

St. Mark's Lutheran Church



LIVESTREAM SUNDAY SERVICE
NO IN-PERSON SERVICE
January 17, 2021
Second Sunday after Epiphany
St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Hacienda Heights

Our service is entirely Livestream today (We will be coming to you live from the sanctuary via internet) and there will be no in person worship. Please click on any of the following links on Sunday at 9:00 A.M. to view the service live;

<https://stmarkshh.com> (Website)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCf9V2pfd3FQRI5peGTYHMLQ>

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NEW APP (st mark's lutheran church hh)

SERVING TODAY

PASTOR: the Reverend James Mericle

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY: Karla Devine

LECTOR: Shand Garrett

CHILDREN'S SERMON: Lynn Yann

*CONGREGATION READS

WELCOME AND THEMES OF THE DAY

We welcome you to worship today and pray that this will be a time of blessings, encouragement, and growth for you. We continue the six week of what is known as the church season of Epiphany. Our theme is "Who is This Jesus?" Each week we will explore who this Jesus is and hear testimonies from people sharing their answers to

this question as well. This week we hear the story of Jesus' encounter with two potential disciples, and are invited to "Come and See" who is this Jesus. During the service, we will also be sharing in the Sacrament of Holy Communion and so I invite you to have your communion kit or bread/crackers and wine/juice ready for when we share in the Lord's Supper. Since we are all connected for worship online today via the internet, I would also invite you to let us know that you joined us for worship by sending a quick contact to us. That is located right below the video on the website or in the comments section on Facebook or YouTube. Thank you and God bless!

PRELUDE Songs of Thankfulness and Praise – Burkhardt

+ BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
 whose voice is upon the waters,
 whose mercy is poured out upon all people,
 whose goodness cascades over all creation.
 Amen.

Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,
 you search us and know us.
 You are acquainted with all our ways.
 We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—
 our own sins and the broken systems that bind us.
 We turn inward, failing to follow
 your outward way of love.
 We distrust those who are not like us.
 We exploit the earth and its resources
 and fail to consider generations to come.
 Forgive us, gracious God,
 for all we have done and left undone.
 Even before the words are on our tongues,
 you know them;
 receive them in your divine mercy.
 Amen.

How vast is God's grace!
 Through the power and promise of + Christ Jesus,
 our sins are washed away
 and we are claimed as God's own beloved.
 Indeed, we are forgiven.
 In the wake of God's forgiveness,
 we are called to be the beloved community
 living out Christ's justice
 and the Spirit's reconciling peace.
 Amen.

GATHERING HYMN This Little Light of Mine – ELW 677

1 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, let it shine.

- 2 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.
- 3 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.

+ GREETING

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.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Amen

READING 1 Samuel 3:1–10

At a time when visions are rare and unexpected, the Lord comes to Samuel and calls him to speak the divine word. Though just a boy, Samuel responds to God obediently, as Eli the priest has taught him to respond. This marks the beginning of Samuel's prophetic ministry.

¹ Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

² At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³ the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. ⁴ Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵ and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; lie down again." So Samuel went and lay down. ⁶ The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸ The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. ⁹ Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if the Lord calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰ Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON Lynn Yann

+ GOSPEL John 1:43-51

The holy Gospel according to John, the 1st chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

In John's gospel, Jesus' ministry begins with the call of disciples, who then bring others to Jesus. Philip's friend Nathanael moves from skepticism to faith when he accepts the invitation to "Come and see."

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found the one about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶Nathanael said to Philip, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸Nathanael asked Jesus, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹And Jesus said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son-of-Man."

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

+ SERMON Come and See Pastor Mericle

+ TESTIMONY Shand Garrett

+ HYMN OF THE DAY Will You Come and Follow Me -ELW 798

Stanza 1,2,5

- 1 "Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?
- 2 "Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare,
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray'r
in you and you in me?

5 Lord, your summons echoes true
 when you but call my name.
 Let me turn and follow you
 and never be the same.
 In your company I'll go
 where your love and footsteps show.
 Thus I'll move and live and grow
 in you and you in me.

+ 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.

+ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church,
 the world, and all people in need.

The petitions conclude:

let us pray. *Have mercy, O God.*

Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the
 one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.

*Amen.

PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

O God,
 receive these gifts as you receive us:
 like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide.
 Nourish us anew in your tender care,
 and empower us in faithful service

to tend to others with this same love,
through Jesus Christ, our saving grace.
Amen.

LITURGY FOR HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

+ THE LORD'S PRAYER

*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.

+ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Christ Jesus,
at this table we have feasted on your very life
and are strengthened for our journey.
Send us forth from this banquet
nourished in body and in spirit
to proclaim your good news
and serve others in your name.
*Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ BLESSINGS

God the creator strengthen you;
Jesus the beloved fill you;
and the Holy Spirit the comforter + keep you in peace.
*Amen.

+ SENDING HYMN Songs of Thankfulness and Praise –ELW 310
Stanza 1,2,4

- 1 Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise;
manifested by the star
to the sages from afar,
branch of royal David's stem
in thy birth at Bethlehem:
anthems be to thee addressed,
God in flesh made manifest.

- 2 Manifest at Jordan's stream,
prophet, priest, and king supreme;
and at Cana wedding guest
in thy Godhead manifest;
manifest in pow'r divine,
changing water into wine;
anthems be to thee addressed,
God in flesh made manifest.

- 4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,
present in thy holy word;
grace to imitate thee now
and be pure, as pure art thou;
that we might become like thee
at thy great epiphany,
and may praise thee, ever blest,
God in flesh made manifest.

+ DISMISSAL

P: So that we may be

C: the visible presence of Christ in this community.

P: Let us Go in Peace.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Will You Come and Follow Me – Bankson

+ 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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Printable Children's Bulletin

PRAYER LIST:

HEALING: Johanna Locke, Rosie Scott, Kenna Dutil–Baker (Francoise's daughter), Rubi Thomas (Irv's sister–in–law) broken leg, Francoise Dutil (back injury), Helene Dutil (Francoise's mama)

ILLNESS: Faye Heinrich, Bob Warda (Denise Jaramillo's father), Bob Mericle – cancer (Pastor Mericle's father), Helena Peidrahita (Adriana Garrett's mother)

COVID: Kim Winn COVID pneumonia, Gary and Sharon Bradford, Clay Nishiki (neighbor of the Rosentreters) has been in the hospital since Christmas Eve, was transferred to ICU and intubated on Tuesday. Joyce and Bob Evangelista.

SAFETY & HEALTH: Health care workers and families affected COVID.

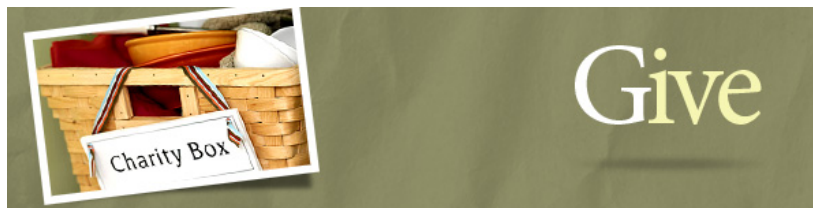
TREATMENTS: Jamie (John Guerriero's nephew), Larry Birtja (Chris Birtja's father), Tony Hernandez (Michael's brother) cancer, Nancy Richardson (Diana Hernandez's friend) cancer, Preslee Durston (Christine Birtja's niece) leukemia treatments

RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Nancy Carnehl (Janna Barnhart's friend) lung lobe removed due to cancer, Denise Thomas– knee surgery

HOSPICE: Virginia Gussler (Sunny O'Hara's mother-in-law), Julio Collosi

GRIEVING: Family of Bonnie Rogers (sister of John Guerriero) and Tim Fitzpatrick (friend of Guerrieros)

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ACTION FOOD PANTY FOOD DRIVE

Our next Food Drive is on 1/23/2021

From 11:00 AM–12:30 PM

We will collect food for the
Action Food Pantry.

We are asking for food donations, as well as any comfort food you especially like for yourselves.

NO GLASS JARS PLEASE!!

Thank you to all who participate each month.

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

This year we will **not be cooking** for the homeless. Instead the East San Gabriel Valley Coalition for the Homeless is asking to collect the wrapped plastic ware sets that we get with our takeout orders for them. They also would like men's underclothes in medium, large, and extra large, women's bras and undershirts/tees are also desired.



Youth Group will be at 4:30 on Wednesdays via Zoom. St. Mark's Lutheran Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Junior High Youth

Time: **Jan 20, 2021 04:30 PM Pacific Time**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/92425706519?pwd=TnpXSXByeDdMSzdQdXZQeIFSVWUwdz09>

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Confirmation will be at 6:30pm on Wednesdays via Zoom. St. Mark's Lutheran Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Zoom Confirmation

Time: **Jan 20, 2021 06:30 PM Pacific Time**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/97953395743?pwd=dVdhTkplM1cydHNZeUYwMlFnZnF5QT09>

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You can also 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. We would like thank you for your generosity.

