

Saint Mark's Lutheran Church

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Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 12th, 2016

Assisting with Worship Today:

Presiding Minister	<i>The Rev. Bryan Penman</i>
Director of Music Ministries	<i>Emily Erb</i>
Assisting Minister	<i>Joe Jacovino</i>
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Reader	<i>Karl Schreiter</i>
Usher	<i>Erin Orekar & Karen Hanna</i>
Acolyte	<i>Joanne Poponicz</i>
Nursery	<i>The Kreibels</i>
Altar Guild	<i>Sandy Portzer & Joanne Copestick</i>
Counters	<i>Rhea Moore & Susan Jacovino</i>
Offering Recorder	<i>Kathy Pokalo</i>
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Welcome to St. Mark's, we are so glad you are with us today!

No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, you have a place here. ***This is Christ's Church. There is a place for you here.*** We are a church that shares a living and daring confidence in God's grace. Liberated by our faith, we embrace you as a whole person - questions, complexities and all. Join us as we do God's work in Christ's name for the life of the world.

Children are always welcome to participate in worship. We invite all children to try to be in worship through the children's sermon (about 20 minutes) and then invite the children, if they want, to head to the nursery, but we love to have the children with us through the whole worship service! To help our youngest worshipers, "Little Lutheran Activity Bags" are located in the rear of the sanctuary which have crayons and worship appropriate coloring pages. We offer a children's bulletin that has puzzles and activities for little worshipers to work on during the service, and we offer a "Soft Space" for infants and toddlers to spread out a bit in during worship. Worshiping with children is important to us, and so we hope you find these things helpful so that you may worship together as a family.

Restrooms are located through the back left – exit the sanctuary, go up the stairs, through the first room to the end of the hallway. If you need assistance, please see the attendants (ushers) at the back of the sanctuary.

Cell phones and other electronic devices are welcome to be used to Post, Tweet and Instagram the Good News you hear today, but we kindly ask you to turn the sound off on them so that they do not cause a distraction to other worshipers.

Our team of ushers is available throughout the service to be of any assistance you might need. Assistive Listening devices are available. Please see an usher.

Are you new or visiting St. Mark's? If you would like to receive more information about St. Mark's, we have several methods where you can leave your information with us. At the entry ways to the sanctuary, you will find our guest books in which you can leave your name and contact information, or in the pews we have blue cards that you can fill and place in the offering plate, or if you like, you can sign our electronic guest book. We'd be delighted to keep you informed about the many events and opportunities here at St. Mark's and hope you will join us again. For the electronic book, open your mobile device to the bar code scanner and take a picture of this square QR code; it will take you to our electronic guest book.



Let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



Gathering
Song
ELW 823

Praise the Lord! O Heavens

1 Praise the Lord! O heav'ns, a - dore him; praise him, an - gels, in the height;
2 Praise the Lord, for he is gra - cious; nev - er shall his prom - ise fail.

sun and moon, re - joice be - fore him; praise him, gleam - ing stars and light.
God has made his saints vic - to - rious; sin and death shall not pre - vail.

Praise the Lord, for he has spo - ken; worlds his might - y voice o - beyed;
Praise the God of our sal - va - tion; hosts on high, his pow'r pro - claim;

laws which nev - er shall be bro - ken for their guid - ance he has made.
heav'n and earth, and all cre - a - tion, laud and mag - ni - fy his name!

Greeting

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **G** Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

Canticle of Praise



G Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



U 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, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



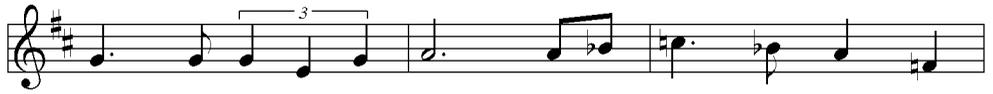
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



