



## ***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  
Rev. Carrie Hoff, Pastor*

***WELCOME***

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

**November 3, 2024**  
**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/All Saints Sunday**  
**Order of Worship**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

*“Grand Chorus ”* Edmund Lemaigre

**\*\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*\*\*Stand*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end.  
**Amen.**

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,

**we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.**

These words are trustworthy and true:

Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are ✙ forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation. **Amen.**

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

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**\*\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

**No. 427**

*“For All Your Saints, O Lord ”*

**\*\* GREETING**

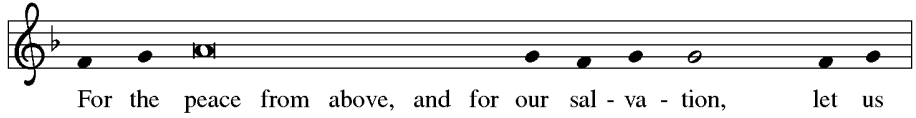
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

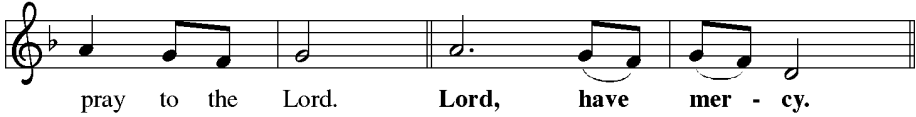
**\*\* KYRIE**



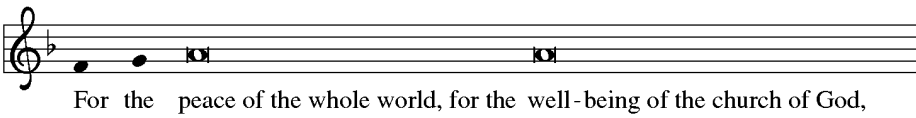
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**




For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



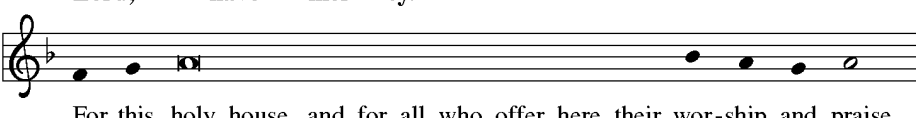
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



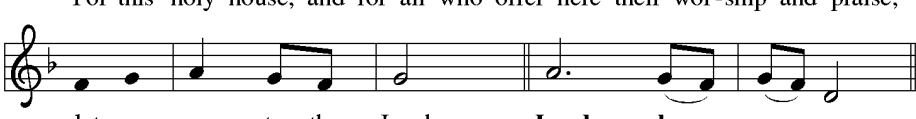
and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



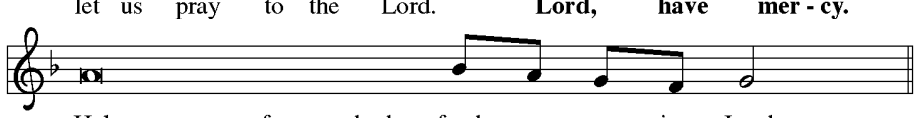
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



**A - men.**

\*\* CANTICLE OF PRAISE

*Refrain*  


Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

*Refrain*  


Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



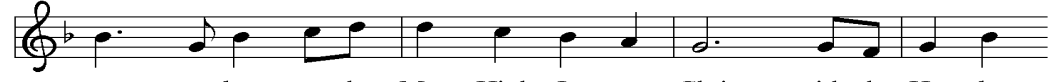
seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

*Refrain*  


Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*Refrain*  


Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

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

Let us pray. Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

### **FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-9**

<sup>6</sup> On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. <sup>7</sup> And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; <sup>8</sup> he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. <sup>9</sup> It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

### **PSALM: Psalm 24**

We will start with the refrain and repeat where indicated.

*Refrain: They shall receive blessing from the God of their salvation. (Ps. 24:5)*

<sup>1</sup> The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,  
the world and those who dwell therein.

<sup>2</sup> **For the LORD has founded it upon the seas  
and established it upon the rivers. R**

<sup>3</sup> Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD,  
and who may stand in God's holy place?

<sup>4</sup> **Those of innocent hands and purity of heart,  
who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is false.**

<sup>5</sup> They shall receive blessing from the LORD  
and righteousness from the God of their salvation.

