

ST. MARK LUTHERAN CHURCH

A congregation of the
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

welcomes you!

**July 9,
2023**



**The 6th
Sunday after
Pentecost**

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

“SHINE” CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 6:00 PM (*1st Saturdays - Chapel*)

SUNDAY

THE DIVINE LITURGY: 9:00AM

in-person & streaming

EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP HOUR: 10:30 AM

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PLEASE wear a **mask/face covering** *if* you are **exhibiting any upper respiratory symptoms consistent with allergies, a cold, or COVID-19** (runny nose, cough, sore throat).

To parents with small children: We are glad your family is worshipping with us today! **“Quiet Bags”** (supplies & activities for use by small children) are available in the Welcome Area. If you or your child need a break from the service, feel free to walk to the Welcome Area/narthex (the service is still audible over the speakers).

Parish Hall and Restrooms are located on the lower level of the main church building. The stairway is off the entrance foyer. An **accessibility lift** to the lower level is located in the Welcome Area. An usher will be happy to assist you.

Assistive listening devices and **low vision items** are available. Please ask one of our ushers for assistance.

PRELUDE & WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *Please STAND as you are able*

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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

Please KNEEL or remain as you are

Gracious God, have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

“Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart”

ELW 873

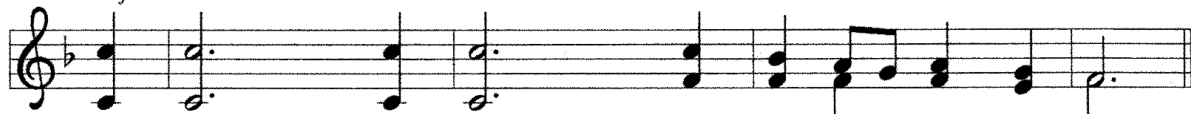


- 1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing;
- 2 With voice as full and strong as o - cean's surg - ing praise,
- 3 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints on earth
- 4 Still lift your stan - dard high, still march in firm ar - ray,



your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your king.
send forth the stur - dy hymns of old, the psalms of an - cient days.
pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth.
as pil - grims through the dark - ness wend till dawns the gol - den day.

Refrain



Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

- 5 At last the march shall end;
the wearied ones shall rest;
the pilgrims find their home at last,
Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*
- 6 Praise God who reigns on high,
the Lord whom we adore:
the Father, Son, and Spirit blest,
one God forevermore. *Refrain*

GREETING

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

SECOND READING: Romans 7:15-25a

¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ²⁵Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA VERSE *The assembly STANDS to welcome the gospel.*



*Cantor: Blessed are you, Lord of heav'n and earth;
you have revealed these things to infants.*

Repeat alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] ¹⁶"To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, ¹⁷'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' ¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds." ²⁵At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."



The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** *Please SIT.*

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty”

ELW 777



- 1 “Come to me, all pil-grims thirst - y; drink the wa - ter I will give.
- 2 “Come to me, all trav - 'lers wea - ry; come that I may give you rest.
- 3 “Come to me, be - liev - ers bur - dened; find re - fresh - ment in this place.
- 4 “Come to me, re - pen - tant sin - ners; leave be - hind your guilt and shame.



If you knew what gift I of - fer, you would come to me and live.”
 Drink the cup of life I of - fer; at this ta - ble be my guest.”
 Come, re - ceive the gift I of - fer, turn to me and seek my face.”
 Come and know di - vine com - pas - sion, turn to me, I call your name.”

Refrain



Je - sus, ev - er - flow - ing foun - tain, give us wa - ter from your well.