II Lord Je - susChrist, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



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



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



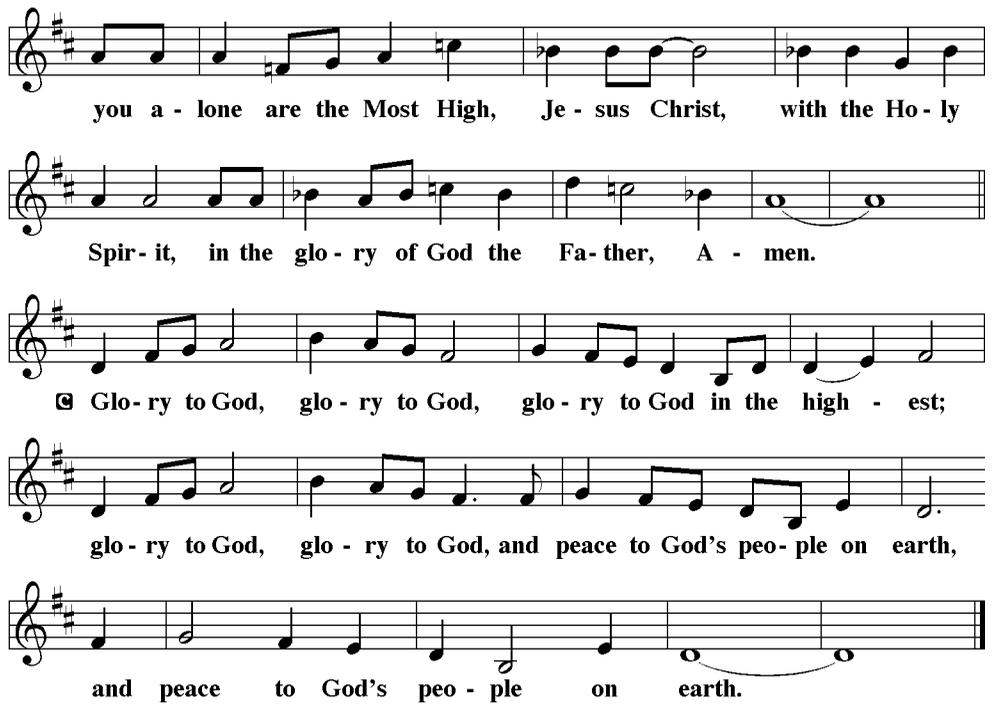
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glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



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II 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, A - men.
☞ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth,
and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Compassionate God, you have assured the human family of eternal life through Jesus Christ. Deliver us from the death of sin, and raise us to new life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

+ Word +

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching, song and prayer

First Lesson

2 Samuel

11:26--12:10,
13-15

King David seduced his neighbor Bathsheba and was responsible for the death of her husband, Uriah. God sends the prophet Nathan to confront the king.

Nathan tells the king a parable and opens David's eyes to see his own guilt.

A Reading from Second Samuel:

²⁶When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. ²⁷When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son.

But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord, ^{12:1}and the Lord sent Nathan to David. Nathan came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. ²The rich man had very many flocks and herds; ³but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. ⁴Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." ⁵Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; ⁶he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity."

⁷Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; ⁸I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. ⁹Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in the Lord's sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. ¹⁰Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised

me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. ¹³David said to Nathan, “I have sinned against the Lord.” Nathan said to David, “Now the Lord has put away your sin; you shall not die. ¹⁴Nevertheless, because by this deed you have utterly scorned the Lord, the child that is born to you shall die.” ¹⁵Then Nathan went to his house.

The Lord struck the child that Uriah’s wife bore to David, and it became very ill.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalmody

Psalm 32

Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin. (Ps. 32:5)

¹Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven,
and whose sin is | put away!

²**Happy are they to whom the Lord im- | putes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there | is no guile!**

³While I held my tongue, my bones with- | ered away,
because of my groaning | all day long.

⁴**For your hand was heavy upon me | day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the | heat of summer.**

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not con- | ceal my
guilt.

I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.” Then you
forgave me the guilt | of my sin.

⁶**Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you
in | time of trouble;**

**when the great waters overflow, they | shall not reach
them.**

⁷You are my hiding-place; you preserve | me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts | of deliverance.

⁸**“I will instruct you and teach you in the way that | you
should go;**

I will guide you | with my eye.

⁹Do not be like horse or mule, which have no | understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will | not
stay near you.”

¹⁰**Great are the tribulations | of the wicked;**

but mercy embraces those who trust | in the Lord.

¹¹Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice | in the Lord;
shout for joy, all who are | true of heart.

Second Lesson
Galatians 2:15-21

Paul preaches on the power of God's grace to make us faithful. We are made right with God through Jesus Christ alone, through no work of our own. As a result, Christ's life has become our whole identity.

