

LENTEN SERVICES Ash Wednesday February 14th 5:30 PM Meal 6:30 PM Service

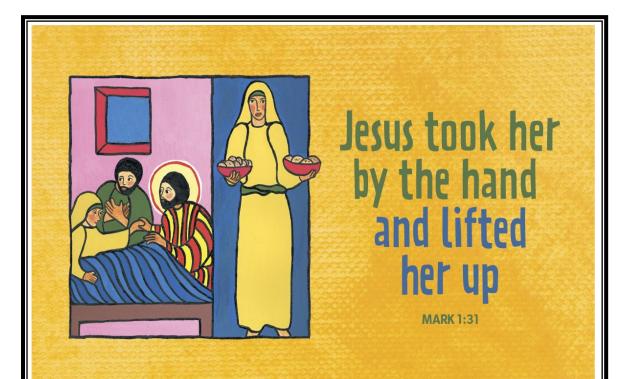
MID-WEEK SERVICES Wednesday, February 21st 5:30 PM Meal 6:30 PM Service

Wednesday, February 28th 5:30 PM Meal 6:30 PM Service

Wednesday, March 6th 5:30 PM Meal - Pending 6:30 PM Service

Wednesday, March 13th 5:30 PM Meal 6:30 PM Service

Wednesday, March 20th 5:30 PM Meal 6:30 PM Service



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

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

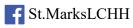
FEBRUARY 4, 2024, 10:00 A.M.

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.

We invite you to let us know you are here today by completing a connect card or a visitor card in the pews and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. For those online, you can leave a comment or use the connect section on our website or App. We hope you will also let us know how this worship has touched you.

You may contact Françoise, our church Office Administrator, at fdutil@stmarks.ws or email Pastor Mericle directly, pastorjim@stmarkshh.com. 562-360-9812

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

Last Sundays' Attendance 191 in-person 36 online

PASTOR: Rev James "Jim" Mericle WORSHIP PIANIST/CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR: Graham Jackson LECTOR: Norm Rumpf CHILDREN'S SERMONETTE: Gwen Andrizzi COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Anna Guerriero ALTAR GUILD: Tracy Nishizu, Annette Williams

TECH: Chris Birtja, Garrett Birtja CO-DIRECTOR OF USHERS: Phil Barnhart, Frank Winn HEAD USHER: Steven Chou USHERS: Dick Heinrich, Frank Winn

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD: In memory of our loving mother and grandmother, Anne Evans. Given by the Nishizu Family.

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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.

ASH WEDNESDAY

St. Mark's Lutheran Church Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024, Lenten Service 5:30 pm Simple Dinner 6:30 pm Church Service Please make a reservation through the church office 626/961-2486 by Monday afternoon, 2/12

LENTEN DINNER 2024 SERVING 5:30-6:15 P.M.

Here is the schedule for Lenten Dinners starting with Ash Wednesday. <u>Please note the</u> <u>dinner service time</u>. We have one Wednesday, March 6th that is still available for a couple of friends to sign up for soup. We also need help serving and cleaning up each week. A dinner sign-up sheet will be available every Sunday for the dinner on the following Wednesday. Please sign up or call the church office if you are planning on coming to the dinner that week. It would be a great help for us in planning the meals. Suggested donation for the meal is \$10.00 per person or \$25.00 per family.

Wednesday, February 14th - Ash Wednesday

Fellowship Committee Baked Potato Bar and Salad

Wednesday, February 21st

Sondra and Pastor Jim Corn Chowder with bread

Wednesday, February 28th

Erin Andrade Lopez and Diana Hernandez Green Chicken Pozole

Wednesday, March 6th OPEN

Wednesday, March 13th

Phil and Janna Barnhart with Marian Locke Hearty Cream of Chicken Soup with vegetables Green Salad and bread

Wednesday, March 20th

Lynn Yann and Mary Rosentreter Soup TBA and salad

FAITH STEPPINGSTONES... SML - WORSHIP (GRADES 1-3)

This steppingstone is a two-week course that focuses on what worship is, how we do worship, explore a worship service and participate in it, create a banner and more. Classes will be held on Wednesday, February 7th at 6:30 PM and the children will help assist in worship on February 1th.

SOCK COLLECTION

The Hacienda Heights Kiwanis Club once again is sponsoring the Heart'N Sole program with a shoes and socks giveaway in February. Heart 'N Sole is a part of the National Shoes That Fit program. They have asked for St. Mark's help again by donating socks.