In the gra - cious gift you of - fer there is joy no tongue can tell.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5 “Come to me, distressed and needy;
I would be your trusted friend.
Come and seek the gift I offer,
come, your open hands extend.” <i>Refrain</i> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6 “Come to me, abandoned, orphaned;
lonely ways no longer roam.
Come and take the gift I offer,
let me make in you my home.” <i>Refrain</i> |
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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 forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *The names of those for whom we pray aloud are listed below. Please read only the first names. Other prayer intentions can be found in the Mark Times newsletter. The response to **Hear us, O God, is Your mercy is great...***

Dave Brauer, Gary Dozier, Evelyn Duncan, Curt Gansmann, Mary Hill, Randy Hinkle, Bruce Martens, Dwight Ness, Kim Ott, Kim Palmer, Sandra Purdy, Marilyn Robinson, Kathy Rothgangel, Carol Weshinsky, & Barb Wurdinger

MEAL

PEACE *The assembly is invited to share a greeting of God's peace with one another. Please be respectful to those who wish to do so from a distance. Following **the Peace**, you may be **seated** for a few moments*

Should you wish to leave an offering today, it may be placed in the wooden box on the table near the baptismal font at any point during or after the service.

OFFERINGS

OFFERING PRAYER

Assistant: Let us pray together... **God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right...we praise your name, and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
 God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER *chanted*

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

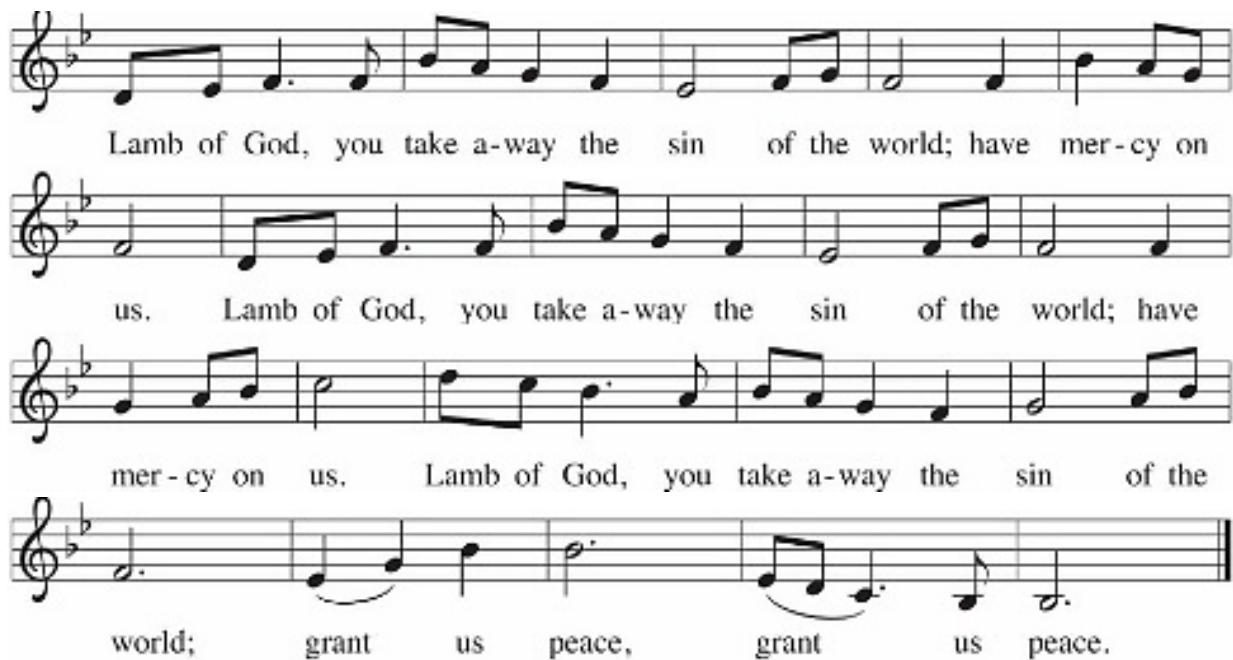


Our Fa-ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
 your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav-en.
 Give us to-day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins
 as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al
 and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the pow'r,
 and the glo-ry are yours, now and for-ev - er. A - men.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet for all is now ready.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION *Please SIT*

Communion is open to everyone. In this sacrament, we believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine. At this service, communion will be served from around the altar rail. At the usher's direction, please come forward and kneel at the altar rail.

