



ST. MARK'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

OUR MISSION:

TO PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL

TO MAKE DISCIPLES

TO EMBODY GOD'S LOVE

Introduction

Remember the sabbath
day.

Call the sabbath a
delight.

This is the Lord's day, and
the Lord will do for us
what the Lord does: feed
us, forgive us, help and
heal us.

Rejoice at all the
wonderful things God is
doing.

AUGUST 24, 2025

11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP 9:00AM

BIBLE STUDY & SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15AM

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 10:00AM

YOUTUBE LIVE STREAM 10:00 AM

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Exodus 20:1-17

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| 1 You shall have no other gods. | 4 Honor your father and your mother. |
| 2 You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God. | 5 You shall not murder. |
| 3 Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. | 6 You shall not commit adultery. |
| | 7 You shall not steal. |
| | 8 You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. |
| | 9 You shall not covet your neighbor's house. |
| | 10 You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. |
- Jesus** said to him:
You shall **love the Lord**
your God with all your
heart, with all your soul,
and with all your mind.
And the second is like it,
love your neighbor as
yourself. On these two
commandments hang all
the Law and Prophets.
Matthew 22:37, 39-40



Assisting in Worship Today

Preaching: Pastor Quentin Surace
Organist: Emily Schuttenberg
Acolyte: Sadie Hendren
Lay Reader: Carol Schaefer
Greeters: Dotty Isenhour, Linda Lytton

Ushers: Deb Crawford
Assisting Minister: Carol Schaefer
Crucifer: Talen Denton, Ashley Carpenter
Communion Assistants: Matthew Watkins
Council Duties: Tim Carpenter, Terry Hefner

Attendance last Sunday, August 17th was **71** (includes YouTube Live viewers).

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10:00 AM

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**Please stand as able*

P: Pastor; A: Assisting Minister; C: Congregation

GATHERING

Setting 3 ELW

GATHERING MUSIC (9:45AM)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (9:55AM)

PRELUDE AND LIGHTING OF CANDLES BY ACOLYTE

Instrumental

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin. Merciful God,

C: you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

***OPENING HYMN**

"Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven"

ELW #864

***KYRIE (Setting 3) (Pastor will sing petitions. All sing "Lord, have mercy")**

ELW p.138-139

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. C: Amen.

WORD

LESSONS

Isaiah 58:9b-14, Hebrews 12:18-29

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

"Alleluia"

ELW p.142

GOSPEL READING

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke. C: Glory to you, O Lord

Luke 13:10-17

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Quentin

SERMON

Pastor Quentin

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

"Ten Thousand Reasons"

ACS #1097/Screen

***APOSTLES' CREED**

ELW p.127

***PRAYERS BY ASSISTING MINISTER**

A: Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near. You call your church to proclaim liberation and freedom to all. Give wisdom to bishops,Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

***SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE**

MEAL

THE OFFERING

Instrumental

OFFERING PRESENTATION/RESPONSE "Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessing flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **C: Amen.**

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.	C: And also with you.
P: Lift up your hearts.	C: We lift them to the Lord.
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE FOR SUNDAY:

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (sung)

ELW p.144

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR HOLY COMMUNION : # II

ELW p.108

*THE LORD'S PRAYER P: Lord, teach us to pray . . .

DISTRIBUTION

We welcome all who believe Jesus is Lord to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. An usher will guide you to the center aisle to receive communion. You may return to your seat by the outer aisle. If you are not able to come forward, please notify an usher by raising your hand and communion will be brought to you. After communing all who wish may go to the altar for prayer. You may also come forward for a blessing.

AGNUS DEI (LAMB OF GOD)

ELW p.146

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"Come, Ye Disconsolate"

ELW #607

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION BY ASSISTING MINISTER

A: Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. **C: Amen.**

SENDING

***BLESSING** P: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ✠ bless you and give you peace. Together let us proclaim our mission:
C: To proclaim the Gospel. To make disciples. To embody God's love. Amen.

*SENDING HYMN

"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

vs. 1,2,4,6

ELW #886

***Dismissal:** P: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. **C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Instrumental

Isaiah 58:9b-14

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.") Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Luke 13:10-17

Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Church Staff

Pastor: Pastor Quentin F. Surace
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