

Gather, Grow, and Go

A Summer Sermon Series
to Explore Who We Are
as a Church and What God
is Doing In and Through Us



JUNE: We Gather...

- June 2 Around the Sacraments
- June 9 As Grace-Filled, Forgiven People
- June 16 In Times of Doubt
- June 23 As Children of God
- June 30 To Praise God

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- July 7 By the Spirit's Power
- July 14 By Depending on God and Each Other in Times of Suffering
- July 21 With Open Hearts
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AUGUST: We Go...

- August 4 To Serve Others
- August 11 To Our Families, Community, and World
- August 18 With Our Strengths and Weaknesses
- August 25 Together
- September 1 Where God Leads

July 28, 2024

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

Sunday Worship In-Person and Online at Facebook and YouTube
St. Mark's Lutheran Church - Waukesha, Wisconsin

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GATHERING HYMN *(please stand as you are able)*

O Day of Peace



1 O day of peace that dim-ly shines through all our hopes and prayers and dreams,
2 Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the fierce de - vour the small;



guide us to jus - tice, truth, and love, de-liv-ered from our self - ish schemes.
as beasts and cat - tle calm-ly graze, a lit-tle child shall lead them all.



May swords of hate fall from our hands, our hearts from en - vy find re - lease,
Then en - e - mies shall learn to love, all crea - tures find their true ac - cord;



till by God's grace our war-ring world shall see Christ's prom-ised reign of peace.
the hope of peace shall be ful-filled, for all the earth shall know the Lord.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: JERUSALEM, C. Hubert H. Parry, 1848-1918

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: 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.
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,
we are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.
Through Jesus, † the bread of life,
we are shown God's mercy:
we are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you

*Share a sign of peace with your neighbor expressing God's peace. **If you are joining us for worship online, please share a sign of peace in the comments section of the live stream.***

HYMN OF PRAISE

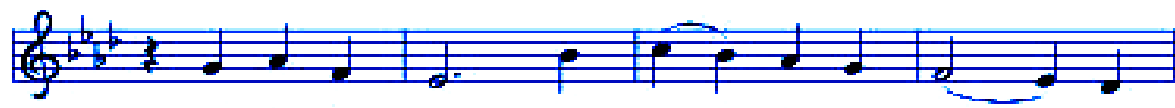
Refrain



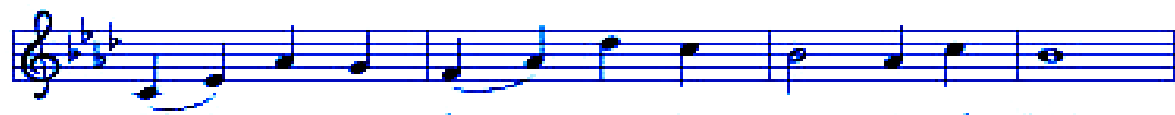
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and




blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:




Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

Refrain




hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

Refrain



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

GREETING

A: 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Great and Gracious God, you give us all that we have and all that we are. We thank you that we can call upon your name at any time for any reason, and you are there to hear us and answer us.

C: Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME WITH THE PASTOR

+ WORD +

PSALM 86:1-12

Listen to me, O Lord, and answer me,
for I am poor and needy.

Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you.

You are my God, be merciful to me;
I cry to you all day long.

Make your servant glad, O Lord,
because I lift up my soul to you.

You, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.

Listen, Lord, to my prayer;
hear my cries for help.
I call to you in times of trouble,
for you will answer me.

There is no god like you, O Lord,
not one has done what you have done.

All the nations that you have created
will come and bow down to you;
they will praise your name.

You are mighty and do wonderful things;
you alone are God.

Teach me, Lord, what you want me to do,
and I will obey you faithfully;
teach me to serve you with complete devotion.

I give thanks to you with all my heart, O Lord my God;
I will glorify your name forever.

ACCLAMATION

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains a sequence of notes: a quarter rest, followed by quarter notes G4, A4, B4, and C5. This is followed by a double bar line. The second part of the staff consists of eighth notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, and D4. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,' are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllable placement. The second staff also starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. It begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. This is followed by a double bar line. The second part of the staff consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, and a final half note G4. The lyrics 'al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllable placement.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 11:1-4

Once Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." So he said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, May your holy name be honored; may your Kingdom come.