- ✘ After receiving the bread, you may take an individual cup or drink from the chalice.
- ✘ You may return to your seat after communing.
- ✘ Those who do not wish to commune may come forward for a blessing. Please cross your arms over your chest to indicate this preference.
- ✘ Reception of the Eucharist under one kind (bread or wine) is valid communion for those who must avoid either for health reasons.
- ✘ If you are unable to go to the altar for communion, please notify an usher or the pastor, so that communion may be brought to you in your pew.

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“If You But Trust in God to Guide You”

ELW 769



1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle
2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less
3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and
4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -
an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's
qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -
ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in
keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who
fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has
serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our

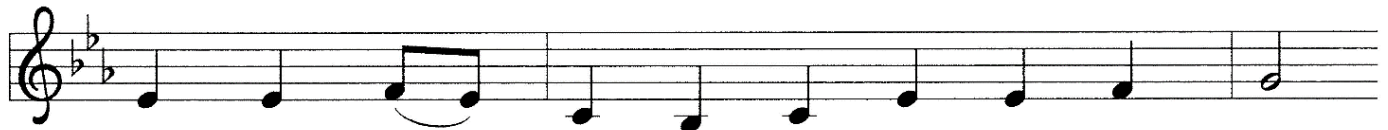


God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.
took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.
cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.
con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.



“Lord of All Hopefulness”

ELW 765



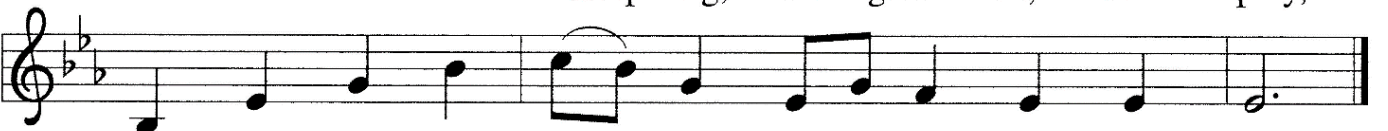
1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
 2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
 3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
 4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:
 whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
 your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace:
 whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
 be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,
 be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
 be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,

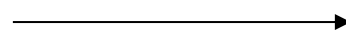


your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
 your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
 your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
 your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

