

St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church
3rd Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion
June 9, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.



A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are Jesus' family. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.



GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY *God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven*

See the text and tune at ELW 564.

setting, John Turner

The assembly stands at the sound of the courtyard bell and faces the baptismal font.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

☞ Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.

Amen.

☞ Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

☞ God, our provider,
help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding
rather than trusting in you.**

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

**Share with us the words of eternal life
and feed us for life in the world.**

Amen.

☞ Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, ✝ the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:

you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.



1 Now we join in cel - e - bra - tion at our Sav - ior's in - vi - ta - tion,
 2 Lord, as round this feast we gath - er, fill our hearts with ho - ly rap - ture!
 3 Lord, we share in this com - mu - nion as one fam - 'ly of God's chil - dren,

dressed no more in spir - it som - ber, clothed in - stead in joy and won - der;
 For this bread and cup of bless - ing are for us the sure pos - sess - ing
 rec - on - ciled through you, our broth - er, one in you with God our Fa - ther.

for the Lord of all ex - is - tence, put - ting off di - vine tran - scen - dence,
 of your lov - ing deed on Cal - v'ry, of your liv - ing self, our vic - t'ry,
 Give us grace to live for oth - ers, serv - ing all, both friends and strang - ers,

stoops a - gain in love to meet us, with his ver - y life to feed us.
 pledge of your un - fail - ing pres - ence, fore - taste here of heav'n - ly glad - ness.
 seek - ing jus - tice, love, and mer - cy till you come in fi - nal glo - ry.

GREETING

☐ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace to earth be
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, cre - a - tion's
3 To you a - lone, O God, we cry, the Ho - ly One we



giv - en! Let an - gels sing, let all re - ply; good -
au - thor, O Lamb of God, your death a - lone takes
name you; for you a - lone are God most high, one



will breaks forth from heav - en! Lord God Al - might - y,
sin a - way for - ev - er. Stretch out your arms to
liv - ing God we claim you: we wor - ship you, Lord



heav - en's king, we wor - ship you, our thanks we sing, we
ev - 'ry land, and, as you reign at God's right hand, re -
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it ev - er blest, in



praise you for your glo - ry.
ceive our prayer; have mer - cy.
God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. A - men.

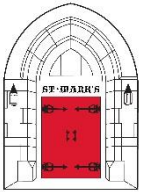
PRAYER OF THE DAY

☞ Let us pray.

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.



WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading and song.

CHILDREN'S TIME

FIRST READING: Genesis 3:8-15

Immediately after Adam and Eve eat the forbidden fruit, they hide from God. Neither takes responsibility for their sin, instead blaming each other, the snake, and even God. The curse on the snake was understood as a messianic prophecy by the early church, who associated Eve's "offspring" with Christ.

☞ A reading from Genesis.

⁸[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, 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?" ¹⁰He 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 from 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 from 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 tricked me, and I ate."

(continued)

¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent,
 “Because you have done this,
 cursed are you among all animals
 and among all wild creatures;
 upon 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 hers;
 he will strike your head,
 and you will strike his heel.”

The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 130

The choir sings the refrain and it is repeated by the assembly. The assembly sings the refrain and the stanzas in bold font.

Refrain

Wait for the Lord,
 for with the Lord, there is steadfast love.
 Wait for the Lord, for with the Lord, there is steadfast love.

Tone

¹Out of the depths
 I cry to you, O LORD;
²O LORD, hear my voice!
 Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

³**If you were to keep watch | over sins,
O LORD, | who could stand?**
⁴**Yet with you | is forgiveness,
in order that you | may be feared. R**

⁵I wait for you, O LORD . . . | my soul waits;
in your word | is my hope.

⁶My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch | for the morning,
more than those who keep watch | for the morning.

⁷**O Israel, wait for the LORD. . . for with the LORD there is | steadfast love;
with the LORD there is plen- | teous redemption.**

⁸**For the LORD shall | redeem Israel
from | all their sins. R**

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Life in the present is transitory and cannot compare with the eternal home God has prepared for us. So we do not despair no matter what life might bring because we know that as God raised Jesus from the dead, God promises to bring us into eternal life.

📖 A reading from Second Corinthians.

