



ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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15th Sunday after Trinity

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

"Words of Wisdom"

RINGING OF THE BELLS ~ WELCOME TO WORSHIP

OPENING SONG: "Adore You"

INVOCATION

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

SONG: "Holy Spirit"

OLD TESTAMENT: 1 Kings 17: 17-24

After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. And she said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!" And he said to her, "Give me your son." And he took him from her arms and carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. And he cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?" Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." And the LORD listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, "See, your son lives." And the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE: Ephesians 3:13-21

So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory.

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL: Mark 9:30-37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 9th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he did not want anyone to know, for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise." But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ!

CREED: Meaning of the Third Article

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON SONG: "Great Are You Lord"

SERMON

PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS / OFFERING

PRAYER

P O Lord, our God, in Holy Baptism You have called us to be Christians and granted us the remission of sins. Make us ready to receive the most holy body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of all our sins, and grant us grateful hearts that we may give thanks to You, O Father, to Your Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

RITE OF FELLOWSHIP

(Please indicate if you are a member or visitor in the Rite of Friendship books and if you will be joining us for Holy Communion. If visiting please leave us a means to contact you as we would love to follow up with you.)

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

"Only You"

"Give Us Clean Hands"

BLESSING and BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: "10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"

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.

GREETERS

Steve & Janet Herring Rod, Janet & Ryan Werner

READERS

Steve Herring Rachel Olson

POWERPOINT

Derek Simon Tyler Woller

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

Dennis Wald, Brenda Schmidt Rachel Olson, Dick Schroeder

USHERS

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

ALTAR GUILD

Sue Berndt & Ruth Tritten

FLOWERS

Today's bouquet was given by Tom & Linda Jagodinski in celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary. Happy Anniversary Tom & Linda!

Please keep the following people in our prayers: Roger & Helen Prochnow, Lyle & Sandy Royce for medical healing. For Becky Haltaufderheid, LWML Dist. President, who is battling pancreatic cancer. For Todd & Sandy Hass, Marge Raddatz, Barb Langbecker, Clark Schalow and Darlene Burk and for health concerns. Traci Borchardt for ongoing health concerns. For Tom Yelton, father of Kim Christensen & Jackie Duerst, who is having health concerns. For Carla Haebig for medical concerns. . Special prayers for the people in Afghanistan. Prayers for Raphael, newborn son of Barry & Kristina Klein. For Jill Werner Karson, sister of Scott Werner, who is battling cancer. For Donna Schroeder, Marlene Giese, and Delores Rusch who fell and are recovering. For the friends and family of Mickey Gatz who recently passed away.



North Wisconsin District Adult Gathering

Make plans now to attend the next NWD Adult Gathering on Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Weston from 10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. with registration beginning at 9:30. Rev. Dr. Robert Weise will share “Aging Well in Christ in the Topsy-Turvy World” [Gray Hair, Wrinkles and Sore Joints]. Cost is \$25 which includes morning refreshments, program & lunch. To register and for more information visit the NWD homepage at www.nwdlcms.org under ‘Events and Info’ or use the registration form available in the narthex.

BAND OF BROTHERS



**“As iron sharpens iron,
so one man sharpens another”
Proverbs 27:17**

St. Mark’s Lutheran Church, Wausau

Band of Brothers is a group of men that is committed to building each other up into disciples of Christ, serving our families, our church, and those in need within our community.

This group will meet **the 3rd Monday of the month, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm starting September 20th.** It will begin with some social time before moving into a topic that helps us grow in our relationships with Christ, our families, and others.

Location will be Pastor Eric’s garage at 325 S 52nd Ave., Wausau.

Call Nomination Forms

The Call Committee has decided to move ahead with another call for a second pastor. If you would like to nominate someone, the forms will be on the credenza in the narthex. If you would like a form mailed or emailed to you, please contact Jean in the office at 715-848-5511, ext. 1 or jdrake@stmarkslcms.org. Currently there is no deadline. We will continue to take nomination forms until further notice. Please hand forms to Jean in the office.

Looking for a more tax-efficient way to give to church?



