



## ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### Celebration of Freedom & Thanks for 244 Years of God's Blessings in our Land

#### 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?

#### A PATRIOTIC SERVICE

##### RINGING OF THE BELLS ~ WELCOME TO WORSHIP

**OPENING HYMN:** "Before you, Lord, We Bow" (LSB 966 vs 1, 2, 4, 5)

##### INVOCATION

##### CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

**HYMN:** "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" (LSB 717 vs 1, 2,3)

##### OLD TESTAMENT: 1 Samuel 8:1-9

When Samuel became old, he made his sons judges over Israel. The name of his firstborn son was Joel, and the name of his second, Abijah; they were judges in Beersheba. Yet his sons did not walk in his ways but turned aside after gain. They took bribes and perverted justice.

Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah and said to him, "Behold, you

are old and your sons do not walk in your ways. Now appoint for us a king to judge us like all the nations.” But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, “Give us a king to judge us.” And Samuel prayed to the LORD. And the LORD said to Samuel, “Obey the voice of the people in all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. According to all the deeds that they have done, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt even to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so they are also doing to you. Now then, obey their voice; only you shall solemnly warn them and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God!**

**EPISTLE: 1 Peter 2:4-17**

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in Scripture:

“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,” and “A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God!**

**GOSPEL: Matthew 27:37-44**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 27th chapter.

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

And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, “This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.” Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, “You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.” So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, “He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, ‘I am the Son of God.’” And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**HYMN OF THE DAY: “Crown Him with Many Crowns” (LSB 525 vs 1, 2, 4, 5)**

**MESSAGE**

## **NATIONAL PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

I pledge Allegiance to the flag, of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

## **NATIONAL ANTHEM (Sing)**

## **CHRISTIAN PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

I pledge Allegiance to the cross of Jesus Christ my Lord, and to the faith for which it stands, one Savior, who is God, Eternal, with grace and mercy for all.

## **PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **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**

#### *“America, The Beautiful”*

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties, above the fruited plain!  
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern, impassioned stress  
A thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness!  
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,  
Confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law!

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife.  
Who more than self their country loved and mercy more than life!  
America! America! May God thy gold refine.  
Till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine!

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years  
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!  
America! America! God shed His grace on thee.  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!

#### *“Battle Hymn Of The Republic”*

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming o the Lord;  
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
He had loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword;  
His truth is marching on.

**REFRAIN:** Glory, glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory, glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory, glory! Hallelujah!  
His truth is marching on.

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;  
He is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat.  
O, be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet!  
Our God is marching on. **REFRAIN**

We can almost hear the trumpet sound, the Lord's return is near;  
There are still so many people lost, His message they must hear;  
Father, give us one more moment, one more day, just one more year  
With God we're marching on. **REFRAIN**

### **BLESSING ~ BENEDICTION**

### **CLOSING HYMN: "My Country, 'Tis Of Thee"**

My country, 'tis of thee,  
Sweet land of liberty,  
Of thee I sing:  
Land where my fathers died,  
Land of the pilgrims' pride,  
From ev'ry mountainside  
Let freedom ring.

Our father's God, to thee,  
Author of liberty,  
To thee we sing:  
Long may our land be bright  
With freedom's holy light.  
Protect us by thy might,  
Great God, our king.



### **DISMISSAL**

### **POWERPOINT**

Justin Taylor

### **COMMUNION ASSISTANTS**

Rita Woller, Ginny Kottke

### **USHERS**

Warren & Sharon Jacobi, Bruce Thurs, Jae Loiz, Ray Melander  
Rich Klein, Dave Hartman, Chris Grosskreutz, Herb Ninnemann

### **FLOWERS**

Today's bouquet is given by Craig & Sharon Rezin in thanksgiving to God and their  
36th wedding anniversary. Congratulations Craig & Sharon!

**Please keep the following people in our prayers:** Helen Prochnow, Sandy Hass, Lyle & Sandy Royce for medical healing. Pastor Ken, Rex Mortensen for medical concerns, Rev. Paul Eggold, Rochelle Klein, Wayne Flanagan and Bonnie Hoff for health concerns. Sharon Jacobi who is recovery from surgery she had on June 16th to remove a cancer tumor. Kaye Schade who is currently in hospice. Sully McGuire, friend of Pastor Eric, who is battling cancer. Thoughts and prayers for Kirk, Mary, Josh, Jordan, and Wendy.

### Proposed Governance Model Timeline

**July 21st:** Constitution Study Committee Meeting at 6:30 pm.

- to discuss any changes needed to be made by suggestions / questions from congregation.

**July 26th:** Voters Assembly Meeting at noon.

- this will be a Q & A Session

**TBD August:** Voters Assembly Meeting

- the purpose of this meeting is to vote on whether or not we want to proceed with the proposed trial run of the new governance model

**\*\*** Constitution and By-Laws will be sent to the District for approval, which will take at least 6 months to be approved.

**\*\***We will be tweaking the Policy Manual as needed throughout the trial run, as that is the point of the Policy Manual.

After District returns the Constitution & By-Laws, we will have a final vote on whether or not we want to adopt the new model.

Missed the Voter's Meeting in June when we introduced it? You can go to our YouTube channel and watch it! It is titled **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**.

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UClfHedPbv\\_DhcofI9oISF-g](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UClfHedPbv_DhcofI9oISF-g)

### Preschool Openings

Although summer just started, we are already taking enrollment forms for preschool starting this fall. Classes for our Monday-Wednesday-Friday class are nearly full with **only 3 openings left**. The Tuesday—Thursday class currently has 10 openings. If you would like to reserve a spot for the 2020-21 school year you can find an enrollment form on our website under the Preschool tab. Please mail or drop off the completed form with your Registration and Supply fee to secure your spot.



#### **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

**Pastor Hauan:** 715-848-5511 or  
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Offering vs. Budget as of 6/26/2020

Budget per week: \$8,545.35

Actual this week: \$19,770.00

# St. Mark's Scoop

## July 5-12, 2020

Sunday, July 5	PATRIOTIC SERVICE 9:00 Worship
Monday, July 6	8:00 OGT 11:30 Noon Optimist 3:30 Staff Meeting
Tuesday, July 7	6:00 Lay Ministry
Wednesday, July 8	6:00 Worship
Thursday, July 9	—————
Friday, July 10	1:00 Food Pantry 5:00 Block Party <b>Pastor's Day Off</b>
Saturday, July 11	—————
Sunday, July 12	8:00 Worship 9:15 Pastor 1 year anniversary reception 10:30 Worship



### St. Mark's Block Party ~ July 10th - 5:00 pm to dark

**All are Welcome! Invite your friends!**

**Food** (chicken breasts & hamburgers, baked beans, potato salad, fruit and chips)

**Kids Games ~ Music** (Thompson Station)

**Camp Fire** (bring lawn chairs)

Please bring beverage of choice and a lawn chair.

**Catered Meal - No Buffet ~ NO alcoholic carry-in's allowed.**

We ask that you **RSVP by July 6th** to Jean at [jdrake@stmarkslcms.org](mailto:jdrake@stmarkslcms.org), call 715-848-5511 or use the sign up sheet located on the credenza in the narthex.

**Free-will offering event ~ Social Distancing Observed**

### Save these dates!

**July 10th:** Block Party! Featuring food, kids games, music by Thompson Station and a camp fire.

**\*\*\* Please RSVP to Jean by July 6th or sign up on sheet located on credenza\*\*\***

**July 12th:** Pastor Eric's 1 year anniversary reception between services

**July 25th:** Parent's Night Out

**July 26th:** Senior Card Games at 1:30 pm

