

OUR MISSION

Reaching out to the community to share the Gospel through faith, fellowship, and service.

OUR VISION

Become the visible presence of Christ in this community

SECOND SUDNAY IN LENT

MARCH 13, 2022, 10:00 A.M.



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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We are glad you are here! May this be a holy time for you to offer your praise to God as well as receive God's grace through word, sacrament, song, and prayer.

For those worshiping here in person, please fill out the connect card that you received and leave it in the offering plate. For those who are worshipping with us online, we would invite you to share that you are watching via Facebook or YouTube by making a comment.

You may contact Françoise our church Office Administrator at fdutil@stmarks.ws or email Pastor Mericle directly, pastorjim@stmarkshh.com.

If you have questions, about the service or St. Mark's, please do not hesitate to ask one of the ushers.

Last Sunday Attendance

135

SERVING TODAY

PASTOR: the Reverend James Mericle

MUSIC GUEST: Renee Gehlbach

LECTOR: Kimberly Winn

CHILDREN'S SERMONETTE: Krista Guerrero

ALTAR GUILD: Janna & Phil Barnhart **TECH:** Shand Garrett, Dan O'Connell

CO-DIRECTORS OF USHERS: Phil Barnhart, Frank Winn

HEAD USHERS: Frank Winn

USHERS: Janna Barnhart, Phil Barnhart, Dan Guerrero, Bill Rosentreter, Renke Schroeder

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD. In honor of Melani and Dan Garrett's 33rd Anniversary, given by Melani Garrett.

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+ indicates to stand as you are able. If it is difficult for you to stand, please feel free to stay seated or sit back down at any time.

LENTEN SCHEDULE THEME: A WAY IN THE WILDERNESS

- In-person Wednesday Weekly Bible study-12:00 PM in the side chapel and Zoom Wednesday Bible study -7:00 PM
- 40 Days of Giving for World Hunger Church and school goal \$4,000.00

ALTAR FLOWERS

Celebrating a special occasion? Honoring a loved one? Say it with flowers. Sign up to provide flowers for the altar. Please fill out the pink envelope (in the Narthex) and drop it in the offering plate. (I forgot to put this in the March Monitor.)

\$25.00 each bouquet 3/20 Cormack, **Available**

3/27 Teri Jackson, Terry Van Riper

OFFICE NEWS

Office hours are:

Monday- Thursday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Friday 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM, I have Physical Therapy appointments.

March 21-25, I will be on vacation.

Françoise

OFFERINGS

If you would like to make a donation to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, just go to the link below.

Thank you for your generosity. https://secure.subsplash.com/ui/access/34WJTS

You can also give by text to St. Mark's Church. Just text **Stmarksgive** to 1-888-364-GIVE (4483)

in order to receive a reply with the link to your giving interface. The code is not case sensitive.

We would like to thank you for your generosity.

You are welcome to mail in your donation, if you prefer not using the internet.

Our address is:

St. Mark's Lutheran Church 2323 Las Lomitas Drive Hacienda Heights, CA, 91745

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LADIES LUNCHEON IS BACK!!

This month we are celebrating St. Patrick's Day.-Thursday, March 17th at 11:15 A.M. (Notice this is earlier than usual, but being St. Patrick's Day, they may be busy!) Maggie's Pub 11900 Telegraph Rd, Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670 RSVP Anna Guerriero 626-330-7310 or jaguerriero42@gmail.com

60TH ANNIVERSARY

On Sunday, March 20, 2022, St. Mark's Lutheran Church will celebrate the 60th Year Milestone! The service will be at 10:00 a.m. with a luncheon to follow. Bishop Brenda Bos will be sharing the message. If you did not receive an invitation, please contact the church office at church@stmarks.ws or 626-961-2486. Please return RSVP.

HONORING DR. BARBARA CLARK'S RETIREMENT FROM SML

As you probably know, our school superintendent, Dr. Barbara Clark, is retiring in May and moving to Iowa. Barb has been the leader of our school since 1986, first as principal, and more recently as superintendent. Dr. Clark's professional accomplishments include being named National Distinguished Principal, ELCA Principal of the Year, and IWC Distinguished Alumnae. However, her proudest accomplishment was the creation of a premier leadership academy, which focuses on teaching leadership skills to students in grades K-8. She has also been very proud to have St. Mark's alums return to the school as educators. Each of the over 2000 students graduating from St. Mark's Lutheran School during these years has benefitted from Barb's love for history and vast knowledge of government. She is hopeful her knowledge and appreciation for history will be transferred to her students and, in turn, they can make a difference in the future. We would like to honor Barb at the church service on May 1, and would like to give her a thank you gift from the congregation. If you would like to participate in this gift, please give your contribution to Gwen Andrizzi or Mary Rosentreter. If you would like to write a check, please make it out to Mary Rosentreter.