We created an account where you can donate appreciated assets directly to St. Mark's. These assets can be stocks, ETFs, or mutual funds. Donating directly to church means you do not pay capital gains tax on the appreciation of the asset. We can also accept donations from qualified accounts, like IRAs, to lessen income in retirement. An informational presentation on ways to use this account will take place between services **on October 10th** in the fellowship hall. For more details, call Chris Grosskreutz at 715-574-1385.

Looking for Rides



St. Marks has several members looking for rides to and from church. We are trying to put together a list of people who would be willing to help with this mission on an occasional basis as needs arise. If you are interested, please call the office at 715-848-5511 and leave either Jean or Sharon a message so we can get you added to the list.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!!!

MIA Toy Give Away



THE TOY GIVE-A-WAY WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, FROM 5 – 7 P.M. We will need a lot of new and good, clean working toys and monetary donations. Many people from the community will be served. Now is a good time to start gathering toys at rummage sales and getting rid of toys that you may have in your home. Ask your family and friends if they have toys they'd like to get rid of. You can **start bringing the toys to the church starting on Sunday, November 21, 2021.** Thank you for all you can do to help with this event. You are a blessing to many.

Women's Bible Study

Our summer Women's Bible study, "How Sweet the Sound", will continue to be the focus yet for September. With the fall schedule though, we are meeting on **Wednesdays from 1:00-2:00** in the classrooms. This week we are focusing on the hymn – "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee". The study has given us new perspectives and insights into many hymns and has fostered open discussion and conversations. Hope to see you there!

P.E.W. Sisters

St. Mark's Sisters in Christ join together to Proclaim, Encourage, and Worship Through Bible Study & Fellowship

Meets **every other** Thursday 5 pm – 6 pm.

Contact: Kate Saltzmann 262-202-0364



(Dates: *September 23)

***Due to scheduling conflicts, September will have 2 meetings in a row**

POLKA SERVICE

Tom Mijal and Polka Access is scheduled for our Polka Service on **Sunday, October 17 at 10:30**. He has played with several different bands which started out over 40 years ago with the jolly harmony seven then he played with the new trails. They played a family tradition along with many bands. He is one of the most well-known concertina players in the area. Not real flashy but very professional and meticulous. His music style of course is mainly Polkas, Waltz's, and Oberak's. They can do a variety also.

Following the service a catered meal by Ed and Sharon's will be provided in the fellowship hall and the polka band will stay and provide music for the afternoon. This is a great opportunity to invite those who love polka music and would want a delicious meal. Any questions, please reach out to Dan and Cathy Page.



The Bridge
Sunday Nights at 6:00 pm
For 9th-12th graders



Keeps your eyes open for the start of small groups. Small groups are a great way to get involved with your Church family and just have fun!

St. Mark's Scoop

September 19 - 26, 2021

Sun, Sept. 19	CONTEMPORARY - Pastor Gary 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School / Bible Study (Words of Wisdom) 10:30 Worship 6:00 The Bridge
Mon, Sept. 20	8:00 OGT 9:30 Staff Meeting 11:30 Noon Optimists 3:30 Drivers Ed class 7:00 Band of Brothers
Tues, Sept. 21	6:30 MIA Bible study 3:30 Drivers Ed class
Wed, Sept. 22	Pastor Gary Schultz 9:00 Quilting 1:00 Women's Bible Study 3:30 Drivers Ed class 6:00 Worship 6:45 Midweek
Thurs, Sept. 23	3:30 Drivers Ed class 5:00 P.E.W. Sisters
Fri, Sept. 24	Pastor's Family Day
Sat, Sept. 25	_____
Sun, Sept. 26	TRADITIONAL 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School / Bible Study (Words of Wisdom) 10:30 Worship 6:00 The Bridge

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Questions?
Call Sharon Rezin at
715-848-5511, ext. 4

Who do I contact to ...

Become a member - Pastor Eric
Baptize my child - Pastor Eric
Make a prayer request - Jean or Sharon
Get married - Pastor Eric
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
PEHauan@stmarkslcms.org
Jean Drake: 715-848-5511 Ext 1 or
jdrake@stmarkslcms.org
Sharon Rezin: 715-848-5511 Ext 4 or
srezin@stmarkslcms.org

Fall New Member Class

Our next new member class will be on the following
Thursday's from 6pm - 8pm.

November 4th - 11th - 18th

If you want to sign up, please call Jean at
715-848-5511 Ext. 1 to get your name on the list.