<sup>6</sup> **Such is the generation of those who seek you, O LORD,  
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob. R**

<sup>7</sup> Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

<sup>8</sup> **Who is this King of glory?**

**The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!**

<sup>9</sup> Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

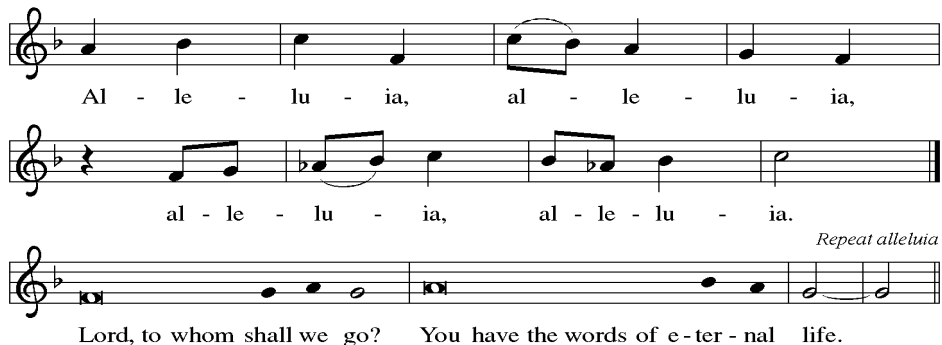
<sup>10</sup> **Who is this King of glory?**

**Truly, the LORD of hosts is the King of glory. R**

## SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6a

<sup>1</sup> I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; <sup>4</sup> he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." <sup>5</sup> And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6a</sup> Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

### \*\* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

### \*\* GOSPEL: John 11:32-44

The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>32</sup> When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup> He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup> Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup> So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup> But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" <sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup> When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup> The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them,

The Gospel of the Lord.

#### Praise to you, O Christ.

*“Jerusalem, My Happy Home ”*

**COMMEMORATION OF THE SAINTS**

P Let us remember all the saints before God. We praise and bless you, O holy Trinity. You have taught your church that it is an ageless communion of saints. We thank you for gathering those who faithfully waited in hope for the redemption you promised, and now for adding us who celebrate the love of Christ for the redemption of the world. Prepare a place for us among those who are already with you. Help us remember them as an encouragement to saintly living, inspiring us to love and in anticipation of our an everlasting rest with them.

P Jesus says, Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart,  
C **and you will find rest for your souls.**

P In the new Jerusalem there will be no need of sun or moon,  
C **for the glory of God will be its light.**

P Before the lamb is a multitude from every nation,  
C **and they worship God night and day.**

P Surely he is coming soon.  
C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P O God, the generations rise and pass away before you. You are the strength of those who labor; you are the rest of the blessed dead. We rejoice in the company of your saints. We remember all who have lived in faith, all who have peacefully died, and especially those most dear to us who rest in you, whose names we remember before you now:

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|------------------|------------------|
| Erling Berger    | Grace Plummer    |
| Gary Earl        | Fayann Saturday  |
| Marvin Errickson | Bill Skinner     |
| Joe Harvey       | Gloria Stuart    |
| Steve Lawson     | Nora Tahtinen    |
| Don Matthews     | Julie Turrentine |
| Kevin Moyer      | Jeremy Whitacre  |
| Sandra Naumann   | Virginia Wilhelm |

P Give us in time our portion with those who have trusted in you and have stiven to do your holy will. To your name, with the Church on earth and the Church in heaven, we ascribe all honor and glory, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

**\*\* 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**

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

O God of resurrection, you call us by name and raise us to life. Rouse your church from slumber. Where we have held back in fear or shame, unbind us. Embolden us in our proclamation of your good news, that all may know abundant life. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

O God of creation, you have founded your world on rivers and seas. Preserve fresh water sources and the creatures who call them home. Heal places of pollution and nourish places of drought. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

O God of the earth, you reign over all nations and peoples. Inspire us with wisdom and discernment as we elect legislators and leaders. May they govern with justice and uphold the dignity of all people. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

O God of heaven, you make your home among mortals. Come alongside those who weep this day. Befriend all who are lonely, encourage those in despair, and heal any who are suffering (*especially*). Abide with your faithful ones in love. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**



O God who serves, you set before us a feast of rich food. Sustain our ministries of fellowship and hospitality. Strengthen the hands and hearts of all who prepare and serve food for our nourishment. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