A Reading from Galatians:

¹⁵We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. ¹⁷But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. ¹⁹For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; ²⁰and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹I do not nullify the grace of God; for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Reading

Luke 7:36--8:3

Through a dramatic encounter of rich and poor, righteous and sinner, Jesus teaches the relationship between receiving mercy and responding with a lavish outpouring of love. Jesus also provokes his host by claiming authority to forgive sins.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

Glory to you O Lord.

³⁶One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, and Jesus went into the Pharisee's house and took his place at the table. ³⁷And a woman in the city, who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. ³⁸She stood behind Jesus at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair. Then she continued kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment. ³⁹Now when the Pharisee who had invited Jesus saw it, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him—that she is a sinner." ⁴⁰Jesus spoke up and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Teacher," he replied, "speak." ⁴¹"A certain creditor had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. ⁴²When they could not pay, he canceled the debts for both of them. Now which of them will love the creditor more?" ⁴³Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom the creditor canceled the greater debt." And Jesus said to him, "You have judged rightly." ⁴⁴Then turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. ⁴⁵You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. ⁴⁶You

did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment.⁴⁷ Therefore, I tell you, her sins, which were many, have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little.”⁴⁸ Then Jesus said to the woman, “Your sins are forgiven.”⁴⁹ But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, “Who is this who even forgives sins?”⁵⁰ And Jesus said to the woman, “Your faith has saved you; go in peace.”

^{8:1} Soon afterwards Jesus went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the dominion of God. The twelve were with him,² as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out,³ and Joanna, the wife of Herod’s steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their resources.

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly may be seated.

**Children’s
Sermon**

Children are invited forward for a short lesson before the sermon. After the children’s sermon, the children are invited to return to their seats with their parents or leave to spend time in the nursery.

Sermon

The Rev. Bryan Penman



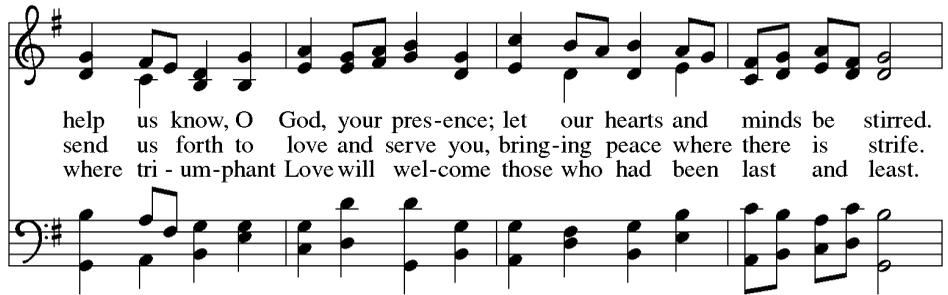
Hymn of
the Day
ELW 522

*The
assembly
stands to
proclaim the
word of God
in song.*

As We Gather at Your Table



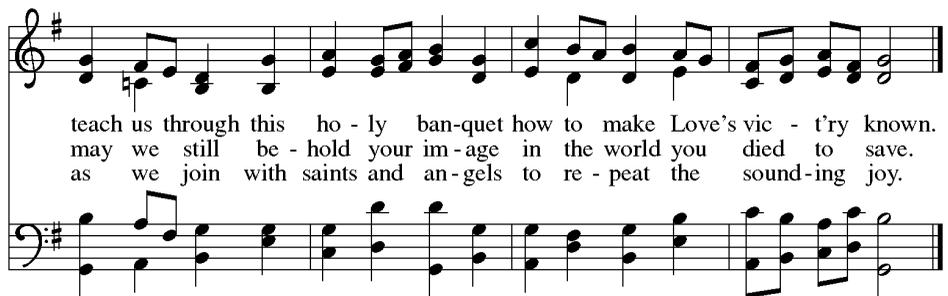
1 As we gath-er at your ta-ble, as we lis-ten to your word,
2 Turn our wor-ship in-to wit-ness in the sac-ra-ment of life;
3 Gra-cious Spir-it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.
where tri-um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa-cred sto-ry till we claim it as our own;
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for-give as you for-gave;
There no more will en-vy blind us nor will pride our peace de-stroy,



teach us through this ho-ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic-t'ry known.
may we still be-hold your im-age in the world you died to save.
as we join with saints and an-gels to re-peat the sound-ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenliedjes en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932
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**Apostle's
Creed**

