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May 5, 2024
Confirmation Sunday



RINGING OF THE BELLS ~ WELCOME and GREETING

OPENING SONG: *“The Father’s House”*

INVOCATION

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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 OF PRAISE: *“King Of My Heart”*

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-48

Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to

preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, “Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE: 1 John 5:1-8

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. For there are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL: John 15:9-17

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 15th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Jesus said: “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ!

APOSTLE’S CREED

SERMON SONG: “King Of Love”

SERMON - “Chosen”

PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD

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.)

(10:00) RITE OF CONFIRMATION: LSB page 272 (use hymnals)

Kylie Anklam	Ava Downing	Emma Downing	Jacob Emon	Cadence Gardipee
Kailee Gardipee	Seth Grosskreutz	Jonathon Gutowski, Jr.	Ashlynn Haderlein	Julia Huan
Cole Kennedy	John Kraft	Mason Mengel	Madison Naranjo	Lillianna Pikorz
Grace Punke	Gavin Svacina	Gabriella Werner		

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: *"Reckless Love"*

DISMISSAL

GREETERS

Jill Tranetzke

Kris Sparks

READER

Pastor Eric

POWERPOINT

Derek Simon

Derek Emon

USHERS

Warren & Sharon Jacobi, Bruce Thurs, Ray Melander, Jae Loiz
Rich Klein, Herb Ninnemann, Adam Wurz, Jack Klein

PRAISE BAND

Joel Barboza, Matt & Jody Duranceau,
Julia Hauan, Dave Johnson, Dawn Schoch, Helaina Wills

BOUQUET

Today's bouquet is given in honor of our Confirmands

Please keep the following people in our prayers:

Medical / Health Concerns: Jenny Garcia, daughter of Andy & Mary Hoppe, Anne Raduechel, Scott Prochnow, Jean Rhyner, Raphael Klein, Marie Borchardt, Mary Ann Nielsen, Vienna Haunschild, granddaughter of Phyllis Koppa, Steve Dahlke, Linda Graebel, Joan Stroyny, Donna Schroeder, Ava Downing, Wilfred Graveen, AJ Saltzman for prayers of ongoing healing, Jerry Czeshinski, Erv Boehm, husband of Clarice, Kelly Butzlaff.

Battling Cancer: Ronald Haebig, brother of Kurt, Brenda Barttelt, sister of Carla Haebig, Paul Michalski, Perry Redeker, Sara Vande Boom, Steve Herring, Emmett, son of Ben & Claire Heindel, Lee Seis, brother-in-law of Henry Jennejohn, Jim Wanish, Grace Clark, Stan Bartsch.

Safe travels for Kristina Klein's parents who will be traveling here from Russia.

Upcoming Events:



May 5 at **10:00am*** (note service time): Confirmation Celebration service

May 12 - Special Mother's Day services: 8:00 & 10:30am

May 26 at 9:00am Patriotic Memorial Day service

Ushers Needed!

Calling all men and women of St. Mark's.

We are in need of ushers at ALL services.

Prayerfully consider joining this opportunity to serve.

Responsibilities: greet attendees, hand out bulletins, collect offerings.

Rotational time commitment & training available.

Inquiries contact: Dan Page, 715-921-0404 call or text.

Son-Shine Bible Study

We're traveling to the Sea of Galilee this week with Max Lucado's study, In the Footsteps of the Savior-Following Jesus Through the Holy Land. We meet in the Youth Room on Wed., 1:00-2:30. You are welcome to join us for this study - Following Jesus in Your Storms.

Sewing Workshop

We finished 20 backpacks and 16 pairs of shorts this week and have many more in progress. We'll meet again Tuesday, 9:00-11:30, in the Fellowship Hall. We have jobs for everyone. Come if you can!

Haiti VBS

Thank you to everyone who donated so generously to this year's VBS mission in Haiti. The dresses, shorts, backpacks, crosses in the pockets, and then the extras this year of clothing, shoes, toothbrushes, and craft supplies are all greatly appreciated! We plan to send them Thursday. Please pray for the people of Haiti and that these items arrive safely in a timely manner.

