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ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



1962 - 2022

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

Celebration of the 60th Anniversary

“Gratitude Renews our Spirit”

1962-2022

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SERVING TODAY

PREACHER- Bishop Brenda Bos

PRESIDING MINISTER- Rev. James Mericle

GUEST MINISTERS- Rev. Philip Demers, Rev. Kurt R. Christenson, Rev. James Bessey

ANNIVERSARY MUSIC DIRECTOR/ORGANIST- Karla Devine

60TH ANNIVERSARY CHAIRPERSON- Marian Locke

READER- Shand Garrett

TRUMPET- Nathan Wilson

FLUTE DUET- Mala Williams, Winnie Takesue

CROSS BEARER- Garrett Birtja

ACOLYTE- Lindsay Miranda

BANNER BEARER- Sebastian Manale

CANTOR- Rylee Birtja

CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR- Mala Williams

CHILDREN'S CHOIR- Zara Roveri, Andrea Roveri, Johanna Locke, Isabella Zhou, Leah Chen, Paxton Gutierrez, Alice Wong, Alana Hayes, Kamryn Yee, Madeline Do

REUNION CHOIR DIRECTOR- Sharon Heck

REUNION CHOIR- Norm Rumpf, Terry Van Riper, Betty Castaneda, Krista Guerrero, Christy Schroeder, Bob Merchant, Phil Mautino, Peggy Pennington, Judy Willett, Brian Akey, Peri Hussey, Rylee Birtja, Leilani Rodriguez, Vincent and Zachary Wolfe

USHERS- Phil Barnhart, Ron Hussey, Frank Winn, Renke Schroeder, Dan Guerrero, Dan Garrett

GREETERS/COFFEE CART- Anna & John Guerriero

ALTAR GUILD- Lynn Yann, Janna Barnhart, Lee Uhl

MEDIA TECHNICIANS- Chris Birtja, Dan O'Connell

LUNCHEON SERVERS- Terry Van Riper, Mary Rosentreter, Devon Brown, Lori Ueda, Kurt Van Riper, Irv Thomas, Diana Hernandez

NEWS ARTICLES- Marian Locke

RESERVATIONS- Francoise Dutil

LUNCHEON TICKETS/ BOOKLET DISTRIBUTION- Gay & Alex Cormack

CHANCEL GARDEN- Carolyn Magdaleno

YOUTH DIRECTOR- Melissa Magdaleno

BOOKLET COVER PICTURE- Gay Cormack

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FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD: In memory of Alexander and Molly Cormack, given by Alex and Gay Cormack. In honor of Marian Locke our 60th Anniversary chairperson who did a fabulous job organizing the event, given by St. Mark's Family. Thank you to Gay and Alex Cormack our Star Party organizers, we love seeing our stars and planets up close. Every year they do an amazing job! Given by St. Mark's Family.

OFFERINGS

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

4/10 - PALM SUNDAY WITH PROCESSIONAL - 10AM

MEET ON CHURCH PATIO

SUNDAY SCHOOL JOINS PROCESSIONAL

RECEIVE 40 DAYS OF WORLD HUNGER GIFTS AND PIGGY BANKS

4/14 - MAUNDY THURSDAY

DINNER - 6PM - FELLOWSHIP HALL

WORSHIP WITH FIRST COMMUNION - 7PM

4/15 - GOOD FRIDAY

STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN SANCTUARY - NOON TO 6:45PM

TENEBRAE WORSHIP (LIGHT TO DARK) - 7PM

4/17 - EASTER

SUNRISE WORSHIP ON THE PATIO - 6:30AM

CELEBRATION WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY - 10AM

EASTER EGG HUNT (GRASS AREA BELOW SANCTUARY) - 11:15AM

EASTER PICTURES -AFTER WORSHIP/HUNT

IN HONOR OF

Barbara Clark
 Karla Devine
 Patricia Garrett
 Marian Locke
 Bob & Mary Mericle
 Eden Moon Winn
 Everyone at St. Mark's - past,
 present, and future

