



St. Mark's
LUTHERAN CHURCH

26th Sunday after Pentecost

November 17, 2024



*Growing together in faith to abundantly
nourish our community*

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In Worship Today...

Narrative Lectionary: God Calls Isaiah

Prelude: *Elegy* - Anton Wilhelm Leupold

Welcome | Gathering Hymn: **Morning Has Broken** ELW 556

Confession & Forgiveness | **Kyrie & Canticle of Praise** | Prayer of the Day

Children's Message

Scriptural Introit: **Alleluia**

Luke 5:8-10 *Pew Bible p.836* | Isaiah 6:1-8 *Pew Bible p.553*

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: **Here I am, Lord** ELW 574

Apostle's Creed | Prayers of Intercession

Sharing of the Peace | Offering: **There is Power**

Communion Liturgy with **Holy, Holy, Holy**

Distribution: **Be Known to Us** | **Worthy of Your Name**

Table Blessing | Prayer after Communion | Benediction

Sending Song: **Days of Elijah**

Dismissal | Postlude

Our Liturgical Music comes from: *All Creation Sings Setting 12*

Worship Assistants

Assisting Minister: Jennifer Palmer | Lector: Kathy Corpus | Acolyte: Zach Gastler

Ushers: Norwood Cutter & Klaus Dahl | Tech Volunteer: Payton Sieja

Communion Assistants: Zach Gastler & Tabitha Rinyu

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.

Kyrie & Canticle of Praise

At times during the year, our worship includes two liturgical songs near the beginning of the service: the Kyrie and the Canticle of Praise. The roots of these songs are found in scripture, and they have been used in Christian worship for centuries. The Greek phrase Kyrie Eleison, Christe Eleison, Kyrie Eleison means "Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy," and it was chanted in Christian worship as early as the fourth century. It is often paired with a Hymn of Praise, which traditionally is based on either Luke 2 ("Glory to God in the highest") or Revelation 5 ("This is the feast of victory for our God"). While these songs are not considered central to worship and are not always included in the liturgy, their use together reminds us that we can always bring our hurts and hopes to God, who cares deeply for us and provides for our every need.

Altar Flowers

The flower arrangements on our Communion Table today are given by Marlin & Denise Williamson in celebration of Hannah, Josh, & Justin's Birthdays!

By the Numbers: Sunday, November 10, 2024

Attendance

In Person Worship: 140 | Online Views: 78

Child & Youth Sunday School: 27 | Adult Sunday School: 30

General Offerings

Last Week: \$11,143 | YTD: \$568,505 | 2024 Budget: \$768,340

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Ready to Get Online?

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

This Week We are Praying for...

Eyes of love and compassion as we look to our neighbors, especially those who look, love, or believe differently than we do; that we may be instruments to end the violence and hatred that surround us | Tuskegee University and those affected by the shooting on campus | Recovery and restoration for those impacted by natural disasters especially wildfires in California, New York, and New Jersey | St. Mark's volunteers that they may be good stewards as they commit their time and talents to the ministries of the church | And those named by our Prayer Ministry, especially Ciera, Vicki, Carrie, Aaron, Jeanette, Suzy, Sue, Frank, John, Mija, and Kim.

A Prayer Ministry email filled with joys, concerns, and sorrows is sent weekly on Wednesday; if you would like to receive this email, please contact prayer@stmarkshsv.org Prayer cards are available in the pews to share your joys and concerns and can be placed in the offering plate.

Tweeners & Quarters Today!

3rd-6th graders meet in the Gathering Place at 1pm - Let's Talk Turkey! (Thanksgiving Fun!)

Fall Worship Walks– Last one Today!

Spend an afternoon at the Madison County Nature Trail on Green Mountain! We'll meet at the picnic tables at 3pm to pray and then hike the main loop trail, concluding in the chapel.

SMLC Merch! - Today is the Last Day!

Get your St. Mark's shirts in our four colors (red, blue, purple, and green) and a new St. Mark's baseball cap and tee. We will take orders and payments in the Narthex.

New Member Class

If you are interested in learning more about and becoming a member of St. Mark's, consider joining us on Tuesday, November 19 at 6pm in Room 8 in the Sunday School Hallway. Sign up in Communication Central or talk to Pastor Will or Traci with any questions.

Holiday Food Drive

Today is the last day we are collecting donations! Come help us pack bags next Sunday at 2pm in the Gathering Place. We are also looking for volunteers to distribute the holiday meals to anyone who comes by during our food pick-up times: November 25 - 27 from 9am-12pm. If you would like to help, please sign up for a time slot in Communication Central.

Mid-Week Advent Worship Services - "And He Shall Be Called"

Join us Wednesdays December 4, 11, 18 for food and fellowship at 5pm followed by worship at 6:30pm. There is a sign up in Communication Central if you would like to bring soup.

Mom Bags

Join us in making "Mom" Bags for guests at Manna House. Oftentimes, mothers (or mother figures) are neglected at Christmas and this is a special way to honor some of them. Our goal is to have 100 bags by December 13. If you would like to help out, please create a gift of five or six items. Suggestions include: shampoo and conditioner, body wash and lotion, nail polish, activity books or devotionals, jewelry, gloves, socks – be creative. The gift can then be packaged in a purse or handbag, a gift bag, or even a reuseable tote.

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