Give us each day the food we need.

And forgive us our sins,

As we ourselves forgive everyone who does wrong to us.

And do not bring us to the time of being tested.

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Pastor Sara Gillespie

A brief silence follows the sermon

HYMN OF THE DAY (please stand as you are able)

Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive



- 1 "For - give our sins as we for - give," you taught us, Lord, to pray;
- 2 How can your par - don reach and bless the un - for - giv - ing heart
- 3 In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the truth we dim - ly knew:
- 4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls and bid re - sent - ment cease;



but you a - lone can grant us grace to live the words we say.
that broods on wrongs and will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?
how tri - fling oth - ers' debts to us; how great our debt to you!
then, by your mer - cy rec - on - ciled, our lives will spread your peace.

Text: Rosamond E. Herklots, 1905–1987, alt.
Music: DETROIT, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844
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APOSTLES' CREED

A: Let us profess our faith together in the words of the 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 THE PEOPLE *(please be seated)*

*We will sing the song responsively after each petition is offered.
Please sing a new verse each time the song is sung.*

We offer prayers during this time of meditation and singing. As a way of practicing our faith, you are invited to offer ways in which you experience the seeking and granting of forgiveness during the prayers of the people.

*If you have prayers you would like to have offered up during this time, please place names and concerns on a prayer request card and hand it to a welcome team member. **If you are joining us for worship online please begin typing names in the comment section so we might pray continuously during worship.***

Healer of Boundless Compassion

Heal-er of bound-less com - pas - sion, peace for our
suf - f'ring hearts: a - noint us with health, em - brace us with
strength, and bring us to full - ness of life.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics. The second staff contains the melody for the second line of lyrics. The third staff contains the melody for the third line of lyrics. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

Text: *Life Passages*, Renewing Worship 4
Music: Russell Schulz-Widmar, b. 1944
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LORD'S PRAYER

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

C: 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

MISSION MOMENT AND OFFERING

We give thanks for our continued offerings that invest in God's work in and through St Mark's. *You may mail your offering to church (424 Hyde Park Ave Waukesha WI 53188); if you prefer to give digitally, follow this [link](#). If you'd like to text your contribution, please use this number: (262) 383-2338.* We are grateful for all your offerings and give thanks to God for you. Our offerings honor God, the giver of all things.

OFFERTORY SONG

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful Offering Song



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Jesus, Bread of life, 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.

+ MEAL +

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

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. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

COMMUNION

The table of Holy Communion is inclusive, all people are welcome to receive this free gift of God. You will be invited by welcome team members to come forward down the center aisle. Bread is distributed at the center, with gluten free options at request. Your choice of grape juice or wine is available to you as you move toward either direction to return to your seats. Baskets for your empty cups are in the aisles as you return to your seats. If you need to have communion brought to you, please let a welcome team member know and the pastor or the assisting minister will commune you in your seat.

Prayer Partners (wearing a red badge) are available for confidential prayer for yourself or others in the front and back of the sanctuary.

EUCCHARISTIC INVITATION

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



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 HYMN

Jesus, the Very Thought of You



1 Je - sus, the ver - y thought of you fills us with sweet de - light;
2 No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind re - call
3 O Hope of ev - 'ry con - trite soul, O Joy of all the meek,
4 O Je - sus, be our joy to - day; help us to prize your love;



but sweet-er far your face to view and rest with - in your light.
a sweet-er sound than your blest name, O Sav - ior of us all!
how kind you are to those who fall! How good to those who seek!
grant us at last to hear you say: "Come, share my home a - bove."

