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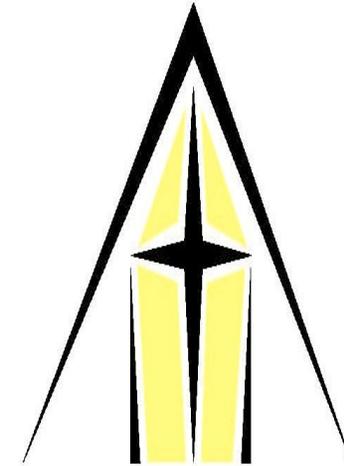
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This Week at St. Mark

- Monday - Worship Service 7:00 pm
- Wednesday - Bible Class Lexington Assisted Living Center 3:30 pm
- Catechism Class
- Thursday - Bible Class 6:30 am
- Friday - Spaghetti Meal, Bake Sale, Silent Auction 5:00 -6:30 pm
- Musical 7:00 pm
- Snow Removal: Josh Van Egmond
- Saturday - Church Cleaning: Sec. 1 Duffield Sec. 2 Dahlke
Sec. 3 Daharsh



St. Mark
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Reach, Teach, Rejoice!

Resurrection Power

HYMN: CW 143 (verses 1-3)

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: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

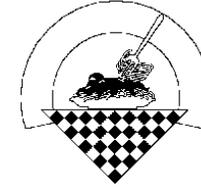
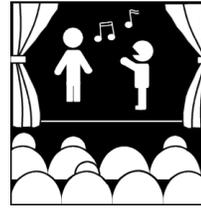
WORD OF FORGIVENESS

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. His resurrection proves that your salvation has been won. You are a redeemed child of God. May He give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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



Come join us this coming Friday evening for our students' musical "The Rock Slinger", a spaghetti meal, bake sale and silent auction. All money raised will be applied toward the new classroom. The meal and auction take place from 5:00 to 6:30. The musical starts at 7:00. You won't want to miss it!!

Here are some of the items being auctioned off this year:

- Skydiving (if you dare!)
- Children's Zoo gift certificate (summer's coming)
- Wild Bird Habitat items (for your feathered friends)
- Brand New Office Chair (you know you need one!)
- A Flying Lesson (No Stunts! We promise!)
- Certificate for Fireworks (not just sparklers!)
- Husker Helmet Scentsy warmer with scent blocks (you'll be the envy of the tailgating gang)
- Loom-knitted Scarf for those chilly spring days
- Miscellaneous Kids' Arts & Crafts assortment (again...summer's coming... do you have activities for your kids or grandkids?)
- And MORE. You'll just have to come & see!

The bake sale will include such delights as homemade kolaches, cinnamon rolls, pies, cakes, cupcakes from Chez Hay, cookies and much more to tempt your taste buds! Do you like meat? You'll have opportunities to score steaks, pork chops, Wilber Dogs, etc. Just in time for grilling season!

Please join us; we'd love to see you there!!!



**** Spring Cleanup Day ****

Our annual Spring indoor and outdoor cleaning will be on
Saturday - April 30th - 8:30 am until we finish

Please bring lawn rakes, shovels, pails, tarps, and rags. Cleaning supplies will be at church. A cleaning list is posted by the north doors.

Please contact Ben Schroeder with any maintenance items that need to be addressed.

Coffee and Donuts will be provided.

This is a great opportunity to work together and show the neighborhood the love we have for our God as we show them how much we care for his house.

Please remember in your prayers...

- Jesse & Janine Theiler who celebrate with thanksgiving God's grace of 15 years of marriage
- Bruce Freese, Julie Nelson's brother
- Joe Merklinger
- Oriah Uecker, Tracy & Curt Jamison's niece
- Sarah Brauer, Margaret Booth's daughter
- Jacob Kander, Jean & Denny Riegsecker's nephew



After brief introduction, the congregation sings...

**Oh, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;
Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door.
For all our transgressions his blood does atone;
Redeemed and forgiven, we now are his own.**

**Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;
Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.
Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain,
Who now sits in glory and ever shall reign.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O God, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world from the despair of death. By his resurrection to life, grant your faithful people gladness of heart and the hope of eternal joys; through your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please be seated.

