



St. Mark's
LUTHERAN CHURCH

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024



*Growing together in faith to abundantly
nourish our community*

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In Worship Today...

Prelude

Welcome | Gathering Song: **Graves Into Gardens**

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

Children's Message

Genesis 3:8-15 *Pew Bible p.2* | 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 *Pew Bible p.939*

Alleluia ELW p.188 | Mark 3:20-35 *Pew Bible p.814*

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: **Lead Me, Guide Me** ELW 768

Apostle's Creed | Prayers of Intercession

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

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

Distribution: **Lamb of God** ELW p.191 | **New Wine** | **Sunday Sit In Choir**

Table Blessing | Prayer after Communion | Benediction

Sending Hymn: **God of Grace, and God of Glory** ELW 705

Dismissal | Postlude: All Creatures, Worship God Most High! Arr. Thomas Pavlechko

Worship Assistants

Assisting Minister: Shandry Peugeot | Lector: Nancy Lorine | Acolyte: Trey Lear

Ushers: Mike & Michelle Price | Tech Volunteer:

Communion Assistants: Trey Lear

Coffee Host: Dennis Fakes

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 Kristen Maddox!

We are pleased to welcome Kristen Maddox to preach and to lead us in worship this morning. Kristen is a candidate for ordination in the ELCA. She has completed her seminary studies and been approved for Word and Sacrament ministry by her candidacy committee. Upon receiving a call to a congregation, Kristen will be ordained as a pastor in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

We are grateful as well to Pastor Scott Peterson as he presides at the Table. In the ELCA, baptism and holy communion are regarded as sacraments; means by which God communicates grace to the world. These sacraments are entrusted to the administration of pastors upon their ordination. When an ordained pastor is not available to preside, the bishop may grant special permission for lay leaders to preside, but these situations are rare.

We give thanks for both Kristen and Pastor Scott as they lead us today, and for their witness to the Gospel in all that they do!

Altar Flowers

The flower arrangements on our Communion Table today are given by Don & Kathy Sieja in celebration of Kinsley & Andy's birthdays and Jeff & Ellie Lienau for their 58th anniversary.

By the Numbers: Sunday, June 2, 2024

Attendance

In Person Worship: 137 | Online Views: 61

General Offerings

Last Week: \$9,122.25 | YTD: \$264,161 | 2024 Budget: \$768,340

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



This Week We are Praying for...

All those traveling and attending camps this summer especially at Affirm, Lutheridge, and St. Mark's | The James family in the loss of Jean | Our LGBTQIA+ neighbors and siblings in celebration of Pride Month | Victims of gun violence especially in Akron, OH | Justice and peace among nations where war and violence rage | 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, Anne Martin, 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

Hospital Ministry—TODAY!

Following worship today in the downstairs kitchen, we will be serving the 55 Pediatrics employees of Huntsville Hospital. On the menu is Dog Days of Summer cookies and a variety of popcorn - volunteer help is appreciated!

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.

WELCA Health Kits

This year, WELCA has undertaken a project to put together and provide personal care kits for those in need. Anyone interested is challenged to prepare 3-5 kits to support this project. Details and shopping lists are available in Communication Central.

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!

Four 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.

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