

## Church Mailboxes

With the many new members entering St. Mark's, we are quickly running out of mailboxes. This is leading us to evaluate which mailboxes seem to be used / checked and which are not. **From April 13th until July 13th (dates may be extended due to COVID-19)**, we will be checking the mailboxes and noting which seem to be unused. At the end of this time we will be reassigning those unused mailboxes to other members. This is our best attempt to fully utilize the mailboxes and accommodate to the needs of all the members of St. Mark's.

### Who do I contact to ...

Become a member - Pastor or Jean

Baptize my child - Pastor or Jean

Make a prayer request - Jean or Sharon

Get married - Pastor or Jean

Volunteer - Sharon

Give to church - Sharon

Ask a question about finances - Sharon

Ask general questions - Pastor or Jean

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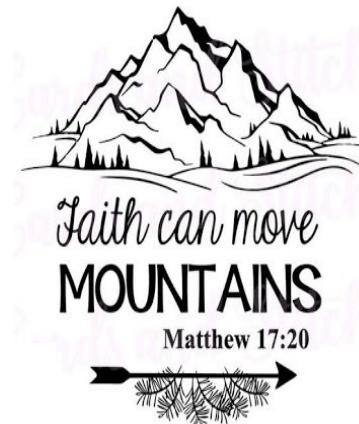
Fifth Sunday in Lent

### WELCOME GUESTS

We are grateful and blessed to have you worship with us, as God's family, here at St. Mark's. When God's people come together we are the beating heart of His Church. We come together to receive His gifts of mercy and grace that sustain our faith and renew our Spirit. When we leave we have the privilege of sharing these gifts with others in our own lives. We hope you can see what a blessing it is to be a part of the heartbeat of God's people. Enjoy your time, meet some new people, and draw closer to Jesus Christ. ~ Pastor Eric Hauan

### SERMON NOTE QUESTIONS

1. What did I learn about the context (time, author, audience, important events) during which the sermon text was written?
2. What sin does this message make me want to confront in my own life?
3. How was the Gospel or Good News of Jesus Christ proclaimed to me in this message?
4. In what ways can I take the overall message of this sermon to shape my life and the lives of the people God has placed around me?



## RINGING OF THE BELLS ~ WELCOME TO WORSHIP

### OPENING HYMN

"Come As You Are"

### INVOCATION

### CONFESSiON and ABSOLUTION

P Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C O most merciful God, who has given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C Amen.

### KYRIE

### SONG OF PRAISE

"Forever Reign"

### OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 22:1-14

After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. Then Abraham said to his young

### "All Hands on Deck" - April 19th

Calling all 8th -12th grade youth and parents! We would like to meet to get your thoughts on what we can do at St. Mark's to encourage more participation. Is there anything we could create that would enrich the overall youth experience? Is anything missing? Does anything need to change or be reborn? We want to get "all hands on deck" so that we can meet the needs of our youth. Please join us **April 19th from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Pizza will be served. Anyone who is invested in our youth is welcome. Everyone come with your ideas.



### Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser for The Open Door of Marathon County

Please stop by St. Paul's UCC basement (426 Washington St., Wausau) on **Sunday, April 26th from 8:30 am - 11:30 am** for fantastic breakfast for a good cause. Serving eggs, pancakes, bacon, ham, pastries, syrup, milk, juice, coffee & tea. Donations: Adults \$6.00 / Children 5-12 \$4.00 and Under 4 FREE.

### Maundy Thursday Potluck ~ CANCELLED

Due to recent health events in the area, it was decided NOT to hold the potluck this year. Thank you for your understanding.

### Next New Member Class

Pastor Eric is taking names for the next New Member Class which will be **April 30th, May 7th and May 14th from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**. If you know someone who would be interested, please have them call Pastor at 507-993-5564 or 715-848-5511 to sign up. Anyone is welcome and would benefit from attending!



**Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt have been cancelled.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

## HOLY COMMUNION

We believe Christ's body and blood are truly present in the bread and wine of this Sacrament for the forgiveness of sins to all who believe. If you share this belief, please join us in celebrating the meal of God's family – Holy Communion, please receive the wafer in the palm of your hand. After placing it in your mouth, you may either drink from the common cup or take an individual cup. (The cups with white juice are for those who have requested them. Gluten-Free wafers are available upon request.).

## COMMUNION HYMNS

### BLESSING

### BENEDICTION

### DISMISSAL

## CLOSING SONG: "O Praise The Name (Anástasis)"

**Please keep the following people in our prayers:** Helen Prochnow, Martin Hannemann, Sharon Kramer, Sandy Hass, Lyle & Sandy Royce for medical healing, Pastor Ken, Kaye Schade and the Misoni family for medical concerns, Brad Peck, Elton Burish, Lutheran Churches in Africa.



men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

## EPISTLE: Hebrews 9:11-15

But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

**GOSPEL:** John 8:42-59

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 8th chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Jesus said to them, “If God were your Father, you would love me, for I came from God and I am here. I came not of my own accord, but he sent me. Why do you not understand what I say? It is because you cannot bear to hear my word. You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies. But because I tell the truth, you do not believe me. Which one of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me? Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God.”

The Jews answered him, “Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?” Jesus answered, “I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death.” The Jews said to him, “Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, ‘If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.’ Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?” Jesus answered, “If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, ‘He is our God.’ But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad.” So the Jews said to him, “You are not yet fifty

years old, and have you seen Abraham?” Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.” So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ!**

**THE SECOND ARTICLE MEANING**

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord,

who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,

that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,

just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SERMON SONG:** “10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)”

**MESSAGE**

**POST-SERMON SONG:** “To The Cross I Come”

**PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD**

**OFFERING and ACT OF FRIENDSHIP**

**PREFACE**

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 Him thanks and praise.**