



*God's love, Our service.*

# St. Mark's Lutheran Church

## Sunday, October 10, 2021

### 20th Sunday after Pentecost

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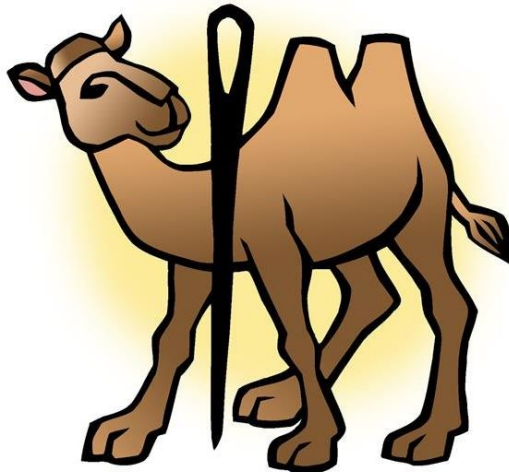
## INTRODUCTION

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

## WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 3rd & 4th grade class chose Children's Mercy as the October Noisy Offering collection.

The flowers today are in celebration of Susan & Robert Fetsch's 40th wedding anniversary. Happy Anniversary!



## COMMEMORATION

**October 10, 2021**

**Massie L. Kennard, renewer of the church, died 1996 (TFF)**

A native of Chicago, Kennard was a major figure in supporting and working toward ethnic and racial inclusiveness in the former Lutheran Church in America. Ordained in 1958, he served in positions including Director for Minority Concerns of the Division for Mission in North America.

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
whose teaching is life,  
whose presence is sure,  
and whose love is endless.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God our comforter:

**like lost sheep, we have gone astray.**

**We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.**

**We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.**

**We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.**

**Free us from our sin, gracious God.**

**Listen when we call out to you for help.**

**Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.**

**Amen.**

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in ✝ Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

**Amen.**

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN ELW 833, vs. 1 & 2

### Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices

1 Oh, that I had a thousand voices  
to praise my God with thousand tongues!  
My heart, which in the Lord rejoices,  
would then proclaim in grateful songs  
to all, wherever I might be,  
what great things God has done for me!

2 Let ev'ry pow'r in me implanted  
arise, keep silence now no more;  
put forth the strength that God has granted!  
Your noblest work is to adore!  
O soul and body, join to raise  
with heartfelt joy your maker's praise!

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878-1969

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## Greeting page 98

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.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**First Reading: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15**

*Amos was a herdsman by profession and a prophet by God's call. During a time of great prosperity in the northern kingdom of Israel, the prophet speaks to the wealthy upper class. He warns his listeners that fulfilling God's demand for justice brings blessing, while corruption and oppression incur God's wrath.*

<sup>6</sup>Seek the LORD and live,

or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,  
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

<sup>7</sup>Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,  
and bring righteousness to the ground!

<sup>10</sup>They hate the one who reproves in the gate,  
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

<sup>11</sup>Therefore because you trample on the poor  
and take from them levies of grain,  
you have built houses of hewn stone,  
but you shall not live in them;  
you have planted pleasant vineyards,  
but you shall not drink their wine.

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

<sup>13</sup>Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;  
for it is an evil time.

<sup>14</sup>Seek good and not evil,  
that you may live;

and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,  
just as you have said.

<sup>15</sup>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.

The Word of The Lord.

**Thanks Be to God.**

**Psalm: Psalm 90:12-17**

*So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom. (Ps. 90:12)*

<sup>12</sup>So teach us to number our days  
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

<sup>13</sup>**Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry?  
Be gracious to your servants.**

<sup>14</sup>Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning;  
so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

<sup>15</sup>**Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us  
and as many years as we suffered adversity.**

<sup>16</sup>Show your servants your works,  
and your splendor to their children.

<sup>17</sup>**May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us;  
prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.**

**Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-16**

*We cannot hide our thoughts, desires, and actions from God, to whom we are completely accountable. Nevertheless, Jesus understands our human weakness and temptations, because he also experienced them. Therefore we can approach the throne of grace to receive divine mercy from Christ.*

