

**St. Mark's Mission Statement**

“United in Christ, Sharing his Good News,  
we invite all people to grow in God's love.”

**Church Calendar July 7, 2024 – July 14, 2024**

- Today** - Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.
- Next Sunday** - Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.  
- Ordination/Installation of Pastor Carrie at 3 p.m.  
- Reception following at the Hoff's

**Serving Today**

Acolyte:	Nicklaus Bennett
Lector:	Dave Hoff
Music Directors:	Debi and Sean Beachy
Organist:	Sean Beachy
Special Music:	Debi, Sean, & Evan Beachy
Recording:	Nicole Bosley
Safekeeper:	Shirley Spiker

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The Altar flowers are given by Dave & Carrie Hoff  
in honor and glory of God.



***ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH***

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*Sunday Worship Service is at 10:00 a.m.  
Our Daily Ministers are The People of St. Mark's  
Carrie Hoff, Called Pastor*

***WELCOME***

*We extend a sincere welcome to all who join us for worship.*

**July 7, 2024**  
**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Order of Worship**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**                      “Pipings!”    James Southbridge

**\*\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*\*\*Stand*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,  
the God of manna,  
the God of miracles,  
the God of mercy.  
**Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our provider,  
**help us. 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.**

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.  
**Amen.**

**\*\* SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always  
**And also with you.**

**\*\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

**No. 796**

*“How Firm a Foundation”*

**\*\* 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.**

**\*\* KYRIE**

Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad;      ten pie - dad      de no -  
Lord, . . have mer-cy on us;      O . . . Lord,      have . . .

so - tros.                                      Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -  
mer - cy.                                      Lord, . . have mer - cy on

dad;      ten pie - dad      de no - so - tros.  
us;      O . . . Lord,      have . . mer - cy.

Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie - dad;      ten pie - dad      de no -  
Christ, . . have mer - cy on us;      O . . . Christ,      have . .

so - tros.                                      Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie -  
mer - cy.                                      Christ, . . have mer - cy on

dad;      ten pie - dad      de no - so - tros.  
us;      O . . . Christ,      have . . mer - cy.

Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad;      ten pie - dad      de no -  
Lord, . . have mer-cy on us;      O . . . Lord,      have . . .

so - tros.                                      Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -  
mer - cy.                                      Lord, . . have mer - cy on

dad;      ten pie - dad      de no - so - tros.  
us;      O . . . Lord,      have . . mer - cy.

**\*\* CANTICLE OF PRAISE**



¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!  
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!



¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!  
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!



Y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra\_a-que-llos que\_a-ma\_el Se - ñor.  
And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.



Y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra\_a-que-llos que\_a-ma\_el Se - ñor.  
And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.

**\*\* PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING: Ezekiel 2:1-5**

A reading from Ezekiel.

<sup>1</sup>[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.<sup>2</sup> And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. <sup>3</sup>He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup>The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, “Thus says the Lord GOD.” <sup>5</sup>Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

**PSALM: Psalm 123**

We will start with the refrain and repeat where indicated.

*Refrain: Our eyes look to you, O God, until you show us your mercy. (Ps. 123:2)*

<sup>1</sup>To you I lift up my eyes,  
to you enthroned in the heavens.

<sup>2</sup>**As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,**

**so our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show us your mercy. R**

<sup>3</sup>Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy,  
for we have had more than enough of contempt,

<sup>4</sup>**too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,  
and of the derision of the proud. R**

**SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10**

<sup>2</sup>I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. <sup>3</sup>And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—<sup>4</sup>was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. <sup>5</sup>On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. <sup>6</sup>But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, <sup>7</sup>even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. <sup>8</sup>Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, <sup>9</sup>but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

**\*\* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

;A - le - lu - ya,      a - le - lu - ya,      a - le - lu - ya!  
 Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
 ;A - le - lu - ya,      a - le - lu - ya,      a - le - lu - ya!  
 Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
 ;A - le - lu - ya,      a - le - lu - ya,  
 Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia,  
 a - le - lu - ya!      ;A - le - lu - ya!  
 al - le - lu - ia!      Al - le - lu - ia!

