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October 25, 2026



**RINGING OF THE BELLS ~ WELCOME and GREETING**

**INVOCATION**

**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.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**OPENING HYMN: "O Holy Spirit, Enter In" (LSB 913)**

**OLD TESTAMENT:** Joel 2:28-32

“And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit.

“And I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

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!**

**GOSPEL:** John 14:25-31

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

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

“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**

**SERMON HYMN:** “Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling” (LSB 650)

### **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.**)*

### **NEW MEMBER WELCOME / INTRODUCTION**

### **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. Those of you who will not be communing are welcome to come up and receive a blessing by crossing your arms.

***(The cups with white juice are for those who have requested them.***

***Gluten free wafers are available upon request.)***

### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

(8:00) “How Great Thou Art” ~ flute, Elizabeth Pulham

(10:30) “The Lord Is Our Shepherd” ~ soloist, composer, Rick Petzold

“When Peace, like a River” (LSB 763)

### **BLESSING AND BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING HYMN:** “Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

(LSB 922 vs 3)

### **DISMISSAL**

### **BOUQUET**

Today’s bouquet was given by Derek & Joy Schilling in celebration of their 20th wedding anniversary.

*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!*

### **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, Ava Downing, Lana Wilkinson, Carla Grulkowski, Sandy Flanagan, Lizzy Marciniak, Evelyn Mielke, sister in law to Carol Leopold, Judy Young, Jessie Myers, Marliss Fritz, Carol Leopold, Emily Ramthun, Jamesetta, daughter of Pastor Kollie, who is in need of a transplant, daughter-in-law of Ruby Phillips who had a stroke, Grace Kobs, Donna Schroeder, who is in hospice, Bob Moritz, who is struggling with pain, Jamie Krautkramer, niece of Jim & Paulene Sala, Irene Lamont who is recovering from a fall, Helen Prochnow for hip replacement recovery, Sharon Shackleton, Helen Prochnow's sister, for health improvement, Kevin Prochnow, recovery for stomach surgery, Melissa Shewmake who is recovery from ankle surgery, Mike Kraft, brother of Kevin Kraft, recovery from a bike accident, Ruth Tritten, Lorraine Wilde.

**Battling Cancer:** Brenda Barttelt, sister of Carla Haebig, Lee Seis, brother-in-law of Henry Jennejohn, Bill Kobs, Aissen Witter, Mike Ferry, brother of Scott, Jody Krieg, Rhonda Payne, Jean Majewski, niece of Sandy Cotey, son of Ruby Phillips, Jablonski, Dave Ramthun, Maxine Frahm, sister of Rose Graf, Tom Woehlert, Chris Hartson, twin sister of Cathy Page.

**Military Service** - SSGT Jacob Lang, deployed with the U.S. Marine Corp., PFC Ty Crisman who is base in Poland.

### **All Saints Day ~ November 1, 2026**

In honor of All Saints Day on November 1st, we will be hanging stars once again to remember the loved ones who have left us. They can be for anyone you wish and as many as you want. The basket on the credenza in the Narthex has blank stars. Please fill out, instructions provided on basket and return to the basket marked "Completed Stars."

**All stars must be returned by October 27th** to give us time to hang them up. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kim Christensen (715-574-6759) or the office.

### **Christmas Poinsettia's**

Even though Halloween hasn't arrived yet, it's already time to start thinking about Christmas poinsettias! Order forms are available on the credenza. **Please complete your form and return it to Jean in the office by November 2.** Thank you!



### **The Gathering - 2027**

Please join us on **Tuesday, November 10, 2026**, for a brainstorming session, as we plan our activities for 2027. We will meet at 12:30 pm in the conference room. Bring ideas!

Mark your calendar! The Gathering Christmas Celebration will be on December 8<sup>th</sup> in the fellowship hall at 12:30 pm. Watch the bulletin for more information.

**Hope Life Center**  
**Operation Baby Bottle Fundraiser**

Once again will be having the baby bottles out in the narthex to collect money for Hope Life Center. We are asking for them to be **returned by October 29th**. You can also donate through the QR code.



# St. Mark's Scoop

**October 25 – November 1, 2026**

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| <b>Sun, Oct 25</b>   | <b>New Member Class</b><br>8:00 Worship<br>9:15 Bible Study / Youth Programs<br>10:30 Worship                                  |
| <b>Mon, Oct 26</b>   | 8:00 OGT<br>10:45 Preschool Costume Parade<br>11:30 Noon Optimists<br>6:00 Dartball<br>~ P. Eric at Camp Luther ~              |
| <b>Tues, Oct 27</b>  | 6:30 MIA Bible study<br>9:00 Quilting<br>10:45 Preschool Costume Parade<br>12:30 The Gathering                                 |
| <b>Wed, Oct 28</b>   | 1:00 Son Shine Bible study<br>6:00 Worship<br><b>NO</b> Midweek / HS Youth / Confirmation                                      |
| <b>Thurs, Oct 29</b> | 9:00 Adult Bible Study<br>6:00 Celebration Choir                                                                               |
| <b>Fri, Oct 30</b>   | <b>Pastors' &amp; Blaine's Family Day</b><br><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>                                                              |
| <b>Sat, Oct 31</b>   |                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Sun, Nov 1</b>    | <b>ALL SAINTS DAY / REFORMATION</b><br>8:00 Worship<br>9:15 Bible Study / Youth Programs<br>10:30 Worship<br>5:00 Trivia Night |

For information on ALL *St Mark's* ministry opportunities, visit

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or scan this code for our ministry catalog



## The Gathering- Bread Making Demonstration

On **Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 12:30**, gather with us for an afternoon of learning, and good food in the Fellowship Hall. We're pleased to welcome **Erin Hoogendyk from Grebe's Cooking Center** for a special Bread Making demonstration. Erin will share recipes and techniques for **overnight focaccia, whole wheat bread, cinnamon raisin bread, and the easiest Artisan bread**. We'll have opportunities to taste each of the breads, along with **delicious dipping sauces and jams** from Grebe's. Whether you love to bake or simply enjoy good bread and good company, **all are welcome!** Bring a friend and join us around the table as we learn, share, and enjoy one another's company. A free will offering will be collected to help offset the cost of the event. If you have questions, please contact Lynn Schroeder 715-432-3893. Hope to see you there!