O God, Alpha and Omega, we give thanks for your faithful ones who are now at peace with you Erling, Gary, Marvin, Joe, Steve, Don, Kevin, Sandra, Grace, Fayann, Bill, Gloria, Nora, Julie, Jeremy, and Virginia. With all your saints, we praise you, for you have swallowed up death forever. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

## **OFFERING**

### **CHOIR ANTHEM**

*“Soon and Very Soon”* arr. Jack Schrader

### **\*\* OFFERTORY HYMN**

*“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”*

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in the key of D major (one sharp). The melody is primarily in the Treble clef, with a supporting bass line in the Bass clef. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." The score consists of two systems of music, each with a Treble and Bass staff. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the last two lines. The music is a simple, hymn-like setting with a steady rhythm.

### **\*\* OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray. Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup, you offered yourself in love for the world, and in this meal you nourish us with your life. Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name. **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.**

**\*\* PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the witness of your saints  
you show us the hope of our calling  
and strengthen us to run the race set before us,  
that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory.

And so, with all the saints,  
with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**\*\* HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

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

**\*\* THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

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 the remembrance of me.

**\*\* 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.**

**\*\* COMMUNION SONG**



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.

**COMMUNION**

Distribution of Communion

*All are welcome to receive the wine and bread at our Lord's table. Grape Juice is in pre-poured glasses and gluten-free wafers are available on the tables as you come forward.*

**COMMUNION HYMN**

No. 800

*" Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart "*

**\*\* TABLE BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

**\*\* POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre -



pared in the sight of ev-'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the



na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

**\*\* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray. Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**\*\* BLESSING**

The Ancient One, enthroned, the Crucified One, now risen, the Indwelling One, poured out,

✠ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

**\*\* RECESSIONAL HYMN**

*“ O, When the Saints Go Marching In ”*

1 Oh, when the saints go march - ing in, oh, when the  
2 Oh, when the Lord in glo - ry comes, oh, when the  
3 Oh, when the new world is re - vealed, oh, when the  
4 Oh, when they gath - er round the throne, oh, when they  
5 And on that hal - le - lu - jah day, and on that

saints go march - ing in, O Lord, I want to be in that  
Lord in glo - ry comes, O Lord, I want to be in that  
new world is re - vealed, O Lord, I want to be in that  
gath - er round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that  
hal - le - lu - jah day, O Lord, I want to be in that

num - ber when the saints go march - ing in.  
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num - ber when the new world is re - vealed.  
num - ber when they gath - er round the throne.  
num - ber on that hal - le - lu - jah day.

**\*\* DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

**Thanks be to God. WE WILL!**

**POSTLUDE**

*“ Concluding Voluntary ”* G.F. Broadhead



## Prayer Requests

**Illness:** Shirley & Carl Spiker, Joshua Wilhelm, Cheri Himes, Janice, Charles Long, Roy Gilbert, Jeremy Lewis, Anita Scheffel, Susie, Jim Bloom, Fred, Sara, Sandra, Darryl, Merrily Clark, Carl (Devin Swift's friend), Ann Lee Colaw, Dalton S., Hannah Sincell, Donna Hanlin, Joe Cook, Phillip, Terry Helbig, Cara Upole, David Lewis, Brittiny Bond, Mary, Bill, Christopher, Leloni Mills, John Burk, Rilee Alkire, Brenda Harvey, Jim Bennett, Linda, Bob

**Special Needs:** Mark Weeks, Amy Bacha, Riley, Eddie & Baby Ada, Jim, Chase, Gary Wotherspoon, Family and friends in Tennessee and North Carolina, Amanda, Caroline, Paul

## Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 3	Adult Forum at 8:30am All Saints Sunday
Sunday, November 10	Stewardship Sunday Food Waste Competition
Sunday, November 17	Adult Forum at 8:30am Fall Congregational Meeting after worship
Sunday, November 24	Christ the King Sunday Fair Trade Pairing Event

# Announcements

## **Reducing Food Waste Lunch & Competition**

On Sunday, November 10, following the worship service, all are invited to lunch in the social hall. We'll follow up on our earlier workshops about reducing the amount of food that we waste. Reducing the amount of food that we discard is an easy way we can help to limit greenhouse emissions causing climate change.