<sup>12</sup>Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

<sup>14</sup>Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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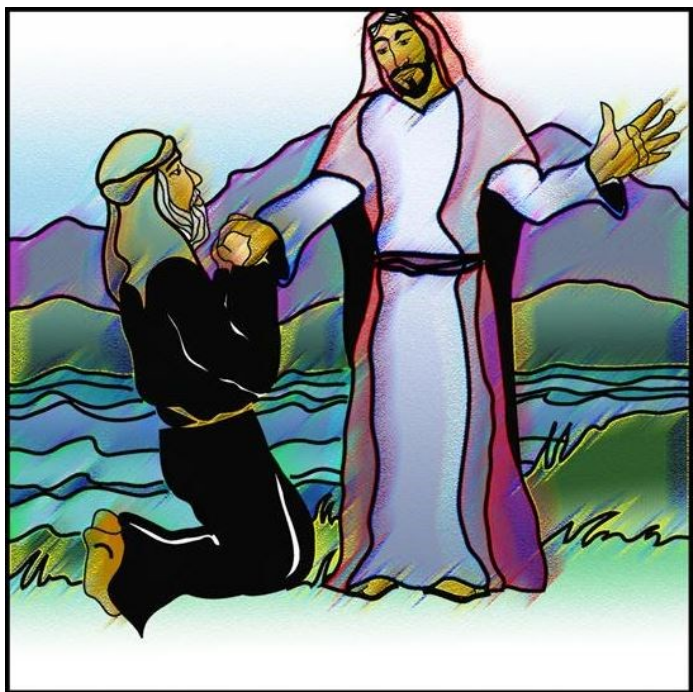
*The Holy Gospel, according to Mark, the 10th Chapter.*

**Gospel: Mark 10:17-31**

*Jesus has been teaching his disciples about what is most valued in God's eyes. Now, a conversation with a rich man brings his message home to the disciples in a way that is surprising but unforgettable.*

<sup>17</sup>As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.' " <sup>20</sup>He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier



for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.”<sup>26</sup> They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?”<sup>27</sup> Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

<sup>28</sup> Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.”<sup>29</sup> Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news,<sup>30</sup> who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life.<sup>31</sup> But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

**CHILDREN’S SERMON** Pastor Gary Hanson  
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**HYMN OF THE DAY** ELW 685, vs. 1-3

**Take My Life, That I May Be**

1 Take my life, that I may be  
consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my moments and my days;  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2 Take my hands and let them move  
at the impulse of thy love;

take my feet and let them be  
swift and beautiful for thee.

3 Take my voice and let me sing  
always, only, for my King;  
take my lips and let them be  
filled with messages from thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, alt.

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**APOSTLES CREED**

**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**

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need. (A brief silence.)

Uniting God, you call forth different gifts in those who follow you. Encourage us to welcome the diverse benefits and blessings of the whole church in teaching, preaching, prophecy, healing, and more. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Nurturing God, you bring forth crops from the soil and bounty from the trees. Increase the produce of the land and bless all who toil in fields and orchards. Provide for good working conditions and keep them safe. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Empowering God, you offer compassion for those who are overlooked or forgotten. Open the hearts of local, national, and world leaders to show such compassion and love for their neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Sheltering God, in Jesus you travelled among us without a place to lay your head. Provide safe places to sleep and rest for those who have no place to live. Sustain ministries that offer food, clothing, and peace of mind (*local ministries may be named*). Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Renewing God, you bring life out of death. Help us part with those things that are no longer beneficial to us and open our hearts to see where new life is budding in this congregation. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Eternal God, we thank you for the lives of those who have died. Make us confident in your promise of salvation and support us in our own journey of faith. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**PEACE**      share God's peace

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, .....

And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

**Holy, Holy** pg. 144

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

## **COMMUNION**

**COMMUNION SONG** p 146





## COMMUNION HYMNS ELW 485

### I Am the Bread of Life

1 "I am the Bread of life.  
You who come to me shall not hunger,  
and who believe in me shall not thirst.  
No one can come to me unless the Father  
beckons."

#### *Refrain*

"And I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up on the last day."

2 "The bread that I will give  
is my flesh for the life of the world,  
and if you eat of this bread,  
you shall live forever, you shall live forever."  
*Refrain*

3 "Unless you eat  
of the flesh of the Son of Man

and drink of his blood,  
and drink of his blood,  
you shall not have life within you." *Refrain*

4 "I am the resurrection,  
I am the life.  
If you believe in me,  
even though you die, you shall live forever."  
*Refrain*

5 Yes, Lord, I believe  
that you are the Christ,  
the Son of God,  
who have come into the world. *Refrain*

Text: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927, based on John 6  
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## ELW 501

### Come with Us, O Blessed Jesus

Come with us, O blessed Jesus,  
with us evermore to be.  
And, in leaving now thine altar,  
let us nevermore leave thee!  
Let thy bright celestial chorus  
never cease the heav'nly strain;  
but in us, thy loving children,  
come with peace, good will to reign.

