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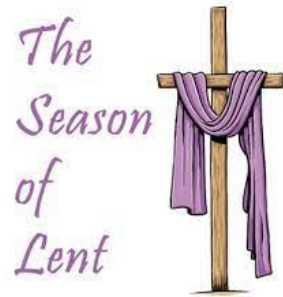
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St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 2323 Las Lomas Drive, Hacienda Heights, CA, 91745



LENTEN THEME  
250th Anniversary  
of the hymn  
Amazing Grace

LENTEN SCHEDULE  
WEDNESDAY SERVICES  
NO DINNERS

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

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

Maundy Thursday Service  
April 6th, 7:00 PM

Good Friday Service  
April 7th, 7:00 PM

**AMAZING**  
*grace*

WEEK FOUR  
The Woman at the Well

**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*

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**  
MARCH 19, 2023, 10:00 A.M.

St. Mark's Lutheran  
  
Church & School

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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.

## Holy Communion

Today we are also celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion. Please know that all who wish to receive Christ and his offer of forgiveness and new life are welcome to receive this meal. For those online, please have your bread/crackers and wine/juice ready for that point in the service. For those attending in person, if you want to receive Christ in communion you can do so in two ways: come up front and receive the bread and wine/juice or take a communion kit in the Narthex and receive the bread and juice at your seat. If you prefer not to receive communion, and are in person, please know you are welcome to come forward for a blessing—just let the pastor know. If you remain in your seat, please help make room for others to pass you, if they choose to go forward to receive communion.

## SERVING TODAY

**PASTOR:** the Reverend James Mericle

**LECTOR:** Christopher Birtja

**CHILDREN'S SERMONETTE:** Gwen Andrizzi

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** Anna Guerriero, Christine Birtja

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

**TECH:** Chris Birtja, Dan O'Connell

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

**HEAD USHER:** Phil Barnhart

**USHERS:** Kurt Van Riper, Gary Hill

Last Sundays'  
Attendance

36 in-person  
14 online

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:** In memory of Robert Knudsen, my father, given by Lynn Yann.

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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.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As in the past, we appreciate SML members donating candy and filling plastic eggs for our Egg Hunt, which will be after church on Palm Sunday April 2nd. There are some empty plastic eggs available in the church office and Narthex. Please fill them with wrapped "unmelt able" candy, coins, or safe toys, and return eggs by Wednesday, March 29th to the church. You may donate other filled plastic eggs as well. Please put the total number of filled eggs you are donating on the bag. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer to help with the Egg Hunt, please contact Betty Castaneda (213) 718-9855, [betts1932@gmail.com](mailto:betts1932@gmail.com) or leave your name and email at the church office.

## EGGS HUNT - APRIL 2nd

Join us on Palm Sunday, April 2nd, after the church service, at 11:15 AM. Join us for a wonderful Palm Sunday Egg Hunt with fun activities and photo opportunities for Pre-K and Kindergarteners with Ms. Gwen in the pre-school yard and grades 1-6 on the lower field with Ms. Betty. See you there!

## FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

Parents and children/youth are invited to join Pastor Jim for two weeks of classes, plus optional bread making, and then the celebration of First Communion. If you have a child younger than the 3rd grade that would like to receive First Communion, please speak with Pastor Jim personally prior to signing up.

CLASSES - Sundays, TODAY, March 19th and 26th at 11:20 AM

First Communion -Thursday, April 6, 2023, at 7:00 PM

Register online at: <https://subspla.sh/697vrw2/>

## ST. MARK'S CHOIR

We have a new Children's Choir that will be for children in grades K—8. They will meet twice a month on Sundays after church at 11:15 AM for about an hour. Once a month the choir will sing at worship. They will be singing at a few special worship services during the year as well. The choir began practice on March 12th and will go through June 4th and then restart again in August. Use the QR Code below. Questions: Contact Pastor Jim or the Office at (626) 961-2486.



THANK YOU  
FOR  
JOINING US!

**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

**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.**

Readings: Isaiah 53:1-6, Mark 2:13-17

**LADIES' PRAYER BREAKFAST**

Saturday, March 25th, at 8:00 a.m.  
Corner Bakery  
Azusa Ave. & Colima Rd., Hacienda Heights

**MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST**

Saturday, March 25th, at 8:00 a.m.  
Denny's at 1150 S. 7th Ave. Hacienda Heights  
(60 Fwy and 7th Ave.)

**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 31st. 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!



**Gathering + Word + Meal + 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 that celebrates the 250th anniversary of the song. In this week's service, we will see God's amazing grace at work in the life of a woman alone at a well in the midday sun and receives an offer for water that quenches all thirst in our lives. This "Living Water" Jesus offers causes her not only to receive it, but share it with others. Our call in Lent is to hear that same message of salvation found through Jesus who offers us living water in baptism and forgiveness through him.*

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

PRELUDE		<i>Projection Screen</i>
+ GATHERING HYMN	<b>Shout to the Lord (X2)</b>	<b>ELW 821</b>
+ WELCOME		<i>Projection Screen</i>
CHILDREN'S SERMON		Gwen Andrizzi
+ WELCOME SONG	<b>When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Stanzas 1, 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>ELW 803</b>



+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

*Let us pray together.*

**Almighty God, the woman of Samaria came to the well that day seeking only the refreshment of ordinary water. Jesus offered her what he offers to us, the life-giving water that wells up within us and overflows into eternal life. Refresh us with your Spirit, so that we may never thirst again. As the woman told others in her town, that she had found the Messiah, lead us to be faithful witnesses for our Lord, so that people will believe in Jesus as their Savior and receive through him the refreshment of forgiveness and eternal life. Hear our prayer in Jesus' name. Amen.**

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FIRST READING

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Isaiah 55:1-3, pg. 671*

GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to John the fourth chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*John 4:7-26, pg. 971*

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

MESSAGE

*The Woman at the Well*

Pastor Mericle

+ HYMN OF THE DAY

**Amazing Grace**

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+ APOSTLES' CREED

*Projection Screen*

+ PRAYERS

*Projection Screen*

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PEACE

*Projection Screen*

+ OFFERING

*Projection Screen*

+ OFFERTORY RESPONSE

**Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful**

**ELW 181**

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Projection Screen*

+ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

+ LORD'S PRAYER

*Projection Screen*

COMMUNION HYMN

**Beneath the Cross of Jesus**

**ELW 338**

+ COMMUNION PRAYER

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Gathering + Word + Meal + **Sending**

+ ANNOUNCEMENT

*Projection Screen*

+ BENEDICTION

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+ SENDING HYMN

**Great is Thy Faithfulness**

**ELW 733**

+ DISMISSAL & VISION

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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; Barbara Gordon - medical tests; Rosemary Abrego-Holmes (Frances Weigand's niece) - healing; Li Chen Wang (Penny Chou's mother) - broken shoulder & spine; Françoise Dutil - MRI; Kenna Dutil-Baker - CT Scan of lungs, blood test; Aiden Flamenco (St. Mark's student) - healing

**ILLNESS**

Pat Dickerman-cancer; 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); ; Lorna Delgado (Ms. Dominique's mom) - cancer treatments

**HOSPICE**

Faye Heinrich; Marty Green-Ponce (friend of Juliana Guerriero)

**IN MEMORY**

Family of Karl Wahl (cousin of Mary Ann Mericle, Emmy Swenson and Pastor Jim), Family of Estela Sanchez (Francoise's dear friend's mother and past St. Mark's school family the Logos)

**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.