



ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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19th 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 HYMN: "God Himself Is Present" (LSB 907)

INVOCATION

**(10:30 am) Baptism: Asher Paul Ninnemann
Son of Brittany Ninneman
(Page 268 in Hymnal)**

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.**

PRAYER

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, because of Your tender love toward us sinners You have given us Your Son that, believing in Him, we might have everlasting life. Continue to grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may remain steadfast in this faith to the end and finally come to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

HYMN: "Blessed Assurance"

*Blessed Assurance, Jesus is mine;
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.* **REFRAIN**

REFRAIN: *This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long*

*Perfect submission, perfect delight!
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.* **REFRAIN**

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 28:10-17

Jacob left Beersheba and went toward Haran. And he came to a certain place and stayed there that night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place to sleep. And he dreamed, and behold, there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it! And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring. Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed. Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land. For I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it." And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

EPISTLE: Ephesians 4:22-28

Put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil. Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL: Matthew 9:1-8

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

And getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city. And behold, some people brought to him a paralytic, lying on a bed. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he then said to the paralytic—"Rise, pick up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ!

(8:00 am) CREED (Sung): "In God We Believe"

In God we believe: the Creator whose pow'r
In mercy has brought us for worship this hour.
He graciously grants us our years and our days
And blesses with kindness our work and our ways.

In Jesus, the Savior, our hope is secured.
True God and true man once the cross He endured
To grant our lives wholeness, forgiveness of sin.
With hearts freed from guilt, we know true peace within.

God's Spirit at work in our lives we confess;
With power and truth the church now He does bless.
As saints, God's forgiven, one day we shall then
Be living in glory forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN: "Far Across The Burning Desert"

Far across the burning desert
Jacob fled a brother's wrath.
Starless night obscured his vision;
trackless sands his only path.
Light, unseen within our darkness,
shining where no eye can see:
God of Jacob, silent searcher,
seek us, when from you we flee.

Lonely, cheerless, none to comfort,
Jacob's bed was barren ground.
Worn by guilty flight and fearful,
troubled sleep at length he found.
Rest of every anxious wanderer,
healer of the heart's distress:
God of Jacob, friend of sinners,
meet us in our wilderness.

Signs of God were nowhere present
in that distant, alien place.
Of the hand that once had led him,
Jacob's eye could find no trace.
Unseen hand whose hidden presence
leads us by an unknown way:
God of Jacob, help us trust you
when in darkest night we pray.

Jacob, sleeping, saw a ladder
reaching high from earth to sky.
Faith, whose wings till then were folded,
stirred with Jacob's waking cry:
'Surely God, unseen, is with me
in this barren, cheerless place.'
God of Jacob, grant us vision
in the night to glimpse your face.

SERMON

PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD

(8:00 am) THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS / OFFERING

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.)

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

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

"Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense" (LSB 741 vs 1, 3, 4, 5, 8)

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" (LSB 770)

BLESSING and BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN: "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" (LSB 643)

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

Tom & Judy Miller

Herb & Carol Ninnemann

READERS

Carol Calmes

Brian or Julia Borchardt

POWERPOINT

Derek Simon

Michael Deedon

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

Tom & Judy Muller

Rita Woller & Brian Borchardt

USHERS

Ken Berndt, Kevin Schroeder, Todd Hass, Michael Deedon
Brad Peck, Roger Block, Chris Dahlke, Tyler Woller, Jim Wilkerson

ALTAR GUILD

Mary Schultz & Kris Sparks

FLOWERS

Today's bouquet is given by Scott & Liz Prochnow in honor of their
13th wedding anniversary on October 11th. Happy Anniversary Scott & Liz!!

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. 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. Joan, sister of Sue Berndt, who has health concerns. Pat Blaubach, for upcoming medical tests. Pastor Ray Connor for medical concerns. For the Cordova family who lost their 17 year old son in a car accident. Mary Wadzinski recovering from surgery. Family & friends of Dean Zinkowich who recently passed.

BAND OF BROTHERS



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

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.** 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. **The next meeting will be October 18th.**

Location will be Pastor Eric's garage at 325 S 52nd Ave.

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 **TODAY** in the fellowship hall. For more details, call Chris Grosskreutz at 715-574-1385.



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.

P.E.W. Sisters

St. Mark's Sisters in Christ join together to **P**roclaim, **E**ncourage, and **W**orship Through Bible Study & Fellowship

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

Contact: Kate Saltzmann 262-202-0364

(Dates: October 21st)



LAST CHANCE TO BUY TICKETS IS TODAY!!!!



St. Mark's 1st Annual Mixer

Friday, October 15, 2021 ~ 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm
Rothschild Pavilion ~ 1104 Park Street, Rothschild

Tickets are \$12 each and can be purchased
in the church office from Sept. 12 - Oct. 10

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm: Dancing / Dance Lessons
8:00 pm - 11:00 pm: Live Music by Thompson Station
Cash Bar ~ Hors D oeuvre's

POLKA SERVICE



Tom Mijal and Polka Access is scheduled for our Polka Service on **Sunday, October 17th at 10:30 am**. 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. 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. The menu will be chicken and ham with mashed potatoes, coleslaw, corn and rolls.

FREEWILL OFFERING will be available to defray the cost. **Desserts will be needed too. Please sign up on the credenza.** Any questions, please reach out to Dan and Cathy Page.

Blood Drive at St. Mark's

We will be hosting a blood drive on **November 29th from noon—5:00 pm**. A sign up sheet for appointments will be located in the office as the date gets closer. Stay tuned for announcements in future bulletins.



All Saint's Stars

We would like to honor all of our loved ones who have passed on. We will have stars in the narthex for you to write their names on that will be hung in the sanctuary for the month of November. Please feel free to pick up as many stars as you would like to remember your loved ones. Please put one name or couple per star and their death year and return them to the basket in the narthex. This is open to all your loved ones not just those who passed away this year. If you cannot make it to church, you may call the office and leave the name(s) and we will make the star(s) for you.

Son-Shine Bible Study

Our Wednesday afternoon, 1:00 - 2:00, DVD Bible Study 12 Women of the Bible began this past week discussing Eve and finding lasting contentment in the Truth of God's Word. We will continue the discussion this week as there are many parallels between the temptations of Eve, Jesus, and ourselves, and how we need to battle the enemy with the words of Scripture as Jesus did.

We were happy to see several new members join us. All are welcome. Join us when you can.



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



Keep 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

October 10 - 17, 2021

Sun, Oct 10	TRADITIONAL 8:00 Worship 9:15 Bible Study (Words of Wisdom) / Sunday School 10:30 Worship 6:00 The Bridge
Mon, Oct 11	8:00 OGT 9:30 Staff Meeting 11:30 Noon Optimists 3:00 Trustees 5:30 Governance Team
Tues, Oct 12	6:30 MIA Bible study 9:00 Quilting
Wed, Oct 13	1:00 Son-Shine Bible Study 6:00 Worship 6:45 Midweek
Thurs, Oct 14	_____
Fri, Oct 15	6:00 St. Mark's Mixer Pastor's Family Day
Sat, Oct 16	9:00 Service Saturday
Sun, Oct 17	Polka Sunday 8:00 Worship (Traditional) 9:15 Bible Study (Words of Wisdom) / Sunday School 10:30 Worship (Polka) 12:00 Luncheon & Polka Music 6:00 The Bridge



OGT NEEDS!!

OGT is in dire need of the following donations:

- School Supplies
- Feminine hygiene products

You can drop off your donations in the box in the narthex or directly to the garage on Monday mornings.

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