

# Saint Mark's Lutheran Church

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*Fourth Sunday in Lent*  
*March 31, 2019*

## Gathering

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*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

### Prelude

*Lamentation*

by Franklin D. Ashdown

### Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who gathers us in the wilderness to redeem us,  
anoint us,  
and make us new.

**Amen.**

In these forty days, let us be honest, confess our sin,  
and receive God's promise of mercy.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God at the margins,

**We have wandered far from your home;**

**again and again, we lose our way.**

**We turn inward, afraid of the world around us.**

**We forget that you have saved your people before  
and promise to do so again.**

**Do not remember the deeds of our past,**

**but turn our faces toward the future,**

**where your forgiveness is sure,**

**your welcome is clear,**

**and your love overflows. Amen.**

Like a hen who gathers her chicks,  
God embraces you in tender care.  
Like manna in the desert,  
God feeds you with surprising mercy.  
Like a loving parent,  
God runs to meet you again this day,  
forgiving your sins for the sake of † Christ,  
leading you from death into life.  
**Amen.**

## Opening Hymn

*Our Father, We Have Wandered*

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## Greeting

*During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

## Litany for Lent

*Leader*

O Christ, out of your fullness we have all received grace upon grace.  
You are our eternal hope; You are patient and full of mercy;  
You are generous to all who call upon you.

Assembly

Save us, Lord. Save us, Lord.

The musical notation is on a single staff with a treble clef. It consists of two phrases: 'Save us, Lord.' and 'Save us, Lord.'. The first phrase has a quarter note for 'Save', a quarter note for 'us,', and a half note for 'Lord.'. The second phrase has a quarter note for 'Save', a quarter note for 'us,', and a half note for 'Lord.'. A slur connects the two 'Save' notes.

O Christ, fountain of life and holiness,  
You have taken away our sins.  
On the cross you were wounded for our transgressions  
And were bruised for our iniquities. **Refrain**

O Christ, obedient unto death,  
Source of all comfort, our life and resurrection,  
Our peace and reconciliation. **Refrain**



# Word

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*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

## First Reading:

Joshua 5:9-12

*By celebrating the Passover and eating the produce of the promised land instead of the miraculous manna that had sustained them in the desert, the Israelites symbolically bring their forty years of wilderness wandering to an end at Gilgal.*

The First Reading is from the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter of Joshua:

<sup>9</sup>The LORD said to Joshua, “Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt.” And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

<sup>10</sup>While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the Passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. <sup>11</sup>On the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. <sup>12</sup>The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalmody *(Read responsively by whole verse)*

Psalm 32

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven,  
and whose sin is | put away!

<sup>2</sup>**Happy are they to whom the LORD im- | putes no guilt,  
and in whose spirit there | is no guile! R**

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

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

<sup>5</sup>Then 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.

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

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

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

**<sup>8</sup>“I will instruct you and teach you in the way that | you should go;  
I will guide you | with my eye.**

<sup>9</sup>Do 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.”

**<sup>10</sup>Great are the tribulations | of the wicked;  
but mercy embraces those who trust | in the LORD.**

<sup>11</sup>Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice | in the LORD;  
shout for joy, all who are | true of heart. **R**

## **Second Reading:**

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

*One way to describe the gospel is the promise that in Christ everything is transformed into newness. All mistakes, all deliberate sins, all old history is reconciled with Christ's resurrection. This is Paul's strong message to the congregation in the city of Corinth.*

The Second Reading is from the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter of Second Corinthians:

<sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of

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view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. <sup>17</sup>So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! <sup>18</sup>All this is from God, who reconciled us through Christ to God, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; <sup>19</sup>that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to God's own self, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. <sup>20</sup>So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is appealing through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>For our sake God made Christ to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Christ we might become the righteousness of

God.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation**

*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel. We sing following the direction of the Music Director.*

Open my heart, Open my heart. Open my heart, Open my heart.

