deepest darkness shrouded
Till your Spirit breaks our night
With the beams of truth unclouded.
You alone to God can win us;
You must work all good within us.**

M: All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

C: **so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.** *(2 Timothy 3:16,17)*

M: Yet so often we have despised God's Word and failed to gladly hear and learn it. For this and all our sins, we bow before God and humbly ask his forgiveness.

Carnival—October 26th from 2 pm—6 pm St. Mark PTO will be hosting a Reformation Carnival. Everyone is invited and encouraged to come and bring a friend and neighbor. The PTO is asking for some help to make this a successful community outreach event. Volunteers to relieve parents at their activity booths are wanted and donations of candy to hand out to participants would be appreciated. Thank you for promoting the school. Look for more to come in future bulletins.



Calling all bakers! We are looking for goodies to sell at a bake sale at this carnival. Please consider pulling out the recipe for your favorite fall dessert and donating to the sale. Items need to be delivered to church/school on Friday, October 25th or the morning of Saturday, October 26th. These items should be goods that do not require refrigeration (no cream cheese, ice cream, etc., please). If you can contribute, please sign the list on the table in the entryway. We'd like at least 35 items, and will be happy to take more. Proceeds from the sale will go directly to the school.



Free Will Offering for Flat Screen Televisions: Have you noticed? By the grace of God, we've made some major improvements to our facilities. Next we hope to beautify our entry and nursery areas by replacing the existing televisions with wall-mounted flat screen televisions. This would greatly improve the organization and traffic flow of each area, as well as be more pleasing to the eye. And nowadays, they're not as expensive as you might think! How can you help? Today, we will accept a free-will offering after the service. You may also designate an offering and place it in the offering plate during the service. Any leftover funds will go toward purchasing storage furniture for toys in the nursery. Contact Tracy Jamison or a Council member if you have questions. Thank you!

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 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—Amy Gartzke 10/3, Paige Riegsecker 10/4, Haily House 10/5 **Anniversaries**—Todd & Melissa Blome 10/2, Bill & Vicki Marker 10/2

Family Night Has your family been missing out on good, old-fashioned board games? On Friday, **September 27th**, St. Mark Lutheran School will be hosting "Family Game Night" from **6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** at the St. Mark Lutheran Church Basement. If there has been a board game that your family has been wanting to try, bring it and challenge another family. There will also be a board game, "Are You Smarter than a Fifth Grader?" pitting the Parents against their Children from 8:15-9:00. All members of St. Mark Lutheran Church, Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, and friends are invited to this event! If you are able to help setup after school on that Friday, it would be greatly appreciated!

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: Cindy Krushenisky

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

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

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.

Hymn 221 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word s. 3

**Gracious Savior, good and kind,
Light from Light, from God proceeding,
Open now our heart and mind;
Help us by your Spirit's pleading.
Hear the cry your people raises;
Hear and bless our prayers and praises.**

M: God gave his Word so "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name" (*John 20:31*). The Scriptures testify about Jesus, who lived a perfect life for you, died on the cross to pay for all your sins, and rose again to assure you of your salvation. 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: (spoken) Amen.

Hymn 221 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word s. 4

**Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Praise to you and adoration!
Grant that we your Word may trust,
Confident of our salvation,
While we here below must wander,
Till we sing your praises yonder.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Mercifully grant, O God, that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts, for without your help we are unable to please you; through Jesus Christ, your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Hymn 440 On Eagles' Wings

FIRST LESSON

Ecclesiastes 5:8-20

Hymn 234 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

SECOND LESSON

Revelation 2:8-11

Confession of Faith—Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**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.**

Hymn 451 Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Sermon Luke 16:19-31
Rich Quick by being in the Word of God

Hymn 439 Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

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 332 Go, My Children, With My Blessing

Please remember in your prayers...



- **Todd & Melissa Blome** who celebrate with thanksgiving God's grace of 20 years of marriage
- **Betty Duensing**, broke her wrist
- **Darvin Raddatz**, Pastor Raddatz's father
- **Wendy Hall**, Jeremiah Drews's mother
- **Alida Freese**, Julie Nelson's mother
- **Gerta Krech**, Erna Westphal's sister