# St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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4th Sunday after Pentecost June 20, 2021

MISSION STATEMENT: Nourished by Word and Sacrament, the mission of the members of St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church is to spread God's Word in Jesus Christ through our thoughts, words, and actions, proclaiming God's good news for all to hear and live.

#### Please silence all electronic devices.

**WELCOME!** Please observe Silent Meditation during the Prelude.

**PERSONAL HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE.** Please see an usher if you have trouble hearing the service.

#### INTRODUCTION

Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation! Now we are in the storm, the boat almost swamped; but Jesus is here now, and when we call him, he will calm the storm. Even the wind and waves listen to him as they would to their creator. We also listen to him and are called to believe in the power of God's word in him, a power greater than all that we fear.

#### **GATHERING**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE—Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

~R. Lau

**Hymn** #**756** Eternal Father, Strong to Save
Organ Only—No Singing

# **Stand Confession and Forgiveness**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

#### C Amen

P Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God, our provider, help us.

C It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.

Amen.

P Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C Amen.

# Greeting

p 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

Spoken Kyrie -

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord

C Lord, have mercy

P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

# C Lord, have mercy

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

# C Lord, have mercy

P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

# C Lord, have mercy

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

# **PRAYER OF THE DAY**—Let us pray. . .

**A** O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

#### WORD

# Sit First Reading: Job 38:1-11

At the end of the book of Job, after Job and his companions have argued about the cause of the great suffering Job endures, God finally speaks. These verses begin that speech, which is a grand vision of creation, describing God's ordering of the cosmos and inviting Job to marvel at its beauty.

<sup>1</sup>The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

- <sup>2</sup>"Who is this that darkens counsel by words with out knowledge?
- Gird up your loins like a man,
  I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

<sup>4</sup>"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

<sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone

when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

8"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?—

when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band,

<sup>10</sup>and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors,

"and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?"

A The Word of the Lord

# C Thanks be to God

# Psalm: Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

# READ RESPONSIVELY BY WHOLE VERSE

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good, for God's mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup>Let the redeemed of the Lord proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,

<sup>3</sup>gathering them in from the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

<sup>23</sup>Some went down to the sea in ships, plying their trade in deep waters.

<sup>24</sup>They beheld the works of the Lord,

God's wonderful works in the deep.

- <sup>25</sup>Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.
- <sup>26</sup>They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths;

their souls melted away in their peril.

- <sup>27</sup>They staggered and reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of no avail.
- <sup>28</sup>Then in their trouble they cried to the Lord, and you delivered them from their distress.
- <sup>29</sup>You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves of the sea.
- <sup>30</sup>Then were they glad when it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor they desired.
- 31Let them give thanks to you, Lord, for your steadfast love

and your wonderful works for all people.

<sup>32</sup>Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people; in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

# Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Paul and his fellow workers experience great hardships and even rejection while carrying out their missionary work. Nevertheless, Paul continuously proclaims that God has not rejected us but is graciously working for our salvation.

<sup>1</sup>As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every

way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, \*beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; \*by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, \*truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; \*in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; \*as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; \*\*as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

<sup>11</sup>We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. <sup>12</sup>There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. <sup>13</sup>In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

Stand Spoken Alleluia. Our Savior Jesus Christ has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

The Holy Gospel according to St Mark the 4th Chapter C Glory to you O Lord

## Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

Jesus' calming of the storm on the sea reveals his power over evil, since the sea represents evil and chaos. The boat on the sea is a symbol of the church and invites us to trust God amid life's turbulence.

<sup>35</sup>When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was.

Other boats were with him. JA great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. \*But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" 39He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. 40He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" 41And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?" P The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to you O Christ

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

#### SERMON

**Hymn** #755 *Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me* C Jesus, Savior, pilot me over life's tempestuous sea; unknown waves before me roll, hiding rock and treach'rous shoal; chart and compass come from thee. Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

> As a mother stills her child. thou canst hush the ocean wild: boist'rous waves obey thy will when thou say'st to them: "Be still." Wondrous sov'reign of the sea, Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

#### APOSTLES' CREED

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

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

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the foreiveness of sins.

