St. Mark's Lutheran

ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

Principal - Monica Gerardo **Assistant Principal** - Morley Ochoa

Pre-School Director - Lori Muñoz

Day Care Director - Connie Cruz

Assistant Day Care Director- Ashley Monares **Director of Development** - Julie Gil

Office Manager - Martina Rendon

Assistant Office Manager - Claudia Alcala

School Secretary - Araceli Gallardo, Jennifer Martinez

Resource Room/TA Lead - Susan Montes

Maintenance - Gus Garcia

IT Crew - Jeff Walker (Director), Chris Evangelista, Samantha Lee

TEACHERS (K-8):

Kindergarten - Diana Garcia, Vanessa Guerra, Ashley Stanford

First Grade - Megan Carter, Samantha Loaiza, Delia Solis

Second Grade - Paulette Abbott, Carlos Loaiza

Third Grade - Rachel Archuleta, Christine Birtja, Ashley Gonzalez **Fourth Grade** - Fanny Escamillo-Ngayan, Lisa Mata, Rebecca Stout

Fifth Grade - Valorie Garcia, Ann Marie Nelson, Jennifer Wampler, Joanna Zhou **Sixth Grade** - Nicole Curtis, Lisa Kamerick, Ann Marie Nelson, Jennifer Wampler

Grade 6-8 Religion - Gen Tidwell **Grade 7 History -** Nicole Curtis

Grade 8 History - Morley Ochoa Grade 7 & 8: Language Arts - Taylor Jimenez, Jennifer Strong

Grade 7 & 8 Math - Anthony Ossa **Grade 7 & 8 Science** - Maria Tena **Grade 6-8 Spanish/ELL** - Shirley Chang **Grade K-4 French** - Lara Rezko

Grade 5 Chinese - Joanna Zhou **Grade K-8 Art** - Sue Ferrini **Grade K-8 Physical Education** - Maegan Garcia, Christian Duran

Grade K-4 Music - Mala Williams **Grade K-6 Library & Resource Specialist** - Kathy Hall **Grade 5-8 Music** - Jennifer Cormack **Grade K-8 Computer** - Margaret Tijerina

TEACHING ASSISTANTS/TECHNICAL STAFF: Eileen Countryman, Dominique Delgado, Clarissa Field, Chris Furukawa, Adriana Gallardo, Olivia Garcia, Elizabeth Locke, Diego Loya, Kris McFarland, Ashley Monares, Faith Moraga, Veronica Nunez, Bryan Ortiz, Felicia Sahagian, Zachary White

PRE-SCHOOL TEACHERS: Martha Cotton, Shelley Fujinami, Audrey Furukawa, Liz Garcia, Kristi Mee-lem, Michelle Navarro, Andrea Pineda, Ronda Salazar, Claudia Sepulveda, Alana Trost

BREAK PERSON: Rebecca Wong **COOK:** Estela Gomez

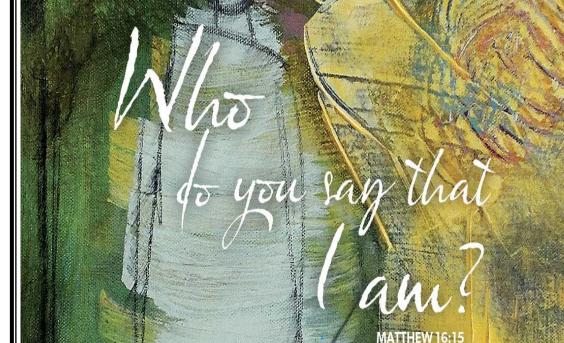
TEACHING ASSISTANTS: Madalyn Navarro, Linda Vega, Kikumi Yamamoto

DAY CARE STAFF: Garett Cruz, Nancy Edwards, Aaliyah Figueroa, Gabriel Gonzalez, Matthew Ramos, Zachary White



Gwen Andrizzi Betty Castaneda Melissa Magdaleno





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.

RALLY DAY

Installation of School Staff and Those Called to Teach

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 27, 2023



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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 worshipping here in person, please fill out the Connect Card that you have 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 comments.

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.

We welcome to worship this morning SML school faculty, staff, fourth grade and families.

Last Sunday's Attendance

46 in-person 57 online

SERVING TODAY

PASTOR: the Reverend James Mericle

WORSHIP PIANIST/CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR: Graham Jackson

LECTOR: Kim Winn

CHILDREN'S SERMONETTE: Gwen Andrizzi

ALTAR GUILD: Stephanie Bang, Sandy Carbajal, Cinthya Sotelo

TECH: Dan O'Connell, Steven Chou

CO-DIRECTOR OF USHERS: Phil Barnhart, Frank Winn

HEAD USHERS: Dan Guerrero, Emil Wolfe **USHERS:** Irvin Thomas, Frank Winn

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD: In honor of Gwen and Jim Andrizzi granddaughter's birthday, Naomi Sobel, six years old.

+ 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.

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If you would like to make a donation to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, just go to the link. Thank you for your generosity. https://secure.subsplash.com/ui/access/34WJTS

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Zelle is a way to give with no fees. Just go to your online banking, find your access to Zelle, and type in church@stmarks.ws and follow the instructions. We 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

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY!

ZOOM BIBLE FELLOWSHIP WITH PASTOR JIM ON TUESDAYS

We will have time to share highs and lows and have a discussion on the Bible readings in the coming week's sermon/readings. Zoom links will be sent out Tuesday at 10:00 A.M. Readings; *Jeremiah* 15:15-21 and Matthew 16:21-28

TIMES:

Tuesday at 11:00 AM - Noon Tuesday at 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

NEED SOMEONE TO PRAY WITH YOU?

