

# THE GREAT PROGRESSION

*of a member of St. Mark's Lutheran*

Your journey of faith is unlike anyone else's in history. Our lives are inefficient and messy as we stumble forward, always living in the midst of God's grace. St. Mark's offers this guiding map with the understanding that there is no standardized way to live the Christian life.

## Pre-Birth - Elementary School

Welcome to God's creation! These years are full of new things. As with any of the following life seasons, you can now be **baptized** into God's family. In these years you can hear the amazing stories of the Bible as you begin to learn how the world works around you. **Preschool** and **Sunday School** are great things to do at St. Mark's as part of worshipping here with everyone else.

## Middle School - High School

As you grow into who God made you to be and experience much more of the world around you, your mind is now able to relate God's Word to real life. These years are HUGE for spiritual development. Programs like **Midweek, Confirmation, and High School ministry** experiences will help make sense of the world from His perspective.

## Young Adult

You may be in college, the workforce, or getting married. Whatever it is, you are navigating the peaks and valleys of life as a young adult. These waters can be turbulent, and grounding yourself in faith is vital. Stay in the Word by attending one of the many **adult Bible studies** offered, and link up with a **small group**.

## Middle Aged

By this point, you've seen a thing or two. If you're a parent, you're balancing all the elements of raising a child in a big world, doing your best to give them a foundation of Christ. If not parenting, you've likely experienced multiple jobs and met many different people; all who influence you in some way. Amidst all this, it's so easy for the devil to create space between you and your God. Stay connected through **Bible studies, men's and women's retreats, volunteering, and workshops** that keep you grounded in your

## Elderly

You've experienced more than most. Maybe you've sought after God your whole life, or maybe you're just beginning. Either way, your perspective allows for the richest version of a life lived in the Spirit of God. You now have the opportunity to pass this wisdom on to future generations. This can be done by **volunteering** in one of the many organizations connected to St. Mark's, or simply **teaching** others from the life you've lived.



# Ministry Opportunities

Ministry Opportunity	Pre-Birth - Elem. School	Middle School - High School	Young Adult	Middle Aged	Elderly
<i>CURRENTLY OFFERED</i>					
<b>Youth Education</b>					
Sunday School	✓				
Midweek		✓			
Confirmation		✓			
Middle School Christian Growth		✓			
High School Youth Experiences		✓			
<b>Adult Education</b>					
Sunday Adult Bible Study		✓	✓	✓	✓
Son Shine Group			✓	✓	✓
PEW Sisters			✓	✓	✓
Men In Action			✓	✓	✓
Band of Brothers			✓	✓	✓
<b>Fellowship and Service</b>					
Volunteer Opportunities		✓	✓	✓	✓
Family Events	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Small Groups	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Quilters			✓	✓	✓
<i>COMING SOON</i>					
Parenting Touchpoints			✓	✓	✓
Women's Retreat		✓	✓	✓	✓
Men's Retreat		✓	✓	✓	✓
Workshops and Seminars		✓	✓	✓	✓