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# The Prayers

A Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer

A We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

C Amen

#### **PEACE**

The Peace is the link between the proclamation of the Word and the sharing of the Eucharistic meal. Our unity and mutual forgiveness come from Christ whose Word has just been proclaimed and whose meal we now prepare to share. We pray for the peace of the Lord for each other.

"Due to the heightened risk of flu or other illness, please practice a "non-contract" sharing of the Peace until further notice.

P Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

(Philippians 4:4-7)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you

#### MEAL.

#### Stand OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Jesus, Bread of life,
C you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.
Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world.
C Amen.

#### **Invitation to Communion**

P Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

#### THE 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.

#### **PREFACE**

P It is indeed right. . .

#### Spoken HOLY HOLY HOLY

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P Blessed are you, O God of the universe, your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Bless this feast.

Grace our table with your presence.

C Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.

Breathe new life into us.

Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

C Come, Holy Spirit.

#### Spoken LAMB OF GOD

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

#### LORD'S PRAYER

#### COMMUNION BLESSING

# **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**—Let us pray.

A Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

C Amen.

#### **SENDING**

#### Stand BLESSING

P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit Hymn #767 Lord, Take my Hand and Lead Me

C Lord, take my hand and lead me upon life's way; direct, protect, and feed me from day to day.
Without your grace and favor I go astray; so take my hand, O Savior, and lead the way.

Lord, when the tempest rages, I need not fear; for you, the Rock of Ages, are always near.

Close by your side abiding, I fear no foe, for when your hand is guiding, in peace I go.

#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **We will. Thanks be to God.** 

Please Remain Seated Till Dismissed Please do not leave your bulletin in the pews, dispose of them in the Narthex in recycling can.

**POSTLUDE** Precious Lord, Take my Hand ~T H Dorsey
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Operating Receipts thru May 31: \$114,986 Expenditures thru May 31: \$120,757 Attendance: 06/13/2021 60

We look forward to continued support of our mission through your generous response to God's gifts given to us.

# **READINGS for June 27, 2021:**

First Reading: Lamentations 3:22-33

Psalm: Psalm 30

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

**Altar Flowers** are in Memory of our fathers, Norman Dinger and Marlin Shade, Jr., given by Dennis & Sandy Dinger

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If you are already enrolled consider increasing the amount at this time. Forms are available in the narthex and on bulletin boards, or ask at the office.

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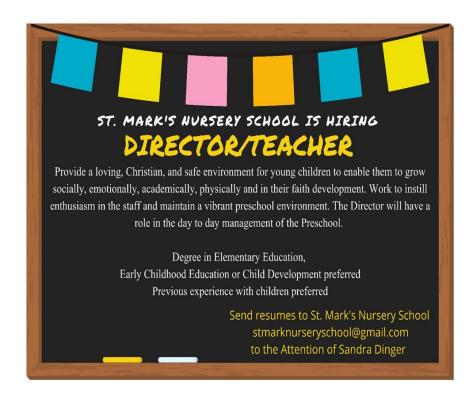
Please I'm looking for Lectors to read lessons for both Early and Late Services once a month. NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED! If you're interested, would you contact me at <a href="mailto:zara1950@gmail.com"><u>zara1950@gmail.com</u></a> or call 732-5005....THANK YOU!

The St. Mark's Book Club has some interesting books to talk about in the next few months. If you enjoy reading, perhaps you would like to read one of the books and join us in the parlor at 10 AM for a discussion of the following books:

Date	Book	Author
July 22	The Yankee Widow	Linda Lael Miller
Aug. 26	The Nickel Boys	Carlson Whitehead
Sept. 23	The Guardians	John Grisham

# Birthdays for June

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06/03 – Jackson Adams	06/16 – Aaron Appleby
Anita Fleegal	Lucy Weaver
06/04—Paul Deibler	06/17—Margit May
Carla Kolter	Michele Spencer
06/05—Doris Atkinson	06/18 - Joann Wahl
06/06 - Ashley Sultzaberger	06/21- Kailyn Edwards
Rebekah Varga	(McClenahen)
06/07 – Jill Lehman	Sherry Davis
06/09— Lincoln Miller	06/24—Grace Harr
06/10 - Mark Banic	06/25 - Connor Smith
06/11 - Samuel Lang	Jacob Sholder
06/13 – William Dullen	06/26 — Loraine Mariner
<ul> <li>Anthony Sultzaberger</li> </ul>	06/27—Luann Johns
06/14 - Jonathan Lee	06/28—Tanya Betz
06/15— Sarah Dinger	Beth Evans
Kenneth Sutch	06/29—Janice Alloway
	06/30—Amy Simpler



## From the Fellowship Committee:

As things are opening up inquires have been made to us about doing another bus trip.