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–1878
Music: ST. AGNES, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

TABLE BLESSING *(please stand as you are able)*

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace and peace now and forever.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

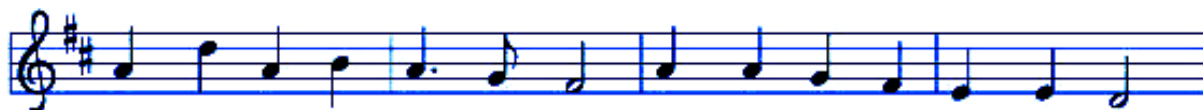
BLESSING

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

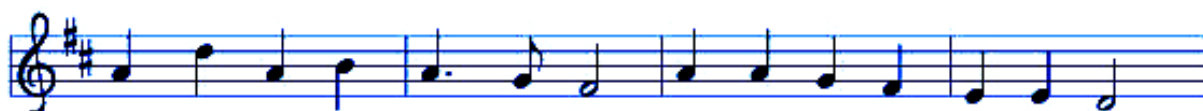
C: Amen

SENDING HYMN

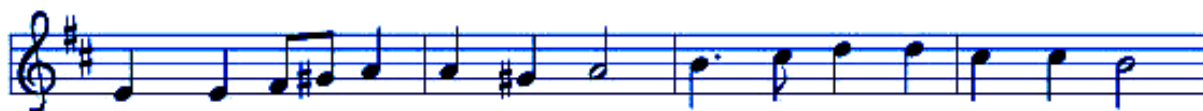
Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



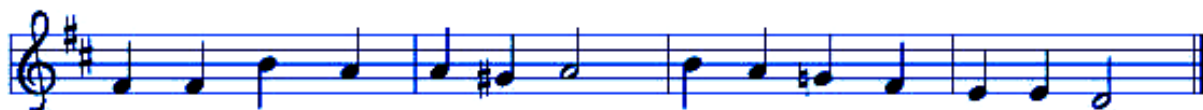
1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise;
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, proph - et, priest, and king su - preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole weak - ened bod - y, faint - ing soul;
4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, pres - ent in thy ho - ly word;



man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far,
and at Ca - na wed - ding guest in thy God-head man - i - fest;
man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
grace to im - i - tate thee now and be pure, as pure art thou;



branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill:
that we might be - come like thee at thy great e - piph - a - ny,



an - thems be to thee ad - dressed,
an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in flesh made man - i - fest.
an - thems be to thee ad - dressed,
and may praise thee, ev - er blest,

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt.
Music: SALZBURG, Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God!

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Interim Pastor: Sara Gillespie (sara.gillespie06@gmail.com, (920-214-3132)

Pastor Sara's Sabbath Day is Monday.

Deacon: Marcia Marquardt (marcia1@wi.rr.com, 262-784-2062)

Deacon Marcia's Sabbath Day is Friday.

Music Director: Jennifer Manvilla

Assisting Minister: Lana DeCoto

***Flowers are given today** by Roger & Darlene Bjerke to celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on July 27th. Roger and Darlene share, "We thank God for the wonderful years we have had together. We thank God for our 4 married children, 11 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren."*

***Flowers are given today** by Lana DeCoto in memory of her husband, Dahrald.*

Join others for conversation and treats at the Coffee Hour after worship today in the fellowship hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Where to find information:

- Welcome2stmarks.com
- facebook.com/welcome2stmarks
- Youtube.com (Search St. Mark's Waukesha)
- Church email address is: welcome2stmarks@gmail.com
- Weekly email blast (if you don't receive these, contact Marcia at marcia1@wi.rr.com)
- Prayer Chain Requests to Lana DeCoto at lrdecoto@gmail.com.

Gather, Grow, and Go Ministry Chart: Have you been enjoying getting a glimpse of what God is doing in and through St Mark's during our video Mission Moments this summer? You can get a wider picture of all our ministries by picking up a Gather, Grow, and Go chart located at the Welcome Center. If something sparks your interest, contact the leader listed by the ministry or Deacon Marcia.

Community Multicultural Fair on August 17: St. Mark's SOPHIA core team is organizing a booth for SOPHIA's Community Multicultural Fair Saturday August 17, from 10:00am – 3:00pm at Frame Park, Waukesha. The booth will feature information about St. Mark's Church and will include engaging family activities. The Fair is a community event that celebrates our rich multicultural heritage. In addition to live cultural performances and food, there will be an abundance of activities, and community resources. There are no fees to attend. Please save the date and consider checking it out. Our planning team is also looking for volunteers to help. If interested, please contact any one of us: Betty and Dave Groenewold, Tammi Boehm, Susan Cyr, and Barb Geiger.

