

**St. Mark's Presbyterian Church
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost – September 28, 2025**

Orange Shirt Sunday

Responsive Call to Worship

Here God speaks to us words of challenge and comfort.

Here Jesus stands among us, calling us to acts of mercy.

Even now, the Holy Spirit is moving in our midst,

filling us with hope and inspiring us to faithfulness.

Let us worship God, ever Three and ever One.

Let us praise God's holy name together!

Hymn 378 Jesus, Jesus, Jesus in the morning

1. Jesus, Jesus,

Jesus in the morning, Jesus in the noontime;

Jesus, Jesus,

Jesus when the sun goes down!

2. Love him, love him,

Love him in the morning, love him in the noontime;

Love him, love him,

Love him when the sun goes down!

3. Serve him, serve him,

Serve him in the morning, serve him in the noontime;

Serve him, serve him,

Serve him when the sun goes down!

4. Thank him, thank him,

Thank him in the morning, thank him in the noontime;

Thank him, thank him,

Thank him when the sun goes down!

5. Praise him, praise him,

Praise him in the morning, praise him in the noontime;

Praise him, praise him,

Praise him when the sun goes down!

6. Jesus, Jesus,

Jesus in the morning, Jesus in the noontime;

Jesus, Jesus,

Jesus when the sun goes down!

Prayer of Praise (*minister*)

Hymn 690 Fight the good fight

- 1. Fight the good fight with all your might;
Christ is your strength and Christ your right;
lay hold on life, and it shall be
your joy and crown eternally.**
- 2. Run the straight race through God's good grace;
lift up your eyes and seek God's face;
the way of life before you lies;
Christ is the path and Christ the prize.**
- 3. Cast care aside; lean on your guide;
his boundless mercy will provide;
trust, and your trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life and Christ its love.**
- 4. Faint not nor fear, those arms are near,
and, changing not, still hold you dear;
hope and believe, and you shall find
Christ is your all: heart, strength and mind.**

Prayer of Confession (*congregation*)

**Compassionate God, you open your heart to those in need,
and to your aching creation. We confess we often turn away
so that we do not have to see pain, suffering, or injustice,
right before our eyes. We don't like to feel uncomfortable or
pressed into service. Forgive us, and give us courage to love
others as you love us and reach out with the care we have
witnessed in Jesus.**

- silent confession -

The Lord's Prayer (Debts/Debtors)

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from
evil.**

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory. For ever and ever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon *(minister)*

Hymn 105 I'll praise my Maker while I've breath

**1. I'll praise my Maker while I've breath,
and when my voice is lost in death,
praise shall employ my nobler powers.
My days of praise shall ne'er be past
while life and thought and being last,
or immortality endures.**

**2. Happy are those whose hopes rely
on Israel's God, who made the sky,
the earth and seas, with all their train.
This truth for ever stands secure:
God saves the oppressed, God feeds the poor,
and none shall find this promise vain.**

**3. The Lord gives eyesight to the blind;
the Lord supports the fainting mind,
and sends the troubled conscience peace.
God helps the stranger in distress,
the widow and the fatherless,
and grants the prisoner sweet release.**

**4. I'll praise you while you lend me breath,
and, when my voice is lost in death,
praise shall employ my nobler powers.
My days of praise shall ne'er be past,
while life and thought and being last,
or immortality endures.**

Responsive Reading Psalm 91:1-6 p. 541 NT & Psalms

¹Those who live in the shelter of the Most High
will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

²This I declare about the Lord:

**He alone is my refuge, my place of safety;
he is my God, and I trust him.**

³For he will rescue you from every trap
and protect you from deadly disease.

⁴He will cover you with his feathers.

He will shelter you with his wings.

His faithful promises are your armor and protection.

⁵Do not be afraid of the terrors of the night,
nor the arrow that flies in the day.

**⁶Do not dread the disease that stalks in darkness,
nor the disaster that strikes at midday.**

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Scripture Lessons

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 p. 645 pew Bible

1 Timothy 6:6-19 p. 365 NT & Psalms

Luke 16:19-31 p. 138 NT & Psalms

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon Treaty people

Prayers of the People (*minister*)

Prayer of Dedication (*congregation*)

Loving God, we bring you our gifts, grateful that we have something to share, and glad to be part of a network of mission and mercy which circles the earth. Use our gifts to multiply their impact in the world you love through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 662 Those who wait upon the Lord

**1. Those who wait on the Lord
shall renew their strength;
they shall rise upon wings as eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint:
help us, Lord; help us, Lord, in your way.**

**2. Those who serve the suffering world
shall renew their strength;
they shall rise upon wings as eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint:
help us, Lord; help us, Lord, in your way.**

**3. Those who live the risen life
shall renew their strength;**

**they shall rise upon wings as eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint:
help us, Lord; help us, Lord, in your way.**

**4. Those who love the Mystery
shall renew their strength;
they shall rise upon wings as eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint:
help us, Lord; help us, Lord, in your way.**

**5. Those who die on the march
shall renew their strength;
they shall rise upon wings as eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint:
help us, Lord; help us, Lord, in your way.**

**6. Those who wait on the Lord
shall renew their strength;
they shall rise upon wings as eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint:
help us, Lord; help us, Lord, in your way.**

Choral Blessing

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will be with you each hour of every day.
God will be there, watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.**

Benediction

Three-fold Amen

Piano Postlude