

Connecting Our Community to Christ
 St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church
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We are glad you are here today and hope you have found a warm welcome. If you are our guest, please fill out a connection card; we would like to thank you for joining us and would appreciate feedback on your experience at St. Mark. The tall laminated card in the pew rack offers an explanation of our liturgy (order of worship).

Thank you for Giving! One-time or recurring donations may be made securely online by scanning the QR code. For a check or cash offering, please request an envelope from an usher.



Yellow prayer request cards: place in the offering plate or give to an usher.

Communion practice: Our Lord Jesus invites to His table baptized believers who repent of their sin, recognize His presence in the bread and wine as His body and blood, and trust His promise to forgive their sins and strengthen them in the faith. If you have any questions about Holy Communion, feel free to speak to the Elder before worship.

Sunday Livestream: <https://stmarkmendon.com> or scan QR code.



Serving in God's House		
	Today	October 20
Guest Pastor	Pastor Hering	Pastor Hering
Elder	Ted Veit	Chuck Bannister
Ushers	John & Peter Lehning	Guenther & Margaret Heiss
Greeter	Georgette Peterson	Kristen Waterstram-Rich
Altar Care	Barb Done	Marlene Hampson
Mowing Team	October 19 Guenther Heiss & Chuck Bannister	October 26 John Lehning
Office Help	October 18 Barb Mitchell	October 25 Kristen Waterstram-Rich

Christ Jesus Is the One and Only Good by Whom You Inherit Eternal Life

The Lord is the Author and Giver of life, as well as a consuming fire of judgment against all "who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate" (Amos 5:12). "Seek the LORD and live," therefore, by hating what is evil, loving what is good and doing what is just and right, according to His Word. "And so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you" (Amos 5:6, 14-15). Understand that "no one is good except God alone" (Mark 10:18). The life that you are called to live is found neither in your "great possessions," nor in your good works, but only in Christ Jesus. Let go of "all that you have" and follow Him, even unto death, and "you will have treasure in heaven" (Mark 10:21-22). Do not harden your heart against His voice, nor turn away from Him, lest you "fall away from the living God." Rather, hear and heed His call, cling to His Word and "exhort one another every day," that you may remain steadfast in Christ and "firm to the end" (Heb. 3:12-15).

In Our Prayers

Our Church: as St. Mark searches for a new pastor

Those with Health Concerns: Len Fiaschetti; Julie Hahn (Sue Henry's daughter); Craig (grandson of Ruth and Jim Meyers); Kathie Monnat; Julie Schulman (Wendie's sister)

Those with Cancer: Monica Smith; Ralph (Ilsa's nephew); Donna Smith (Sue Henry's friend); Tim Poppenberg (Dan's brother); Paula Kuempel (Georgette's friend); Nancy Dunton (Kay's daughter)

Members and Friends in Care: Ron Coyle, Norma Helm, June Mihalov

Altar Flowers Today

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 * Given to the glory of God, in loving memory of my grandparents,
 * by Monica Smith.
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Coming Up This Week	Attendance & Giving	Celebrations
Mon, 10/14 Columbus Day Thurs, 10/17 9am CBS 7pm Choir Practice	Sunday, 10/6 73 Giving \$2,458 Weekly Budget \$1,988 YTD Giving \$76,773 Vacancy Budget \$79,520	Birthdays Barb Dingle 10/15 Pat Smith 10/15 Hank Lehning 10/15 Sandy Rizzo 10/16

Twenty-First Sunday
 after Pentecost
 Divine Service II
 Order of Worship
 October 13, 2024

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About the Cover

The members of the Body of Christ are called to daily build up one another in the Word of the Lord. The “deceitfulness of sin” would seek to lead us to a hardened denial of our need for forgiveness. Even through correction and reproof, the Lord uses the Christian Church to lead us to the truth of Christ’s forgiveness. He is “the way, and the truth, and the life” (John 14:6).

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Old Testament Reading:

Amos 5:6–7, 10–15

⁶ Seek the LORD and live,
lest he break out like fire in the
house of Joseph,
and it devour, with none to
quench it for Bethel,
⁷ O you who turn justice to worm-
wood
and cast down righteousness to
the earth! . . .

¹⁰ They hate him who reproves in
the gate,
and they abhor him who speaks
the truth.

¹¹ Therefore because you trample on
the poor
and you exact taxes of grain
from him,
you have built houses of hewn
stone,
but you shall not dwell in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their
wine.

¹² For I know how many are your
transgressions
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who
take a bribe,
and turn aside the needy in
the gate.

¹³ Therefore he who is prudent will
keep silent in such a time,
for it is an evil time.

¹⁴ Seek good, and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be with you,
as you have said.

¹⁵ Hate evil, and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God
of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant
of Joseph.

Epistle: Hebrews 3:12–19

¹²Take care, brothers, lest there be in
any of you an evil, unbelieving heart,
leading you to fall away from the living
God. ¹³But exhort one another every
day, as long as it is called “today,” that
none of you may be hardened by the
deceitfulness of sin. ¹⁴For we share in
Christ, if indeed we hold our original
confidence firm to the end. ¹⁵As it is
said,

“Today, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts as in
the rebellion.”

¹⁶For who were those who heard and
yet rebelled? Was it not all those who
left Egypt led by Moses? ¹⁷And with
whom was he provoked for forty years?
Was it not with those who sinned,
whose bodies fell in the wilderness?
¹⁸And to whom did he swear that they
would not enter his rest, but to those
who were disobedient? ¹⁹So we see that
they were unable to enter because of
unbelief.

Holy Gospel: Mark 10:17–22

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on his
journey, a man ran up and knelt before
him and asked him, “Good Teacher,
what must I do to inherit eternal
life?” ¹⁸And Jesus said to him, “Why
do you call me good? No one is good
except God alone. ¹⁹You know the
commandments: ‘Do not murder, Do
not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do
not bear false witness, Do not defraud,
Honor your father and mother.’” ²⁰And
he said to him, “Teacher, all these I
have kept from my youth.” ²¹And Jesus,
looking at him, loved him, and said to
him, “You lack one thing: go, sell all
that you have and give to the poor, and
you will have treasure in heaven; and
come, follow me.” ²²Disheartened by
the saying, he went away sorrowful, for
he had great possessions.



**But exhort one another every day,
as long as it is called “today,”
that none of you may be hardened
by the deceitfulness of sin**

Hebrews 3:13