

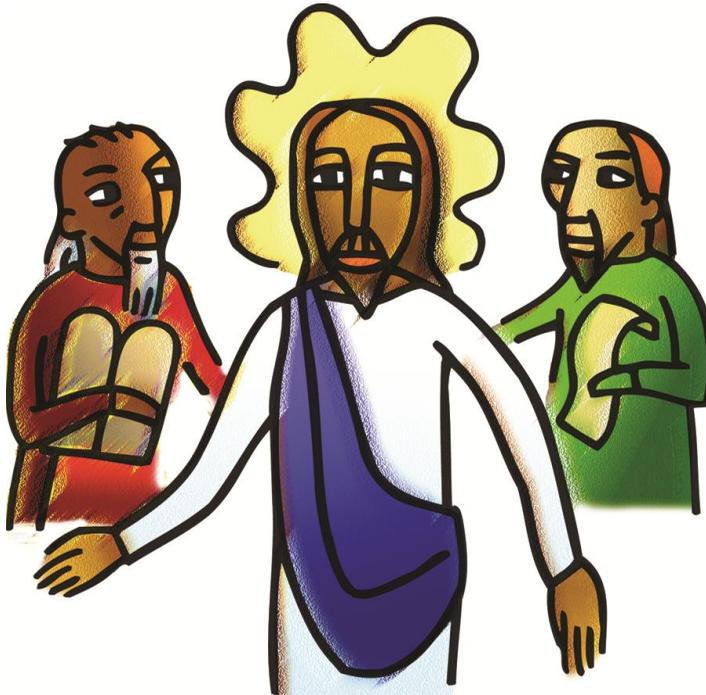


St. Mark's
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Celebrating 75 Years

Transfiguration Sunday

February 15, 2026



*Growing together in faith to abundantly
nourish our community*

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In Worship Today...

Jesus the Messiah

Prelude: I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light arr. Wayne Wold

Welcome & Announcements | Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn: **Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain**

Confession & Forgiveness | **This is the Feast**

Prayer of the Day

Children's Message

Exodus 24:12-18 | 2 Peter 1:16-21

Gospel Acclamation with Alleluia | Matthew 17:1-9

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: **We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding**

Liturgy of Blessing for 75 Hours of Prayer | Prayers of Intercession

Sharing of the Peace | Offering: **Christ Be Magnified**

Offertory Response: **Jesus, the Light of the World** | Offertory Prayer

Communion Liturgy with **Holy, Holy, Holy**

Distribution: **Agnus Dei** | **Worthy of Your Name**

Table Blessing | Prayer after Communion | Affirmation of Christian Vocation

Sending Song: **Firm Foundation**

Dismissal | Postlude

Worship Assistants

Assisting Minister: Madeline Wirtz | Lector: Rob Caple | Acolyte: Jake Carter

Communion Assistants: Jake Carter & Katie Roome

Greeter: Leah Gradl | Ushers: Norwood Cutter & Karen Cunningham | AV Tech: Kim Caple

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 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 flowers on our communion table today are given by Debra Hammond in Memory of Alma & Merle Hanson and by Wayne & Polly Falkenberg in celebration of Wayne's 85th Birthday!

By the Numbers: Sunday, February 8, 2026

Sunday Attendance:

In Person Worship: 164 | Online Views: 58 | Sunday Learning: 49

General Offerings

Last Week: \$12,800 | YTD: \$73,062 | 2026 Budget: \$808,449

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



This Week We are Praying for...

Celebration and upholding the dignity of Black individuals and communities as we continue to observe Black History Month | All victims of domestic violence and abuse, and all victims of sexual abuse and exploitation | Resolution to strained diplomatic relations between nations in the United States, Canada, and Cuba | Those named by our Prayer Ministry, especially Kurt, Glenda, Jeanne, Milton, Carol, Madeline, and the family and friends of Myra Robinson and Meg Jones.

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

St. Mark's Family Cookbook – Today is the submission deadline!

As a fun family project for the 75th anniversary, we are putting together a cookbook featuring family-favorite recipes, stories, and pictures. We invite you to share a little about your home family with our church family. And pictures! They can be of your dish, your family, or something related to the story you tell. Submit your recipe and stories online or by filling out a paper form and returning it to the church office. If you have any questions, please talk to Traci.

Saved & Sent: A Lenten and Holy Week Worship Series

Join us for worship this Lenten and Holy Week season as we discover time and time again how God saves us by His grace and sends us for His mission in the world. We begin our journey on Ash Wednesday, February 18, with worship at noon and 6:30pm (imposition of ashes at both, communion only at 6:30pm) crying "Hosanna, Save us Lord!" as we remember we are dust and to dust we shall return. Throughout the 6 weeks of Lent, we'll focus on the same scripture twice each week, Sundays through a lens of God saving us and Wednesdays seeing how we are sent to tell others of this salvation. Wednesday mid-week worship will begin February 25 with dinner at 5pm in the Fellowship Hall and worship at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary. If you would like to help with Lenten suppers, please sign up in Communication Central or online using the link in the Monday email.

St. Mark's Photo Directory

As part of our 75th Anniversary celebrations, we are putting together a new photo directory! Please sign up (using the QR code or link in Member Resources) for a time to get your picture taken - if you need assistance in signing up for a time slot, please contact the church office. We will be accepting photo submissions as well. If you have had your picture taken professionally within the last 5 years and would like to submit a photo, please email Shelby.



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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