



ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*Sunday Worship Service is at 10:00 a.m.
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WELCOME

We extend a sincere welcome to all who join us for worship.

June 7, 2026
2nd Sunday after Pentecost
Order of Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“ Alleluia ” Mozart/ arr. Lani Smith

**** CONFESSON AND FORGIVENESS**

✠ All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.

Jesus says, “Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest.”

In the name of God,

Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God’s love.

Amen.

**** SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

**** PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

“ Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee ”

No. 836


**** 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.

** KYRIE

Refrain



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

**** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Hosea 5:15-6:6

¹⁵ I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: ^{6:1} “Come, let us return to the LORD, for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. ² After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. ³ Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.” ⁴ What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. ⁵ Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. ⁶ For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

PSALM: Psalm 50:7-15

We will read the Psalm responsively, starting with the refrain and repeat where indicated.

Refrain: Call upon me in the day of trouble, says your God. (Ps. 50:15)

⁷ “Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God.

⁸ **I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are always before me.**

⁹ I will not accept a calf from your stalls, nor goats from your pens;

¹⁰ **for all the wild animals of the forest are mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. R**

¹¹ I know every bird of the mountains, and the creatures of the fields are mine.

¹² **If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.**

¹³ Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?

¹⁴ Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High.

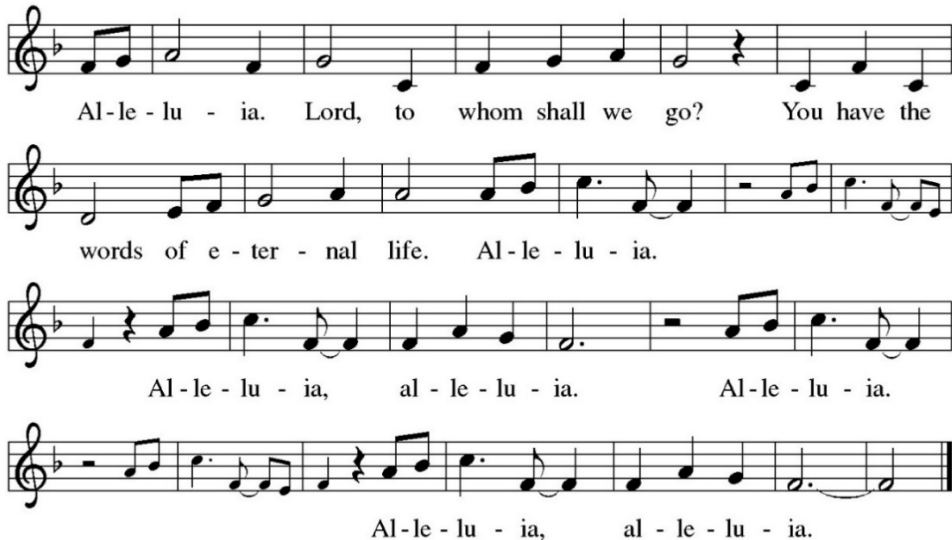
¹⁵ Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall honor me. **R**

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

¹³ The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

¹⁶ For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸ Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So shall your descendants be.” ¹⁹ He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰ No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²² Therefore “it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ²³ Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone ²⁴ but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵ who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

** GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

** GOSPEL: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹ As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰ And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹ When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹² But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³ Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners.”

¹⁸ While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” ¹⁹ And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰ Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹ for she was saying to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” ²² Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And the woman was made well from that moment. ²³ When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴ he said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. ²⁵ But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶ And the report of this spread through all of that district.

