

**YOU MAY PLACE YOUR ORDER AND PAY ONLINE BY GOING TO OUR WEBSITE OR APP. JUST CLICK RALLY DAY IN THE EVENT SECTION.**



St. Mark's Lutheran Church & School  
**RALLY DAY**  
Sunday, August 28, 2022  
Church 10 am  
Picnic follows after, Casual Dress

We are asking for donations to help defray the cost for the jumper, petting zoo, possible reptiles, ice cream, face painting, and 1/2 the cost of the meals. This event has always been well attended and memorable for our church and school families. If making a donation, please write Rally Sunday on your memo line.

Volunteers are needed to help set-up, take down, and help in between!! Please contact Diana Hernandez.

Rally Day is the “kick-off” of our new school year, Sunday School, Confirmation class and Teacher Installation. It’s a time where we come together as a church and school.

**Habit Food truck, games, face painting and petting zoo!**  
**Fun for everyone!**

PRE-ORDER your meal - \$7.00 cash or check

Pre-Pay by WEDNESDAY, August 17, 2022 (non-refundable)

Registration at the church office



- ? Charburger With/Without Cheese, fries and drink
- ? BBQ Chicken burger fries and drink
- ? Grilled Cheese, fries and drink

*Peanut Butter donations will be collected for Action Food Pantry in Covina.  
Collection table will be located on Church Patio. - Thank you*



*Be dressed for action  
and have your lamps lit*

LUKE 12:35

**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*

**NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

AUGUST 7, 2022, 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.

For those worshipping here in person, please fill out the Connect Card that you have 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 comments.

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.

Last Sunday's  
Attendance

51- in-person  
48 - online

## SERVING TODAY

**PASTOR:** the Reverend James Mericle

**ORGANIST/ACCOMPANIST:** Renee Gehlbach

**LECTOR:** Rylee Birtja

**CHILDREN'S SERMONETTE:** Janna Barnhart

**ALTAR GUILD:** Lynn Yann, Kim Winn, Betty Castaneda

**TECH:** Chris Birtja, Garrett Birtja

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

**HEAD USHERS:** Ron Hussey, Steven Chou

**USHERS:** Emil Wolfe, Dick Heinrich

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:** In honor of Kaitlin Garrett's birthday, given by mom & dad.

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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.

## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEARNING HOW TO USE YOUR CELL PHONE OR IPAD?

I have someone to teach classes and help you maneuver both of these. Come prepared. Questions and help needed in specific areas will need to be communicated prior to the class. That way we can coordinate areas of need. If Apple product, bring your Apple ID password and email. Class date will be determined once we have a minimum of 5 people. Class cost is \$15.00 for 1 1/2 hours. Money will go to Social Ministries for Christmas and to the instructor. If interested, contact Carolyn Collosi, 562-686-7405, leave a message or email [ccollosi4@gmail.com](mailto:ccollosi4@gmail.com)

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH, WE NEED YOUR HANDS!

We will assemble small bud vases with flowers for distribution to local convalescent homes. We will start at 8:45 a.m. and distribution will be after church. Bring in your extra SMALL BUD VASES. Ask your friends and neighbors if they have some! Please bring to church so they can be washed and cleaned prior to this event. There's a box on the Narthex counter marked "vases". Volunteers for flower distribution for our SML elderly/shut-ins would be appreciated! If you know of someone to whom you would like to take flowers to, let us know! Please consider a small donation towards this project for the flower cost. Let us know if you can help Carolyn Collosi and Sharon Bradford

## FOOD PANTRY

Please designate your donations of food for Action Pantry or New Horizons, and place in the basket in the Narthex. Monetary donations can be made through the website or by check - just mention it is for the Action Food Pantry.

We will continue donating to our local food bank in Hacienda Heights, New Horizons. They distribute food twice a month. Currently, they continue to request ANY breakfast food item(s) and ramen. If giving a monetary donation, please note New Horizons on the memo line. Please label your donation New Horizons and place in the basket in the Narthex. Thank you for your donations.

## OFFERINGS

If you would like to make a donation to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, just go to the link below. Thank you for your generosity. <https://secure.subsplash.com/ui/access/34WJTS> 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.

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](mailto:church@stmarks.ws) and follow the instructions. We would like to thank you for your generosity.

You are welcome to mail in your donation, if you prefer not using the internet.

Our address is:

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

### UPDATE ON SONDRA MERICLE

Because of Sondra's recent fall, which resulted in emergency surgery, she has traveled with the Pastor back to their home here in Whittier for her recovery. Part of this extensive and intense recovery will require that she go to physical therapy appointments on a regular basis beginning the week of August 1st. We, as a congregation, would like to help the Pastor in driving her to these appointments. Therefore, we need VOLUNTEERS to drive her to her regularly scheduled physical therapy appointments in Whittier. If you are able to volunteer some time to drive her to any of these appointments, please call or email Françoise, as she will maintain the master schedule for these appointments. The appointments will probably go for about an hour. The Pastor and Sondra are very appreciative of our assistance in helping them with this effort, so that Sondra can have a smooth and timely recovery. Thank you for your support.

Gwen Andrizzi, President

### RUTH CIRCLE

Ruth Circle will meet on Zoom Monday evening, August 8, 7:00 PM. The Bible Study begins on page 36 of the July/August Gather magazine, and is titled "Crafted in Christ", Session Three, Ties That Bind. Marion Locke will lead the study. Contact Sharon Heck by email if you wish to receive the Zoom link which will be sent by email a day or so before the meeting. s.heck4peace@gmail.com We hope to see many of you on Zoom.

### MEN'S & LADIES' LUNCHEON

Tuesday, August 23, 2022, NOON  
Cedar Creek Inn Restaurant  
20 Pointe Dr., Brea, CA 92821  
Please RSVP as the restaurant will require reservations.  
I will request separate tables!  
Anna Guerriero 626-330-7310 or jaguerriero42@gmail.com

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 26TH. FAMILY MOVIE NITE IN THE ST. MARK'S PARKING LOT

It's the weekend kick-off to our Rally Sunday on the 28th. Movie to be announced in two weeks. Pizza + snacks can be purchased. We are trying to get a jumpstart on Christmas! All donations will go towards gingerbread houses and Christmas presents for New Horizons. Please consider donating even if you don't attend.

### 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 AM

#### TIMES:

Tuesday at 11:00 AM - Noon

Tuesday at 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Readings; Luke 12:49-56 and Jeremiah 23:23-29



## Gathering + Word + Meal + Sending

### 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. Today we continue the sermon series for the summer called, Living our Life in the Way of Christ. This week we focus on God's desire to give us the greatest treasure: the kingdom of God forever. Invest your time and treasure in that which does not perish - a relationship with Jesus Christ.*

*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 seat. If you remain in your seat, 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!*

### PRELUDE

*Holy Spirit, You are Welcome Here*

+ GATHERING SONG

**I Will Follow**

*Projection Screen*

+ GREETING

*Projection Screen*

WELCOME SONG

**Seek Ye First**

*Projection Screen*

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

*Let us pray together.*

**Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Gathering + **Word** + Meal + Sending

- FIRST READING *Genesis 15:1-6, pg. 11*  
 The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**
- CHILDREN'S SERMON Janna Barnhart
- GOSPEL *Luke 12:32-40, pg. 951*  
 The Holy Gospel according to Luke the twelfth chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**  
 The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**
- SERMON Where is Your Treasure Stored Up? Pastor Mericle
- + HYMN OF THE DAY **My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less** **ELW 596**
- + APOSTLES' CREED *Projection Screen*
- + PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH *Projection Screen*
- PEACE *Projection Screen*

Gathering + Word + **Meal** + Sending

- + OFFERING *The Lord's My Shepherd* Kevin Norris
- + OFFERTORY RESPONSE **Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow** **ELW 885**
- + OFFERING PRAYER *Projection Screen*
- + BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION *Projection Screen*
- + WORDS OF INSTITUTION *Projection Screen*
- + LORD'S PRAYER *Projection Screen*
- COMMUNION HYMN **Lamb of God** **EWL pg.154**
- COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION **One Bread, One Body** **ELW 496**
- + PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *Projection Screen*

Gathering + Word + Meal + **Sending**

- TEMPLE TALK Christine Birtja

- + BLESSING *Projection Screen*
- + SENDING **How Firm a Foundation** **ELW 796**
- + DISMISSAL & VISION *Projection Screen*
- POSTLUDE *Little Prelude in G Major* *J.S. Bach*  
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**PRAYER LIST:**

**HEALING**

Vernon Weigand; Krystal Barnhart; Pastor Lee Rozen- better health; David Lau (Cindy Lau's father) - stroke; Christy Zapfel- knee pain; Susan Brickley (Mother of Juliana Guerriero's partner Stephen) - fractured hip; Gary Bradford- healing from back surgery; Norma Collosi- significant health issues; Sharon Heck - knee surgery; Jim Andrizzi - pelvic fracture; Sondra Mericle - broken femur bone; Amy Stenberg - brain surgery (friend of Anna Guerriero & Lee Uhl); Monica Gerardo - hand surgery

**ILLNESS**

Donovan McLaughlin- cancer (Judy Willett's grandson); Pat Dickerman - cancer; Marty Green-Ponce (friend of Juliana Guerriero); Anne Evans - health issues/dementia; Robert Dutil (Francoise's papa) - PTSD/dementia

**TREATMENTS**

Tony Hernandez (Michael's brother) cancer; Preslee Durston (Christine Birtja's niece) - leukemia treatments; Tom O'Connell (Dan O'Connell's brother) - cancer; Barbara Mautino - cancer

**HOSPICE**

Faye Heinrich; Carmelia Battle (Francoise's sister)

**A HUGE THANK YOU!**

Thank you to Diana Hernandez, Gwen Andrizzi, Mary Rodriguez, Betty Castaneda, Norm Rumpf, Lynn Yann, Terry Van Riper, Tracy Nishizu, Anna Guerriero, Alex Cormack, Irvin Thomas and Christy Zapfel for volunteering for the church table at the school registration.

**NEED SOMEONE TO PRAY WITH YOU?**

St. Mark's friends, Kim Winn or another Prayer Warrior will be available to pray with you after church service if you have a prayer request or concern. This will be in the little side chapel. Please call or text with a prayer request anytime to Kim Winn. (626) 676-2997