We would love to help sponsor another bus for the Seniors and friends.

We are considering a trip to Sight and Sound to see Queen Esther.

We want to make sure we can fill a bus as much as possible to reduce the cost for everyone.

If are you interested in going to Sight and Sound please let me, Mary or Loraine know so we can keep a count.

Thanks
Deb Banks

#### THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

MINISTER OF MUSIC - Joyce Van Nieuwkuyk MINISTER OF CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

- Bennett Williams

YOUTH/FAMILY MINISTER - Kellen Michalowski ALTAR CARE - ;

USHERS - Don Young, Doug Womer, Ed Shadle,

Chris Bair, Dennis Dinger, Dave Featherman

**GREETERS** -

COMMUNION ASST -

WORSHIP ASST -

LECTOR - Bruce Senft; Susan Shultz

FLOWER DELIVERY - Sandy Dinger

COUNCIL PRESIDENT - Stephanie Carl

NURSERY SCHL DIR. -

717-652-6700 ext 3

SEXTON - Don Young

ST. MARK'S MEDITATION GARDEN BRICKS - Cost \$35.00 per brick (no limit). Order forms are available at both entrances to the sanctuary. Bricks can be purchased anytime throughout the year.

Chris Bair is collecting newspapers for the Bird Sanctuary

Don Young's son, Doug is collecting closed egg cartons, you can drop them off at the church office.

#### NOW HIRING SUMMER STAFF

We are hiring summer staff to help make this the best summer ever for our campers and guests. Serve others, grow in faith & community, and have a blast working at camp this summer! Learn more and apply online on the website.



# **Upcoming Events**



**SEEDS (Summer Eco-education Days)** at The Wittel Farm - July 3, 2021

Join Pastor Matt and Cherie Lenahan for a morning of education, with special guests, to learn about the farming practices at The Wittel Farm and how they support a healthier ecosystem, climate, and community. SEEDS (Summer Eco-education Days) at The Wittel Farm - July 17, 2021

Join Pastor Matt and Cherie Lenahan for a morning of education, with special guests, to learn about the farming practices at The Wittel Farm and how they support a healthier ecosystem, climate, and community.

# <u>SEEDS (Summer Eco-education Days) Copy</u> at The Wittel Farm - August 7, 2021

• Join Pastor Matt and Cherie Lenahan for a morning of education, with special guests, to learn about the farming practices at The Wittel Farm and how they support a healthier ecosystem, climate, and community.





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#### REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP!

It might just be the best week you've ever had! Don't wait, sign up today for a summer camp program at Kirchenwald or Nawakwa.

For 2021, registration will close two weeks before the program starts.

Don't wait until it's too late! Register today!! Find information about <u>COVID-19 precautions</u> we are taking this summer.

# For those already registered:

As of our last <u>COVID-19 update</u> (*May 7*), some forms did change. You can always find the latest forms on our <u>website</u>, and we have provided the latest links below. If you are unable to print these forms, please contact the <u>Camping Office</u>.

Reminder: All pre-camp health screening paperwork must be completed & come with the camper at registration in order to be admitted into camp.

#### Additional COVID-19 Related Forms (2021)

Summer Camp COVID FAQ (Updated May 5)
Summer Camp Pre Camp Health Screening Form (Updated May 5)

Now includes a 14 day temperature check

**COVID-19 LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY** 

**AGREEMENT** (Updated March 3)

You can find additional forms with your confirmation packet or online

at <a href="https://www.lutherancamping.org/downloadable-forms/">https://www.lutherancamping.org/downloadable-forms/</a>

# --- More Information -

https://www.lutherancamping.org/summer-camp/



CAMPFIRE WORSHIP at The Wittel Farm Come to the farm for summer Campfire worship nights. Songs, stories, s'mores. 8:00-9:00 pm

> July 11 August 15



More Information - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0949a9a72ea7fb6-dinner