Together with the whole people of God, let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

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

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**



Prayers of the People

Prayers reflect the wideness of God's mercy for the whole world

The Assisting Minister invites us into prayer

Let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Each portion of the prayers ends with:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The presiding minister concludes the prayers with these words:

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

For our friends and family: Don Dunn, Bob, Pastor Brad Lacey, Becky, Michael, Derry, Katie Gresh, Rodney Hodges, Dottie Woodring, Bruce, Dominic, Jenny, Ann Beatty, Veronica Smith, Shepherd, Chris Myers, Dillon McKay, Joanne

We give thanks for:
Our First Communicants

We remember and pray for those grieving this day:
Vasas and Bizzarri Families

Peace

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

+ Meal +

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

An offering is gathered to support the mission of the church. Funds gathered today will help sustain our ministry efforts at St. Mark's, support the wider national church and help those in need.

During the month of June we will be collecting a special offering to support the work and ministry of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia as they work to train and equip new leaders for the church.

Offertory

Made to Worship

Chris Tomlin
Mike Sloan, Guitar

Offertory Canticle

*The assembly
stands as the gifts
and offerings are
brought forward*



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were



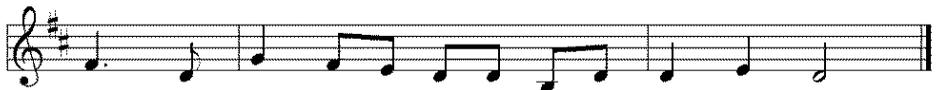
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we



of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,



Lord, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.

Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

**Great
Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Dialogue

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

The Presiding Minister continues:

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

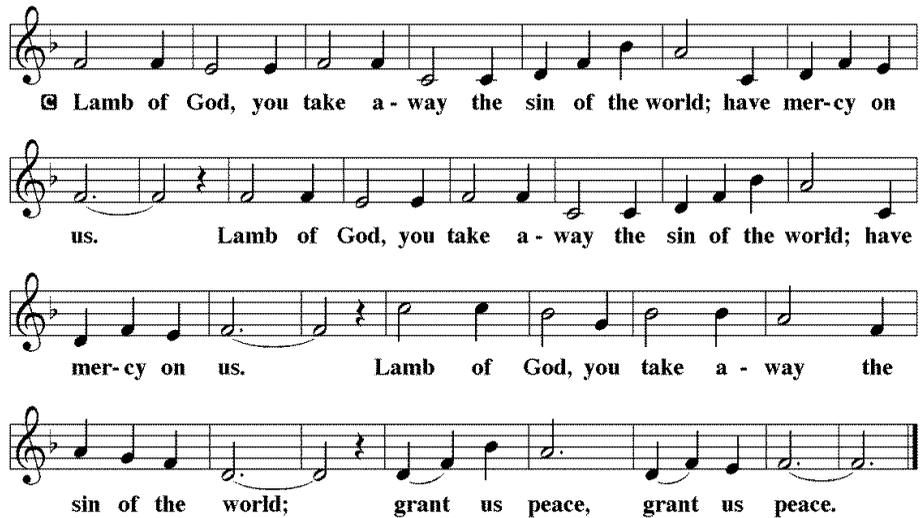
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Words of
Institution*

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

Lamb of God



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 peace, grant us peace.

Distribution of Communion

At the direction of the ushers please come forward to the Altar rail where you may kneel or stand. Receive the bread from the pastor, then take an empty cup if you would like wine, or if you would like grape juice, take a pre-filled cup from the center of the tray.

When you have finished communing you are invited to return to your seat by the side aisle and join in singing the communion hymns printed in the bulletin.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond -- Amen.

Today we welcome to the table for the first time:

*Stella Ruggiero
Annie Patrino
Chase Conklin
Benjamin Spinner
Harry Schrieter*

God made a place in love for you today!!