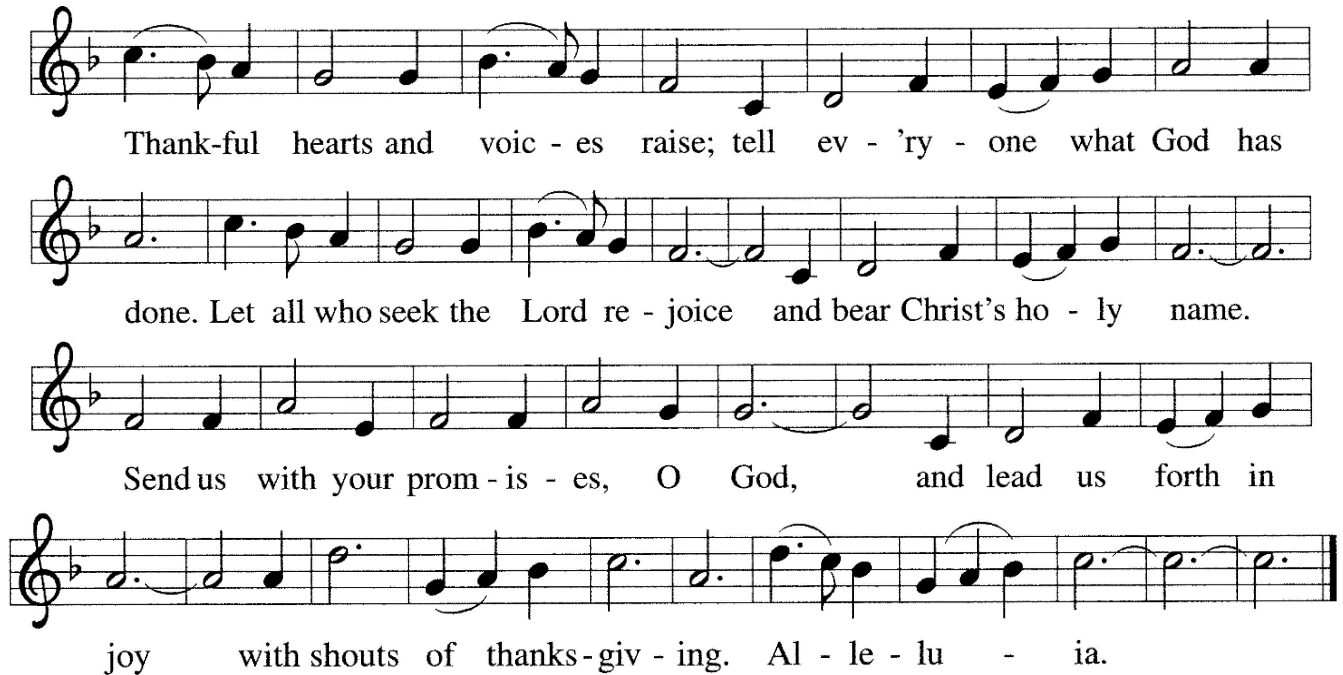
*After the distribution is complete, please **STAND** as you are able for the blessing.*

TABLE BLESSING

The Body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**



CANTICLE AFTER COMMUNION “Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise” ELW 206



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry - one what God has
done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in
joy with shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

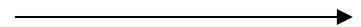
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Assistant: Let us pray together... **Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever. **Amen.**





1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
 2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
 3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you send me
 wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
 grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all
 o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
 when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,
 of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,
 what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,



lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
 help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
 with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Assistant: Go in peace. Serve in love. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer Intentions

St. Mark Members

Dave Brauer, Gary Dozier, Evelyn Duncan, Curt Gansmann, Mary Hill, Randy Hinkle, Bruce Martens, Greg Martens, Dwight Ness, Kim Ott, Kim Palmer, Sandra Purdy, Marilyn Robinson, Kathy Rothgangel, Carol Weshinskey, & Barb Wurdinger

St. Mark Family and Friends

Dennis Althardt, Dennis Beshears, Phyllis Booker, Patty Brennecke, Susan Carson, Dorothy Cheek, Christine, Catherine Davis, Brian Dinges, Bill Donovan, Robert Eggemeyer, Mike Ellison, Katrina Fenner, Josh Gansmann, Christine Gass, Viv Gillespie, Joni Giordano, David Graber, Margy Groennert, Stephanie Groennert, TC Groennert, Randy Hayes, Jamie House, Donna Koudelka, Austin Lickenbrock, Elroy Luffman, Wyatt Madison, Glenda Martiszus, Bobby & Joyce McCall, Allen Martens, Pr. Ron & Debbie Neustadt, Dean Norrenberns, Theresa Painter, Hilda Parnell, Tim & Missy Partelow, Debbie & Larry Powers, Darrell Robinson, Sarah and Family, Dave Schaaf, Jill Schlueter, Stefanie Schroeder, David & Donna Sims, Margie Snep, Ingrid Thompson, Maggie Tribut, Kris Whitley, Louise Wilson, Elisabeth Woodrome, Karen Woolf, Wilma Woolf, Ken Zika, Chloe Zipperer

St. Mark Thanksgivings

We pray for those who celebrate their birthdays this week:

Abram Bearth (7/10), **Darren Kilzer** (7/12), **Dwight Ness** (7/14), and **Mike Kimbrell** (7/15)

We pray for those who celebrate their wedding anniversary this week:

Monica & Tom Lynch (7/15)