Heart 'N Sole provide shoes year-round, but in February each year they try to identify unhoused students who are in need. However, any time a student needs shoes the family can ask for assistance. The Kiwanis Club is also accepting donations to fund this program year-around.

Please bring a package of girl's or boy's size socks or for older children, women's and men's sizes are needed. Drop them off in the "Heart" box in the Narthex or church office by Sunday, February 11th. Monetary donations are also accepted. We have already received two cash donations and some socks.

Social Ministries Committee Frank, Lori, Gary and Aaron

RUTH CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY

Ruth Circle will meet on Monday, February 12th, 7:00 pm on Zoom. Our Bible Study is titled "Scripture and nature: Teachers of faith. Session two, Creatures" and begins on page 26 in the January/February issue of Gather magazine. Sharon Heck will lead the discussion. A copy of the study can be downloaded from the website at Women of the ELCA.org. The Zoom link will be sent a day or so before the meeting. If you wish to have your email address added, so that you receive the Zoom link, please send it to Sharon Heck at <u>s.heck4peace@gmail.com</u>. We hope to see many of you on Zoom.

OUT TO LUNCH!

Tuesday, February 20th Noon Habit Burger and Grill 17490 Colima Rd., Rowland Heights Corner Colima and Albatross

OFFERINGS

You can 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. 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.



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Mighty to Save

Build your Kingdom Here

WELCOME AND THEMES OF THE DAY

PRELUDE

- + GATHERING SONG
- + WELCOME
 - WELCOME HYMN

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SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM For William Osborn Wolfe Parents : Zachary & Samantha Wolfe Sponsor: Emil Wolfe



Samantha Addison Wolfe Sponsors: James Mericle

Candidates for baptism, sponsors, and parents gather with the ministers at the front.

WELCOME

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.....

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CHILDREN'S SERMON

Gwen Andrizzi

Isaiah 40:21-31

Mark 1:29-39

PRAYER OF THE DAY +

Let us pray together.

Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Gathering + Word + Meal + Sending READING The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** GOSPEL The Holy Gospel according to Mark the first chapter. Glory to you, O Lord. The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**.

	SERMON	The Value of Learning the Message	Pastor Mericle
+	HYMN OF THE DAY	Faith of Our Fathers	ELW 812
+	INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS		Projection Screen
+	PRAYERS OF THE CHURC	Н	Projection Screen

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- PEACE +
- + OFFERTORY

+	OFFERTORY RESPONSE	As the Grains of Wheat	ELW 465
+	OFFERTORY PRAYER		Projection Screen
+	BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION		Projection Screen
+	- WORDS OF INSTITUTION		Projection Screen
+	- LORD'S PRAYER		Projection Screen
	COMMUNION HYMN	One Bread One Body	ELW 496
+	PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION		Projection Screen

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Projection Screen** + BLESSING **Great Is Thy Faithfulness** + SENDING
- **DISMISSAL & VISION** +

POSTLUDE

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PRAYER LIST:
HEALING: Krystal Barnhart; Norma Collosi – significant health issues; Patrick Fields (husband
of school employee) - medical; George Trapani (Sharon Heck son-in-law) - medical issues;
Hugo Hsu-Chen - recovery from surgery; Eugene Reitz - fall, hospitalized; Christa Schroeder -
recovery of knee surgery
ILLNESS: Pat Dickerman - cancer; Bob Mericle - lung cancer; Robert Dutil - dementia, neck
pain, & headaches; Erin Taylor (Nathan Magdaleno's friend) - ALS; Charlotte Fugate (friend
of Aaron Figueroa) - Alzheimer's; Darlene Corgan (Mary Rosentreter's sister) - liver
transplant, cancer
TREATMENTS: Daniella Escalante - cancer treatments, surgery; Lorna Delgado (Ms.
Dominique's mom) - cancer treatments; Bill McDonnell (Krista Guerrero's boss) - prostate
cancer; Christine Tseng (friend of Chou family) - cancer treatments
HOSPICE: Faye Heinrich; Marty Green -Ponce (friend of Juliana Guerriero); Tom O'Connell
(Dan O'Connell's brother)

ZOOM BIBLE FELLOWSHIP WITH PASTOR JIM ON TUESDAYS

The Bible study is on the book of Revelation. Tuesday from 11:00 A.M. - Noon. Tuesday evening 7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

NEW HORIZONS needs breakfast items only.

ACTION FOOD PANTRY needs all kinds of canned and boxed foods.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING Between now and February 11, 2024, bring your extra staples, change or donations for Action Food Pantry! We are trying to tackle the hunger challenge! Thank you. Social Ministries.