It's a potluck! Try using food that might otherwise go to waste. If you can't make something, don't worry; there will be plenty.

If you want, enter your dish in the Chopped Competition. Unlike the TV version, we won't be whipping up three courses in front of the judges in a ridiculously short time. Here are our more relaxed rules:

- 1) Make just one dish—anything from appetizer to dessert.
- 2) Use ingredients that satisfy at least two of these criteria:
  - a. something that is nearing its expiration date
  - b. something that has been languishing in the refrigerator or freezer
  - c. something that is leftover
  - d. something that you overbought

Make a label listing the ingredients from these categories. We'll have a people's choice award. Contact Marty (410.790.8649) or Mary (410.790.8648) Reisinger with any questions.

## **Fall Congregational Meeting**

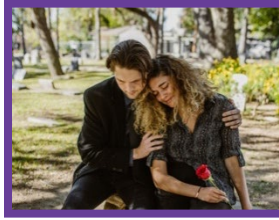
A Congregational meeting will be scheduled after worship service on November 17. The sole agenda issue that the Congregation will be required to take action on is:

- Approval of the Council Recommended 2025 Unified Budget. Council Treasurer Jim Murray will provide a summary.

Monty Pagenhardt, President

## **Fair Trade Pairing Event**

Sunday, November 24, after worship service, we will be meeting downstairs for a closer look at the Equal Exchange Coffee. We are offering a pairing event which gives each of us an opportunity to try different coffee, tea, and chocolate bars that Equal Exchange offers with the Fair Trade items that different small farmers provide.



## November 3, 2024, All Saints Sunday

### John 11:32-44

*Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.*



**Pray:** Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

Holy God, you are the resurrection and the life. Awaken us with the breath of your spirit, and call us forth in faith as your disciples. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



**Read:** Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

*Jesus began to weep. (John 11:35)*



**Reflect:** Reflect on the scripture summary.

When Jesus saw how the death of Lazarus brought about great sorrow among his friends and his sisters, Martha and Mary, Jesus was disturbed, and he wept with them. Jesus then went to the tomb and raised Lazarus to life so that the crowd could believe in him.





**Connect:** Connect in conversation with others in your household.

- **What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?**
- **What was the last funeral you attended? What part of the service was the most moving?**
- **For the littles: What makes you sad? It's okay to cry when you're sad! Even Jesus did!**



**Bless:** Close your devotion with a blessing.

**May God always hold and keep you in your sadness. Amen.**



**Do:** By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

**Plan your own funeral. It's never too early to talk about end-of-life decisions. How would you like to be remembered?**



**Go Deeper:** Read and reflect on the readings for each day of the week.

Monday, Psalm 18:20-30; Ruth 2:15-23; Romans 12:17-21; 13:8-10

Tuesday, Psalm 18:20-30; Ruth 3:1-7; Acts 7:17-29

Wednesday, Psalm 18:20-30; Ruth 3:8-18; John 13:31-35

Thursday, Psalm 127; Ruth 4:1-10; Romans 5:6-11

Friday, Psalm 127; Ruth 4:11-17; Hebrews 9:15-24

Saturday, Psalm 127; Ruth 4:18-22; Mark 11:12-14, 20-24

## St. Mark's Mission Statement

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

### Church Calendar November 3, 2024 – November 10, 2024

- Today** - **All Saints Sunday**  
- Adult Forum at 8:30 a.m.  
- Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.  
with Holy Communion
- Tuesday** - Yoga at 5:00 p.m.
- Wednesday** - Bell Quartet at 5:30 p.m.  
- Bell Choir at 6:30 p.m.  
- Chancel Choir at 7:30 p.m.
- Next Sunday** - Adult Forum at 8:30 a.m.  
- Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.

### Serving Today

Acolyte:	Riley Feathers
Lector:	Sarah LeDuc
Organist:	Sean Beachy
Music Directors:	Sean & Debi Beachy
Recording:	Kathy Johnson
Safekeeper:	Jim Murray
Ushers:	Paul Lewis, Capt. Liz Lewis, Bob Dempsey, Dave Hoff

Pastor Carrie can be reached by email at [carriehoff@outlook.com](mailto:carriehoff@outlook.com) or  
phone 443-974-1738 for any pastoral needs or concerns.



Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers are placed by Justin & Abby Gregory  
in honor of Riley's 11<sup>th</sup> birthday.