FOOD PANTRY

New Horizons Food Shelter is asking for donations of ANY breakfast foods - pop tarts, breakfast bars, cereal, oatmeal, individual applesauce, and bagged/boxed juice. They are preparing for school age children on their spring break to eat breakfast. Please bring your donations to the church office. Thank you for supporting and helping our community. -Carolyn Collosi



Gathering + Word + Thanksgiving + Sending

WELCOME AND THEMES OF THE DAY

Welcome to St. Mark's Lutheran Church! It is a blessing to have you be a part of this community as we gather to worship God today. We encourage those of you who are here in person to complete the connect card that is available by the bulletins and drop the card in the offering plate, especially if you are visiting with us today. For those online, help us to know you are joining us by saying hello in the comments or through the connect card on the App/website stmarkshh.com

We are now in our first week of Lent and are taking time to reflect on how to live in the Wilderness of life. Today we wander with Jesus on the road to Jerusalem amid threats and warning, but hear the words of the Psalmist: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? Stay with us during this 40 Day journey and blessings to each of you and may the Holy Spirit refresh your path before you. Welcome!

PRELUDE

GATHERING HYMN

Here I am To Worship

Projection Screen

Projection Screen

WELCOME SONG Whom Shall I Fear Projection Screen

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

God of the covenant, in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world. Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with your mercy, that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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READING Psalm 27 pg. 479

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON Krista Guerrero

GOSPEL *Luke 13:31-35*, **pg. 953**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the thirteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**.

SERMON Wandering in the Wilderness Pastor Mericle

+ HYMN OF THE DAY O God, Our Help in Ages Past ELW 632

Stanzas 1, 2 & 6

+ APOSTLES' CREED Projection Screen

Gathering + Word + **Thanksgiving** + Sending

PEACE

POSTLUDE

+ OFFERTORY RESPONSE It Is Well with My Soul ELW 785 Stanzas 1, 2 & 4

+ OFFERING PRAYER Projection Screen

+ PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH Projection Screen

+ LORD'S PRAYER Projection Screen

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ANNOUNCEMENTS Projection Screen

+ SENDING BLESSING Projection Screen

+ SENDING HYMN When Morning Gilds the Skies ELW 853

Stanzas 1, 4 & 5
+ DISMISSAL & VISION Projection Screen

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PRAYER LIST:

HEALING

Johanna Locke; Kenna Dutil-Baker-lungs (Francoise's daughter); Vernon Weigand; Krystal Barnhart; Pastor Lee Rozen (better health); Nancy Carnehl (Janna Barnhart's friend)-lung cancer; David Lau (Cindy Lau's father) - stroke; Christy Zapfel- knee pain

ILLNESS

Noris Maldonado - Alzheimer's (Natalie Pereda's mother); Donovan McLaughlin - cancer (Judy Willett's grandson); Deborah Morocco (Barbara Richards' friend, please pray for Deborah's family) - cancer; Dorothy Miller (Dr. Clark's aunt) - pancreatic cancer; Carol Adams (Linda Merchant's cousin) - hospitalized

TREATMENTS

Tony Hernandez (Michael's brother) cancer, Nancy Richardson (Diana Hernandez's friend) cancer, Preslee Durston (Christine Birtja's niece) leukemia treatments; Kim Wolfe (friend of Dan O'Connell) cancer; Nassar Sattar (Mary Rodriguez's friend) - cancer

HOSPICE

Faye Heinrich

NO ZOOM BIBLE FELLOWSHIP WITH PASTOR JIM ON TUESDAYS

Taking a hiatus during Lent.

WEEKLY LENTEN STUDY STARTS THIS WEDNESDAY

Wednesday March 9th, at 12:00 PM, in the side chapel begins the Lenten Study. If you are not available to be there, join us in the evening on Zoom at 7:00 PM. Please remember to pick up a study guide from the Narthex. For the ones attending the Zoom meeting, there will be a copy emailed to you with the link.

RUTH CIRCLE

Ruth WELCA Circle will meet on Monday, March 14, 7:00 PM on Zoom. We will continue our Bible Study with Session 3 of "The Kingdom of God" in the March/April Gather magazine. The study will be lead by Lynn Yann. The Zoom link will be sent a day or so before Monday, March 14. Please let Sharon Heck know if you want to be added to the email list for receiving the Zoom link. Email her at s.heck4peace@gmail.com All are welcome to join us.