



St. Mark's
LUTHERAN CHURCH

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 2, 2024



*Growing together in faith to abundantly
nourish our community*

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In Worship Today...

Prelude: Shall We Gather at the River? Arr. Robert A. Hobby

Welcome | Gathering Hymn: **God, Whose Almighty Word** ELW 673

Confession & Forgiveness | **Kyrie** ELW p.184 | Prayer of the Day

Children's Message

Deuteronomy 5:12-15 *Pew Bible p.142* | 2 Corinthians 4:5-12 *Pew Bible p.939*

Alleluia ELW p.188 | Mark 2:23-3:6 *Pew Bible p.814*

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: **O Word of God Incarnate** ELW 514

Apostle's Creed | Prayers of Intercession

Sharing of the Peace | Offering: **Changed**

Communion Liturgy with **Holy, Holy, Holy** ELW p.190

Distribution: **Lamb of God** ELW p.191 | **Christ Be Magnified**

Table Blessing | Prayer after Communion | Benediction

Sending Song: **Your Love Awakens Me**

Worship Assistants

Assisting Minister: Phyllis Hutchins | Lector: Judy Jung | Acolyte: Payton Sieja

Ushers: Margie & Todd Phillips | Tech Volunteer: Rodney Hutchins

Communion Assistants: Payton Sieja & Abigail Still

Coffee Host: Karen Cunningham

St. Mark's Celebrates Open Communion

which means none are turned away from Christ's table. We believe Christ is fully present in the bread and wine, and no less present in our gluten-free and alcohol-free options. If you wish instead to receive a blessing, you may signify this by crossing your arms over your chest.

We Welcome the Joy, Laughter, Sights, and Sounds of Children in Worship!

There are children's activity bulletins and worship activity bags available - just ask our ushers. If a moment out of the sanctuary is needed, a toy-filled nursery and changing table are available too, however, we ask that an adult family member stay present at all times.

Welcome Pastor Scott Peterson!

We are excited and grateful to have Pastor Scott Peterson leading worship today while Pastor Will, John Peugeot, Leah Gradl, & Jennifer Palmer are attending the SE Synod Assembly.

Learn About the Liturgy: Confession & Forgiveness

Most Sundays we begin worship with Confession and Forgiveness. Together with the whole body of believers, we confess that we have not lived up to God's expectations of us. We are encouraged to reflect on our thoughts, words, and deeds, on the wrongs we have done and the good we have failed to do. And, having confessed our sin, we hear a word of forgiveness, reminding us that God's grace and mercy for us is unending. While confession is not regarded as a sacrament in the Lutheran tradition, Martin Luther held confession to be of utmost importance. He reminded us to hear the word of forgiveness as a declaration on God's behalf and to trust that our sins are truly forgiven. Confession and Forgiveness are always meant to go together, whether we come to confession as a whole congregation or as individuals. No matter what we have done or what has been done to us, God's grace is always greater.

Altar Flowers

The flower arrangements on our Communion Table today are given by Dave & Julie Foreman in memory of Lloyd Ellerbeck.

By the Numbers: Sunday, May 26, 2024

Attendance

In Person Worship: 82 | Online Views: 65

General Offerings

Last Week: \$6,574.80 | YTD: \$255,038 | 2024 Budget: \$768,340

For your convenience, online giving can be accessed through this QR Code:



This Week We are Praying for...

The ongoing turbulent weather across the nation and those mourning the loss of life, home, livelihood, or property after tornadoes, heavy storms, flash flooding, and the loss of power | the St. Mark's Food Truck ministry as they prepare and serve 125+ hot meals at Johnson Towers each month | And those named in our Prayer Chain Ministry: Becky Altvater, Pat Barber, Sandra Camp, Marilyn Caple, Martha Deal, Ciera Elledge, Vicki Eversmeyer, Harold Jensen, Mary Leo, Jeannette Maldonado, Suzy Newill, Karin Offik, Frank Ontiveros, John Pearson, Larry Potts, Debbie Rutecki, Dave Schultz, Mija Stockman, Jim Tevepaugh, and Kim Williams.

For your convenience, prayer cards are available in the pews to share your joys and concerns and can be placed in the offering plate. You may also send an email to prayer@stmarkshsv.org or call the church office at 256.539.4361

Children's Hospital Crafts & Toys

We have received a request for items from the Huntsville Hospital Child Life Department. We are looking for the following items: Play-doh (the Play-Doh brand keeps the best, and is our biggest need right now); colored pencils; summer "grab and go" craft kits; paint pots; small Lego kits; bubbles (wedding size are best); stickers; and coloring books. Please place your donations in the "donation" box in Communication Central by June 16.

What's Next? - Sign Up in Communication Central

Check out the sign up board in Communication Central for information on upcoming events. Something new and exciting is always on the horizon! Supper Club, Faith & Fiction, WELCA, Summer Events, and more!

Sunday Sit-In Choir is Coming Back!

4 Sundays throughout the summer we'll have the chance to come together before worship, learn a simpler choir piece, and then sing it in worship during communion. We'll meet at 9:15am on the following Sundays: June 9, June 23, July 14, and July 28.

Summer Camp Volunteers

We will be looking for adult and older youth volunteers for both weeks of St. Mark's Day Camp. Duties may include help with lunch and snack set-up/clean-up, crafts, craft prep, and storytelling. Please sign up in Communication Central – see Traci with any questions.

June 24-28 AND July 8-12

SUMMER DAY CAMPS

For kids aged 4-11, we offer TWO different day camps! Register today at stmarkshsv.org/summer



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