

November 19, 2023  
Worship Service at 11:30am

*Welcome to St. Mark's Lutheran Church. We love that you are here.  
The order below will help you to find your way through our service. We are using the  
Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book (red).*

P (Pastor) L (Lector) **C (Congregation)**

Ringing of the Bells

**Prelude**

Organist: Shannon Mattson

Welcome

**Gathering Hymn #561: Joyous Light of Heavenly Glory**

Words from Psalm 90:

P: God, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

**C: Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth**

P: and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

**C: You turn us back to dust, and say, "Turn back, you mortals."**

P: For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past,

**C: or like a watch in the night.**

P: You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning;

**C: in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.**

P: For we are consumed by your anger; by your wrath we are overwhelmed.

**C: You have set our iniquities before you,**

P: our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

**C: So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.**

Call to Confession:

P: Trusting in the love of God to make all things new, let us confess our sin to God  
and to our neighbour.

Prayer of Confession

P: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

For self-centered living, and for failing to walk with humility and gentleness.

For longing to have what is not ours, and for hearts that are not at rest with ourselves.

For misuse of human relationships, and for unwillingness to see the image of God in

others.

**C: Have mercy on us!**

For jealousy that divide families and nations, and for rivalries that create strife and  
warfare.

For reluctance in sharing the gifts of God, and for carelessness with the fruits of creation.

For hurtful words that condemn, and for angry deeds that harm.

**G: Have mercy on us!**

For idleness in witnessing to Jesus Christ,

and for squandering the gifts of love and grace:

**C: Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy in Christ Jesus, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and  
made us alive together in Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus  
Christ, your sins are forgiven. Gracious God strengthen you with power through the Holy  
Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Reading from Paul's letter to the Christian community in Thessaloniki 5. 1 – 11:

*Children of the light*

New: Gospel Acclamation # 168: Alleluia

Announcement of the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 11, 28 - 30

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Reading of the Gospel

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

**Hymn of the Day # 565: All Praise to Thee**

*Thank you for your offering!*

P: With the whole church let us confess our faith:

***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 again to judge the living and the dead.***

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

**Sharing of Peace**

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always - **C: And also with you**

Prayers of Intercessions

P concluding: God in your mercy - **C: hear our prayer**

**Lord's Prayer**

**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 the evil one.

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

**Sending Hymn # 569, 1 – 3 & 5: The Day You Gave Us**

**Postlude**

Dismissal:

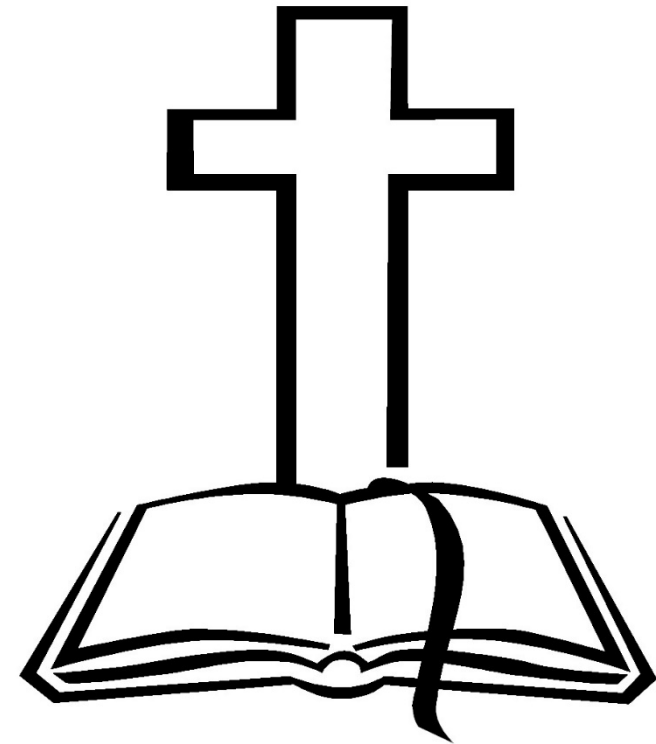
P: Go in Peace and share the good news! **C: Thanks be to God!**

**Announcements:**

November 24th, 2023, 2 pm – Memorial Service Alexander Kolbowicz @St.Mark's

November 28.-29. ,2023, 10 am – wreath binding/bazaar preparations – volunteers needed

Dezember 2nd, 2023 – 10 am – 4 pm – Christmas bazaar



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