

Service Participants

Asst. Minister: Lara Sieja

Lector: Kris Strope

Greeters/Ushers: Jim French & Andrew Wirtz

Lay Communion Asst.: Carolyn Vandevreire & Needed

Acolyte: Zeah Gastler

Tech Volunteer: Grace Billman

Coffee Fellowship: Kris Strope

*The Altar Arrangements are given by Marlin & Denise Williamson
in honor of their children's birthdays.*

September 24 Worship Attendance: 131

Sunday Learning: Children & Youth-31; Adults-29

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hospital Ministry - Meets in Fellowship Hall today after worship. We will be packaging treats for the Cardiac Short Stay unit. Volunteer help is needed!

Reinartz Memorial - A memorial for long-time member, Stan Reinartz, will be on Saturday, October 7. Visitation at 10 am, Memorial at 11 am. Reception to follow in Fellowship Hall.

Faith & Fiction Book Group - will meet one week later than usual, on October 14 at 9:30 am in Room 8 to discuss *With Prejudice* by Robin Peguero.

Trunk or Treat - Grab your trick-or-treat bag and join us for some family fun! This free event will take place on October 28, from 1-3 pm in our back parking lot. We'll have "trunks" to visit, treats to collect, and games to play. All ages are welcome! We are collecting individually wrapped candies for this event. If you would like to host a "trunk", please sign up in Communication Central.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Annie Bourque

Larry Lechner

Frank Ontiveros

Margo Dodson

Jeannette Maldonado

Debbie Rutecki

Ciera Elledge

Charlie Musitano

Jennie Schemenaur

Bobbi Elser

Sue Nichols

Angie Songy

Vicki Eversmeyer

Karin Offik

Mija Stockman

If you would like the St. Mark's Prayer Chain to pray for your concern, please contact our Prayer Chain Coordinator, Brenda Holsopple, holsoppleb@bellsouth.net.



St. Mark's
LUTHERAN CHURCH

October 1, 2023

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost



***Growing together in faith to abundantly
nourish our community.***

200 Longwood Drive SE, Huntsville, AL 35801

Phone: 256.539.4361

Web: stmarkshsv.org Email: info@stmarkshsv.org

10:00 am Worship

We are glad to have you worship with us this morning! Please let us know you are here by signing in on the white Pew Pads. You may also add a prayer request and/or share your Joys and Gratitude.

Prelude *Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus* arr. Thomas Gieschen

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Please rise

Gathering Dialogue

Gathering Hymn *God Is Here!* Hymn 526

Thanksgiving for Baptism

P: ...and you brought them across the river Jordan to the promised land.

C: By the baptism of his death and resurrection, your Son Jesus has carried us to safety and freedom. The floods shall not overwhelm us, and the deep shall not swallow us up, for Christ has brought us over to the land of promise. He sends us to make disciples, baptizing in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Greeting

Song of Praise *This Is the Feast*

Prayer of the Day (unison)

Please be seated

WORD

Children's Message

All children and their parents are invited for a brief message.

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 (Pew Bible p. 685)

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-13 (Pew Bible p. 954)

Please rise

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:23-32 (Pew Bible pp. 802-803)

Please be seated

Sermon

"Do the Right Thing"

Pastor Bill Schroeder

Silence for reflection on the Word

Please rise

Hymn of the Day

Now We Join in Celebration

Hymn 462

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Sharing of the Peace

Please be seated

MEAL

Offering Song *Because He Lives (Amen)*

Please rise

Offertory Prayer

Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion Invitation Litany

Celebration of Holy Communion

Please be seated

Please follow the guidance of the ushers as we commune together. Also, please know you are welcome to receive a blessing instead of partaking in communion as a reminder of God's love, forgiveness, and grace for you. These are the gifts of God for all.

Communion Song *For Everyone Born* Video First Plymouth Presbyterian Choir
We share this beautiful hymn "For Everyone Born" during communion today as we celebrate World Communion Sunday and the unity we have as children of God. Arranged by Tom Trenney, we have received permission to share this recording by his choir in worship today.

Please rise

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Blessing

Sending Song *Forever*

Dismissal

Postlude



Please use QR code
for online giving.