## Young Adults Upcoming Events



**\*November 1 at 6:00pm**

~ ST. MARK'S TRIVIA NIGHT - Hosted by Blaine for the whole congregation.

**\*See the GroupMe for details\***

**November 5 from 5:30pm-6:30pm**

~ BIBLE STUDY - Hot Topics: Communication at St. Mark's.

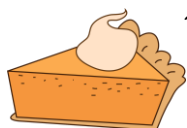


**\* November 13 at 5:30pm**

~ THANKSGIVING POTLUCK at St. Mark's -

**\*See the GroupMe for important details\***

**\*Not our typical day**



**Facebook:** St. Mark's Young Adult Ministry

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**GroupMe**

## Son-Shine Bible Study

We are starting the second part of Deb Burma's study in Sip, Savor, and Drink Deeply. Join us as we discuss Session 4 – My Portion and My Cup: Filled to the Brim (Circumstances), which focuses on our abundant lives. Too often the world measures abundance in material and monetary terms. Scripture reminds us that Jesus has a different abundance for us in John 10:10, "I came that [you] may have life and have it abundantly."

We meet on Wednesday afternoon, 1:00-2:30 in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome. Bring your favorite cup to fill and try an almond and lemon biscotti, too!

## "Meet Me At the Well Saturday" Event Planning Committee

It is time to start planning our 4th annual all day woman's event being held at St. Mark's on **Saturday, March 13th, 2027**. It takes a great amount of energy, creativity and effort to have close to 100 women spend the day together growing closer to Jesus and learning more about living our lives in his image. We have a great committee that started a lot of planning already for this year but are always looking for new people and new ideas to continue to grow this event.

We will meet on **Monday, November 2nd at 6:30-7:15** in the youth room. Future meeting dates include January 4th, February 1st, and March 1st (same time and place)

Thanks for your consideration. If you have further questions, please call Kristen at 715-966-4172.

**Wisconsin Federation of Lutheran Altar Guilds**  
**63rd Annual Meeting – Saturday, November 14, 2026**  
**Mount Olive Lutheran Church**  
**6205 Alderson Street, Weston WI 54476**

Our 63rd Annual Convention for Wisconsin Federation of Lutheran Altar Guilds is Saturday, November 14, 2026, at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 6205 Alderson Street, Weston, Wisconsin. The cost for attending is \$25.00 per person which includes a Continental Breakfast and lunch.

We will begin the day with a continental breakfast and Tours of the Church at 8:30 a.m. We will have a Divine Worship Service with Holy Communion. This year's Speakers will be our Second Vice President of the North Wisconsin District, Pastor Preston Paul who will present his topic "The Altar Guild: Putting on the Mind of Jesus, through the Psalms, as We Serve." Our First Vice President of the NWD, Pastor Donald Engebretson will present his topic "Journeying Through the Church Year at the Altar".

The Registration deadline date is October 28, 2026, or you may register the morning of the convention. God's richest blessings and we hope to see you at this uplifting informative event.

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| 8:30 AM  | Continental Breakfast & Registration; Tours of the Church                                                    |
| 9:30 AM  | Worship Service with Holy Communion                                                                          |
| 10:45 AM | Welcome and Business Meeting/Election of Officers *                                                          |
| 11:15 AM | Program "The Altar Guild: Putting on the Mind of Jesus, through the Psalms, as We Serve" – Rev. Preston Paul |
| 12:00 PM | Lunch                                                                                                        |
| 1:30 PM  | Program: "Journeying Through the Church Year at the Altar" - Rev. Donald Engebretson                         |
| 2:15 PM  | Questions and Answers                                                                                        |
| 2:30 PM  | Installation of Officers                                                                                     |
| 2:45 PM  | Closing                                                                                                      |

Note: Program times are flexible and include a Q & A period

**Registration Deadline is: October 25, 2026; Checks made out to WFLAG**

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Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of those attending: \_\_\_\_\_

WFLAG Dues: \$25.00 per church \_\_\_\_\_ Paying Church Dues  
Total Attending @ \$25.00 per person \_\_\_\_\_ / Pastor(s) \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Thanksgiving Potluck

November 13th  
Set Up: 5:30-6pm  
Pray & Eat: 6pm

Childcare Provided  
More Details in GroupMe  
Potluck Signup



## **ATTENTION!**

**November 8<sup>th</sup> at Noon**

**Look for the Voter's Meeting packets  
to be put out next week.  
(A light lunch will be served)**

## **Upcoming Dates to Remember**

October 30th – **Office Closed**

November 7th – Service Saturday

November 12th – Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack

November 18th – Hunter's Service & Fellowship

November 25<sup>th</sup> - **Office Closed**

November 26th – Happy Thanksgiving!

November 27th – **Office Closed**



Last Sunday the **Men in Action (MIA) Bible Study** group held its annual Pumpkin and Quilt Giveaway at Diamond View Apartments. We distributed over 30 pumpkins, quilts, food items, candy and more to the young residence. Special thanks to Thrivent Financial for cash support, Amy and Dan Smet for over 30 huge pumpkins, and to Rita Woller and Kim Grosskreutz for making all those beautiful quilts by hand. The kids always appreciated this annual event and were waiting for us when we arrived.



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