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

SERMON

Don Sincell

**** HYMN OF THE DAY**

No. 617

“ We Come to You for Healing, Lord ”

**** APOSTLES 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 INTERCESSION *(Please be seated)*

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

God of mercy, you call us to a life filled with acts of mercy. Ground us in following Christ, that we might extend the mercy we receive. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of creation, all you have made is yours. Revive lands in need of healing and make us wise stewards of all you have given us to tend. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of the nations, you promise to deliver those who call on you. Bring an end to conflict, bigotry, and injustice in all their forms wherever they are found. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of comfort, you provide for those in need. Bring an end to addiction. Comfort people as they mourn. Provide tenderly for those in need *(especially)*. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of blessings, you send the Holy Spirit to provide varieties of gifts in the body of Christ. Accompany those who travel this summer, make our gatherings joyous, and grant us a spirit of hospitality and togetherness. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of life, we give you thanks for saints whose lives revealed your faithfulness. May remembering their faithfulness strengthen our own. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC

**** OFFERTORY HYMN**

No. 692

" We Are an Offering "

**** OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray. Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. **Amen.**

**** LORD’S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

**** BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.
Amen.

**** RECESSIONAL HYMN**

No. 722

“ O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate ”

**** DISMISSAL**

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
Thanks be to God. We WILL!

POSTLUDE

“ Now Thank We All Our God ” Karg-Elert/arr. Dorothy Wells

St. Mark's Mission Statement

“United in Christ, Sharing his Good News,
we invite all people to grow in God's love.”

Church Calendar June 7, 2026 – June 14, 2026

- Today** - Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday - Yoga at 10:00 a.m.
Next Sunday - Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.
- With Holy Communion

Serving Today

Acolyte:	Nick Bennett
Lector:	Suzie Sincell
Organist:	Sean Beachy
Co-Directors of Music:	Sean & Debi Beachy
Special Music:	Sean & Debi Beachy
Recorder:	Nicole Bosley
Flower Delivery:	Liz Lewis & Peggy Jamison
Safe Keeper:	Beverly Barb
Ushers:	Terry Savage, Capt. Carol Savage, Paul LeDuc, Donna Swift

Pastor Carrie can be reached by email at pastorcarrie@stmarksoakland.com or
phone 443-974-1738 for any pastoral needs or concerns.



Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers are given by BJ Gallagher,
remembering all things beautiful.



Prayer Requests

Illness: Emelee DeWitt, Helen Ferrell, Valerie Minor, Viola, Josh Wilhelm, Tom Bittinger, Dorothee Bittinger, Peter, Robert Hodges, Ava, Connie Leary, Emily, Marie, Joyce Chaney, Debbie, Bill & Diana Bachtel, Sig Blamble, Norma, Joe, Kimmie, Abe, Angie, Fred Meyer, Tom Bingham, Senta Heinrich, Mary, Eric, Jeff Gilbert, Marylynn, Michael, Sally, George, David, Roger, Clint, C.J. Bennett, Micah Teter, John Arnold, Laura and her unborn child, Katie LeDuc, Diane LeDuc, Jean, Bil McGahn, Debra Lohman, Sara, Annie Wiles, Ray

Special Needs: Chase, Jeremy Lewis, Family of Becky Preston, Christine Chaney, Autumn and Jordan, Bravo, Erina, Miss Ann Collins, Shania, Joey Welch & his family, Mr. Kittle, Eli M., Athena, Kella & Baby, Garrett, Amy Bacha

Upcoming Events

Sunday, June 21

Rootbeer Floats

Saturday, June 27

Guidelines for Preserving Locally Grown Foods
Workshop 1p-4p

Announcements

Summer Coffee Hours

Are you available to host a coffee hour after worship on a Sunday?

Every Sunday after worship, we gather for coffee hour (weather permitting outside) to enjoy fellowship with one another over light snacks and coffee before heading off to the rest of our day.

If you would be willing to host, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. If you have any questions, please speak with Audrey Kennedy, Liz Lewis, or Ellda Bennett.

Thank you for helping make this time of fellowship possible!

Welcome to St. Mark's Lutheran Church

We are so glad you are worshiping with us this morning. Here are a few things to help you feel comfortable in our space and more fully participate in worship. If you have questions at any time, our ushers will be happy to help.