We pray for those mourning the loss of loved ones:

The family of **Brandon Scott** (*recipient of Summer Sack Lunch Program*)

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Presider & Preacher: The Rev. Ken Tegtmeier + **Assisting Minister:** Danielle Tribut

Crucifer: Frank Dressel + **Chalice Bearer:** Tom Partelow

Lector: Aaron Fuchs + **Livestream Camera:** Greg Martens

Ushers: Rick Crosby & Rex Rothgangel + **Trained Responder:** Missy Kimbrell

ST. MARK STAFF

Pastor: The Rev. Brian M. Robison* + **Interim Pastor:** The Rev. Ken Tegtmeier

Administrative Assistant: Randi Cardoza + **Organist:** Evelyn Duncan

Handbell Choir Director: John Andersen + **Parish Nurse:** Becky Schnitzius

** Pastor Brian is on sabbatical until August 28.*

NEWS & NOTES FOR JULY 9, 2023

SIXTH WEEK AFTER PENTECOST



THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK

Monday, July 10

2:00 pm Health & Wellness

Wednesday, July 12

10:30 am Organist/Choir Director
Search Committee

Pastor Ken's Contact Information

Pastor Ken Tegtmeier is serving as the Interim pastor for St. Mark during Pastor Brian's summer sabbatical. Pastor Ken's contact information: Cell: **314-202-1055** Email: **kft6582@gmail.com**

Belleville Summer Sack Lunch Program

The Social/Evangelism Committee wishes to say **THANK YOU** to everyone who has supported the program this summer. With 6 weeks remaining more volunteers and food donations are needed.



We are continuing to collect individual size bags of Cheez-its, potato chips, nacho chips, individually wrapped store-bought cookies (no peanut butter, please) and fruit juice pouches, i.e. Capri Sun, for the lunches. Donations may be brought to church on Sundays or contact Sherri to drop off at her house or arrange pick up. Monetary donations are welcome if you prefer not to shop.

A few more volunteers are needed to help pack 150-200 lunches at Westview Baptist on the following Wednesday evenings from 5 pm to approximately 5:45pm: **July 12 and 19. Aug 2 and 9.**

Assistance is needed to help deliver the lunches from 10:35AM to approximately 12:45PM on the following Thursdays: **July 13 co-pilot and 27 co-pilot. Aug 3 driver and co-pilot**

Volunteer Sign-up Sheets are available during Coffee Fellowship, or you may contact Sherri Foppe at (618)791-6148 or cookinsherri2@gmail.com OR Ann Martens at (618)235-7762 or ga72mart@charter.net.

Hey, Guys! Save The Date:

Guys' Nite, an event for the men of St George's and St Mark is being held on **Friday, July 21st** in the evening at 5:00 p.m. Fellowship, brats, beverages, yard games. Bring a friend! Sign-up sheets are in the Welcome Area and Parish Hall. If you have any questions, contact Bob Vaughn (618-593-7263) or Greg Guenther (618-910-4594).

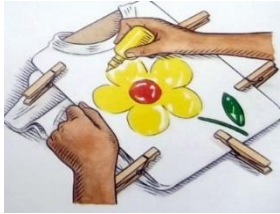
Thank You!

I want to thank everyone for the kindness shown to me after my accident. The prayers, cards, flowers and meals were very much appreciated. I love my St. Mark family!

Carol Weshinskey

St. Mark T-SHIRT Design Campaign

What would *you* like *our* message to *our* community to be via *our* t-shirt design?



The Evangelism/Social Ministry team wants your ideas! The design campaign idea board will be available now through mid-August in the Parish Hall for you to add your message. Ideas may also be submitted to Sherri Foppe at cookinsherri2@gmail.com or by calling/texting Sherri at 618 791-6148.

Submitted ideas will be compiled then a winner will be selected using a “sports bracket style” elimination. Selection voting will take place in September!

