



St. Mark's
LUTHERAN CHURCH

11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 4, 2024



*Growing together in faith to abundantly
nourish our community*

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In Worship Today...

Prelude

Welcome | Gathering Song: **All the People Said Amen**

Confession & Forgiveness | **Entrance Psalm** | Prayer of the Day

Children's Message | Back to School Blessing

Psalm 19:1-14 *Pew Bible p.433*

Psalm 63 | Luke 2:41-52 *Pew Bible p.833*

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: **Great Is Thy Faithfulness** ELW 733

Apostle's Creed | Prayers of Intercession

Sharing of the Peace | Offering: **There's Nothing that Our God Can't Do**

Communion Liturgy with **Te Deum**

Distribution: **Build My Life**

Table Blessing | Prayer after Communion | Benediction

Sending Song: **Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer** ELW 618

Dismissal | Postlude

Our Liturgical music comes from: In the Morning, I Will Sing by Marty Haugen

Worship Assistants

Assisting Minister: Larry Partesotti | Lector: Bonnie Mueller | Acolyte: Daniel White

Ushers: Phyllis & Rodney Hutchins | Tech Volunteer: Oliver Sieja

Communion Assistants: Daniel White & Denise Williamson

Coffee Host: Kris Strobe

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.

Te Deum

The Te Deum (meaning “To thee, O God”) is a traditional hymn dating back to the 4th century. While its authorship is uncertain, many attribute the hymn to Augustine or Ambrose. The text of the hymn, originally written in Latin, follows a similar order to the Apostles’ Creed, praising God as Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, and asking God’s blessing on all who trust in God. The Te Deum is often associated with the service of Morning Praise, but it is included today as part of our communion liturgy in place of the traditional preface because it echoes the themes of praise and thanksgiving. As we come to the Communion Table, we give thanks to God from whom all blessings flow.

Altar Flowers

The flower arrangements on our Communion Table today are given by Norwood & Carol Cutter in Celebration of their 38th Wedding Anniversary!

By the Numbers: Sunday, July 28, 2024

Attendance

In Person Worship: 112 | Online Views: 52

General Offerings

Last Week: \$8,138.50 | YTD: \$369,518 | 2024 Budget: \$768,340

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



Ready to Get Online?

Wi-Fi is available using the SMLC Guest network with password: GrowingTogether

This Week We are Praying for...

All impacted by landslides in Ethiopia and India; flooding in North Korea; and storms and wildfires in the USA and Canada | The safety and well-being of all involved in the Olympic Games | The St. Mark’s Blessings in a Backpack ministry that weekly provides weekend meals for children at Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary | And those named in our Prayer Chain Ministry: Pat Barber, Sandra Camp, Marilyn Caple, Martha Deal, Ciera Elledge, Vicki Eversmeyer, Marion Fallon, Frances Foreman, Harold Jensen, Aaron Johnson, Larry Jung, Mary Leo, Butch Lloyd, Jeannette Maldonado, Suzy Newill, Karin Offik, Frank Ontiveros, John Pearson, Larry Potts, Peg Skrenes, Mija Stockman, Ed Uher, 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.

Rally Day - August 11 at 10am

Join us for worship, picnic potluck, and outdoor fun at the Ditto Landing Pavilion! Things to bring: comfy clothes - it's hot outside; a dish (or two) to share; chairs and/or picnic blanket; sunscreen, a hat, bug spray; and most importantly, your playful, joyous self!

What's Next? - Sign Up in Communication Central

Check out the sign up board for info on upcoming events. Something new and exciting is always on the horizon! Supper Club, Faith & Fiction, WELCA, Free Spirits, and more!

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. Deadline is August 16.

Not One More Alabama (NOMA) End Addiction HSV Walk

We are looking for volunteers to help support the End Addiction Walk on Saturday, August 17 from 9am – Noon. There are many ways to get involved by serving at our resource tent and with set up and clean up. Please sign up in Communication Central if you would like to help!

It's Almost Time!

Time for what, you ask? Time for worship, but at a different time! Starting Sunday, August 18, we'll be meeting for Sunday Learning at 9:15am with worship at 10:30am.

New Member Class

Perspective new members are invited to attend a new member class on Sunday, August 18, from 2-3:30pm. Sign up in Communication Central or talk to Traci with any questions.

New News is Great News!

The Messenger is going digital! Beginning with the September edition, the newsletter will be switching to an e-newsletter format. Have an event you want to advertise? Send in information to newsletter@stmarkshsv.org by the 19th of every month to have it featured.

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