



## ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# April 18, 2021 Good Shepherd Sunday

### 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?

### CHRISTIAN GROWTH OPPORTUNITY

**Adult Bible Study** meets from 9:15-10:15 am in the Fellowship Hall  
Pastor Gary Schultz will be doing a Bible study starting **TODAY** - May 23  
The topic will be: *The Mormons-Who They Are, What They Believe*

**High School Bible Study** meets 9:15-10:15 in the Youth Room  
Pastor Eric will be presenting

### RINGING OF THE BELLS ~ WELCOME TO WORSHIP

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

**P** We gather together in the presence of our Good Shepherd who calls us each by name, who restores our souls, who leads us in the way of righteousness, and whose goodness and love never stops pursuing us.

**C** **This is the God we have come to worship!**

**OPENING SONG:** "Raise A Hallelujah"

#### INVOCATION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

P We confess:

**C Loving God, we confess that at times we do not share in the joy of the resurrection but are caught in the worries of the world. We confess that we do not always live in the spirit of new life but remain discontent, grumbling and anxious. Forgive us for not sharing in the Good News. Forgive us when we find it more comfortable to worry and complain than to risk the joy and encouragement of new life in Christ. Call us back to Your ways, O God, to seek hope and reconciliation, restoration and peace. In the name of the Risen Christ, we pray. Amen.**

## ABSOLUTION

### PRAYER FOR GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

P Eternal God, Lord, we were once sheep going astray but we have now returned to You the Shepherd and Overseer of our souls. Thank You for watching over us even when we were not faithful to You. Thank You for loving us unconditionally so that we could return to Your flock like we had never left! You are the Good Shepherd, You would leave ninety-nine sheep just to save the one! We adore You for being a shepherd. We bless and appreciate You.

**C Amen.**

**SONG OF PRAISE: "Great I Am"**

**OLD TESTAMENT: Ezekiel 34:11-16**

"For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God!**

**EPISTLE: 1 Peter 2:21-25**

For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God!**

## VERSE

P God made us, and we are His.

**C We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

**GOSPEL: John 10:11-16**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 10th chapter.

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

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

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**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SERMON SONG: "King Of Love"**

**SERMON**

**PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS / OFFERING**

**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 SONGS**

*"Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)"*

*"Come As You Are"*

**BLESSING**

**BENEDICTION**

**P** May the God of peace - who brought up from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, and ratified an eternal covenant with his blood - may he equip you with all you need for doing his will. May he produce in you, through the power of Jesus Christ, every good that is pleasing to him. All glory to him forever and ever!

**C Amen**

**CLOSING SONG: "Rescuer"**

**DISMISSAL**

**P** Wherever you go, Christ is sending you.  
Wherever you are, Christ has put you there.  
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**READERS**

Susan Woller

Rachel Olson

**POWERPOINT**

Nick Schoch

Derek Simon

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS**

Tom Radenz, Ginny Kottke

Rita Woller, Rachel Olson

**USHERS**

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

**Please keep the following people in our prayers:** Helen Prochnow, Lyle & Sandy Royce for medical healing. For Bethany and the Haiti Mission. For Becky Haltaufderheid, LWML Dist. President, who is battling pancreatic cancer. For Kelly Butzlaff, Todd & Sandy Hass and Gary Langbecker for health concerns. Dee Jeffries and Traci Borchardt for ongoing health concerns. Elaine Klockziem, who has had a stroke. Bryana Schalow, whose baby came early and is currently facing challenges. Marge Raddatz who recovered from fall and is currently hospitalized pneumonia. Mary Wadzinski who is recovering from shoulder surgery. Jim & Barb Pagel and Kurt Haebig for health concerns. Lois Schultz, who broke both arms due to a fall. For Norma Baneck who had knee surgery and is home recovering. Darlene Burk for health concerns. Phyllis Koppa who will be having knee replacement surgery on April 19th. Jan Feucht who had 2 stent's put in during heart surgery on April 9th. Josh Woller for health concerns.

### **Thank You Thrivent Members!**

If you are a Thrivent member and took the time to choose St. Mark's as the recipient of your 2020 Thrivent Choice Dollar allocation, we'd like to thank you very much! As a result of your dedication, St. Mark's has received \$2,690.00 from Thrivent Financial for 2020. We can also see that we are off to a good start for 2021. I would like to encourage you to continue selecting St. Mark's as your "Choice" for these funds.

If you have questions concerning Choice Dollars feel free to contact fellow Thrivent Member Volunteer Rich Klein at 715 581 4303



**TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!** A Brewer Baseball Game Day Trip is being **tentatively planned** for August 26<sup>th</sup> against the Cincinnati Reds. Game time is at 1:10 p.m. Costs for tickets would be around \$30.00 plus our bus fare around \$50.00. The Brewer organization is not sure at this time how many people will be allowed in the stadium. If you are interested in going to this game, a sign up sheet is in the narthex. Putting your name on the sign-up sheet doesn't commit to going. I just need to know how many people may be interested. There is no need to purchase the game package, tickets and bus, at this time. I just need to see if enough people are interested at this time. If you have any questions, please contact Lee Belmas.