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## **Gospel:**

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

*Jesus tells a parable about a son who ponders his father's love only after he has spurned it. The grace he receives is beyond his hopes. That same grace is a crisis for an older brother who believed it was his obedience that earned his place in the father's home.*

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 15th chapter:

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. <sup>2</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

<sup>3</sup>So Jesus told them this parable: <sup>11b</sup>"There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup>The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So the father divided his property between them. <sup>13</sup>A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. <sup>14</sup>When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup>So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. <sup>16</sup>He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. <sup>17</sup>But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! <sup>18</sup>I will get up

and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; <sup>19</sup>I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.” <sup>20</sup>So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup>Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ <sup>22</sup>But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. <sup>23</sup>And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; <sup>24</sup>for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate.

<sup>25</sup>“Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup>He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. <sup>27</sup>The slave replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.’ <sup>28</sup>Then the elder brother became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. <sup>29</sup>But he answered his father, ‘Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup>But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!’ <sup>31</sup>Then the father said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>32</sup>But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.’”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ**

*The assembly is seated.*

## **Children’s Sermon**

*We invite our children forward for a lesson before either returning to their seats or heading off to the nursery.*

## Sermon

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

## Hymn of the Day

*Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling*

*The service continues with the Creed.*

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## Apostles Creed

Together with the whole church let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles Creed:

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\***

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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

Seeking the grace, mercy, and love of almighty God, we offer our prayers for the church, for people in need, and for all of creation.

*A brief silence is kept. Each petition ends:*

God of Mercy, **Hold us in love.**

*The prayers are concluded:*

Reveal your will as you receive our prayers, and conform our ways to your ways; through the saving work of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Sharing of the 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.*

## **Meal**

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*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

## **Announcements**

*Announcements are made on behalf of the community*

## **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. You can also contribute electronically via our "Give+" giving app on your phone, available in the Apple Store and Google Play. If you give electronically we invite you to take one of the green slips and place it in the offering plate as a way to include your electronic gifts in the offering time.*

## **Offertory**

*Herzlich tut mich verlangen*

by Johannes Pachelbel

*Musical selections are offered to the glory of God.*

*At the conclusion of the Offertory music, the gifts of bread, wine, money and other gifts are brought forward, the congregation sings "Let the Vineyards be fruitful" on the following page.*

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
 bless-ing. 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. Grace our ta-ble  
 with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

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## Offering Prayer

Generous God,

you feed us with the harvest of the land,  
 and you provide for our every need.

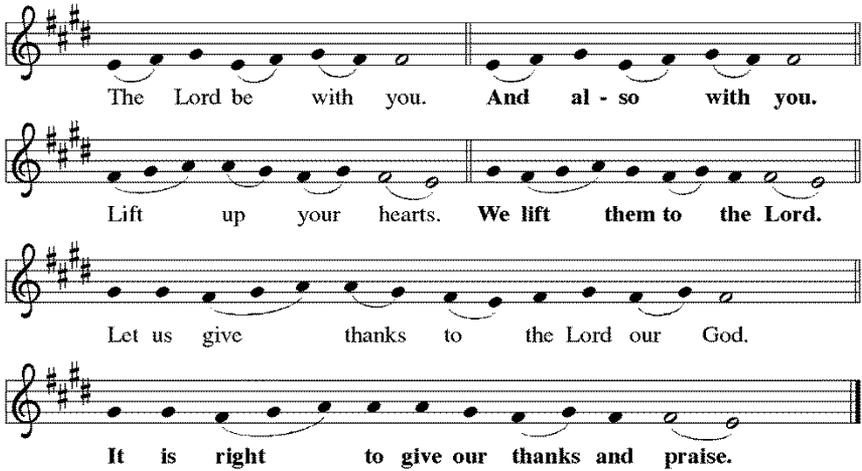
Receive our gifts of money, imagination, and labor,  
 and transform them into a feast that welcomes all,  
 in Jesus Christ, our host and our guest.

**Amen.**

# Great Thanksgiving

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*The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks*



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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.