Restrooms

- A first-floor restroom is available. Facing the pulpit, use the door to the left, enter the church office, and the restroom is located on the right.
- Restrooms and water fountains are also available downstairs. From the back of the sanctuary (narthex), take the steps downstairs, turn right into Fellowship Hall, restrooms are on the right and the water fountain is on the left.

Accessibility & Comfort

- Our bulletins contain the order of worship so you can easily follow along. You are invited to participate in the liturgy in areas indicated in bold and hymns can be found in the red hymnal.
- If standing during worship is uncomfortable, please feel free to remain seated.
- Hearing assistance devices and large-print bulletins are available—please ask an usher.

Visitors

- If you are visiting, we invite you to sign the guest registry located on the stand near the front doors or fill out a visitor envelope found in the pew rack in front of you and place it in the offering plate.
- If you or someone you know is in need of an extra prayer, please fill out a card in the pew back in front of you, and an usher will be by during the prelude to collect it.

Children

- Children's worship bags are available in the narthex. You are welcome to pick one up for your child(ren).

Electronics

- Please silence or turn off cell phones and electronic devices so that all may focus on worship.

Holy Communion

- If Holy Communion is celebrated today, please know that all are welcome at the Lord's table. Those who prefer not to receive communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. Grape juice is available on the side tables and wine will be poured from the chalice. Gluten-free wafers are also available.

Thank you for worshiping with us today—we are glad you are here.

But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need a physician, but those who are sick."

Memory Verse



Today's Gospel reading is action Packed! See if you can put these actions in the order they happened.

- _____ The girl gets up.
- _____ Matthew follows Jesus.
- _____ The crowd laughs at Jesus.
- _____ Jesus takes the girl by the hand.
- _____ Jesus calls Matthew as a disciple.
- _____ Jesus tells the crowd to go away.
- _____ Jesus follows the father to his house.
- _____ The woman is healed of the bleeding.
- _____ Jesus eats dinner with tax collectors and sinners.
- _____ The Pharisees ask the disciples a question about Jesus.
- _____ A father whose daughter just died kneels before Jesus.
- _____ A woman with longtime bleeding touches Jesus' cloak.
- _____ Jesus says, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well."
- _____ Jesus says, "For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."
- _____ Flute players and the crowd make a commotion at the father's house.



Look It Up!

You'll find this story of the woman who was healed in the Gospel of Mark with a more dramatic response from Jesus. Read Mark 5:30-34 and notice what is different.



June 7, 2026, Second Sunday after Pentecost Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

Holy and Merciful God, you meet us in our needs, walk with us in our grief, and heal us by your unending faith and love for us. Draw us into collaboration with you for the healing of the beloved community and all the earth.



Read: Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. (Matthew 9:12b)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Three very different people all act out of their faith in Jesus: a hated tax collector becomes his disciple, a leader of the synagogue asks him to resurrect his daughter, and a very ill woman reaches out to touch him, certain it will make her well.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

- What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?
- Who do you most identify with in this story? Matthew? The leader of the Synagogue? The woman who was ill? Or the Pharisees who criticized Jesus for his choice of company? Why? How does Jesus' love impact each of these?
- For the littles: Do you like going to the doctor? How do doctors help you?



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God heal your infirmities, physical, emotional, or spiritual.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Research free clinics operating in your area. Call to find out ways you can support their work with people who might not otherwise be able to afford the care they need.



Go Deeper: Read and reflect on the readings for each day of the week.

Monday, Psalm 119:41-48; Genesis 16:1-15; 2 Corinthians 6:14—7:2

Tuesday, Psalm 119:41-48; Genesis 17:1-27; Hebrews 13:1-16

Wednesday, Psalm 119:41-48; Genesis 18:16-33; Matthew 12:1-8

Thursday, Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; Genesis 21:1-7; Hebrews 3:1-6

Friday, Psalm 116:1-2; Genesis 24:1-9; Acts 7:35-43

Saturday, Psalm 116:1-2; Genesis 24:10-52; Mark 7:1-13