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# TRUE LOVE

## Honesty

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July 28, 2024

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### RINGING OF THE BELLS ~ WELCOME and GREETING

**OPENING SONG:** *"The Rock Won't Move"*

#### INVOCATION

#### OPENING VERSES

- P Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices! (Psalm 37:7)
- C Whoever speaks the truth gives honest evidence, but a false witness utters deceit. (Proverbs 12:17)**
- P Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth. (1 John 3:18)
- C Love must be honest and true. Hate what is evil. Hold onto what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. (Romans 12:9-10)**

#### CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

- P We confess together;
- C God, we have to align ourselves with You. We admit that we have sinned against You and others. We are not willing to make changes in our lives that are necessary. Help us be the one in whom Christ dwells and delights.**
- 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 Let us pray:
- C God, You are the model of love. Help me show love to others as You have shown love to me. Let my actions prove that I love You, and that I love the people you created. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**VIDEO:** *"They Will Know You By Your Love"*

**SONG OF PRAISE:** *"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"*

**OLD TESTAMENT:** Proverbs 12:17-19

Whoever speaks the truth gives honest evidence, but a false witness utters deceit. There is one whose rash words are like sword thrusts, but the tongue of the wise brings healing. Truthful lips endure forever, but a lying tongue is but for a moment.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God!**

**EPISTLE:** Acts 5:1-10

But a man named Ananias, with his wife Sapphira, sold a piece of property, and with his wife's knowledge he kept back for himself some of the proceeds and brought only a part of it and laid it at the apostles' feet. But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and to keep back for yourself part of the proceeds of the land? While it remained unsold, did it not remain your own? And after it was sold, was it not at your disposal? Why is it that you have contrived this deed in your heart? You have not lied to man but to God." When Ananias heard these words, he fell down and breathed his last. And great fear came upon all who heard of it. The young men rose and wrapped him up and carried him out and buried him. After an interval of about three hours his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. And Peter said to her, "Tell me whether you sold the land for so much." And she said, "Yes, for so much." But Peter said to her, "How is it that you have agreed together to test the Spirit of the Lord? Behold, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out." Immediately she fell down at his feet and breathed her last. When the young men came in they found her dead, and they carried her out and buried her beside her husband.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God!**

**GOSPEL:** Luke 19:1-10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 19th chapter.

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

He entered Jericho and was passing through. And behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small in stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully. And when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**APOSTLE'S CREED**

**SERMON SONG:** *"If We're Honest"*

**SERMON**

**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.**)*

## 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. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us. If you share this belief and practice, please join us in celebrating the meal of God's family – Holy Communion, please receive the wafer in the palm of your hand. (The cups with white juice are for those who have requested them. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.)*

### COMMUNION SONGS:

*"At The Table"*

*"Great Are You Lord"*

### BLESSING and BENEDICTION

**CLOSING SONG:** *"The Blessing"*

### DISMISSAL

#### GREETERS

Craig & Sharon Rezin

Adam Wurz

#### READERS

Leon Woller

Rich Klein

#### POWERPOINT

Nick Schoch

Michael Deedon

#### ALTAR GUILD

Rosann Tucker, Rose Graf

#### COMMON CUP (CC)

Brad Bollmann

Dan Barton

#### COMMUNION

Sarah Hill, Carrie Emon, Ken Berndt

John & Rita Woller, Rich Klein

#### USHERS

Jeff Block, Dale Vande Boom, John Woller

DeWayne & Rose Graf, Bob Christensen, Todd Krause, Gary Krause

#### PRAISE BAND

Joel Barboza, Matt & Jody Duranceau,

Julia Hauan, Dave Johnson, Dawn Schoch, Helaina Wills

### Wednesday, July 31, 2024

#### GREETER

Henry Jennejohn

#### READER

Pastor Gary

#### POWERPOINT

Derek Simon

#### COMMUNION

Scott Werner

#### USHERS

Henry Jennejohn, Scott Werner, Mike Henrichs, Tim Klopstein

#### **Please keep the following people in our prayers:**

**Medical / Health Concerns:** Jenny Garcia, daughter of Andy & Mary Hoppe, Anne Raduechel, Jean Rhyner, Scott Prochnow, Raphael Klein, Marie Borchardt, Mary Ann Nielsen, Vienna Haunschild, granddaughter of Phyllis Koppa, Steve Dahlke, Linda Graebel, Donna Schroeder, Ava Downing, AJ Saltzman for prayers of ongoing healing, Jerry Czeshinski, Erv Boehm, husband of Clarice, Janice Ambuhl, mother-in-law to Jan Feucht, Grace Kobs, Jason Borrero, Mary Utecht-Johnson, Lana Wilkinson, Irene Lamont, Marie Heinking.