¹³Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—“I believed, and so I spoke”—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

^{5:1}For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35

In response to charges that he is possessed, Jesus wonders aloud how anyone who is demon-possessed can cast out demons. Those who do the will of God are possessed by the Holy Spirit, siblings of Christ.

☐ The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

☐ [Jesus went home;] ²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” ²³And he called them to him, and spoke 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 his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

²⁸“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”—³⁰for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

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

☐ The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

Pastor Daniel Locke

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

The assembly stands.

HYMN OF THE DAY *Creating God, Your Fingers Trace*

ELW 684



1 Cre - at - ing God, your fin - gers trace the bold de -
 2 Sus - tain - ing God, your hands up - hold earth's mys - t'ries
 3 Re - deem - ing God, your arms em - brace all now de -
 4 In - dwell - ing God, your gos - pel claims one fam - 'ly



signs of far - thest space; let sun and moon and stars and
 known or yet un - told; let wa - ter's frag - ile blend with
 spised for creed or race; let peace, de - scend - ing like a
 with a bil - lion names; let ev - 'ry life be touched by



light and what lies hid - den praise your might.
 air, en - a - bling life, pro - claim your care.
 dove, make known on earth your heal - ing love.
 grace un - til we praise you face to face.

Text: Jeffery Rowthorn, b. 1934

Music: PROSPECT, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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CREED

A Together with all who have been touched by God's grace, let us say what we believe:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

The assembly kneels or is seated.

A You reawaken our hearts to your mercy. We give you thanks for renewers of the church in every age, especially Columba, Aiden, and Bede whom we commemorate today. Enliven the creativity and persistence of all seeking to transform the church into a closer vision of your beloved community. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

A Your presence is revealed in the shade of trees, the growth of seeds into flowers, and in the blessing of plants granting food in their right season. Heal lands scarred by deforestation, pollution, or infestation. Teach us to cultivate the earth with respect and reverence. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Ⓐ Our nations and communities are divided, O God. Teach us again to listen with curiosity and mercy, even in disagreement. Grant us the humility to acknowledge our hardness of heart and make us bold in modeling cooperation for the sake of the common good. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Ⓐ Hear the prayers of all who cry out to you from the depths of fear, despair, or hopelessness especially. . . and those we name aloud or in our hearts. <<pause>>. With haste, rescue victims of trafficking, exploitation, and abuse, and bless organizations and individuals who work on their behalf. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Ⓐ Grant wisdom and clarity to all who are in seasons of discernment and transition: high school graduates preparing for first jobs or new educational journeys, those who are shifting careers, and those who are navigating changes in their relationships. Accompany them with your peace. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Ⓐ Praise to you for our ancestors in faith who believed, spoke, and lived in you. Give us confidence that as Jesus was raised, so we too will be raised, with all the saints, into your everlasting presence. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

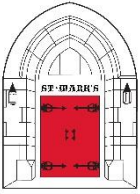
Ⓟ Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

Ⓟ The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words. Please be mindful of those who are practicing social distancing. The assembly is seated.



MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

If you would like to make an offering electronically, please see the QR code on the last page of this bulletin.

MUSICAL OFFERING *I Lift My Eyes Up to the Hills*

Thomas Keesecker

I lift my eyes up to the hills; where will my help come from? My help comes from the creator of heaven and earth. God will not let you stumble, Your protector will always be near. The God of Israel will not fall asleep. God will keep you from all harm; You will rest in God's shade. God will protect you, keep you safe, both night and day. God will keep you from evil, God will watch over you all your life. The Lord will watch over you wherever you go, Both now and forevermore.

Psalm 121, adapt. Thomas Keesecker

The assembly stands.