St. Mark's friends, Kim Winn or another Prayer Warrior, will be available to pray with after church service, if you have a prayer request or concern. This will be in the little side chapel. Please call or text with a prayer request anytime to Kim Winn. (626) 676-2997

ALTAR GUILD

Are you currently serving on the Altar Guild (profound thanks) or are interested in learning about this satisfying way of serving your church? We will be having a pot luck salad lunch after church in the Fireside room on September 10th. We'll touch base on how things are going, answer any questions or concerns you have and look over the schedule to see if any changes need to be made. Plates, cups, drinks and utensils will be provided. Come with a salad. All are welcome.

GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS.

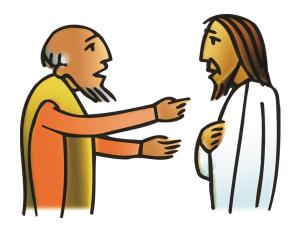
Every year we have a project that our church can work together on. In past years, we have made lunches for the homeless, flower arrangements for church shut-ins and convalescent homes, and kits of necessities for homeless. This year we are making bracelets for the non-profit organization Engage to Go Ministries that reaches out to young adults that attend raves. Bracelets will be available soon so you can make them at home or make them on Sunday, September 10th, 8:45 AM. God's Work. Our Hands. Flyer in the Narthex.

NEW HORIZONS

New Horizons needs breakfast items only.

ACTION FOOD PANTRY

Action Food Pantry needs various food items and/or donations. They also buy their eggs in bulk. This costs less, but to distribute this important protein source to their clients, they need egg cartons. Please leave your paper or plastic cartons in the Narthex for collection.



Gathering + Word + Thanksgiving + Sending

WELCOME AND THEMES OF THE DAY

PRELUDE

+ GATHERING HYMN

Welcome

St. Mark's Children's Choir

+ WELCOME & GREETING

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GATHERING HYMN

Build Your Kingdom Here

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+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. (A brief silence is kept before the prayer.)

O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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READING

Romans 12:1-8

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM Send Us Your Spirit 4th grade

D. Haas, arr. J. Cotter

CHILDREN'S SERMONETTE

Gwen Andrizzi

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+ GOSPEL Matthew 16:13-20

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the sixteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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

SERMON Don't Conform, but Transform Pastor Mericle

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus Messiah

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Installation of School Staff and Those Called to Teach

INTRODUCTION

ADDRESS AND QUESTIONS *The presiding minister addresses those being installed*. Brothers and sisters, you have made it your work to give your time, your energy, and your gifts to the children, youth, and families of St. Mark's School and this congregation. Will you offer your giftedness to this ministry in the confidence that it comes from God? RESPONSE: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you carry out this ministry, centered in Christ's call, striving to trust God as your guide and inspiration?

RESPONSE: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you trust in God's care, seek to grow in love for those you serve, strive for excellence in your skills, and honor the Gospel with a faithful life?

RESPONSE: I will, and I ask God to help me.

+ THE ASSEMBLY RESPONDS *The assembly stands. The pastor addresses the assembly.* I now ask you, people of St. Mark's, will you today renew your commitment to our youngest brothers and sisters, our children and youth who look to you for guidance, support, and examples of righteous living?

RESPONSE: We will, and we ask God to help us.

People of St. Mark's, will you claim these gifted teachers and staff as those called by God to help carry out our congregation's ministry to children, youth, and families? Will you support them and enthusiastically celebrate the work they do?

RESPONSE: We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for these leaders and the young people they serve, celebrating our children and youth as the ones Jesus blessed and welcomed?

RESPONSE: We will, and we ask God to help us.

+ APOSTLES' CREED

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+ PEACE Projection Screen

OFFERING Trees of the Field 4th grade

OFFERTORY RESPONSE Give Thanks Projection Screen

+ OFFERING PRAYER Projection Screen

+ PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH Projection Screen

+ LORD'S PRAYER Projection Screen

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+ SENDING BLESSING Projection Screen

+ SENDING HYMN Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty! ELW 413

DISMISSAL & VISION Projection Screen

POSTLUDE

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JOIN US FOR OUR RALLY DAY CELEBRATION ON OUR UPPER CAMPUS

PRAYER LIST:

HEALING: Vernon Weigand; Krystal Barnhart; Norma Collosi – significant health issues; Bradley Holmes (Frances Weigand's grand-nephew) - healing; Rosemary Abrego-Holmes (Frances Weigand's niece) - healing; Patrick Fields (husband of school employee) - medical; Christy Zapfel - knee replacement; Viola C. Bradshaw; Caleb Woodward (Gwen's nephew) - accident

ILLNESS: Pat Dickerman - cancer; Bob Mericle - lung cancer; Robert Dutil - dementia; Helene Dutil - strength; Erin Taylor (Nathan Magdaleno's friend) - ALS

MEDICAL: Bob Merchant - upcoming heart surgery

TREATMENTS: Tom O'Connell (Dan O'Connell's brother) - cancer; Amy Stenberg (friend of Anna Guerriero & Lee Uhl) - brain cancer; Lorna Delgado (Ms. Dominique's mom) - cancer

treatments; Bill McDonnell (Krista Guerrero's boss) - prostate cancer **HOSPICE:** Faye Heinrich; Marty Green -Ponce (friend of Juliana Guerriero)

COMFORT: Family and friends of Pastor Lee Rozen