

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCA Weekend, September 25-26!** Please see the "What's Next?" bulletin board outside the nursery and sign up for the WELCA Gathering on Saturday, September 25. The theme this year is "Promoting Healing With Compassion" and will include a presentation from Thrive Alabama which provides health care, covid vaccinations, behavioral health counseling for substance misuse and survivors of abuse, plus various other services to the public. They will accept monetary donations as they are in a capital campaign for their new building. Kellie Lisi will be preaching at both services on Sunday!

**Altar Flowers:** If you would like to see Altar Flowers at worship on Sundays, please sign up on our Flower Calendar located in Communication Central. Arrangements are \$25 each and can be taken home to enjoy after the 11:00a.m. worship service.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

June Barber	Betty Hampton	Brian Paulus
Dudley Brewer	Pastor Jill Henning	Eric Roome
Jim Brumfield	Brenda Holsopple	Katy Schroer
Patti Cutter	Rein Ise	Grace Schultz
Vicki Eversmeyer	Meg Jones	Mija Stockman
Dennis Fakes	Eric Martin	Terry Szymczyk

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



**St. Mark's**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

**September 19, 2021**

**8:30a.m. Contemporary Worship**

Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost



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

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## GATHERING

*Please stand*

Gathering Song

*Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord*

Open the eyes of my heart Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You

I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up

Shining in the light of Your glory

Pour out Your power and love

As we sing holy holy holy

Holy holy holy

Holy holy holy

Holy holy holy

I want to see You

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## Welcome and Announcements

*Please stand*

Call to Worship: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

## Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

**C: Amen.**

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

*The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.*

To you, O God,

**C: all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*Words of Absolution*

Sunday, September 19, 2021



We rejoice in the Lord as

Hazel Lucille Carroll

born December 15, 2020

receives the Sacrament of Holy Baptism  
and is marked with the Cross of Christ forever.

Jesse and Kimberly Carroll are her parents.

Kenneth & Cathey Meeks are her grandparents.

Baptismal sponsors are Renisha Jones & Nathan Sisk.

“See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God.”

1 John 3:1

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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## Service Participants

Assisting Minister: Brenda Holsopple

Acolyte: Oliver Sieja

Lector: Tate Schappell

Children's Message: Traci Billman

Lay Communion Asst.: Connor Hackenberg

Greeters/Ushers: Brian & Staci Hackenberg

***The Altar Arrangements today are given by Cathey Meeks  
in celebration of grand-daughter Hazel Lucille Carroll's baptism.***

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

*Public Internet Access: StMarks\_Guest Password: Connect123!*

## Greeting

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

**C: And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

**C: Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## HOLY BAPTISM

We rejoice in the Lord as Hazel Lucille Carroll, daughter of Kim and Jesse Carroll, receives the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

## Presentation

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Renisha & Nathan: We present Hazel Lucille Carroll for baptism.

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Hazel baptized into Christ?

Jesse & Kimberly: I do.

As you bring Hazel to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with her among God's faithful people,  
bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,  
teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,  
place in her hands the holy scriptures,  
and nurture her in faith and prayer,  
so that Hazel may learn to trust God,  
proclaim Christ through word and deed,  
care for others and the world God made,  
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Hazel grow in the Christian faith and life?

Jesse & Kimberly: I do

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Hazel in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Renisha & Nathan: I do.

People of God, do you promise to support Hazel and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

**C: We do.**

*The assembly stands.*

Profession of Faith

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

**C: I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

**C: I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**C: I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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,**

Prayer after Communion

**C: Amen.**

Blessing

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world!

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.

**C: Amen.**

Sending Song

*Your Love Awakens Me*

There were walls between us

By the cross You came and broke them down

You broke them down

And there were chains around us

By Your grace we are no longer bound

No longer bound

You called me out of the grave

You called me into the light

You called my name and then my heart came alive

Your love is greater

Your love is stronger

Your love awakens awakens awakens me

Your love is greater

Your love is stronger

Your love awakens awakens awakens me

Feel the darkness shaking

All the dead are coming back to life

I'm back to life

Hear the song awaken

All creation singing we're alive

'Cause You're alive

And what a love we've found

Death can't hold us down

We shout it out

We're alive 'cause You're alive

## Celebration of Holy Communion

*Please follow the guidance of the ushers and make every effort to give others distance as we commune together. Also please receive both elements and then unmask to partake in this meal. 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 Songs

*Mass of Majesty-Agnus Dei*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace,  
grant us peace.

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*New Wine*

In the crushing in the pressing  
You are making new wine  
In the soil I now surrender  
You are breaking new ground

So I yield to You and to Your careful hand  
When I trust You I don't need to understand

Make me Your vessel  
Make me an offering  
Make me whatever You want me to be  
I came here with nothing  
But all You have given me  
Jesus bring new wine out of me

'Cause where there is new wine  
There is new power  
There is new freedom  
And the kingdom is here  
I lay down my old flames  
To carry Your new fire today

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*Please stand*

**he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

Thanksgiving at the Font

The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.  
Amen.

*The assembly may be seated.*

Baptism

Hazel Lucille Carroll, I baptize you in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

Blessed be God, the source of all life,  
the word of salvation,  
the spirit of mercy.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your  
daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Hazel with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the  
spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

Hazel Lucille Carroll, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and  
marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**C: Amen.**

Prayer for the Parents

Welcome

Jesus said, I am the light of the world.  
Whoever follows me  
will have the light of life.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:  
join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and  
redeeming word to all the world.**

Leader:

...We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**All:**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might**

**Heav'n and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest**

**Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord  
Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might**

Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught us...

**C: Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## MEAL

### Offering Song

*Amazing Grace-My Chains Are Gone*

Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now I'm found  
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed  
My chains are gone I've been set free  
My God my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy rains  
Unending love amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures

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*Please stand*

### Offertory Prayer

#### Great Thanksgiving\*

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## WORD

### Children's Message

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

Scripture Reading: James 3:13-18, 4:7-8a (Pew Bible p. 982)

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise for the Gospel.*

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37 (Pew Bible p. 821)

Jesus and the disciples went on and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

Proclamation of the Word

*"A Servant's Heart"*

Pastor Gary Soop

*Silence for reflection on the Word.*

*Please stand*

Song of the Day

*Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)*

One day when heaven was filled with His praises

One day when sin was as black as could be

Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin

Dwelt among men my example is He

The Word became flesh

And the light shined among us

His glory revealed

*Chorus:*

Living He loved me dying He saved me

Buried He carried my sins far away

Rising He justified freely forever

One day He's coming

○ glorious day

○ glorious day

One day they led Him up Calv'ry's mountain

One day they nailed Him to die on a tree

Suffering anguish despised and rejected

Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He

The hand that healed nations

Stretched out on a tree

And took the nails for me

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer

One day the stone rolled away from the door

Then He arose over death He had conquered

Now is ascended my Lord evermore

Death could not hold Him

The grave could not keep Him From rising again

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming

One day the skies with His glories will shine

Wonderful day my beloved one bringing

My Savior Jesus is mine

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Prayers of Intercession

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

*Petitions will be concluded with:*

A: Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

**C: And also with you.**

Please share a sign of God's peace with one another.

*Please extend a greeting of welcome and a word of grace to those around you while observing best practices for social distancing.*

*Please be seated*