# Sanctus

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“Holy Holy Holy”

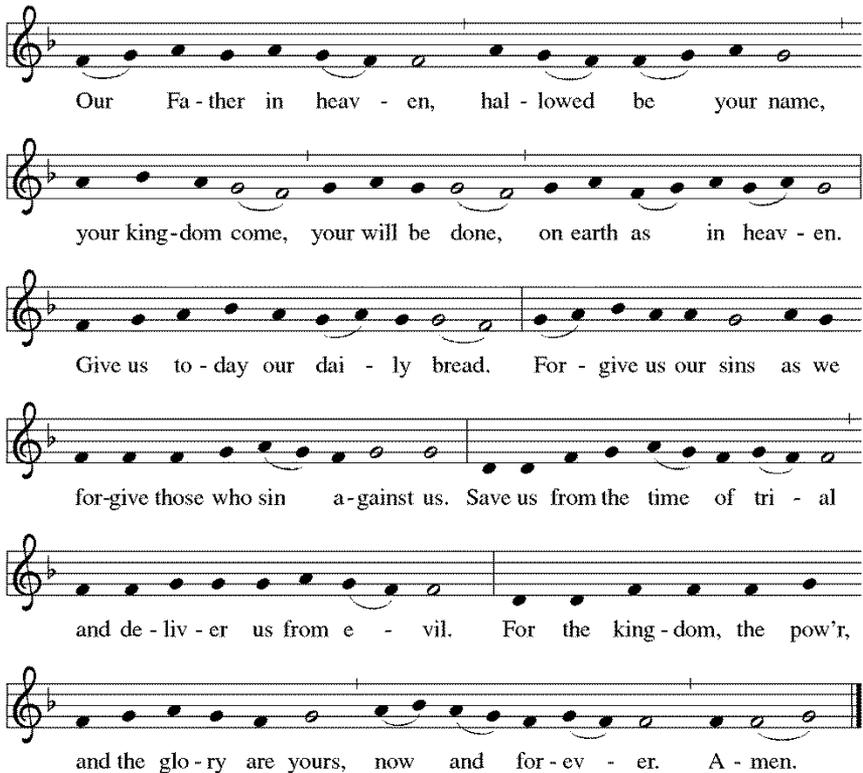
# Words of Institution

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,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

*The Great Thanksgiving concludes:*

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:



Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name,  
 your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav-en.  
 Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we  
 for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of tri-al  
 and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the pow'r,  
 and the glo-ry are yours, now and for-ev-er. A-men.

## Invitation to Communion

*Here at St. Mark's we invite all people to the Lord's Table no matter where you are on your faith journey. This is Christ present for you – freely offered in bread and wine – all are welcome to commune.*

Christ has prepared the feast. Come to the table where all are welcomed home.

*The bread may be broken for the communion*

## Agnus Dei

MMC 36

*We sing following the Director of Music*

Lay me low, where the Lord can find me.

Lay me low, where the Lord can hold me.

Lay me low, where the Lord can bless me.

Lay me low Lord, lay me low.

## Distribution of Communion

*Today we will receive communion around the altar rail. At the direction of the usher you are invited forward to receive communion. To focus our attention on the distribution of communion during Lent, there will be no communion hymns and we are invited into a time of silent reflection and prayer as focus on the meaning of Holy Communion.*

*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.*

## Post Communion Blessing

*When all have communed, the Assembly stands.*

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

## Prayer after Communion

Tender and merciful one,  
at your feast, you fed us who brought nothing,  
turning our emptiness into joy.  
Filled with your abundant grace,  
send us now to be ministers of reconciliation,  
mending broken hearts, working for justice,  
and striving for peace among all people,  
in the name of Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

## Sending

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*God blesses us and send us in mission to the world*

### Blessing

God, who fills the creation with abundance,  
Christ, who spreads his arms in forgiveness,  
Holy Spirit, who draws ever near to us,  
✠ bless you and bring you to life everlasting.  
**Amen.**

## **Sending Song**

*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

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LORD, REVIVE US

## **Dismissal**

Go in peace, remember the poor.

**Thanks be to God!**

## **Postlude**

*Herzliebster Jesu*

setting by Johannes Brahms

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# Leading us in Worship

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**Presiding Minister**  
**Dir. Music**

