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## May 24, 2026 The Day of Pentecost

### RINGING OF THE BELLS ~ WELCOME and GREETING

OPENING SONG: “Mighty To Save”

### 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 Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**C Amen.**

### Psalm 104: 24, 27-28, 30 with antiphon

P O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have made them all; the earth is full of your creations.

**C “Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in us the fire of Your love. Alleluia!”**

P These all look to you, to give them their food in due season. When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

**C “Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in us the fire of Your love. Alleluia!”**

P When you send forth your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.

**C “Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in us the fire of Your love. Alleluia!”**

### CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SONG OF PRAISE: “His Name is Jesus”

**OLD TESTAMENT:** Genesis 11:1-9

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.” And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. And the LORD said, “Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.” So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God!**

**EPISTLE:** Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

“And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God!**

**VERSE**

P If by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God (Romans 8:13b-14)

**C “Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in us the fire of Your love. Alleluia!”**

**GOSPEL:** John 14:23-31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 14th chapter.

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

Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father’s who sent me.

“These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave

with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.

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.**

**SERMON SONG: "Holy Spirit"**

**SERMON**

**PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD**

**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.**)*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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:**

*"Oceans"*

*"Come As You Are"*

**BLESSING and BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING SONG: "Lead Me To The Cross"**

**DISMISSAL**

**BOUQUET**

Today's bouquet is given by Katherine Sparks in memory of her parents.



## Mission Corner: Hearts in Action

### Connecting Our Church to Outreach Opportunities

Welcome to our Mission Corner—a dedicated space highlighting the outreach efforts and opportunities that connect our church family with our broader community and the world. Each month, we'll share updates, stories, and ways you can get involved in making a positive impact through missions.

#### Spotlight: Blessing Bags

This month, our Mission Corner shines a spotlight on those in need in our community with **Blessing Bags** for the homeless or those down on their luck.

These are Care Packages filled with essential items: Shirt & socks, toiletries, hygiene products, non-perishable snacks, resource card for area services. Feel free to take one to keep it in your vehicle to hand out to someone in need.

#### Spotlight: The Babies Place at The Neighbors Place

The Neighbors Place has a program for new mothers and their babies to provide diapers and products to help care for them. We are starting a literacy component with board books (harder cardboard for babies to handle).

#### Spotlight: New Beginnings for Refugees

New Beginnings for Refugees is a local organization that supports refugees in the Wausau area. They are welcoming new arrivals in September. They are especially in need of: Fry pans (no Teflon), saucepans w/ lids, stock pots, tea kettles, cookie sheets, casseroles (med), mixing bowls – large, dish drainers, scrub buckets – 3.5 gal., NEW mops, NEW bed pillows, NEW queen sheets, NEW bath / hand towels, 1<sup>st</sup> aid kits, spatulas for turning food (nylon, Silicone or metal).

#### How You Can Help?

- Take a **Blessing Bag** to keep in your vehicle to give to a person in need.
- Bring in a board book to share a love with reading with **The Babies Place**.
- Bring in items for **New Beginnings for Refugees** by June 29.
- Pray for our mission projects and those we serve.

Let's continue to be the hands and feet of Christ, sharing love and hope through mission work.

Stay tuned to the Mission Corner for more ways to serve and stories of impact!

**“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...” – Matthew 28:19**



#### **We Are Hiring!**

St. Mark's Lutheran School is hiring several teaching positions for the 2026-2027 school year. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming part of our wonderful St. Mark's Preschool staff, please contact Cathy Page at 715-848-5511 or [cpage@stmarkslcms.org](mailto:cpage@stmarkslcms.org) for specific information.

ANNUAL CHARITY  
**GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
JUNE 15TH, 2026

✓ **18 Hole Scramble Format**  
✓ **Prizes and Raffles**  
✓ **Food and Refreshments**

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SCAN TO LEARN MORE ABOUT EXTRA INNINGS

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

**Medical / Health Concerns:** Jenny Garcia, daughter of Andy & Mary Hoppe, Ella Holmes, Anne Raduechel, Raphael Klein, Cindy Barton, Marie Borchardt, Donna Schroeder, Ava Downing, Lana Wilkinson, Carla Grulkowski, Sandy Flanagan, Lizzy Marciniak, Evelyn Mielke, sister in law to Carol Leopold, Judy Young, Henry Jennejohn, Jessie Myers, Marliss Fritz, Daniel & Melissa Shewmake for medical concerns, Carol Leopold, Terri & Brad Kankelfitz, Emily Ramthun, Ted Clintsman, who is in hospice, Jamesetta, daughter of Pastor Kollie, who is in need of a transplant.

**Battling Cancer:** Brenda Barttelt, sister of Carla Haebig, Paul Michalski, Lee Seis, brother-in-law of Henry Jennejohn, Bill Kobs, Aissen Witter, Roger Baumgart, father of Lisa Peck, Mike Ferry, brother of Scott, Jody Krieg, Rhonda Payne.

**Military Service** - SSG Mitchell Fromm, deployed overseas with the WI National Guard. SSGT Jacob Lang, deployed with the U.S. Marine Corp.