Outreach for Hope Family Ride Run Walk on September 21: It's a fun and meaningful way to support ELCA congregations and ministries in neighborhoods of income insecurity. Donations raised make possible important grants to these centers that provide resources for daily living. We are raising HOPE together!

There are four Ride Run Walk site options in Dousman, Grafton, Kenosha, and Milwaukee. There is no entrance fee, but you are encouraged to donate toward the \$150,000 goal. Volunteers are needed, too. Find out more and register at ofhrrw.org.

Strong People, Strong Bodies: St Mark's is hosting a University of Wisconsin Extension exercise class on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1:00-2:15 pm in the fellowship hall (July 9-September 19). The classes include progressive resistance training, balance training, and flexibility exercises. Suggested donation of \$30. Register at <https://forms.gle/ipad1s9z5ybR7f329> or contact Jillian Smith at jillian.smith@wisc.edu or 262-548-7789. Try out the class any time!

Sanctuary Hearing Loop System: St Mark's has a hearing loop system that was installed during Restore & Renew in 2018. It is a wireless technology that works with telecoil hearing aids and cochlear implants.

A hearing loop, or induction loop, consists of a thin wire (installed under the carpet in the Sanctuary) that connects to an amplifier in the AV rack. The hearing loop creates a magnetic field that is picked up by a t-coil equipped hearing aid, and is converted to audible sound directly into the hearing aid. It produces clear sound without feedback or background noise.

For the technology to work, you need a hearing aid that has a t-coil. The t-coil must be activated by your audiologist. Newer hearing aids may have a Bluetooth setting that allows you to turn on the t-coil yourself with your phone.

Once it is activated, there is nothing else to do, but sit back and listen to the clear sound.

Teen Single Parent Support Group: Are you a single mom and/or dad and looking to join others in the same situation? Then this group is for you. Angie Goodman is starting a group to support teen parents. Here you can make new friends and get support from others in the same situation. You are welcome to bring your child/children with you to the group. You are welcome even if you haven't had your baby yet. If this is something you are interested in checking out, please join us on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month from 6:00-7:30 pm. Please arrive on time. If you have any questions, call or text Angie at 414-801-4701.

Save the Date:

September 15	Neighborhood Block Party
September 21	Outreach for Hope Family Ride Run Walk
October 4-6	Women's Retreat at LOMC in Oregon, IL
October 20	"Let Your Light Shine" Commitment Sunday with lunch
November 2	Inasmuch Day of Serving
December 8	Annual Congregational Meeting

Zoom Meeting Numbers:

Faith Formation Gatherings Zoom: 817 7030 6574,

Church Meetings Zoom: 823 2326 4353 Contact Marcia for passcodes.

THIS WEEK AT ST MARK'S

SUNDAY, JULY 28

- Sunday Worship at 9:30 am on YouTube and Facebook Live and in the sanctuary

MONDAY, JULY 29

- Quilting at 8:00am
- Linden Heights Devotion & Communion with Donna Inman, Mary Martinson, & Sandy Solberg at 2:30pm

TUESDAY, JULY 30

- Strong Bodies exercise class at 1:00pm in fellowship hall

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

- Zoom Bible Study ONLY at 10:00am on Zoom 817 7030 6574 Contact Marcia for passcode
- Strong Bodies exercise class at 1:00pm in fellowship hall



SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

- Sunday Worship at 9:30am on YouTube and Facebook Live and in the sanctuary
- Anna Miller preaching

Name: _____

Date: _____

THE LORD'S PRAYER



Across

1. For Thine is the kingdom, and the glory and the _____ forever. Amen
6. Thy _____ be done.
7. As we forgive our _____
9. Thy _____ come.
10. And forgive us our _____
11. Give us this _____
12. Our Father which art in _____

Down

2. _____ be thy name.
3. Our daily _____
4. On _____ as it is in Heaven.
5. _____ us from evil
8. Lead us not into _____