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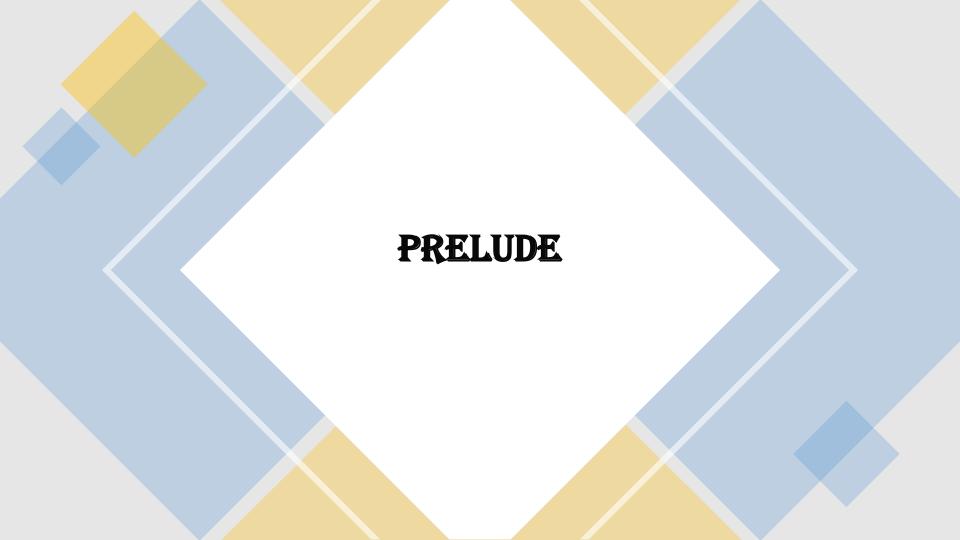


Fifth Sunday after Epiphany INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

FEBRUARY 5, 2023, 10:00 A.M.

Welcome to St. Mark's Lutheran. We are glad to have you here in worship and pray this will be a time of praise, learning and reflection for you. We are currently in the middle of our series "On the Road with Jesus." Each week we explore where Jesus traveled in the first year of his ministry, the message he shared and how that can impact and guide us today. This week we continue with Jesus sharing about how we are called to be salt and light to others and live out the Law in a way that welcomes and helps others.

I ask you to complete the form you received with your bulletin when you arrived. We would ask that you include your name (and others in your household), email address, cell phone, home phone (if you have one), and address. This will help give us information if you are visiting for the first time, to confirm and update our information if you have worshipped with us for a while and just let us know you are here. Information is not shared with third parties. Thank you for your help. Blessings to you and may the Holy Spirit be your guide throughout the week.



TEMPLE TACK



ACTION FOOD PANTRY needs ANY canned goods and boxed staples. Their pantry is low! At this time, they're servicing 100 families weekly and are using their financial resources to purchase meat. Volunteers are need for food distribution on Thursdays.



SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

Sunday, February 12, 2023



Monday, February 13, 7:00 PM.

DETAILS IN BULLETIN

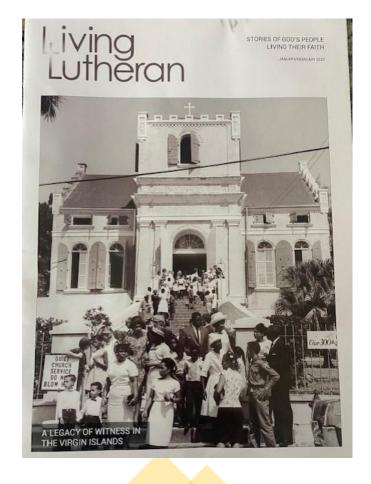
OUT TO LUNCH! noon, February 15, Lazy Dog Restaurant, **BRea Mall** DOES DEESTILS TO BUILTIES





Our local Hacienda Heights Kiwanis Club Foundation needs sock. Right now, large is in the greatest need, however any size would be appreciated. All socks have to be new and unworn. Donations can be left in the box marked "SOCKS" in the Narthex.

Our deadline is Sunday, February 19th.