The Gathering-Clark County Greenhouse Tour

"Get out and enjoy this colossal, breathtaking" Clark County Bloomin' Greenhouse Tour with The Gathering on **Tuesday, May 14th**.

The plan for the day is to visit several greenhouses in the morning, have lunch at a local restaurant, and visit a few more greenhouses in the afternoon.

We will meet at church at 9 am, and then carpool to Clark County.

To get a headcount for lunch, **please RSVP** to the office if you plan to attend on or **before May 8th**.

Celebrate spring with us; there is something for everyone – annuals, perennials, vegetables, and so much more.

The Fellowship Hall is available in the afternoon for anyone interested in getting together to play cards or games.

Women's Monthly Ministry Planning Committee Meeting

Our St. Mark's women's event, "Meet Me At the Well" was well received, and we would like to keep the momentum going. You are invited to attend a planning session on **Wednesday, May 15th from 6:45-7:30** in the youth room following church. We would like to start working on monthly planning ideas for "Meet Me at the Well" events starting next fall. We are in the beginning planning stages so all ideas are welcome! If you have further questions, please contact Kristen Novitch @ 715-966-4172. We are looking forward to seeing you there.



HIRING PRESCHOOL STAFF: We are hiring a part-time teaching assistant for the 4-day class and also one or two part-time childcare staff. Summer staff may also be needed. For more information or to submit a resume, please contact Cathy Page at cpage@stmarkslcms.org or 715-848-5511, ext. 7.



PRESCHOOL SUMMER CAMP: REGISTRATION IS OPEN! Our NEW Summer Camp for three and four year old children will run from June 3 – August 16. Weekly-themed units will include activities, projects, games, Bible stories, music, outdoor play, and more! Full day or half day options are available. Specific information can be found on our website at www.stmarkswausau.org or by contacting Cathy Page at 715-848-5511, ext. 7 or cpage@stmarkslcms.org.

St. Mark's Scoop

May 5 - 12, 2023

Sunday, May 5

CONTEMPORARY

8:00 Worship



10:00 Worship - Confirmation

11:00 Private party in Fellowship hall

Mon, May 6

8:00 OGT

11:30 Noon Optimists

3:30 Drivers Ed

Tues, May 7

6:30 MIA Bible study

8:00 Trustees

9:00 Pillowcase Shorts / backpacks

3:30 Driver's Ed

Wed, May 8

CONTEMPORARY

9:00 put quilts out

1:00 Son-Shine Bible Study

3:30 Driver's Ed



5:00 Quilt Sale

6:00 Worship

6:45 Midweek (**End of Year party**)

Thurs, May 9

3:30 Driver's Ed

5:30 New Member's Class

Fri, May 10

Sat, May 11

Sun, May 12

CONTEMPORARY - Mother's Day

8:00 Worship

9:15 Bible Study

9:15 Quilt Sale

10:30 Worship



Mother's Day Worship
Sunday, May 12 ~ 8:00 & 10:30



Theme: Aspects of a Godly Woman

On the special occasion, we take a moment to pay tribute and thank God for the women in our lives. God has blessed us with mothers, whether past or present, who have impacted our lives. Mothers are the first to encourage us when we feel discouraged, comfort us when we hurt and celebrate our successes. Their selflessness and sacrificial love knows no limits. Every woman in attendance will receive a special gift. Featuring special musicians and specific themed hymns.

Who do I contact for / to ...

Ask general questions - Pastor Eric
~ Become a member
~ Baptize my child
~ Get married

Ministry Programs - Blaine
~ Adult/youth church involvement
~ Small Group involvement

Make a prayer request - Jean
Preschool / 4K - Cathy

Worship Volunteer - Janet

Give to church - Kurt

Ask a question about finances - Kurt

Ask general questions - Jean
~ Put article in Markings or bulletin

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