GIVEN BY

Marian Locke
 Marian Locke
 Dan Garrett
 Judy Sandberg
 James & Sondra Mericle
 Kim & Frank Winn
 Pastor Philip & Carolyn Demers

WEEKLY LENTEN STUDY CONTINUES THIS WEDNESDAY (NO TUESDAYS BIBLE FELLOWSHIP)

Join us Wednesday at 12:00 PM, in the side chapel for the Lenten Study. If you are not available to be there join us in the evening on Zoom meeting at 7:00 PM. Please remember to pick-up a study guide from the Narthex. For the ones attending the Zoom meeting, there will be a copy emailed to you with the link.

HONORING DR. BARBARA CLARK'S RETIREMENT FROM SML

As you probably know, our school superintendent, Dr. Barbara Clark, is retiring in May and moving to Iowa. Barb has been the leader of our school since 1986, first as principal, and more recently as superintendent. Dr. Clark's professional accomplishments include being named National Distinguished Principal, ELCA Principal of the Year, and IWC Distinguished Alumnae. However, her proudest accomplishment was the creation of a premier leadership academy, which focuses on teaching leadership skills to students in grades K-8. She has also been very proud to have St. Mark's alums return to the school as educators. Each of the over 2000 students graduating from St. Mark's Lutheran School during these years has benefitted from Barb's love for history and vast knowledge of government. She is hopeful her knowledge and appreciation for history will be transferred to her students and, in turn, they can make a difference in the future. We would like to honor Barb at the church service on May 1, and would like to give her a thank you gift from the congregation. If you would like to participate in this gift, please give your contribution to Gwen Andrizzi or Mary Rosentreter. If you would like to write a check, please make it out to Mary Rosentreter.

OFFICE NEWS

March 21 – 25, I will be on vacation. (Office closed Monday Pastor's day off)
 Françoise

WELCOME AND THEMES OF THE DAY

Welcome to St. Mark's Lutheran Church! It is a blessing to have you be a part of this community today as we gather to worship God and give thanks to our Lord for 60 years of ministry through this Congregation. A special welcome to guests who have come, especially for the Anniversary celebration, including three of our former pastors. We encourage those of you who are here in person to complete the connect-card/visitor card that is available by the bulletins and drop the card in the offering plate. For those online, help us to know you are joining us by saying hello in the comments or through the connect-card on the App/website stmarkshh.com

We are now in our third week of Lent and are taking time to reflect on how to live In The Wilderness of life. Today we hear Jesus sharing about the vulnerability of life and the need for repentance to help us be right with the Lord in the midst of our challenges. It is a reminder that for 60 years, St. Mark's has been a place where sins are heard and forgiven, the good news is shared, people are welcomed as they are, and are called to learn, grow and serve. We give a special welcome to Bishop Brenda Bos who will share the message today.

Today, we are also celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion. 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 seats. If you remain in your seats, please help make room for others to pass you if they choose to go forward to receive communion.

Blessings to each of you and may the Holy Spirit refresh the path before you. Welcome!

PRELUDE	<i>My Spirit, Be Joyful</i>	J.S. Bach
PROCESSIONAL HYMN	Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty	ELW 413
WELCOME AND GREETING		<i>Pastor James Mericle</i>
KYRIE		<i>Cantor</i>
PRAYER OF THE DAY		<i>Pastor James Bessey</i>
	Amen.	
READING		<i>Psalm 63:1-8 pg. 516 Shand Garrett</i>
CHILDREN'S CHOIR	<i>Servant of All / Make Me a Servant</i>	<i>Ryan /Willard</i>
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	<i>Children of the Heavenly Father</i>	ELW 781
	<i>Rev. Christenson Solo v.1– Swedish & English</i>	Congregation Stanzas 2-4
GOSPEL		<i>Luke 13:1-9 pg. 952 Bishop Brenda Bos</i>
ANTHEM	<i>A Canon Of Praise</i>	<i>Natalie Sleeth</i>
	<i>Choir</i>	
ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE		<i>Bishop Brenda Bos</i>

HYMN OF THE DAY	The Church's One Foundation Stanzas 1, 2 & 5	ELW 654
APOSTLES' CREED		<i>Pastor James Mericle</i>
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		<i>Pastor James Mericle</i>
SHARING OF THE PEACE		<i>Pastor James Mericle</i>
OFFERING	<i>Sheep May Safely Graze Flute Duet</i>	<i>J. S. Bach</i>
OFFERTORY RESPONSE	Now Thank We All Our God Stanzas 1 & 3	ELW 840
CONFESSION OF SINS AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS		<i>Pastor Kurt Christenson</i>
GREAT THANKSGIVING		<i>Pastor Philip Demers</i>
WORDS OF INSTITUTION		<i>Pastor Jim Mericle</i>
LORD'S PRAYER		<i>Pastor Jim Mericle</i>
COMMUNION - <i>served by Pastors Mericle, Demers, Christenson, and Bessey and Acolytes (Lindsay and Garrett) – 2 stations at front of each center aisle.</i>		
COMMUNION HYMN	One Bread, One Body Be Thou My Vision Stanzas 1-3	ELW 496 ELW 793
COMMUNION PRAYER		<i>Pastor Philip Demers</i>
TRIBUTE TO DR. BARBARA CLARK		<i>Marian Locke, Chairperson</i>
ANNOUNCEMENTS		<i>Gwen Andrizzi, Church President</i>
BLESSING		<i>Bishop Brenda Bos</i>
RECESSIONAL HYMN	Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer	ELW 618
DISMISSIAL & VISION		<i>Pastor Jim Mericle</i>
POSTLUDE	<i>Voluntary +++</i>	<i>John Stanley</i>

PRAYER LIST:**HEALING**

Johanna Locke; Kenna Dutil-Baker-lungs (Francoise's daughter); Vernon Weigand; Krystal Barnhart; Pastor Lee Rozen (better health); Nancy Carnehl (Janna Barnhart's friend)-lung cancer; David Lau (Cindy Lau's father) - stroke; Christy Zapfel- knee pain.

ILLNESS

Noris Maldonado - Alzheimer's (Natalie Pereda's mother); Donovan McLaughlin - cancer (Judy Willett's grandson); Deborah Morocco (Barbara Richards' friend, please pray for Deborah's family) - cancer; Dorothy Miller (Dr. Clark's aunt) - pancreatic cancer; Carol Adams (Linda Merchant's cousin) - hospitalized; Robert Dutil (Françoise's Papa)- dementia.

TREATMENTS

Tony Hernandez (Michael's brother) cancer, Nancy Richardson (Diana Hernandez's friend) cancer, Preslee Durston (Christine Birtja's niece) leukemia treatments; Kim Wolfe (friend of Dan O'Connell) cancer; Nassar Sattar (Mary Rodriguez's friend) - cancer.

HOSPICE

Faye Heinrich

GRIEVING

Family of Tim Constantine (friend of Anna Guerriero)

CHANCEL GARDEN FLOWERS**IN MEMORY OF**

*Jose Almaraz
Donna Amon
Larry Birtja
Juana Castaneda
Margaret Clark
Ted Evans
Norma Forgnone
Alice Wells Hastie
Mel Locke
Mel Locke
David McLaughlin
Robert Reitz
Howard & Sandra Schneider
Tom Wadkins
Bill Wilhite
Karl Willett*

GIVEN BY

*Diana Almaraz
Ronald Nussey
Terri Birtja
Betty Castaneda
Peggy Pennington
Tracy Nishizu
Peggy Pennington
Betty Castaneda
Judy Sandberg
Marian Locke
Judy Willett
Gene Reitz
Maureen Nevarez
Susan Wadkins
Elaine Wilhite
Judy Willett*