

YOUTH

SUNDAY COOL STARTS BACK UP TODAY, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

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: Sundays at 9:45 am

Who: Grades 6 – 12

Where: the Narthex

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Attendance for August 30 & 31

Saturday 5:30	19
Sunday 9:30	125
Virtual	79
Total in-person & views	223

prayers

Bill Sachse
Sammy Smith
Dale Miller
Alice Nelson
Liesl Bowman
Sue Luppert
Jon Merrell
Lori Cornell
Debbie Hansen
Keith Beck
Val Adkins, sister of Yvonne Davis & Liz McGaughy
Eldine Purcell, wife of Chuck Purcell
Chris Huck, brother of Donna Huck
Eric Moen, brother of Georgia Lang
Adriana Nunez
Roger Stephens
Robert Mayer
Jan Graham
Carla Brewer
Rachel, Ezra, and Xavier
Eric
Fleet
Connie
Ryan
Hope
Jack
John
Lisa
Sean

Please notify us of any changes to our prayer list. Those on the prayer list will be removed after one month, unless there is a specific request to the church office to remain on.

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ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

Worship Participants

Preaching Minister	Ann Benson
Presiding Pastor	Gretchen Olson
Acolytes	
10:45	Bridgette Richardson Johanna Schuele-Van Aken
Greeters	
8:30	Mary & Karl Harder
10:45	Donna Nelson, Caroline Shelton
Ushers	
8:30	Lance Jacobson Wayne Rall
10:45	Kate Campanella, Gia Campanella, Augie Stolp, Loris Stupel
Lectors	
5:30	Merrily Ripley
8:30	Greta, Heather, & Noelle Baker
10:45	Hadley Stolp
Creed and Prayers	
8:30	Gail Lancaster
10:45	Norilee Kimball
Altar Guild	
8:30	Becky Keene
10:45	Donna Huck
Bread Baker	Kristin Liesch
Communion Set-up	Elaine Orness & Cathy Thornton
Sound/Livestream	Randy Darst Erik Manz
Service Coordinator	
5:30 & Altar Guild	Ruth Schmidt
8:30	Deidre Jacobson
10:45	Jane Summers
Director of Music/Instrumental	Carol Miyamoto
Director of Music/Choral	Ann Benson

TODAY

The flowers in the sanctuary are in loving memory of Paul Boehnke, son of Mary and Paul Boehnke.

Welcome, visitors – We are so glad to have you worship with us today. We appreciate you filling out an attendance card located in the pew and placing it in the offering plate. All are welcome at the Lord's Table for communion. Find out more at stmarks-spokane.org.

Worship today – Ann Benson will present the sermon this weekend in the style of Godly Play, our Sunday School program. **Godly Play is an approach to Sunday School that invites children of all ages to encounter the mystery of God through story, wonder, and play.**

Nursery – We welcome infants to kindergarten aged children. You will find the nursery by going up the stairs by the water fountain, then turning right. The nursery is open from 8:15 am – 12:00 noon. In addition to Ava Smith, we welcome Aryanna Trust, our new attendant, to the nursery. Aryanna is a freshman from Seattle and she is studying nursing at Gonzaga.

Large print worship folders, loaner reading glasses, and hearing devices (our facility is equipped with a hearing assistance system) are available in the Narthex.

We'll have a special **“Blessing of the Backpacks”** at both the 8:30 and 10:45 am services.

Godly Play – Sunday School meets at 9:45 am in the Parish House. This is for youth, ages 3 - 6th grade. Please register with the QR code.



On Rally Day we'll bless and install our Godly Play teachers at the 10:45 am service. We invite all Godly Play teachers to attend.

Alleluia Choir practice is at 10:45 am in the Choir Loft. From the Fellowship Hall go up the stairs to the loft. Children in grades 1 – 6 are invited to join Alleluia Choir,

under the direction of **Kendra Chapman**. Rehearsals begin today, September 7, and will occur each Sunday in the Alleluia Choir Loft. Please register with the QR code or on our website.

- **Moving from Godly Play to Alleluia Choir** - Kendra will accompany Godly Play children from the Parish House to the Alleluia Choir Loft each Sunday.
- Parents whose children have not been at Godly Play should wait with their children in the Alleluia Choir Loft until Kendra arrives (by appx. 10:40 am)
- Rehearsal ends at approximately 11:30 am. Kendra will walk singers down to the sanctuary where they will rejoin their families for the remainder of worship.

THIS WEEK

Monday Pickleball – Pickleball is now on a new day for ALL levels, starting at 8:00 am. We hope you can join us. We're by 25th Ave. in the parking lot.

Yoga this Monday at St. Mark's - This yoga class is for everyone! **Please join us for a Vinyasa flow class on Mondays from 4:30 - 5:30 pm.** Hope to see you soon!

Congregation Council Meeting - This group meets on **Monday, September 8, at 7:00 pm.**

Scripture and Coffee – We meet in the Conference Room on Tuesdays at 10:30 am and explore Bible passages. The readings are **Exodus 32:7-14, 1Timothy 1:12-17, Luke 15:1-10.**

Sunrise Saints and Sinners – We meet Wednesday, **September 10, at 7:00 am, at The Chalet Restaurant, 2918 S. Grand Blvd.** In this group you'll have lots of laughs, interesting discussions about everything, plus a good breakfast. All men are welcome, saints or sinners! *This group meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month.*

MISSION STATEMENT

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

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Choir practice – Adult choir practice starts back up on **Thursday, September 11, at 7:15 pm.** We'll meet in the Sanctuary, practice runs until 8:45 pm.

Meandering Group – We meet on Friday, September 12 at 10:00 am at the church, then we carpool to Kendall Yards for a walk and snack.

NEXT WEEK

Join us for an Acolyte Training on Sunday, September 14, at 12:00 noon with pizza offered. This is for youth in grades 7 – 10.

Volunteer Sunday is next week. This is an opportunity to start thinking now about how you would like to be involved. We'll have a large section for worship volunteers. **Again this year, to help emphasize where new volunteers are most needed, seasoned worship volunteers will be asked to NOT SIGN UP in the Narthex.** If you want to try something new, we'll be excited to see your name on a sign-up sheet. There will also be opportunities to sign up to participate in fellowship groups and social ministry volunteering. We'll look forward to seeing you there!