The Rev. Bryan Penman  
Emily Ballentine Erb

|                           | <i>This Week</i>             | <i>Next Week</i>                  |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Assisting Minister</b> | Kathy Pokalo                 | Joe Jacovino                      |
| <b>Communion Asst.</b>    | Joanne Popowicz              | Karly Sloan                       |
| <b>Reader</b>             | Pam Keebler                  | Erich Schauer                     |
| <b>Nursery</b>            | The Ramsdens                 | The Powells                       |
| <b>Acolyte</b>            | Chase Conklin                | Brigette Schreiner                |
| <b>Altar Guild</b>        | Erin Orekar                  | Joanne Copestick<br>Sandy Portzer |
| <b>Ushers</b>             | Pam Keebler &<br>Karen Hanna | George Pokalo<br>Erin Orekar      |
| <b>Counters</b>           | Matt Fiore<br>Jen Schreiter  | Rhea Moore<br>Pam Keebler         |
| <b>Offering Recorder</b>  | Joanne Copestick             | Kathy Pokalo                      |
| <b>Fellowship Hour</b>    | Jennifer Schreiter           |                                   |
| <b>Faith Formation</b>    | Gail Penman<br>Joe Ruggiero  | Allison Fike &<br>Becca Casey     |

**This Week Altar Flowers** are given by the MacNeals in thanksgiving for our community.

## Worship Ministry Announcements:

*Ways we gather in praise of God*

### No Choir Rehearsals for the Next Week

There will be no adult choir or bell choir on April 4<sup>th</sup>

### Holy Week Schedule

Join us as we tell the story of Christ's passage from life, to death and resurrection dawn:

- **Palm Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>** with worship at 9:30am
- **Maundy Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>** – Potluck dinner at 6 pm and worship in the sanctuary at 7 pm
- **Good Friday evening, April 19<sup>th</sup>** with worship at 7 pm
- **Easter Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**, with worship at 9:30am

### Help us purchase more hymnals for the sanctuary

We need some more hymnals to fill the pew racks, and we're inviting members of the congregation to purchase a hymnal to place for use in worship. You're invited to include your dedication (for example, in memory of a loved one, to the Glory of God, for blessings received)--a book plate will be set in the hymnal identifying the giver and dedication. The cost is \$25 per book. Place your check or cash in one of the white pew envelopes and label it HYMNAL. On the back of the envelope, write your name and what you'd like to have included in the dedication.

### Easter Flower Orders

Please help us create a joyful sanctuary for our Festival Easter worship service! Purple order forms are in the back of the sanctuary by the bulletins to purchase either lilies or tulips to decorate the sanctuary for Easter. Plants are \$10 each. Due by April 8<sup>th</sup>.

### Altar Flower Sponsorship

We have openings for Altar Flowers in April. Cost is \$40.00 for the week and please indicate if you would like to keep this as an annual memorial, or just a memorial for this year.

## Faith Formation Ministry Announcements:

*Ways you can deep your faith life*

### Faith Formation Classes after worship

We offer two faith formation opportunities after worship today, a class for

young disciples and their families (for disciples young at heart!) Today, classes meet following worship downstairs in the auditorium.

## **Vacation Bible School**

Save the dates for Vacation Bible School. Kick off Sunday on July 7<sup>th</sup> during and directly after worship on that day, continuing Mon., July 8- Thurs., July 11 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm. This year’s theme is, “Who is My Neighbor?” exploring how we can care for our neighbors near and far.

## **Service Ministry Announcements:**

*Ways you can do God’s work with your hands*

### **Pipe Organ Appeal**

Our congregation continues to raise funds to repair and rebuild our Pipe Organ. The instrument is in major need of refurbishment and new parts, the cost of which is \$53,000. To date we have raised a little over \$24,000 for this work with more to go. Please consider making a donation to the Capital Appeal to support this work; we have until June to raise the rest of the funds for this work.

### **Upcoming Fundraisers Supporting the Capital Appeal**

Mark your calendars now! Join us for fun, fellowship and fundraising !

Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> for a Trivia Event

Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> for a Hand Bag Bingo event

### **Habitat for Humanity Build Volunteers Needed**

We’re looking to see if there are folks who are interested in signing up for a day of working on a local Habitat for Humanity build, Wednesday through Saturdays. You must be 18 for this particular build. If you’d like to participate, email Pastor ([pastor@stmarksconshy.org](mailto:pastor@stmarksconshy.org)). There’ll be other more ‘family friendly’ opportunities to help in the coming weeks!

### **Knitters & Crocheters**

We're still collecting 12" knitted or crocheted squares to be assembled into blankets that we'll take to the Coordinated Homeless Outreach Center (CHOC) in Norristown. If you have any questions, please speak to Kathy Pokalo or Karen Hanna.

