
YOUTH

SUNDAY COOL

There's never been a better time to jump in and check out Sunday Cool. We've got games, highs and lows, donut holes, icebreakers, devotionals, and more! Look for Calvin Moore and Rachel Peterson to participate.

When: starting back up on Sunday, April 19,
at 9:45 am

Who: Grades 6 – 12

Where: the Narthex

Attendance for March 27 & 28

Saturday 5:30	40
Sunday 8:30	83
Sunday 10:45	201
Virtual Sunday	<u>88</u>
Total	412

Attendance for Easter Week

Maundy Thursday	55
Good Friday 12:00	50
Good Friday 7:00	98
Easter Vigil	53
Sunday 8:30	251
Sunday 10:45	180
Virtual	<u>121</u>
Total	808

MISSION STATEMENT

To share the gospel through worship and service. To be an inclusive community for justice and peace among diverse peoples.

Prayers

Annamarie Walsh
Susan Pine
Donna Gumm
Rick Allmon
Don Schelling
Dan Tutt
Martha Harvie
Marla Jo Dittrich
Jon Merrell
Debbie Hansen
Keith Beck
Frank Payn, husband of Dena Tippets
Mary Lancaster, mother of Gail Lancaster
Caroline Alderette, caregiver for Mary Lancaster
Teresa Berg, sister-in-law of Patti Berg
Kurt Rudy, brother of Scott Rudy
Allison Rasor, daughter of Rachel Lorenz
Val Adkins, sister of Yvonne Davis & Liz McGaughy
Robert Mayer
Carla Brewer
Steve Woodard
Tyler
Carter
Dan
Liesl
Shar
Melissa
Suzie

John
Sophia
Rick
Sarah
Rachel, Ezra, and Xavier
Jack
John
Lisa

Baptized on Easter Vigil, **Nora Davis, daughter of Cara Strickland and Chris Davis.** Sponsors are Pam Strickland and Hope Lyda.

Baptized on Easter Vigil, **Steve Nash.** Sponsor is Cathi Nash.

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ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

SECOND SUNDAY IN EASTER

APRIL 12, 2026

Worship Participants

Preaching Pastor	Heidi Biermann
Presiding	Gretchen Olson
Greeters	
8:30	Amy & Dan Heinen
10:45	Karen & Fred Stahl
Ushers	
8:30	Ron & Shar Gill
10:45	Susan Hagen Michelle Phelan
Lectors	
5:30	Gerry Wigren
8:30	Brenda Bray
10:45	Tom Wagner
Creed and Prayers	
8:30	Jimmy Fox
10:45	Patti Berg
Altar Guild	
8:30	Cynthia Moore
10:45	Whitney Johnson
Bread	Cindi Pascua
Communion Set-up	Randy Darst
Sound/Livestream	
10:45	Randy Darst Charlie Wagner
Service Coordinator	
5:30 & Altar Guild	Ruth Schmidt
8:30	Gina Bloom
10:45	Cindi Pascua
Director of Music/Instrumental	Carol Miyamoto
Director of Music/Choral	Ann Benson

TODAY

Flowers today are from the St. Mark's staff, in loving memory of Pastor Lori Cornell, pastor at St. Mark's from 2021 – 2023.

Cards to Pastor Lori Cornell's daughters, Anna Chamberlain and Elizabeth Abbott, can be sent to:

5709 Ninth Dr W
Everett WA 98203

Welcome - Whether you are a regular visitor, longtime member, or worshiping with us at St. Mark's for the first time, we're grateful you are with us today. Listing everyone in your household helps us keep our membership records current and strengthens our pastoral care. All are welcome at the Lord's Table for Holy Communion. Please fill out an attendance card from the pew and place it in the offering plate.

Today we welcome The Reverend Heidi Biermann as our preacher. She is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA) and a biblical scholar specializing in the New Testament. She holds a Doctor of Theology from Duke Divinity School and an M.Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary. Her research explores themes of age and inclusion in Luke-Acts, highlighting how diverse generations reflect the breadth of God's kingdom. She has served congregations in Montana, North Carolina, and Pennsylvania, and spent a year in pastoral residency in Northern Ireland. She currently serves as the West Central Community Connector for the Presbytery of the Inland Northwest in Spokane and teaches as an adjunct faculty member at Whitworth University.

Nursery – The nursery is open from 8:15 am – 12:00 noon, it is up the stairs, then follow the signs. We welcome infants to kindergarten aged children.

Godly Play Sunday School - We'll be off this week due to Spring Break at Spokane Public Schools.

Alleluia Choir practice starts at 10:45 am in the Choir Loft. We'll be off this week due to Spring Break at Spokane Public Schools.

THIS WEEK

Monday Yoga – is off for this week. See you on Monday, April 20. Please join us for a Vinyasa flow class from 4:30 - 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Congregation Council meets Monday, April 13, at 7:00 pm. Tuesday - Staff meeting from 9:00 – 10:20 am.

Scripture and Coffee - We meet in the Conference Room Tuesdays at 10:30 am. The readings this week are Acts 2:14a, 36-41 and the Gospel: Luke 24:13-35.

Thursday – Choir rehearsal, 7:15 pm in the Sanctuary.

UPCOMING

Next Sunday, April 19, we'll have a special (and new) Noisy Offering Sunday. This is a chance for younger members to bring up there full Lenten Coin Boxes and put the coins into our can for feeding those with food insecurity. **Please plan to bring your Lenten Coin boxes to church next week.**

New Member Inquiry Classes - If you are interested in learning more about St. Mark's and possibly becoming a member, please consider our New Member Inquiry Classes. Classes will be held on three upcoming Sundays: April 19, 26, and May 3, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm at St. Mark's. We will begin with dinner prepared by congregation members, followed by an informational class. This is a wonderful time to learn more about St. Mark's history, what it means to be a Lutheran, and get to know the pastors in a small group. The new members will be welcomed into the congregation on Sunday, May 10, at the 10:45 am service. To learn more, please contact Mary Hoenecke through the church office at office@stmarks-spokane.org or

509.747.6677. **There is a signup sheet in the Narthex. If you are interested in helping with a meal, we'd love to hear from you as well.**

The Celtic Aires will perform a concert of Celtic music on Sunday, April 19, at 2:30 p.m. here in our sanctuary. Thirteen singers will present a varied selection of folk songs from the Celtic lands of Britain, Ireland, and Wales, accompanied by flute, bodhran drum, and guitar. The concert is free and a reception will be held afterward.

Earth Day will be here before you know it. This multigenerational event is on Sunday, April 26, from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm. Look for pizza sign-ups and plan to come eat, learn, and plant the next chapter of St. Mark's Homegrown National Park Pollinator Garden! Wear clothes that can get dirty and bring your garden gloves and trowels. We'll start in the Fellowship Hall with pizza and other activities before planting outside. Look in the Narthex to sign up (no later than April 19) to ensure your favorite pizza!

WAYS TO HELP

Stewards of Creation would like to thank all who supported the 'More for Others' Lenten food drive. We delivered 270 items to Second Harvest in support of helping our neighbors!

GIVING NUMBERS

March 2026 Giving	Year-to-date 2026 Operating Budget			
	Giving	Expenses	Budgeted	Net YTD
\$91,108	\$ 237,243	\$ 211,809	\$ 225,190	\$ 25,434

Wow! I believe we have never been this much in the black at the end of March. This is a great way to go into the summer months. Our church is growing, and I especially love coming to worship and seeing families that I don't recognize. Thank you all for your generosity.