**Grieving:** family and friends of Sue Giese who recently passed.

*We would love for you to become a part of our vibrant community at St. Mark's. If you're looking for a place to grow in your faith, connect with others, and serve the community, then there are plenty of opportunities for you here.*

*Come join us for a service, learn more about our church, and discover how you can get involved. We welcome all who are seeking to deepen their spiritual journey and connect with a loving church family.*

*We look forward to welcoming you!*

**PEW Sisters: New Dates for May**

Join us as we begin a study of Esther. Due to scheduling conflicts, our meetings this month will be held on **Tuesday, May 26 from 5:00–6:00 p.m.**

**We will resume our regular Thursday schedule on June 4 and June 18.**



**2026 St. Mark's Softball Schedule**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Home/ Visitor</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Field</u>	<u>W/L</u>
5/17/2026	H Christ Community Church	7:30PM	3	Won 10-1
5/31/2026	H Cheeks Bar and Grill	6:30PM	3	
6/7/2026	H The Garage II	7:30PM	2	
6/7/2026	V Falcon Valley Farm	8:30PM	2	
6/14/2026	H L&S Electric	6:30PM	2	
6/21/2026	H Family Insurance Center	7:30PM	3	
6/28/2026	V S.O.S.	5:30PM	3	
7/12/2026	V The Garage	7:30PM	3	
7/19/2026	V Melonheads	5:30PM	3	
7/26/2026	V Immanuel Baptist Church 2	7:30PM	2	

Please  
join us!

A new sermon series going through 6/7/26.

### Christ Figures in Film

Jesus Christ as portrayed in the Bible has affected and infiltrated culture in more ways than people can imagine or understand. Jesus dying for His people; Jesus being given New Life from His Father and, in turn, giving His people New Life; Jesus rebelling against unbiblical cultural norms; Jesus speaking for the poor, the lost, and the sinner; and Jesus showing everyone a Greater Love. These, and many other aspects of Jesus, are what tug at the heart strings of society to move and motivate people into faith and being something more. This coming sermon series will show how aspects of Jesus have been portrayed in film to move the hearts of the viewers.

### **ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL IS NOW ENROLLING FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR**



St. Mark's Lutheran Preschool offers 2-day, 3-day, 4-day 4K, and 5-day classes for three and four year old children in a caring, Christian environment. Before and After School Care is also available. **Enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year is now open.** Classes are expected to fill up quickly so don't wait! For more information, contact Preschool Director, Cathy Page, at 715-848-551 or [cpage@stmarkslcms.org](mailto:cpage@stmarkslcms.org).

### **Son-Shine Bible Study**

Our Son-Shine Bible study this week is based on Matthew 24, The Return of the King. This study focuses on the destruction of Jerusalem and the return of Christ. As believers in Christ, we can give thanks for the confidence and strength that comes from Christ's presence by his Word and Spirit, and for the assurance of his return. You are welcome to join us on Wednesday from 1:00 – 2:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

### **The Gathering-Monk Gardens**

Join us for an afternoon of fellowship on Tuesday, June 23rd, as we explore the Monk Botanical Gardens (1901 N 4<sup>th</sup> Ave). We will meet at 12:30 pm by the entrance to the gardens. June 23<sup>rd</sup> is a free admission day for the gardens.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Linda Jagodinski at 715-297-8605. Hope to see you there!

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**Rib Mountain Lutheran Church**  
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**June 15-18, 2026**

Dinner: 5 PM to 6 PM / VBS: 6 PM to 8 PM

**Registration deadline is June 5th**

Please call 715-845-2313 with questions or to have a registration form emailed.

# St. Mark's Scoop

May 24 - 31, 2026

Sun, May 24

8:00 Worship  
9:15 Bible Study  
10:30 Worship

Mon, May 25

MEMORIAL DAY  
**OFFICE CLOSED**

Tues, May 26

6:30 MIA Bible study  
5:00 PEW Sisters

Wed, May 27

1:00 Son Shine Bible Study  
6:00 Worship

Thurs, May 28

9:00 Final Genesis II Bible study

Fri, May 29

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**Pastor & Blaine's Family Day**

Sat, May 30

~ Baby shower in Fellowship Hall ~

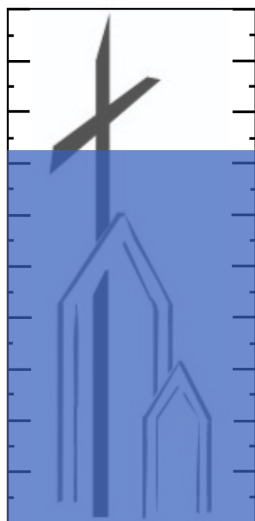
Sun, May 31

8:00 Worship  
9:15 Bible Study  
10:30 Worship



## MEMORIAL DAY

REMEMBER & HONOR



\$650K

\$470K

Help us reach our  
initial goal of raising  
**\$650K by MAY 24**  
to kick off our  
expansion project!



**GIVE HERE!**



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