### **Special Interview Clothing Collection – April Only**

On April 23<sup>rd</sup>, Elizabeth Malantonio’s 11<sup>th</sup> grade class will be participating in

mock interviews. The NHS Professional Dress Closet is in need of the items listed below. Please be mindful that we are only looking for clean professional clothes. We really need smaller sizes in all professional dress clothes categories. Thank you for your continued support!

**Males:** Dress Shirt Sizes

| Size(US) | Chest     | Neck          |
|----------|-----------|---------------|
| S        | 35" - 37" | 14" - 14 1/2" |
| M        | 38" - 40" | 15" - 15 1/2" |

Dress pants: Waist sizes 27-32. Also: Sport coats and Suits

**Females:** Dress pants and Dress shirts

Contact Dayle Malantonio (610-825-8117) if you can help or for more information.

## Sharing God's Love with Blessing Bags

“Blessing Bags” are bags filled with energy & granola bars and other items that can be eaten right away. The bags can be placed in your car, tote or briefcase to distribute to those experiencing homelessness.

## Special Envelope Collection This Month

The Lutheran Settlement House is a multifaceted service organization offering a variety of programs to empower individuals and strengthen communities across the city of Philadelphia. (<https://www.lutheransettlement.org>)

## Evangelism Ministry Announcements:

*Ways you can share your faith with others*

### Easter Egg Industry Wraps up production

This week will be the last week of production for Easter Egg Candies. Order pick ups will continue next week with the final deadline to pick up eggs being Friday April 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Monday Evenings 6pm – 8pm:** Volunteers are needed to help roll / cut fondant centers. We are in special need of folks who can volunteer from 5pm – 7pm in the kitchen to assist with making the candy batches.

**Wednesday Evenings 6pm – 8pm:** Volunteers are needed to help coat the candies in dark chocolate, each candy is hand coated so we need lots of hands to help coat the candies!

**Friday Mornings 9am – 11am:** Packers are needed to help pack and weight the candies in boxes.

**Buying Candy at pick up :** we have a limited number of Coconut and Mint boxes left for sale – it will be served on a first come first serve basis until it is sold out.

### **Easter Egg Banquet – Friday, April 26th at 6:00 pm**

Let's celebrate another successful year of our Easter Egg Industry. The main dish, desserts and beverages will be provided. Folks are asked to bring a side dish to share. There's an RSVP and Sign Up sheet downstairs in the Easter Egg Room.

## **This Week at St. Mark's**

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| <b>Monday</b><br><i>Office Closed</i> | <i>6-8pm Easter Egg Industry</i>                               | <i>6am: Meals on<br/>Wheels<br/>7pm: Boy Scouts</i>                      |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br><i>3pm – 7pm</i>    |  | <i>6am: Meals on<br/>Wheels<br/>7 pm: Cub Scouts</i>                     |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br><i>10am – 12N</i> | <i>6-8pm Easter Egg Industry</i>                               | <i>6 am: Meals on<br/>Wheels<br/>8:00pm: AA Group</i>                    |
| <b>Thursday</b><br><i>3 – 7pm</i>     | <i>6-7 pm Dinner Church</i>                                    | <i>6am: Meals on<br/>Wheels</i>  |
| <b>Friday</b><br><i>10am – 12N</i>    | <i>9-11am Easter Egg Industry</i>                              | <i>6am: Meals on<br/>Wheels<br/>7 pm: AA / Al-Anon<br/>8:30 AA Group</i> |
| <b>Saturday</b>                       |  | <i>7 pm: AA Group</i>  |
| <b>Sunday</b>                         | <i>9:30 am – Worship Service<br/>10:30am - Faith Formation</i> | <i>7 pm: AA Group</i>  |

# Welcome to St. Mark's, We're 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. To help our youngest worshippers, "Little Lutheran Activity Bags" are located in the rear of the sanctuary which have crayons and worship appropriate coloring pages. 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 worshippers.

**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: Visitor books at the entrance to the sanctuary Yellow Visitor Cards in the pew backs, just drop them in the offering plate We would be delighted to keep you informed about the many events and opportunities here at St. Mark's and hope you will join us again.