

The  
Season  
of  
Lent



LENTEN THEME  
250th Anniversary  
of the hymn  
Amazing Grace

#### LENTEN SCHEDULE

#### WEDNESDAY SERVICES NO DINNERS

March 15th - 7:00 PM in-person & online  
**The Blind Man**

March 22nd - 7:00 PM in-person & online  
**The Woman at the Well**

March 29th - 7:00 PM in-person & online  
**Paul**

**Mauddy Thursday Service**  
April 6th, 7:00 PM

**Good Friday Service**  
April 7th, 7:00 PM



#### 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*

### Third Sunday in Lent

MARCH 12, 2023, 10:00 A.M.

St. Mark's Lutheran



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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 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](mailto:fdutil@stmarks.ws) or email Pastor Mericle directly, [pastorjim@stmarkshh.com](mailto:pastorjim@stmarkshh.com).

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

### SERVING TODAY

Last Sundays' Attendance 41 in-person
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**PASTOR:** the Reverend James Mericle

**WORSHIP PIANIST/CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR:** Graham Jackson

**LECTOR:** Sondra Mericle

**CHILDREN'S SERMONETTE:** Krista Guerrero

**ALTAR GUILD:** Janna Barnhart, Lee Uhl

**TECH:** Shand Garrett, Dan O'Connell

**CO-DIRECTORS OF USHERS:** Phil Barnhart, Frank Winn

**HEAD USHERS:** Frank Winn, Ron Amon

**USHERS:** Phil Barnhart, Dan Guerrero, Bill Rosentreter, Steven Chou

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:**

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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.

Thank you  
for  
joining us!

## RUTH CIRCLE

Ruth Circle will meet on Zoom, Monday, March 13, 2023, 7:00 PM. Our Bible Study in the March/April Gather magazine is titled "The Ten Commandments," Session three: Sanctity of life and love. (Commandments 5 & 6) Betty Castaneda will lead the discussion. The Zoom link will be sent a few days before the meeting. Everyone is invited, so send your email address to Sharon Heck if you wish to receive the Zoom link. s.heck4peace@gmail.com

## OUT TO LUNCH!

The Habit Burger Grill, Wednesday, March 22, Noon  
Puente Hills Town Center, 17490 Colima Rd, Rowland Heights, CA 91748  
habitburger.com RSVP Anna Guerriero 626-330-7310

## STAR PARTY FRIDAY MARCH 31ST

- ◆ Starts with dinner at 6 PM--hamburgers, hot dogs, pizza, and drinks for sale by Scouts
- ◆ Movie: Planet 51 (PG)
- ◆ Telescope Targets: Venus, Mars, Uranus, Orion, Pleiades, Mizar, Open Cluster M 35, and Moon.
- ◆ Join us for this annual St. Mark's Family Event and bring a friend!
- ◆ For further details, see the March Monitor or talk to Alex or Gay.
- ◆ Melissa Magdaleno, SML Youth Group Leader, will promote our Vacation Bible School (VBS) space theme 'Stellar' at the Star Party, March 31. Melissa will sell cookies that are "Out of this World" to offset VBS costs. On the menu so far: Chocolate Chip, Peanut Butter and Oatmeal Raisin. More than likely, we will offer more! Please stop by and support VBS!

## 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 Lutheran 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.

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



## Gathering + Word + Thanksgiving + Sending

### WELCOME AND THEMES OF THE DAY

*Welcome to St. Mark's. It is good to have you join us for worship and the Amazing Grace Lenten series based on the beloved song that celebrates its 250th anniversary this year. In this week's service we will see God's amazing grace at work in the life of a blind man from birth that Jesus heals. The truly amazing change is not just his sight but his understanding of the power of faith in Christ and how it transforms us. Our call in Lent is to speak that same message of salvation found through Jesus, who came to bright light into our lives for those of us that cannot see or trust his truth and love.*

