THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 8 & 9, 2024

Hymn

I Love Your Kingdom, Lord

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- I love Your kingdom, Lord, The place of Your abode, The Church our blest Redeemer saved With His own precious blood.
- 2 Beyond my highest joy
 I prize its heav'nly ways,
 Its sweet communion, solemn vows,
 Its hymns of love and praise.
- 3 I love Your Church, O God, Your saints in ev'ry land,

Dear as the apple of Your eye And graven on Your hand.

- 4 For them my tears shall fall;
 For them my prayers ascend;
 For them my cares and toils be giv'n Till toils and cares shall end.
- 5 Sure as Your truth shall last, To Zion shall be giv'n The brightest glories earth can yield And brighter bliss of heav'n.

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Opening Versicles

- L This is the day which the Lord has made;
- **C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- **L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- **C** I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- **L** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- **C** Teach me Your paths.
- **L** Sanctify us in Your truth.
- **C** Your Word is truth.
- **L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- **C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Sit

Readings From Holy Scripture

Reading

Genesis 3:8–15

L A reading from Genesis, the third chapter.

⁸They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." ¹¹He said,

"Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field;
on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.
¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring;
he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

Reading

2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1

¹³Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

¹For we know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Reading

Mark 3:20–35

²⁰Then [Jesus] went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, "He is out of his mind."

²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "by the prince of demons he casts out the demons." ²³And he called them to him and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house.

²⁸"Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— ³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

³¹And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. ³²And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you." ³³And he answered them, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother."

Responsory

- **L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- **C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- **L** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- **C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- **L** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Stand Ten Commandments

You shall have no other gods.
You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ⅓ everlasting. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

Jerusalem, My Happy Home

Sit Hymn

- Jerusalem, my happy home, When shall I come to thee?
 When shall my sorrows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
- 2 O happy harbor of the saints, O sweet and pleasant soil!
 In thee no sorrow may be found, No grief, no care, no toil.
- Thy gardens and thy gallant walks Continually are green;
 There grow such sweet and pleasant flow'rs As nowhere else are seen.
- 4 There trees forevermore bear fruit And evermore do spring; There evermore the angels dwell And evermore do sing.
- 5 Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there Around my Savior stand;
 And soon my friends in Christ below Will join the glorious band.
- 6 O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare For that bright home of love That I may see Thee and adore With all Thy saints above.

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Sermon

Hymn		Lead Me, Guide Me	LSB 721
	Refrain	Lead me, guide me, along the way; For if You lead me, I cannot stray. Lord, let me walk each day with Thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.	
	1	I am weak and I need Thy strength and pow'r To help me over my weakest hour. Help me through the darkness Thy face to see. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. Refrain	
	2	Help me tread in the paths of righteousness, Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress. I am putting all my trust in Thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. Refrain	
	3	I am lost if You take Your hand from me, I am blind without Thy light to see. Lord, always let me Thy servant be. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. Refrain	
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Offering

While we worship the Lord with our offerings, please write your names in the fellowship registers, indicating the date and time of the service you are attending. To help us serve you more effectively, please use the blanks provided to indicate a change in mailing address, phone numbers (home, work, cell, fax) or e-mail address(es). Please tear out the sheets with names on them and let them stick out of the top of the folder so that the ushers can collect them. Thank you!

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Stand **Prayer**

- **L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For ... *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* ... let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

- L Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen.

Collect for the Word

- **L** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen.

Saturday Luther's Evening Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

Sunday Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

New Testament Canticle 🎜

C Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed. Raised from the dead, He will never die again. Death has no more dominion over Him.

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Dying, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Living, He lives to God. Count yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Blessing

- **L** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- **⊥** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- **C** Amen.

Hymn

Abide, O Dearest Jesus

- Abide, O dearest Jesus, Among us with Your grace That Satan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.
- 2 Abide, O dear Redeemer, Among us with Your Word, And thus now and hereafter True peace and joy afford.
- Abide with heav'nly brightness Among us, precious Light;
 Your truth direct and keep us From error's gloomy night.

- 4 Abide with richest blessings Among us, bounteous Lord; Let us in grace and wisdom Grow daily through Your Word.
- 5 Abide with Your protection Among us, Lord, our strength, Lest world and Satan fell us And overcome at length.
- 6 Abide, O faithful Savior, Among us with Your love; Grant steadfastness and help us To reach our home above.

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Mission Prayer

For more mission prayers, visit: www.lcms.org/worship/pray-for-us-calendar

Remember God's work in the Dominican Republic as you pray:

- with thanksgiving for all the faithful and generous people who have prayed or given of their time or treasures to make the seminary and mercy center a reality.
- for Lutheran congregations in Latin America, that they would be prepared to care for and support their pastors physically, mentally and spiritually.

Bible Readings

From Lutheran Service Book Daily Lectionary, pp. 299-304

Sunday, June 9	Proverbs 8:1-21; John 12:36b-50
Monday, June 10	
Tuesday, June 11	
Wednesday, June 12	
Thursday, June 13	Proverbs 13:1-25; John 14:18-31
Friday, June 14	
Saturday, June 15	

Worship Service Schedule

Saturday @ 6:00 p.m. & Sunday @ 9:00 a.m. Sunday Bible Class @ 9:50 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study—@ 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall Handicapped Accessible Service—June 13, 10 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Class Canceled on June 12th

Mark Your Calendars St. Mark's Lutheran Church 150th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, June 29, 6:00 p.m. & Sunday, June 30, 9:00 a.m. Rev. Ron Bogs, Guest Preacher



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The 5th Grade Class of this past school year, and their parents are invited to walk along with the St Mark's Church and School Float at the Steeleville 4th of July parade.

St. Mark's School Office Hours: The school office will be open to the public 8:00 a.m.— 12:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday. If you have any questions, you can call the office during those hours at 618-965-3838.

Summer Camp starts June 3rd and continues through June 28th on Monday's – Friday's. This is for grades PreK3 – 5th Grade. Summer Camp is open to all area students. Summer Camps are from 9am-1pm, lunch included, \$15 a day. If you need a full day the times are 8am (the earliest) - 4pm (the latest) lunch & a snack included, \$20 a day.

June 10-14 Imagine Station Week June 17-21 Clowning Around (World of Whacky) June 24-28 Fun in the Sun

Donations Needed

- <u>For Summer Camps</u> beginning June 3: individual chips, fruit cups, small water bottles, snacks (granola, fruit snacks, cookies individually wrapped), or any other individually wrapped food would be appreciated. Donations can be brought to the school and left in the cafeteria during regular office hours. If anyone has a Thrivent card we could use for one of the camps please let Pastor know.
- <u>For Sack Lunch Wednesdays</u>—We are asking for donations of Capri Suns. These can be brought to the church office during regular office hours.

Picnic at the Park

Our first week of meals was a huge success, we served 102 kids and adults. Our next meals are:

Wed., June 12-Pizza

Wed., June 19—Walking Tacos

Wed., June 26-Hamburgers & Chips

All lunches are free and available for kids 18 and under and their accompanying adults. We will serve the lunches in Steeleville City Park across from St. Mark's Church. Bring a blanket or lawn chairs and enjoy a picnic in the park.

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MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, through worship, education, outreach, fellowship, and service.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturdays @ 6:00 p.m. Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. Accessible Service @ 10:00 a.m. on 2nd Thursdays

HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion is celebrated the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month at the 9:00 a.m. service and at the 6:00 p.m. Saturday evening service.

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We believe and confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church is faithful and true to the Bible and we strive for a balanced Law/Gospel practice of same.