Online Worship and Emails

There was a glitch with Randi’s computer over the weekend and the Mark Times email was delayed in being sent out. Here’s what to do if you don’t receive the email like you’re supposed to.

1. **Check Your Spam/Bulk Mail Folder**—the emails we send are part of an email list and occasionally trigger them being marked as a bulk email; then they get put in that folder.
2. **Go to Our Website** (www.stmarkbelleville.org), select the “Ministries” tab at the top of the page, then choose “Online Worship” (stmarkbelleville.org/blog/ministries/online-worship/) from the menu. Select the current month and the week’s bulletin PDF will be available there on Friday every week.
3. **The Mark Times** is included with the week’s bulletin PDF on the Online Worship page, but it can also be found on our website under the News/Events tab as Mark Times Newsletter (stmarkbelleville.org/blog/category/mark-times/).

“God’s Work. Our Hands.” T-shirts

The ELCA’s National Day of Service - known as “God’s Work. Our Hands” Sunday - is on **September 10**. We want to provide the opportunity for members to purchase new or replacement GWOH yellow shirts to wear on the workday. A **sign-up sheet** is in the Parish Hall near the coffee stand. Cost is **\$9.50** each for children’s sizes through adult XL, with additional charges for larger sizes. We must have a **minimum of 10** to **get our name put on the back** of the shirt. **Please have all orders in by Sunday, July 30.**



Franklin School Supply Drive



The Evangelism and Social Ministry committee is holding its annual School Supply Collection through **August 6**. All school supply donations are appreciated including backpacks, computer paper, hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes, paper towels, gallon and sandwich size zip lock bags, facial tissues, white board markers, index cards, Fiskars Scissors – blunt or pointed end, wide-ruled loose leaf notebook paper, 24 count crayons, washable markers, highlighters, non-spiral notebooks, blue or red ink pens, #2 pencils, pencil boxes, erasers, pencil top erasers, glue, glue sticks, rulers, 1”-1 1/2” 3 ring binders, and red, blue, yellow or black pocket folders. A collection box is in the Canterbury Room/Narthex. Monetary donations may be given to Sherri Foppe or Ann Martens for those who prefer not to shop.

June 2023 Monthly Mission Donations

1) \$400 Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children (CASA)

CASA's Mission is to recruit, train, supervise and support volunteers who advocate for the best interests of children that have experienced abuse and neglect and are involved in the judicial system of either St. Clair, Madison, Monroe or Randolph County, in order to reduce the physical, emotional, and/or social child mistreatment.

The vision of CASA of Southwestern Illinois is to advocate for the best interest of abused and neglected children through collaboration with various community agencies, public and private funds, local businesses and judicial officials in order to end systemic cycles of abuse for the future generation.

The goal of CASA is to serve 100% of the abused and neglected children referred by the judicial system.

The Core Values of CASA are Racial Equity, Respect, Dignity, Volunteerism, Stewardship, and Preservation.

More information is available at www.casaofswil.org

2) \$200 TOCO HAP Shower Ministry.

2023 Homelessness Assistance Programs (HAP) Shower Ministry Objective is to provide for the hygiene needs of individuals experiencing homelessness as part of the HAP network. Location: Union United Methodist Church 721 E. Main Street Belleville, IL 62220 (618)233-6375 Days/Times: Wednesdays from 1:00 - 3:30pm

Tapestry of Community Offerings (TOCO) collects supplies and organizes volunteer support for the ministry. The following In-kind donations are very welcome: Gently used or new Unisex T-Shirts (especially XXL+) and Unisex Socks (all sizes). New Men's and Women's Underwear (all sizes). Travel size toiletries are also needed In-kind donations can be accepted by appointment only at Union United Methodist Church. Please contact Kara for more info or to schedule an appointment at community@tocofamily.org (618) 257-TOCO (8626)

St. Mark Offerings Report for July 2:

General Fund: **\$4,424.11** (*includes online offerings received by 6/30*); Food Pantry: \$216.54;

Coffee Fund: \$52