



St. Mark's
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Celebrating 75 Years

Palm Sunday

March 29, 2026



***Growing together in faith to abundantly
nourish our community***

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In Worship Today...

Hosanna, Save Us Lord: Praise in the Streets

Prelude: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna arr. J. Wayne Kerr

Welcome & Announcements | Children's Message

*Processional Introit: All Glory, Laud, and Honor arr. David Lasky

Processional Reading: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 | Blessing of the Palms

Processional Song: **Hosanna/Blessed Be Your Name**

Prayer of the Day

Zechariah 9:9-12 | Philippians 2:5-11

Lenten Gospel Acclamation | Matthew 21:1-11

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: **All Glory, Laud, and Honor**

Nicene Creed | Prayers of Intercession

Sharing of the Peace | Offering: **Hear Our Praises**

Offertory Response: **When I Survey the Wondrous Cross** | Offertory Prayer

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

Distribution: **Agnus Dei | Jesus, Friend of Sinners**

Table Blessing | Prayer after Communion | Benediction

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

Dismissal | Postlude: Partita on "Thaxted" arr. Jeffrey Blerch

**Worship this morning will include the use of incense*

Worship Assistants

Assisting Minister: Jennifer Palmer | Lector: Karen Petersen | Acolyte: Zach Gastler

Thurifer: Daniel White | Crucifer: Oliver Sieja | Bible Bearer: Grace Billman

Communion Assistants: Zach Gastler & Grace Billman

Greeter: Rudy Will | Ushers: Don Sieja & Bob Dornbos | AV Tech: John Peugeot

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.

Sponsor Easter Flowers- Today is the Last Day to Sponsor!!

Would you like to sponsor a potted plant to decorate our sanctuary on Easter morning? Plants will vary depending on availability; past flowers have included tulips, a variety of lilies, hyacinths, and geraniums. Each sponsorship is \$15. Please pay online via St. Mark's giving site or with cash/check turned into the church office; **all flower sign-ups and dedications must be on the sign-up sheet in Communication Central.** Everyone is welcome to take their plants home following the 11am worship service on Easter morning.

By the Numbers: Sunday, March 22, 2026

Sunday Attendance:

In Person Worship: 176 | Online Views: 59 | Sunday Learning: 22

General Offerings

Last Week: \$9,900 | YTD: \$148,460 | 2026 Budget: \$808,449

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



This Week We are Praying for...

Victims of the Air Canada runway crash at LaGuardia Airport | Ongoing energy crises and rising fuel costs | Travelers, especially those facing airport delays and uncertainties, and for TSA workers | Those named by our Prayer Ministry, especially Matt, Jeanne, Ciera, Paula, Ivan, Suzy, Frank, and Joe.

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

Holy Week | March 29 - April 5



MEET AT CALIFORNIA ST PARK
FOR OUR EASTER EGG HUNT!
LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED!



29 MAR | Palm Sunday
9:30AM

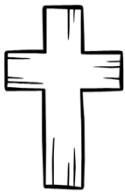
FIRST COMMUNION CLASS
IS MARCH 29 AT 2PM.
SEE TRACI IF INTERESTED!



29 MAR | Easter Egg Hunt
Noon

2 APR | Seder Meal
5:30PM

BE SURE TO GET
YOUR SEDER
MEAL TICKETS!
BY MARCH 29, \$10
EACH



3 APR | Good Friday
Worship
2PM

2 APR | Maundy
Thursday
Worship
7PM



DON'T FORGET TO
SPONSOR EASTER
SUNDAY FLOWERS!
BY MARCH 29

3 APR | Good Friday
Tenebrae
7PM

5 APR | Easter
Breakfast
9:30AM - 11:30AM



BRING FRESH-CUT
FLOWERS TO
FLOWER THE CROSS!

5 APR | Easter
Sunday
9AM

5 APR | Easter
Sunday
11AM

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