**Battling Cancer:** Ronald Haebig, brother of Kurt, Brenda Bartelt, sister of Carla Haebig, Paul Michalski, Perry Redeker, Emmett Heindel, Lee Seis, brother-in-law of Henry Jennejohn, Jim Wanish, Bill Kobs, Jerry Sams, friend of the Redeker's, Aissen Witter, Susan Ohde, daughter of Linda, who is fighting breast cancer, Bob Frickenstein, Randy Vande Boom, brother of Dale, who is fighting prostate cancer.

# TRUE LOVE

Honesty | Vulnerability | Sincerity | Sacrifice | Alignment

A ST. MARK'S SERMON SERIES  
7.28.24 - 8.25.24

Love is one of the most powerful and moving concept that exists in our world. Throughout the change of time and expanse of culture love has always been a part of humanity both in our thoughts and our actions. Even in our life-time alone many things have been said about love from "All you need is love" to "What's love got to do with it?" Love can be weaponized, and love can be utilized. Love can be confusing and love can be clarifying. For all the ways we can understand and experience love in the world around us, let us first consider what God's Word tells us about love as we discuss:

Honesty – 7/28/2024 ~ Vulnerability – 8/4/2024 ~ Sincerity – 8/11/2024  
Sacrifice – 8/18/2024 ~ Alignment – 8/25/2024



A special thank you to everyone who volunteered or donated prizes for Bingo/Sheepshead at Mount View Manor. We had fun!

## **Son-Shine Bible Study**

Priscilla: Living a Life of Blessed Ordinary based on Acts 18:1-3, 18-26, will be the focus of our study this week. Priscilla was an ordinary woman who loved Jesus, sought to use her gifts, opened her home graciously, and enjoyed working in partnership with others. She even risked her life for the apostle Paul! Join us if you can as we apply her example to our own lives. We meet in the Youth Room from 1:00 – 2:30 on Wednesday. All are welcome!

## **Medical Supply Collection for Ghana Mission Trip**

The Mission Team from St. Mark's would like to take several suitcases full of medical supplies to fill the cabinets at "Hope Clinic" in Gomoa Kumasi, Ghana. We will be able to visit the clinic and see first hand how God is working with the people of Ghana to get people the medical help they need. Your consideration of purchasing any of the following will be helpful.

Please leave the medicine in the original container and check the expiration dates. There will be a collection bin in the narthex for your donations **until August 30th**.

-band-aides of all sizes  
-triple antibiotic ointment  
-gauze

-gloves  
-masks  
-stethoscopes

-stationary  
-Hydrocortisone  
-thermometers

-sanitary wipes  
-tums  
-ace bandages  
-Pepto Bismol tablets (no liquids)

Thank you St. Mark's for your support. We ask for your continued prayers as we make preparations for our trip, and that God's will be done in all areas of St. Mark's efforts to help spread the love of Jesus to our brothers and sisters in Ghana, Africa.

Pastor Eric, Dan and Kristen Novitch  
Ghana Medical Mission Team

# St. Mark's Scoop

**July 28 - August 4, 2024**

<b>Sun, July 28</b>	<b>Contemporary</b> 8:00 Worship 9:15 Bible Study 10:30 Worship
<b>Mon, July 29</b>	8:00 OGT 3:00 Drivers Ed
<b>Tues, July 30</b>	6:30 MIA Bible study 3:00 Drivers Ed
<b>Wed, July 31</b>	<b>Contemporary</b> 1:00 Son Shine Bible Study 3:00 Drivers Ed 6:00 Worship
<b>Thurs, Aug 1</b>	3:00 Drivers Ed 5:00 PEW Sisters 6:30 Mark's Men
<b>Fri, Aug 2</b>	~ Office Closed at noon ~ <b>Pastor &amp; Blaine's Family Day</b>
<b>Sat, Aug 3</b>	~ <b>Pastor Eric at Camp Luther until August 10th</b> ~
<b>Sun, Aug 4</b>	<b>Traditional</b> 8:00 Worship 9:15 *Bible Study *(led by Tom Lemke) 10:30 Worship 10:30 Worship



We have 2 Brewer tickets for sale for the August 15th game vs. the LA Dodgers. Cost for the tickets are **\$90 each**, which includes a first base seat and coach ride. Contact Lee Belmas at 715-551-7394 if interested or with questions.

## Office Summer Hours:

**Mon-Thurs: 8:00 - 5:00  
and Friday 8:00 - 12:00**

We will go back to normal business hours starting September 3rd.

## **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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**Janet Herring:** 715-302-1106  
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## **Mark's Men - Men's Choir**

### **Rehearsal:**

Thursday, August 1 6:30 - 7:00pm

### **Presentation:**

Sunday, August 4

All men of STMK are welcome and encouraged to join.  
Reach out to Dan Page with questions. See you there!