



St. Mark

LUTHERAN CHURCH

REACH, TEACH, REJOICE!

February 4, 2018



We're delighted you've chosen to worship with us this morning. At St. Mark it's our commitment to you that we faithfully proclaim God's Word so that your faith may grow during your time with us. Our goal is to make disciples of Jesus Christ by proclaiming the good news of what He has done for us. We welcome the opportunity to answer any questions you have.

- **Ushers and Greeters** are available in the narthex (entryway) to answer any questions you may have and offer you any assistance you may need.
- **Restrooms** are located in the hallway to the north of the sanctuary.
- **We love having children** in worship and encourage them to sing and pray along with their parents. **Children's Bulletins and Busy Bags** are available in the entryway for your family to use. If your child becomes a bit restless during the service and you think they could use a break, we have a **Nursery Space** in the church office that you can use. An usher can guide you there.
- **Friendship Cards** are found in the racks of each pew. We ask that during the offering you fill out a card that we may have a record of your visit and get to know you a little bit better.

OUR THEME FOR TODAY – *Listen to Christ*

Jesus shows his glory by his triumph over the devil's power. In his own day he sometimes did that openly for many to see. Today he still does it just as effectively but in a less public way. Through his Word he defeats the plans of the devil. Through the Word he give us hope. Through the Word he reveal his truth. Therefore, listen to him as he speaks.

DIVINE SERVICE I

HYMN: CW 556

Rise, Shine, You People

INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

Brief organ introduction precedes the song.



WORD OF FORGIVENESS

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.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

GLORY TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis



Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and



Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly



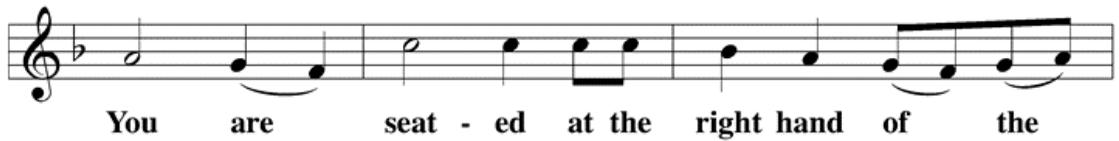
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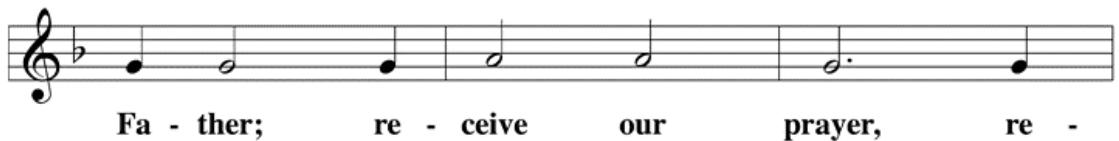
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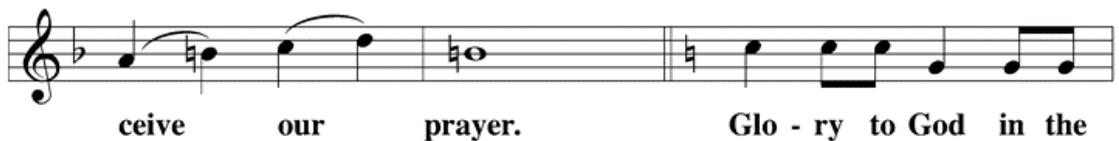
world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the



Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer, re -



ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. For



you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the



Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,



Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the



glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

After the Gospel is read:

M: The Gospel of the Lord.



CONFESSION OF FAITH:

The Nicene Creed

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.

HYMN: CW 353

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

SERMON

Cre - ate in me a
pure heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with -
in me. Do not cast me a - way from your
pres - ence or take your Ho - ly Spir - it from
me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -
hold, up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE SACRAMENT

We follow the historic Christian practice of *close communion*. We ask that only members of St. Mark Lutheran or one of our sister congregations partake of the sacrament. If you are not a member, please speak to the pastor before communing.

Opening Sentences

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 lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,
 God of might: heav'n and earth are full of your glo -
 ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless -
 ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
 na in the high - est. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

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.



O Christ, Lamb of



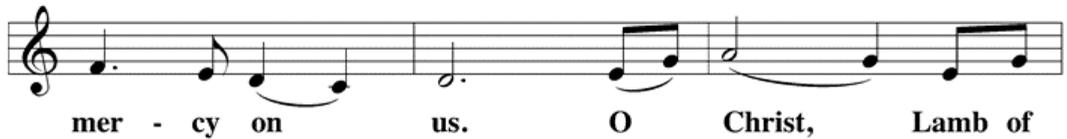
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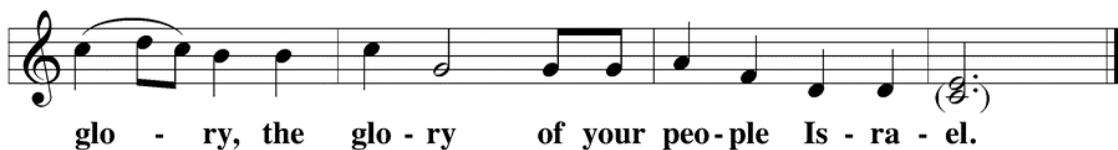


grant us your peace. A - men. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN: CW 82

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: **And his mercy endures forever.**

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

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: CW 333 (verses 1-4)

Abide, O Dearest Jesus

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

- Choir Practice 7:00 pm

Thursday - Bible Class 6:30 am

Friday - Snow Removal: P. Dinges

Saturday - Church Cleaning: Sec. 1 – L. Hans Sec. 2 - Hawkins Sec. 3 – Hoefler

Please remember in your prayers...

- Dwayne Burianek
- Ken Holm
- Shirley Zacherson
- Jerry Tielke

Birthdays—Margaret Schmidt 2/4, Eleanor Oltman 2/5

St. Mark News and Notes

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.

Box Tops for Education: St. Mark Lutheran School is collecting Boxtops for Education, which are located on many of the products you already purchase. Our school can redeem the Boxtops for cash. Please put your unexpired Boxtops in the designated box on the office bulletin board. Thank you!

"It's that time of year again! Time to clean and upgrade our church busy bags for young worshipers. Tina Schmidt is looking for donations of 24-pack crayons, religious coloring books, religious or I-spy reading books, small magna doodles, hot wheel cars, small dolls (with no removable parts), and the like. Monetary donations are welcome too. Please place donations in the cry room cupboards with a note attached or talk to Tina Schmidt in person. Texting welcome at [402-310-8984](tel:402-310-8984). Thank you for your dedication to our children and guests!"

Serving in God's House Today

Elders: Blake Baumann, Jarod Wilkinson

Ushers: Bill Marker, Larry Hans (E) Al Wattles, Rich Randazzo (L)

Greeters: Carol Hans (E) LuAnn Wattles (L)

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