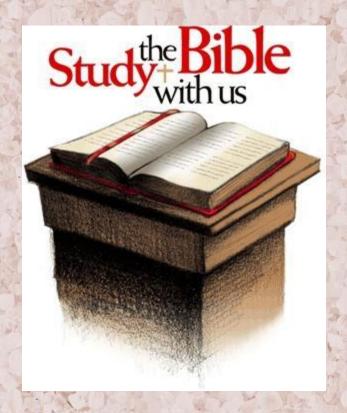
If you would like to receive a copy of the Lutheran magazine "Living Lutheran"
Please let Françoise or Mary R. know by **February 10th**





FAT SUNDAY
PANCAKE
BREAKFAST
FEBRUARY 19th
AT 9:00 AM

DETAILS IN BULLETIN



ZOOM BIBLE FELLOWSHIP WITH PASTOR JIM ON TUESDAYS

DETAILS IN BULLETIN

LENTEN THEME 250th Anniversary of the hymn Amazing Grace

LENTEN SCHEDULE
ON THE BACK OF THE BULLETIN



Here I Am to Worship

GATHERING SONG

Light of the world You stepped down into darkness Opened my eyes let me see Beauty that made This heart adore You Hope of a life spent with You

So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

Gathering hymn continued

And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
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To see my sin upon that cross

+ WELCOME

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY Let us pray.

Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Gathering + Word + Meal + Sending

Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12], pg. 674

Shortly after the return of Israel from exile in Babylon, the people were troubled by the ineffectiveness of their fasts. God reminds them that outward observance is no substitute for genuine fasting that results in acts of justice, such as feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, and clothing the naked.

READING

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

²Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;

- they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God.
 - ³"Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?"
- Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers.
- ⁴Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist.
- Such fasting as you do today

will not make your voice heard on high.

⁵Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD?

⁶Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke,

to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?

7Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? ⁸Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. ^{9a}Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and God will say, Here I am. ⁹⁶If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden,

like a spring of water, whose waters never fail.

12 Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;

you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

The Word of Lord. Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON



SORTE SIND ENGLIS



Sunday School is Bible study, worship and fun!

All children

ages Preschool through 6th grade

are invited to attend.

Children are now excused to meet their teacher in the Narthex.

+ GOSPEL

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the fifth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, doing good works and keeping God's commandments.

[Jesus said:] ¹³"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

¹⁴You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

¹⁷Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished.

¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the dominion of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the dominion of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the dominion of heaven."

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

SERMON Salt and Light

This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine; this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine; this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine; ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine; ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine; Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine; Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

+ APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL 2023

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A reading from First Corinthians:

There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (1 Corinthians 12:4-7)

CALL TO SERVICE

On behalf of your sisters and brothers in Christ, I ask you: Will you accept and faithfully carry out the duties of the offices to which you have been elected?

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

The assembly stands. Those being installed face the assembly.

People of God, I ask you: Will you support these, your elected leaders, and will you share in the mutual ministry that Christ has given to all who are baptized?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

I now declare you installed as officers /council members of Saint Mark's Lutheran Church and School.



Almighty God bless you, and direct your days and your deeds in peace, that you may be faithful servants of Christ.

Amen.

+ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

The petitions conclude:

Merciful God, receive our prayer.

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

Amen.

Gathering + Word + Meal + Sending

+ PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.



OFFERTORY



To give an offering online go to:

https://stmarkshh.com/give or Use the St Mark's App 1 Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love; take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

+ OFFERING PRAYER Let us pray.

Amen.

Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior,

+ BRIEF ORDERS OF CONFESSION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Brief orders of confession continued Holy One, source of our renewal, we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

Brief orders of confession continued

Thus says our God:

"The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare."

God's mercy makes us new.

We are forgiven in the name of + Christ our Savior.

Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

+ LORD'S PRAYER Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have us. of God, you take a - way the Lamb mer - cy on us. of the world; grant sin us peace, grant peace. us

+ COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION We Come to the Hungry Feast ELW 479

1 We come to the hungry feast hungry for a word of peace.
To hungry hearts unsatisfied the love of God is not denied.
We come, we come to the hungry feast.

2 We come to the hungry feast hungry for a world released from hungry folk of ev'ry kind, the poor in body, poor in mind. We come, we come to the hungry feast.

We come to the hungry feast hungry that the hunger cease, and knowing, though we eat our fill, the hunger will stay with us; still we come, we come to the hungry feast.

+ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, Amen.

+ BLESSING

Amen.

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing, the people of God from this dwelling take leave. The supper is ended. Oh, now be extended the fruits of this service in all who believe. The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for all. Your grace shall incite us, your love shall unite us to work for your kingdom and answer your call. 2 With praise and thanksgiving to God ever-living, the tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring, embracing God's children, the whole human race. With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us; unite us as one in this life that we share. Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.

+ DISMISSAL & VISION

So that we may be the visible presence of Christ in this community.

Go in Peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