Text: John Henry Hopkins Jr., 1820-1891

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## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord of life,  
in the gift of your body and blood

you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation.  
Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy,  
bearing witness to the abundance of your love  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

People of God,  
you are Christ's body,  
bringing new life to a suffering world.

The holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **RECESSIONAL HYMN ELW 705, vs. 1 & 4**

#### **God of Grace and God of Glory**

1 God of grace and God of glory,  
on your people pour your pow'r;  
crown your ancient church's story;  
bring its bud to glorious flow'r.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

4 Save us from weak resignation  
to the evils we deplore;  
let the gift of your salvation  
be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving you whom we adore,  
serving you whom we adore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878-1969

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.  
**Thanks be to God.**



## PRAYER REQUESTS & CONDOLENCES

Contact Janet Anderson at 913.780.6408 to add names to the prayer chain or to join the prayer chain.

Please contact the church office to make changes to this list.

### **St. Mark's members:**

Nancy & Tom Bryer,  
Ann Gardner,  
Hollie Ham,  
Ken & Jaynelle Griffitt,  
Darrell Strampe,  
Clarence Linsey,  
George McElroy,  
Nan Wolfe,  
Pete and Linda Cagle,  
Shane Paulson,  
Janet Schmidt,  
Susan & Bill Roberts,  
Phyllis Dettmer,  
Madison Young

### **Family & friends:**

Family of Nancy Bryer,  
Doug Vogelsberg, friend of Dale Albers and Sheryl Alderson,  
Family of Ron Gardner,  
Bishop Candea,  
Soren, Grandson of Jim & Mary Weeg,  
Joshua Rogers, Grandson of the Linseys,  
Family of Sam Ham,  
Rich Pettibon & family, Son-in-law of the Griffitts,  
Craig Downing, Father of Joni Benz,  
Suzie, Aunt of Nancy Bryer,  
Glenda Kirk, friend of Joyce Johnson,  
Randy Borg, nephew of Joyce Johnson,  
Jenny Mack, Niece of Jenny Wheeler,  
Chris, Brother of Pete Cagle,  
Amber Smith, friend of Pete Cagle,  
Family of Kathy, cousin of Barb Nail,  
Iris Howard, friend of Pete Cagle,  
Steele McLaren, friend of the Luins,  
Leo Patton, Grandfather of Jason Howe,  
Gary Stepenson, Uncle of Jason Howe,  
Rowan Espey, family of Barbara Strampe,  
Bruce Campbell, Brother-in-law of Joni Benz,  
Lena Shelton, friend of the Schmideskamps,  
Crissy, cousin of Tom Bryer ,

Caroline, aunt of Nancy Bryer ,  
Peggy Hinkle, Step-Mother of Kathy Hinkle,  
Stephanie Herndon, friend of Kathy Hinkle,  
Tim Eiter, Father of Todd Eiter,  
Rebeka Gillette, friend of Janet Nichols,  
Jackie Warriner, Sister-in-law of Linda Goodheart,  
Don Thun, Father of Matt Thun,  
Aeris, Great Niece of Tom Bryer,  
Katherine Gile, sister of Anne Gardner,  
Karen Bannister, friend of Jane Scherrer,  
Rob Boulter, friend of Mark Schmideskamp,  
Matt Warriner, Great Nephew of Linda Goodheart,  
Joan Nelson, Sister-in-law of Linda Goodheart,  
Dean Taake, Joyce Johnson's brother,  
Gibby, friend of Erica Bryer,  
Joanne, Amy Fisher's sister,  
Neil Warriner, Linda Goodheart's brother,  
Judy Wendt, Jeannine Matthew's  
sister-in-law,  
Donna Poppe, friend of St. Marks,  
Rosemary Williams & her sons Wayne & Wade Beck,  
Brooke Harris, friend of Gretchen Goodheart Stewart,  
Dan Ostergaard - friend of the Goodhearts,  
Bruce Dawson, friend of the Goodhearts,  
Jackson Werth, friend of the Bott/Bollinger Families,  
Kirk Wheeler, cousin of Verna McMullin,  
Ivan, brother of Jane Stresewski,  
All People affected by natural disasters

### **Those in the Military:**

A.J. Simons, nephew of Stan and Karen Thompson,  
Logan Peck, nephew of Karen and Stan