You are also welcome to mail in your donation if you prefer not using the internet, our address is:

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ANNUAL MEETING

After Worship, Sunday, January 24th,
via ZOOM,
we will elect council members,
and approve the budget.
Please join us!



The office will
be closed
Monday,
January 18th.

Giving envelope boxes for the 2021 year can be
picked up on Wednesdays from 11 – 3 pm outside
the office or via arrangements by mail or drop off.



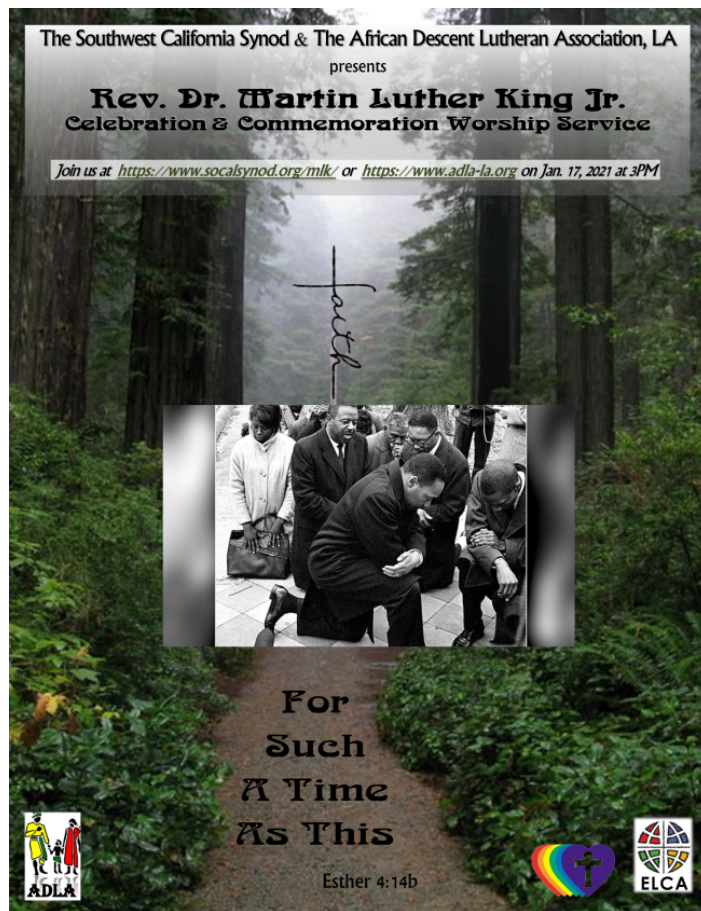
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Thank you for your support of fair trade!
Karla

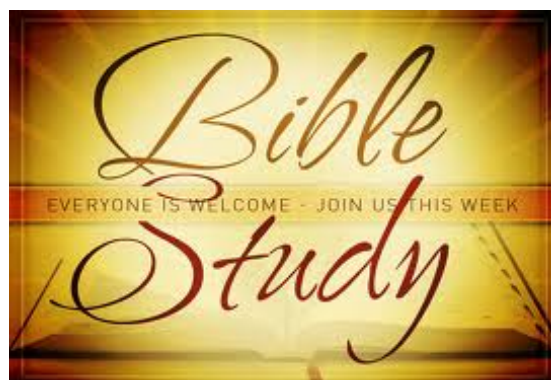


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GREAT NEWS!!!!

The "Little Library" is open again. There are new choices. Come check it out after Sunday service or stop by during the week. Thank you, Kim Winn. The "Little Library" is located outside the church office. **Christ in Our Home is in there as well.**



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.

TIMES:

Tuesday at 11am - Noon

Tuesday at 8pm - 9pm

Readings - Psalm 62:5-12 and Mark 1:14-20

Topic: Bible Fellowship

Time: January 19th, 11:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting

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Topic: Bible Fellowship

Time: January 19th, 08:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

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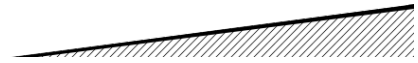
We are still working and available
via phone and email.

Pastor Jim (651)249-6261
Email: jimmericle@msn.com

Françoise (626)961-2486
The church phone is forwarded to my cell phone.
Email fdutil@stmarks.ws

For any emergency or pastoral care please feel free to call Pastor Mericle at

651-249-6261.



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