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Revelation 5:11-14

HYMN: CW 227

Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs

SECOND LESSON

Acts 9:1-19a

VERSE OF THE DAY

Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. Our hearts were burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us. Alleluia. (Luke 24:32 cf. NIV)

Brief organ 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!

GOSPEL

John 21:1-14

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN: CWS 719 (*Bulletin pg. 8*)

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

SERMON

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The 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

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. 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.

Martin Luther College is now accepting applications for **one regular part-time Web Content Manager**. A comprehensive description of this position and application can be secured by visiting www.mlc-wels.edu/hr. Applications will be accepted through 12:00 pm (noon) on Monday, April 11, 2016. Additional information and details can be obtained by contacting the Martin Luther College Human Resources Office at 507-354-8221, ext. 399.

Martin Luther College is now accepting applications for **two full-time Assistant Teachers** at the Early Childhood Learning Center. A comprehensive description of this position and application can be secured by visiting www.mlc-wels.edu/hr. Applications will be accepted through 12:00 pm (noon) on Wednesday, April 13, 2016. Additional information and details can be obtained by contacting the Martin Luther College Human Resources Office at 507-354-8221, ext. 399.

Birthday— Rich Beltz 4/10, Larry Hans 4/12, Chloe Stamps 4/16
Anniversary — Jesse & Janine Theiler 4/14

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

Elders: James Mullen, Bryan Hodges

Ushers: Larry Hans, Tyson Martin (E) Rich Beltz, James Mullen(L)

Greeters: Dwayne & Dorothy Burianek (E) Tom & Pam Bork (L)

Pianist: Jocelyn Vogel

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia



Choir 1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
 Choir 2 For three long days the grave did its worst
 Women 3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear.
 Men 4 "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave.
 All 5 Christ has a - ris - en; he sets us free.



Re - joice and praise him, al - le - lu - ia.
 Un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
 You look for Je - sus who is not here.
 He has a - ris - en this world to save.
 Al - le - lu - ia, to him prais - es be.



For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
 He who gives life did death un - der - go.
 See for your - selves the tomb is all bare.
 Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done;
 Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;



E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
 And in its con - quest his might did show.
 On - ly the grave cloths are ly - ing there."
 E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."
 He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

Refrain: All



Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy.



Death's fear - ful sting he has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

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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.

OFFERING

Please stand.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- M:** O Lord God, our strength, our song, and our salvation, you fulfilled your promises by the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, from the dead.
- C:** **Thanks be to God! You give us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**
- M:** In your compassion you sent Christ, the Good Shepherd, who laid down his life to rescue the lost.
- C:** **Drive out all doubt and gloom that we may delight in your glorious triumph.**
- M:** Lift our eyes heavenward to see him who lives to make intercession for the saints, and grant us confidence in the greatness of his power. Keep before us the vision of your redeemed people standing before your throne and singing the song of victory:
- C:** **Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive wisdom and power and honor and glory and praise.**
- M:** Make us instruments of your peace as we bring the good news of hope and new life to those around us. Guide us in the use of all that you have entrusted to us: our time, our talents, and our treasures.
- C:** **Risen Lord, live in us that we may live for you.**

M: Merciful Lord Jesus, grant healing to the sick, and strengthen the faith of the suffering and the dying. Assure them of your abiding presence, and comfort them with the hope of eternal life.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Gracious Father, you have restored to us the joy of your salvation. With happy hearts we come before you and say:

C: Alleluia! Thanks be to God! 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 160

This Joyful Eastertide

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: A - men. A - men. A - men.

HYMN

See, What A Morning

See, what a morning, gloriously bright,
With the dawning of hope in Jerusalem;
Folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light,
As the angels announce, "Christ is risen!"
See God's salvation plan,
Wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,
Fulfilled in Christ, the Man,
For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?"
As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;
Hears a voice speaking, calling her name;
It's the Master, the Lord raised to life again!
The voice that spans the years,
Speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,
Will sound till He appears,
For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

One with the Father, Ancient of Days,
Through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty.
Honor and blessing, glory and praise
To the King crowned with pow'r and authority!
And we are raised with Him,
Death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered;
And we shall reign with Him,
For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!