



St. Mark's
LUTHERAN CHURCH

The 15th Sunday after Pentecost

September 21, 2025



*Growing together in faith to abundantly
nourish our community*

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In Worship Today...

Faithful in Little, Faithful in Much

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering Song: **Come, Now is the Time to Worship** *Projected*

Confession & Forgiveness | **Kyrie** *Projected*

Prayer of the Day

Children's Message

Amos 8:4-7 *Pew Bible p.749* | 1 Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19 *Pew Bible p.965*

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia** *Projected* | Luke 16:1-17 *Pew Bible p.851*

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: **There's a Wideness in God's Mercy** *ELW 588*

Apostle's Creed | Prayers of Intercession

Sharing of the Peace | Offering: **Come, Thou Almighty King** *Handbells*

Offertory Response: **The Doxology** *Projected* | Offertory Prayer

Communion Liturgy with **Great Thanksgiving & Holy, Holy, Holy** *Projected*

Distribution: **Lamb of God; The Goodness of Jesus, Way Maker** *All Projected*

Table Blessing | Prayer after Communion | Benediction

Sending Hymn: **Let Streams of Living Justice** *Projected*

Dismissal | Postlude: Trumpet Tune; Christopher Tamblin

Worship Assistants

Assisting Minister: Lara Sieja | Lector: David Provancha | Acolyte: Ben Sieja

Communion Assistants: Ben Sieja & Tabitha Rinyu

Greeter: Julie Starkweather | Ushers: Madeline Wirtz & Rudy Will

Tech Volunteer: Crystal Peden | Coffee Host: Les Billman

St. Mark's Celebrates Open Communion

which means none are turned away from Christ's table. We believe Christ is fully present in the bread and wine, and no less present in our gluten-free and alcohol-free options. If you wish instead to receive a blessing, you may signify this by crossing your arms over your chest.

We Welcome the Joy, Laughter, Sights, and Sounds of Children in Worship!

There are children's activity bulletins and worship activity bags available - just ask our ushers. If a moment out of the sanctuary is needed, a toy-filled nursery and changing table are available too, however, we ask that an adult family member stay present at all times.

Altar Flowers

The flower arrangements on our Communion Table today are given in Loving Memory of Gracie Niemeyer.

By the Numbers: Sunday, September 14, 2025

Attendance:

In Person Worship: 141 | Online Views: 48 | Sunday Learning: 81

General Offerings Last Week

Last Week: \$12,970 | YTD: \$482,695 | 2025 Budget: \$787,899

For your convenience, online giving can be accessed through this QR Code:



This Week We are Praying for...

The plight of all migrants who seek safety, security, and opportunity; and those who live under oppression, threat, and fear | All victims of gun violence, especially in Minneapolis, MN — may we find the change we so desperately need to end the ongoing senselessness and disregard of human lives | The St. Mark's Free Food Pantry Ministry as we share food amongst our community | Those named by our Prayer Ministry, especially Ed, Susan, Luca, Jessie, Myra, Hugo, Carrie, Patti, Charlene, Linda, Suzy, Frank, Jim, and Peg.

Prayer Requests

A Prayer Ministry email with joys, concerns, and sorrows is sent weekly on Wednesday. Email prayer@stmarkshsv.org if you have any prayers to lift up or would like to receive this email. You may also write your prayer requests on a pew pad and place them in the offering plate.

Welcome Visitors- We're so glad you're here with us!

Our greeters and ushers are ready to help answer any questions before or during worship in the hallway and gathering space outside the sanctuary. Restrooms and the nursery are past the gathering space out the North doors of the sanctuary. If you would like to stay in touch with St. Mark's, please write down your contact information on the pew pad and put it in the offering plate or fill out our online visitor form using this QR code also available in our St. Mark's welcome bag!



Ready to Get Online?

Wi-Fi is available using the SMLC Guest network with password: GrowingTogether

Coffee Hosts

We are in need of coffee hosts! If you would be interested in helping us make coffee on a Sunday morning for fellowship before Sunday Learning, please reach out to Karen Cunningham for more information! karencunningham@stmarkshsv.org

Searching for a Nursery Helper

We are so blessed to have many kids in worship! We see them at the children's message and hear their sweet voices during the service. As a result, our nursery is often full of kids and their adults! In trying to be super hospitable, Board of Worship is exploring ideas for designated caregiving on Sundays: primarily looking for a volunteer who would be willing to take care of the nursery – coordinating cleaning days, organizing toys, etc. If you have any ideas or would like to volunteer, please contact the BOW chairperson, Sue Volz. suevolz@stmarkshsv.org

Let's Make Music!

Come one! Come All! Calling all music makers– whether you are interested in choir, handbells, the praise team, sharing a piano/vocal/instrumental solo, or accompany worship; we want you to come make music at St. Mark's! Contact Patrick to get involved.

WELCA Trip on September 27

All women of the church are invited to join St. Mark's WELCA on a field trip to the Wichahpi Commemorative Stone Wall in Florence, AL on Saturday, September 27. We will meet at St. Mark's at 9am to carpool and plan to stop for lunch at a local restaurant. Sign up in Communication Central.

Thrivent Action Team Cards

Are you a Thrivent member? If you are, consider sponsoring an action team for St. Mark's. Every member is eligible to sponsor and receive up to \$500 to help the charity of their choosing. If you would like help getting started, please talk to Craig Satterfeal or Tim Sieja.

What's Next? - Sign Up in Communication Central

Check out the sign up board for info on upcoming events. Something new and exciting is always on the horizon! Supper Club, Faith & Fiction, WELCA, and more!

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