**\*\* GOSPEL: Mark 6:1-13**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> [Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup> On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup> Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. <sup>4</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." <sup>5</sup> And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup> And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup> He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup> He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup> but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup> He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup> If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." <sup>12</sup> So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup> They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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

**SERMON**

**\*\* HYMN OF THE DAY**

*" O Christ, Our Light, O Radiance True "*

**\*\* 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**

One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

*A brief silence.*

Glorious God, you bend down to wash the feet of your disciples. Let the servant church arise in our teaching, our praying, our healing, and our doing. Make all your faithful people powerful in weakness and strong in grace. In your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Life-giving God, your fingers trace the heavens and your hands mold the earth. Where there is drought, bring nourishing rain. Where there is devastation from fire or flood, bring relief. Sustain the well-being of every living thing. In your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, you speak and the nations listen. Open those who govern to the cries of all who journey with no food or shelter, particularly people fleeing violence, those seeking freedom, and those in search of community. In your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, your embrace brings wholeness to those who are troubled. Anoint (*names and*) all who suffer in any way with the oil of healing and grant them renewal. In your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Welcoming God, in your presence strangers become companions and enemies become neighbors. Open our doors to those we have so easily shut out, particularly people who are different from us or who are marginalized by church or society. In your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Eternal God, you gather us into your house of many dwelling places. We give you thanks for our faithful departed (*especially*). Inspire us by their lives of faith until, with them, we rest forever at our journey's end. In your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

### OFFERING

### SPECIAL MUSIC

*“ His Eye Is On the Sparrow ”* arr. Sean Beachy

Debi Beachy, voice & Evan Beachy, trombone

### \*\* OFFERTORY HYMN

No. 692

*“ We Are an Offering ”*

### \*\* OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

### \*\* LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name,**

**thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done,**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;**

**and forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those**

**who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**and the power, and the glory,**

**forever and ever. Amen.**

### \*\* BLESSING

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

**Amen.**

### \*\* RECESSIONAL HYMN

No. 576

*“ We All Are One in Mission ”*

### \*\* DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

*“Sortie on “National Hymn””* Lani Smith

## Prayer Requests



**Illness:** Marjorie Yellets, Anita Scheffel, Jeremy Lewis, Joy, Samantha, Gary, Mary Ellen Lewis, Kay Royce, Lois (Filemyr) Garland, Gary Thompson, Amie, Bill, Dorrie, Jim, Ricky Dale, Tom Harney, Linda Royce, Carrie, Courtney, Joe, James Bloom, Marie Meyers, Matthew, Shirley & Carl Spiker, Cathy Lynch, Elizabeth Regina, Joshua Wilhelm, elderly lady with breast cancer

**Special Needs:** Ray Mattingly, Fay Reniker, Dennis, Julia & Bob Hoffmann, Riley, Eddie, Karina Stonesifer, David Lewis, Bob, Will, Tristyn, Jim, Karen, Mary, Michael Mills, Bob & Michelle

**\*\*Please let the office know when names on these lists can be removed.**

## Upcoming Events

July 14                      Ordination & Installation of Pastor Carrie Hoff at 3 pm

## Announcements

### Ordination/Installation of the New Pastor

We invite you to save a date! On July 14th at 3 pm, we will be having an Ordination/Installation of our new Pastor. You are invited to this momentous occasion right here at St. Mark's Lutheran Church with a celebration afterward at Pastor Carrie and Dave's home! Please RSVP today if you have not done so yet!

## Who Is Jesus?

People who heard Jesus teach in his own hometown asked a lot of questions. "Who is Jesus?" "Isn't this the carpenter?" "Where did he get his power and wisdom?" "Isn't he Mary's son?" They didn't accept Jesus for who he really was. In this word find, circle these words that tell who Jesus was.

Teacher	Son of God	Savior
Prophet	Son of Mary	Brother
Carpenter	Christ	Jesus
Healer	Leader	

C H R I S T P E Z D W H V  
 I A F J Y S R L E A D E R  
 S Y R A M F O N O S U A N  
 O C Q P I N R X B V R L K  
 N S W T E H P O R P E E A  
 O H M L E N R K I J H R G  
 F U R B Q U T P M V C A T  
 G J E S U S Y E K S A I N  
 O M T A X K Q L R O E S W  
 D Y B R O T H E R Z T L B



**Bible Tip!**

When you find an important verse in the Bible underline it. It'll be easier to find next time!