**Communion
Hymn**
ELW 491

Come, Let Us Eat



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
 2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
 3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,
 4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,



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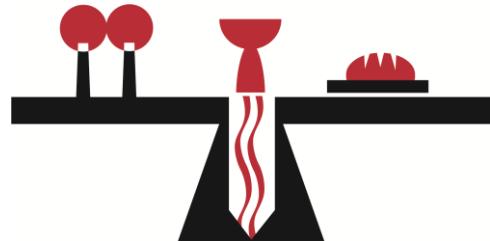


Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,
 In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,



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 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er.
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 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom.

Text: Billema Kwillia, b. 1925, sts. 1–3; Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930, st. 4, alt.; tr. Margaret D. Miller, b. 1927, sts. 1–3, alt.
 Music: A VA DE, Billema Kwillia, adapt.
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**Communion
Hymn**
ELW 658

O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts



1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of
2 We taste you, ev - er - liv - ing bread, and long to
3 For you our rest - less spir - its yearn, wher - e'er our
4 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay! Make all our



life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -
feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -
chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you
mo - ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a -



parts we turn, un - filled, to hear your call.
head; our thirst - ing souls from you we fill.
turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.
way! Shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Ray Palmer, 1808–1887, alt.
Music: WALTON, W. Gardiner, *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

**Post Communion
Blessing**

The assembly stands

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and
keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

**Post Communion
Prayer**

O God, as a mother comforts her child,
**so you comfort your people,
carrying us in your arms
and satisfying us with this food and drink,
the body and blood of Christ.
Send us now as your disciples,
announcing peace and proclaiming
that the reign of God has come near;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

+ Sending +

The Spirit sends us into the world to serve

Announcements *Ways for you to be sent to do God's work this week with your hands.
Announcements are made behalf of the community.*

*During the summer we will also share what we will be taking with us from
worship into the week – sharing the “Good News” that we heard today.*

Sending Blessing The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.
Amen.

Sending Hymn *ELW 604*

O Christ, Our Hope



1 O Christ, our hope, our hearts' de - sire, cre - a - tion's
2 How vast your mer - cy to ac - cept the bur - den
3 But now the bonds of death are burst, the ran - som
4 Oh, let your might - y love pre - vail to purge us
5 All praise to you, as - cend - ed Lord; all glo - ry



might-y Lord, re - deem - er of the fall - en world, by
of our sin, and bow your head in cru - el death to
has been paid; you reign a - bove at God's right hand, in
of our pride, that we may stand be - fore your throne by
ev - er be to Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it blest through



ho - ly love out - poured, by ho - ly love out - poured:
make us clean with - in, to make us clean with - in.
robes of light ar - rayed, in robes of light ar - rayed.
mer - cy pu - ri - fied, by mer - cy pu - ri - fied.
all e - ter - ni - ty, through all e - ter - ni - ty!

Text: Latin hymn, c. 8th cent.; tr. John Chandler, 1806–1876, adapt.
Music: LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN, Nikolaus Herman, 1480–1561

Dismissal The worship has ended, the service begins...
Go in peace. Share the Good News.
Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Gott, ihr Christen, allzubleich

Arr. Simone Stella

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Service Ministry Announcements:

Ways you can help us serve God here at St. Mark's

June Special Collection Items: Kid Snack's for CNC

During the month of June we will be collecting kid friendly healthy snacks for our local food pantry. During the summer months children who normally rely on free and reduced cost meals at school go without – so having kid snacks at the local food pantry is critical during the summer months. Items can be placed at the back of the sanctuary in our donation baskets.

Special Collection Envelopes: The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia

During the month of June we will be collecting a special collection to support the work of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. LTSP is a seminary of our denomination and works to equip future leaders of the church so that congregations continue to have pastors, musical leaders, educators – both lay and rostered in church leadership. It is no secret that the seminary is struggling right now and the debt load of students exiting the seminary is a problem the church as a whole is facing. The seminary needs our support now more than ever!

Community Garden spot up and running

Matt Hoffman and others were busy this past weekend down at the Conshy Community Garden where St. Mark's has a plot to grow veggies for the summer. All of the produce that is grown will be donated to our local food pantry, CNC, to help with providing healthy food to people in need. To sign up to help with our plot at the garden, email Matt Hoffman (mhoffmanpga@gmail.com) to be connected with the sign-up-genius volunteer sheet.