### **2021 Confirmation Update**

The past year has definitely been one of changes! In that same vein, we have decided to make a change to the 2021 Confirmation Banquet. Instead of the sit-down banquet we have had in the past we decided to have a casual mixer between services on **Sunday, May 16th**. The anticipated schedule is as follows:

- 9:15 - 9:30: Cake, coffee, and punch in Narthex
- 9:30 - 10:00: PowerPoint and presentation from Pastor Eric in Sanctuary
- 10:00 - 10:15: Group picture in Sanctuary
- 10:30: Service

**If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Pastor Eric.**

# Bible Study



## Women's Bible Study in May

Please join the WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY on the "Gospel of John, chapters 16-21", which we began earlier. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall on **TUESDAY - MAY 11th, 18th and 25th from 9:30 - 11:00 am.**

Call Marlys H, Carol R, or Sandy F with any questions. Joy in JESUS!

## Call Process for an Additional Pastor

Please see below for our list of call candidates. Any congregant can look at the SET (Self-Evaluation Tool) for each candidate, but not the PIF (Pastor's Information Form). Please contact Jean or Pastor to obtain this paperwork. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the members of our Call Committee.

### Call Committee

Dan Novitch	715-921-6895	Evan Mayer	715-297-8250
Tom Radenz	715-551-4433	Pam Melander	715-218-5341
Sue Berndt	715-571-2290	Kurt Schemenauer	715-574-8333
Paul Duerst	715-573-0530	Kris Sparks	715-573-4158
Jody Duranceau	715-803-8723		

**\* Next Call Committee meeting will be on Monday April 19th at 6:00 pm.**

### Call Candidates

#### Nominated by congregation

Matthew Douglas (Avon, IN)  
Steve Newberg (Charlotte, NC)  
Charles Schultz (Imperial, MO)

#### Suggestions from NWD DP

Matthew Albright (Blaine, MN)  
Jonathan Brandenburg (Rancho Cucamonga, CA)  
Jason Hoerth (Cincinnati, OH)  
Nathan Scheck (Richland, WA)  
Kevin Thomson (Manchester, MO)

### Ushers Needed

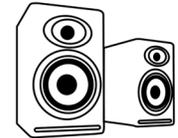
We have a volunteer opportunity available every third month. The Usher teams are looking to expand and need your help to fill slots. The 10:30 am service teams would have the most available slots, but we could use some on the 8:00 am teams also. There is also a team that covers only the holiday seasons - Advent services, Lent services and a couple of extra Easter and Christmas services (less of a commitment). If interested, please call Erv Ziegel at 715-845-5368 or Sharon Rezin at 715-848-5511, Ext 4 (or cell 715-581-3292) and leave a message.

**Camp Luther Work Day:** Several Men in Action are going to Camp Luther this Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, for the day, to help put together the Fort Village and help on other projects they may have for us. If you'd like to join us, contact Lee Belmas. We will be leaving from the church parking lot at 7 a.m. and return after we have dinner at Camp Luther. We should return to the church by 7 p.m.

# St. Mark's Scoop

April 18 - 25, 2021

- Sun, Apr 18     **CONTEMPORARY**  
8:00 Worship  
9:15 Bible Study / Sunday School  
**(Mormons: Who they are and What they believe  
presented by Pastor Gary Schultz)**  
10:30 Worship  
1:30 Card games in Fellowship Hall  
6:00 The Bridge
- Mon, Apr 19     8:00 OGT  
9:30 Staff Meeting  
11:30 Noon Optimists  
6:00 Call Committee
- Tues, Apr 20     6:30 MIA Bible study
- Wed, Apr 21     6:00 Worship  
6:45 Midweek
- Thurs, Apr 22     5:00 P.E.W. Sisters Bible Study  
6:00 New Member Class
- Fri, Apr 23     **Pastor's Family Day**
- Sat, Apr 24     \_\_\_\_\_
- Sun, Apr 25     **TRADITIONAL**  
8:00 Worship  
9:15 Sunday School - **Last Day**  
9:15 Bible Study  
10:30 Worship  
**(Confirmand Questioning Service)**  
6:00 The Bridge



Bid Total - Arrow Audio Inc.:

\$68,757.02

Donations brought in:

\$56,514.72

**Balance to Raise:**

**\$12,242.30**

## 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 Ext 2 or

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**Jean Drake:** 715-848-5511 Ext 1 or

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**Sharon Rezin:** 715-848-5511 Ext 4 or

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**Please contact Sharon Rezin if you'd  
like a first quarter statement.**