

St. Mark Lutheran Church and School

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This Week at St. Mark

- Monday - No School this week—Fall Break
 - Church Council 6:00 pm
 - Worship w/ Lord's Supper 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 Duffield Sec. 2 Drews
 Sec. 3 L. Flood
- Sunday - NELHS Association Meeting 4:00 pm

Open Forum / Voters' Meeting

- October 13 —Open Forum at 9:20 am
 October 27 —Voters' Meeting 2:00 pm

Keith and Kristyn Getty in Seward! St. John Lutheran Church in Seward is excited to announce that the authors of popular hymns like *In Christ Alone* and *O Church Arise* will be presenting at St. John on **Thursday, October 17**. A "lunch and learn" conversation with Keith Getty will be held from 11-1 and the concert will begin at 7pm. Tickets are required for these events and are available at www.stjohnseward.org. Contact Paul Soulek (paul.soulek@stjohnseward.org or 402-643-2983) for more information.

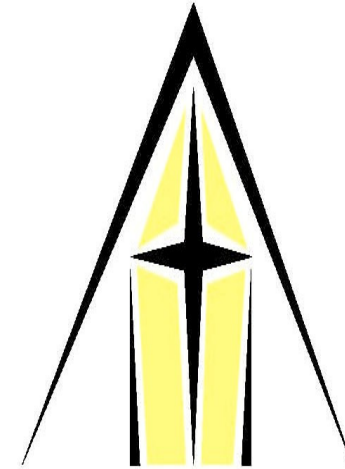
A Measure of Our Love for Our Lord

Worship Attendance Last Week, 156

Last Week's Thank Offering to our Lord

Home	\$ 2884.25	Missions	\$171.00
Building Fund	\$880.00	NELHS Gen.	\$50.00
Flat Screen TV	\$111.00	Tuition	\$3,450.00
Aluminum cans	\$17.55	Sunday School	\$16.00
Basement Donation	\$75.00	NELHS Debt.	\$75.00

Total Offering— \$7729.80



St. Mark

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Reach, Teach, Rejoice!

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

HYMN 195 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

STAND

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

M: 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 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.

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.

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! On October 26th, St. Mark Lutheran School will be hosting a Reformation carnival. 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.

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. Mark's Ladies Aid*. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Birthdays—Kelly Hans 10/9, Kelsey Kramer 10/9, Payton Duffield 10/10, Garrett Dorn 10/11, Jean Niemann 10/11, Kaiah Colson 10/12

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

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 – Open Forum

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

Snow Removal If you would be willing to help shovel the sidewalks before church services there is a signup sheet on the table in the entryway. **Thank you!**

Forward in Christ It is time once again to renew our bulk subscription for the Forward in Christ magazine. Anyone interested in receiving this Biblically-based magazine put out by Northwestern Publishing House is asked to contribute **\$11.00** in a specially marked envelope with their name on the envelope. This subscription is good for a year. Please place the money in the offering and mark it "Forward in Christ". There is also a sign up sheet on the table in the entryway.

Flower Chart The flower chart is up next to the mailboxes in the secretary's office. If you would like to provide flowers for the altar to celebrate an anniversary, birthday, etc., please sign your name next to the date you'd like. Please contact Kim Raddatz if you have any questions (402) 580-9772. Thank you!

OUR ANNUAL FALL CLEANUP DAY

Saturday, October 19th - 8:00 a.m. until we finish

This is a great opportunity to work together as we serve the Lord and show the neighborhood the love we have for our God as we care for his house. Everyone is encouraged to help out.

CAMPUS MINISTRY BONFIRE Please join fellow collegians for a bonfire at 6 pm today, October 6th at Pastor Raddatz's house: 2401 SW 84th Street Lincoln, NE 68532. Bring an empty stomach as food will be served! Please RSVP to either Pastor Raddatz at 402-304-2350, Brittany Hodges at 402-802-6471, or Joanna Schwede at 402-560-1167. Call for directions or to carpool. Hope to see many collegians there for a fun fellowship opportunity!

Sacrament of Baptism

- M: In obedience to the command of 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 and 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 a redeemed child of Christ. Emilia Irene Workentine, 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 Emilia 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 blessings of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Emilia 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 responsibility to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.
- C: Amen.**

God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It

(soloists—Jake and Jordan Geisert)

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON 1 Chronicles 29:1, 2, 10-18

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EPISTLE LESSON Romans 6:15-23

HYMN 493 Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

SERMON Luke 17:1-10

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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.

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

Elders: Dave Remmers, Gus Stamps

Ushers: Rainer Gartzke, Dwayne Burianek (E), James Mullen, Maclain Randazzo (L)

Greeters: Mark & Carolyn Schwede (E) Jeremiah & Laura Drews (L)

AV Team: Detlef Gartzke, Amy Gartzke, Logan Flood, Daniel Schwede, Dave Dahlke

Pianist: Joanna Schwede

Please remember in your prayers...

- Emilia Irene Workentine
- Deloris Colson, Chad Colson's grandmother
- Darvin Raddatz, Pastor Raddatz's father
- Wendy Hall, Jeremiah Drews's mother
- Alida Freese, Julie Nelson's mother
- Gerta Krech, Erna Westphal's sister



Baptism Emilia Irene Workentine will be adopted into God's family through Holy Baptism this morning in the 10:30 am service as her parents, Nate & Amy Workentine bring her forth to our Lord. Michael Kracke & Ben Workentine will serve as her sponsors.

STAND

SONG OF SIMEON

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!

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.

PRAYER

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 will 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 579 Lift High the Cross

OFFERING

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE SACRAMENT

Our church practices close communion. We ask that only members partake of the Sacrament.

PREFACE

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, Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION

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