Faith Formation Ministry Announcements:

Ways you can develop your faith life, learn about God and develop as disciples

Bible Study with Pastor

Pastor holds a bible study on Tuesday mornings at 10:30am. Currently we are exploring the life of the disciples. All are welcome to join as we explore scripture, our faith and learn more about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ!

Tweeners – “Searching for Sunday” book study

UPDATE to the schedule, we like this book so much that we are adding some additional study times! It's still not too late to join us! Join us on Tuesday evening at 7pm as we explore the next chapter of the book on Communion. Upcoming session for the study are:

- June 21st – Holy Orders
- June 28th – Anointing of the Sick

Vacation Bible School – Cave Quest!!

This summer we will dig deep underground and deep into our faith as we explore following Jesus Christ – the Light of the World! Our VBS program this year will run again in the evenings, but shift this year to Sunday – Thursday evenings from 6:30 – 8:30pm. Dates for VBS this summer are July 31st – August 4th.

Worship Ministry Announcements:

Learn about worship opportunities here at St. Mark's

Welcome our new Director of Music Ministries

At its most recent meeting, Church Council voted to hire Emily Erb as our new Director of Music Ministries, “officially.” Emily has been serving as our Cantor and substitute organist following the departure of our previous organist in August of last year. Emily, in her new

role as Director of Music Ministries, will be providing leadership for worship on Sundays and on Thursdays at Dinner Church, working with our various musical groups like bells, children, and adults. Join us in welcoming her into this new role! We look forward to installing her on Sunday June 19th.

First Communion Today

Today we celebrate the first communion of Stella Ruggiero, Harry Schreiter, Annie Patruno, Chase Conklin, and Benjamin Spinner!! We welcome you to the Lord's Table to receive the Sacrament for the first time!!

Dinner Church on Thursdays

Summer is soon to be upon us and with it brings travel and the SHORE! As the beach beckons this summer and you find yourself out of town over the weekends – don't forget to join us for worship on Thursday Evenings as part of Dinner Church. We even promise to feed you! Dinner and worship start at 6:30pm in the auditorium.

Fellowship and Evangelism Ministry Announcements:

Learn how to spread the "Good News" and get to know other St. Mark's members

Picnic and a Movie – Friday June 24th @ 6:30pm

Join us for a traditional cookout at the parsonage and stick around afterwards as we watch a movie in the backyard under the stars! Open to any and all – a signup sheet is up in the McCarney Room for folks to bring items for the Picnic Dinner. Join us for this great evening of fellowship as we kick off summer!

Good News I heard today

Space for you to write down what you take away from worship today

This Week @ St. Mark's:

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Office Closed</i>	<i>6am - Meals on Wheels</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>10:30am – Pastor’s Bible Study</i>	<i>6am – Meals on Wheels</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>7pm – Church Council Meeting</i>	<i>6am – Meals on Wheels 7pm – Yoga Group</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>6:30pm – Dinner Church</i>	<i>6am – Meals on Wheels</i>
<i>Friday</i>		<i>6am – Meals on Wheels 6:30pm – AA / Al-Anon</i>
<i>Saturday</i>		<i>7pm – AA Group</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>9:30am – Worship Service 10:30am – Fellowship Hour</i>	<i>7pm – Venture Crew</i>

Assisting with Worship Next Sunday:

Assisting Minister	<i>Katie Colanari</i>
Communion	<i>Stef Conklin</i>
Assistant	
Reader	<i>Joanne Copestick</i>
Usher	<i>Pam Keebler & Susan Bisbing</i>
Acolyte	<i>Theodora Morely</i>
Nursery	<i>The Spinners</i>
Altar Guild	<i>Stef Conklin & Lara Hoffman</i>
Counters	<i>Susan Dryburgh & Pam Keebler</i>
Offering Recorder	<i>Jeanette Nazaryk</i>
Fellowship Hour	<i>The Back Row Elders</i>

Readings for next week:

[Isaiah 65:1-9](#)

The prophet sent to a rebellious people

[Psalm 22:19-28](#)

In the midst of the assembly I will praise you. (Ps. 22:22)

[Galatians 3:23-29](#)

In baptism, clothed with Christ; no longer Jew or Greek

[Luke 8:26-39](#)

Jesus casts out demons possessing a man of the Gerasenes

If you are unable to serve next week, please let pastor know, we kindly ask that you do your best to find a replacement.