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all
 crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye
 heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

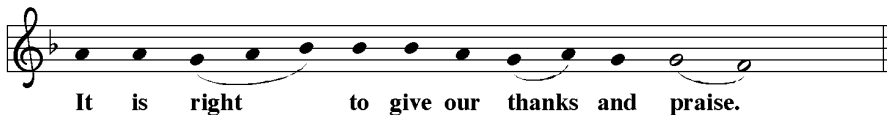
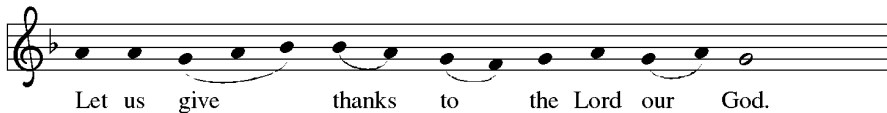
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Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

OFFERING PRAYER

A Jesus, Bread of life,
 you have set this table with your very self,
 and called us to the feast of plenty.
 Gather what has been sown among us,
 and strengthen us in this meal.
 Make us to be what we receive here,
 your body for the life of the world.
Amen.

DIALOGUE



PREFACE



It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,

al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resur - rec - tion

opened to us the way of ev - er - last - ing life.

And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,

we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

☐ Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal:
you we praise and glorify, you we worship and adore.

You formed the earth from chaos;
you encircled the globe with air;
you created fire for warmth and light;
you nourish the lands with water.
You molded us in your image,
and with mercy higher than the mountains,
with grace deeper than the seas,
you blessed the Israelites and cherished them as your own.

That also we, estranged and dying,
might be adopted to live in your Spirit,
you called to us through the life and death of Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Together as the body of Christ,
 we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

☞ With this bread and cup we remember your Son,
 the first-born of your new creation.
 We remember his life lived for others,
 and his death and resurrection, which renews the face of the earth.
 We await his coming,
 when, with the world made perfect through your wisdom,
 all our sins and sorrows will be no more.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

☞ Holy God, holy and merciful one, holy and compassionate,
 send upon us and this meal your Holy Spirit,
 whose breath revives us for life,
 whose fire rouses us to love.
 Enfold in your arms all who share this holy food.
 Nurture in us the fruits of the Spirit,
 that we may be a living tree, sharing your bounty with all the world.
Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

☩ Holy and benevolent God,
 receive our praise and petitions,
 as Jesus received the cry of the needy,
 and fill us with your blessing,
 until, needy no longer and bound to you in love,
 we feast forever in the triumph of the Lamb:
 through whom all glory and honor is yours, O God, O Living One,
 with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, now and forever.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

☩ Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

The assembly is seated.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

☩ The risen Christ is made known to us
 in the breaking of the bread.
 Come and eat at God's table.

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say
 The body of Christ, given for you.
 The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond
 Amen.

1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
 3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; my
 4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the

sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
 sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the

taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
 help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
 bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.

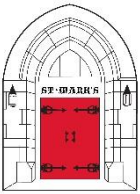
Refrain

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.
 It is well with my soul,

The assembly stands at the direction of the assisting minister.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray.
Amen.



SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

SENDING OF COMMUNION (*When communion ministers are present.*)

P Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are *sick, homebound, and imprisoned*. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

P The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

ELW 505

1 A might-ty for-tress is our God, a bul-wark nev-er
 2 If we in our own strength con-fide, our striv-ing turns to
 3 Though all the world with dev-ils fill and threat-en to de-
 4 God's Word shall stand a-bove the pow'rs, shall end all their thanks-

fail-ing; our help-er frees us from the flood of
 los-ing; the righ-teous one fights by our side, the
 your us, we trem-ble not, we trust God's will: they
 giv-ing. The Spir-it and the gifts are ours, for

mor-tal ills pre-vail-ing. For still our an-cient foe,
 one of God's own choos-ing. You ask who this may be;
 can-not o-ver-pow'r us. Though Sa-tan rant and rage,
 God with us is liv-ing. Let goods and kin-dred go,

for-sworn to work us woe, with guile and dread-ful might
 Christ Je-sus, it is he, the Lord of hosts by name.
 in fierc-est war en-gage, this ty-rant's doomed to fail;
 this mor-tal life al-so; though all of these be gone,

is armed to wage the fight: on earth there is no e-qual.
 No oth-er God we claim! None else can win the batt-le.
 God's judg-ment must pre-vail! One lit-tle word shall tri-umph.
 they yet have noth-ing won. The king-dom's our for-ev-er!