*Blessings to you this day as you worship. Enjoy a time of fellowship after worship on the patio.*

PRELUDE	God So Love	Projection Screen
+ GATHERING SONG	<b>God So Love</b>	Projection Screen
+ WELCOME		Projection Screen
+ CONFESSIOIN AND ABSOLUTION		Projection Screen
+ WELCOME SONG	<b>Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord</b>	Projection Screen

- + PRAYER OF THE DAY  
*Let us pray together.*  
**On my heart imprint your image, blessèd Jesus, King of grace, That life's riches, cares and pleasures never may your work erase; Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me, Is my life, my hope's foundation and my glory and salvation! Amen.**

Gathering + **Word** + Thanksgiving + Sending

- FIRST READING *2 Corinthians 5:6-9, pg. 384*  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**
- CHILDREN'S SERMON Krista Guerrero
- GOSPEL *John 9:1-7, 24-38, pg. 978 & 979*  
The Holy Gospel according to John the ninth chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**  
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**
- MESSAGE The Blind Man Sees Pastor Mericle
- + HYMN OF THE DAY **Amazing Grace** **ELW 779**  
**Stanzas 1, 2 & 4**
- + APOSTLES' CREED *Projection Screen*

Gathering + Word + **Meal** + Sending

- PEACE *Projection Screen*
- + OFFERING *Projection Screen*
- + OFFERTORY RESPONSE **For the Fruit of All Creation** **ELW 679**  
**Stanzas 1 & 2**
- + PRAYERS *Projection Screen*
- + LORD'S PRAYER *Projection Screen*

Gathering + Word + Meal + **Sending**

- + ANNOUNCEMENTS *Projection Screen*
- + BENEDICTION *Projection Screen*

- + SENDING HYMN **10,000 Reasons** *Projection Screen*
  - + DISMISSAL & VISION *Projection Screen*
  - POSTLUDE *Projection Screen*
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**PRAYER LIST:**

**HEALING**

Vernon Weigand; Krystal Barnhart; Norma Collosi – significant health issues; Mark Sauer Sr. (Mark Sauer Jr. father) - pancreatic cancer; Janna Barnhart - healing; Bradley Holmes (Frances Weigand's grand-nephew) - healing; Richard Strain - healing; Karl Wahl (cousin of Mary Ann Mericle) - healing; Barbara Gordon - medical tests; Rosemary Abrego-Holmes (Frances Weigand's niece) - brain surgery; Kathy Clark - heart valve (Dr. Clark's mom); Sharon Heck - knee surgery; Carmelia Battle (Françoise's sister) - healing; Robert Dutil (Françoise papa) - infection, headaches; Li Chen Wang (Penny Chou's mother) - broken shoulder & spine; Françoise Dutil - medical tests; Kenna Dutil-Baker - CT Scan on lungs, blood test

**ILLNESS**

Pat Dickerman - cancer; Marty Green-Ponce (friend of Juliana Guerriero); Chelsea Shipherd- liver transplant; Anne Evans - dementia

**TREATMENTS**

Tony Hernandez (Michael's brother) cancer; Tom O'Connell (Dan O'Connell's brother) - cancer; Barbara Mautino - cancer; Amy Stenberg - brain cancer (friend of Anna Guerriero & Lee Uhl); Aiden Flamenco (St. Mark's student) - Hodgkin's Lymphoma; Lorna Delgado (Ms. Dominique's mom) - cancer treatments

**HOSPICE**

Faye Heinrich

**ACTION FOOD PANTRY**

ACTION FOOD PANTRY needs ANY canned goods and boxed staples. Volunteers are need for food distribution on Thursdays. Things get started around 9:00 am and food is distributed from noon until 3:00 pm. Location is Grace Lutheran 17880 E. Covina Blvd., Covina.

**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.

**TIMES:**

**Tuesday at 11:00 A.M.- Noon**

**Tuesday at 7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.**

Reading: