



MATTHEW 10:40

Whoever
welcomes you
welcomes
me

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 of Pentecost
JULY 2, 2023, 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 received 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 by making a comment.

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

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

PASTOR: the Reverend James Mericle

WORSHIP PIANIST/CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR: Graham Jackson

LECTOR: Kim Winn

CHILDREN'S SERMONETTE: Gwen Andrizzi

COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Dan O'Connell

ALTAR GUILD: Kim Winn, Betty Castaneda

TECH: Dan O'Connell, Steven Chou

CO-DIRECTOR OF USHERS: Phil Barnhart, Frank Winn

HEAD USHERS: Ron Hussey, Steven Chou

USHERS: Emil Wolfe, Dick Heinrich, Frank Winn

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD: In memory of Loretta Anderson, given Arnold Anderson.

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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.

Thank you
for
joining us!

OFFICE NEWS

- ◆ The entire church will be closed from July 3rd to July 7th for fumigation. Staff will work from home July 5th - 7th.

OUT TO LUNCH

July 19--noon
The Farmhouse at Roger's Garden
Newport Beach

RUTH CIRCLE

Ruth Circle will meet at 7:00 pm on Monday, July 10 on Zoom. The Second Session of our Bible Study "Salvation Now" will appear in the July/August issue of Gather magazine. If the magazine doesn't arrive in time, Janna Barnhart will have copies of the study at church. Sharon Heck will lead the study. All are welcome to attend the Bible Study. Please send your email address to Sharon Heck. s.heck4peace@gmail.com

BACKPACKS

Backpacks for New Horizons: New Horizons passes out "ready for school backs packs" in July. Social Ministries is asking for donations only, so that we can purchase the supplies and have enough for the school year. We have found that Walmart Online has the best BULK prices. At this time, we have received **\$747.40, we only have \$452.60 left to meet our goal.** If you prefer to make a backpack donation, we need the following (30 each): backpacks (store 5 Below), pink erasers, wide loose leaf paper, headphones (5 Below, approx. \$10/each), tissues, box of 24 crayons, Fisher scissors, pencil case, box of 8 broad tip markers, box 12 colored pencils, wide ruled spiral bound notebook. Quantity 90 of 3-pocket folders Quantity 360 of #2 pencils, Quantity 50 glue sticks. We will need help in assembling the backpacks in July and will announce day/time. Thank you for your help! Carolyn Collosi, ccollosi14@gmail.com

OFFERINGS

If you would like to make a donation to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, just go to the link. 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 and follow the instructions. We 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



Gathering + Word + Meal + Sending

WELCOME AND THEME OF THE DAY

Welcome to St. Mark's Lutheran. Today is the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost and here in the United States, we will be celebrating Independence Day on Tuesday. We give thanks for the opportunities to worship freely, speak freely and gather freely and for all those who have come from all over the world to become citizens and make this a strong and diverse nation. It is a blessing to have you here today and we hope this is an uplifting and meaningful time of worship for you. If you have children, please know that they are invited to go to Sunday School after the children's sermon. The Sunday School meets in the courtyard below the sanctuary near the church office. The children will return before communion, so they can receive communion with you or a blessing.

We would ask that you complete a Contact or Visitor Card including your name (and others in your household), email address, cell phone, home phone (if you have one), and address. 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.

PRELUDE			Projection Screen
+ GATHERING HYMN	Come, Now is the Time to Worship		Projection Screen
+ WELCOME			Projection Screen
+ TEMPLE TALK			Gwen Andrizzi
CHILDREN'S SERMON			Shand Garrett
+ WELCOME SONG	God, Bless Our Native Land		Projection Screen

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY
Let us pray together.
O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Gathering + **Word** + Meal + Sending

READING *Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18, pg. 534*
 The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL *Matthew 10:40-42, pg. 889*
 The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 10th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.
 The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE *Pastor Mericle*

+ HYMN OF THE DAY **O Beautiful for Spacious Skies** **ELW 888**

+ APOSTLES' CREED *Projection Screen*

Gathering + Word + **Meal** + Sending

PEACE *Projection Screen*

+ OFFERING *Projection Screen*

+ OFFERTORY RESPONSE **Let All Things Now Living** **ELW 881**

+ OFFERTORY PRAYER *Projection Screen*

+ PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH *Projection Screen*

+ BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION *Projection Screen*

+ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

+ LORD'S PRAYER *Projection Screen*

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION **Create in Me a Clean Heart** **ELW 188**
Bread of Life from Heaven **ELW 474**
Stanzas 1, 3 & 5

+ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *Projection Screen*

Gathering + Word + Meal + **Sending**

+ BLESSING *Projection Screen*

+ SENDING HYMN **Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory** **ELW 890**

+ DISMISSAL & VISION *Projection Screen*

POSTLUDE *Projection Screen*

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PRAYER LIST:

HEALING

Vernon Weigand; Krystal Barnhart; Norma Collosi – significant health issues; Bradley Holmes (Frances Weigand's grand-nephew) - healing; Rosemary Abrego-Holmes (Frances Weigand's niece) - healing; Pastor Lee Rozen - healing; Barbara Mautino - healing; Patrick Fields (husband of school employee) - medical; Terry VanRiper - knee surgery; Ron Amon - eye surgery; Christy Zapfel - knee replacement

ILLNESS

Pat Dickerman - cancer; Bob Mericle - lung cancer

TREATMENTS

Tom O'Connell (Dan O'Connell's brother) - cancer; Amy Stenberg - brain cancer (friend of Anna Guerriero & Lee Uhl); Lorna Delgado (Ms. Dominique's mom) - cancer treatments; Bill McDonnell (Krista Guerrero's boss) - prostate cancer

SURGERY

Charlie Munoz (St. Mark's Preschool Director's son) - knee surgery

HOSPICE

Faye Heinrich - fall; Marty Green-Ponce (friend of Juliana Guerriero)

COMFORT

Family and friends of Ludmilla Montoya (friend of Juliana Guerriero); Family and Friends of Dale Cubitt (Sharon Heck's brother)

NEW HORIZONS

New Horizons needs breakfast items only.

ACTION FOOD PANTRY

Action Food Pantry needs various food items and/or donations. They also buy their eggs in bulk. This costs less, but to distribute this important protein source to their clients, they need egg cartons. Please leave your paper or plastic cartons in the Narthex for collection.

SAVE THE DATE

Rally Day, Sunday, August 27th.