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Fughetta on “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”*

Michael D. Costello

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UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

Columba, died 597; Aidan, died 651; Bede, died 735; renewers of the church Sunday, June 9, 2024

These three monks from the British Isles helped keep the light of learning alive during the Middle Ages. Columba founded three monasteries off the coast of Scotland. Aidan was a pastor who led people to works of charity. The Venerable Bede was a Bible translator, historian, and hymnwriter.

Barnabas, Apostle Tuesday, June 11, 2024

Barnabas was not numbered among the twelve apostles, but the book of Acts gives him that title. After Paul was converted to Christianity, Barnabas welcomed him to Jerusalem, and later the two traveled together on missionary journeys.

Basil the Great, Bishop of Caesarea, died 379; Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, died around 385; Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishop of Constantinople, died around 389; Macrina, teacher, died around 379 Friday, June 14, 2024

The Cappadocian fathers, as the three men in this group are known, explored the mystery of the Holy Trinity. Basil's monastic rule forms the basis for Eastern monastic life. Gregory of Nazianzus defended orthodox Christianity in Constantinople. Gregory of Nyssa, Basil's younger brother, wrote on the spiritual life. Macrina, older sister of Basil and Gregory of Nyssa, was the leader of a community dedicated to asceticism, meditation, and prayer.



GOSPEL MESSAGE

June 9, 2024

LECTIONARY 10

No Room for Compromise

Some things seem more trouble than they're worth. People who fish with monofilament line may find that when it kinks, and tangles it isn't worth the effort to pull apart the knots. Likewise for knitters whose balls of yarn unravel into a snarl on the floor. Or when packages of puff pastry can be had from the grocer's freezer case, a baker may well find making it from scratch more bother than benefit and opt for ready-made. Those banking on Jesus' admonition to forgive seventy times seven may find it impossible to make peace with his uncompromising warning that "whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness." Like a foreign-language crossword puzzle, it might seem unsolvable.



Some might find relief in joining the people gathered around Jesus' home who concluded that it would be best to ignore him: "He has gone out of his mind." Others, like his family, stay on the edge of conflict and attempt to restrain him—"Hush, you're making a scene." Tensions are high, not only out among the crowds, not merely *close* to home, but in the *center* of home, the very heart of community and family. The air sizzles with discord. It must have been like the many broken bonds and hollowed-out relationships familiar to us today, at a time roiling with division. Pursuing hope and finding healing might seem not worth the effort.

To that temptation Jesus delivers a scorching, confounding warning: by ascribing his actions to the evil one, rejecting good as though it were demonic, judging the spirit of God's love to be wicked—all of this is to choose *against* forgiveness and mercy. Without recognizing the urgency of love behind Jesus' warning, we may think his words a contradiction to Jesus' commitment to forgiveness. In fact, he uncompromisingly claims that the way of forgiveness belongs to the kingdom of God. Period!

Welcome to St. Mark's

We are happy that you are here today, whether it is your first visit as our guest or as a long-time member. Children are welcome in worship! You are welcome to sit near the front where your children can see all of the activity and more fully participate. We also have bulletins made especially for children.

Holy Communion

All who come seeking Jesus are welcome to the Lord's table. Instructions are included at the appropriate time in the service.

Worship

"ELW" refers to "Evangelical Lutheran Worship" – the red hymnal in the pew racks. The assembly reads the parts of the liturgy in bold font. "ACS" refers to "All Creation Sings" a new comprehensive song and prayer collection to supplement "Evangelical Lutheran Worship."

Worship folder key: P=Pastor, L=Lector/Lay Reader, A=Assisting Minister
The assembly says the words in bold font.

Inclusive and Expansive Language: Copyright laws prohibit us from printing any language in our hymns and liturgies other than what is in the original manuscript. Should you find that the words used for God, or for humans, are restrictive and hinder your worship, you are welcome to say/sing other appropriate words which you find more inclusive or expansive.

Singing the Psalms

A psalm tone is divided into two parts: the reciting tone and the three-note melodic ending (called a terminus). The first part of the text is sung on the reciting tone. A syllable (or syllables) enclosed in a bracket is sung on the first note of the terminus. Breaths are taken at semi-colons and wherever an ellipsis (. . .) is shown.

Our Facility

Restrooms are located in the gym. Signs point the way, but feel free to ask an usher for assistance.

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