

Welcome
Prelude

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Page 98 Greeting and Kyrie

Let us pray: O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. **Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Hymn 834 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

(we are seated)

Children's Message / Lutheridge Campaign with Catherine Tyree

First Reading: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

Psalm 27:1-8 (and 14 as the sung Refrain from

Hymn 262 *sung 5 times: at the beginning and then after each even verse, 2, 4, 6, 8)*

(we stand)

Hymn 188 Create in Me a Clean Heart
The Holy Gospel – Luke 13:31-35

Sermon

Hymn 758 You Are the Way
Apostles' Creed

(we are seated)

Offering / 10:30 Anthem Piano Duet – Amazing Grace arr. By R. Vandall
Prayers

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Post-Communion Benediction

Hymn 768 Lead Me, Guide Me

Go, in Jesus' name, people of the Way.
Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Today

+9:30am CONNECT: Groups for all ages in the FLC; Adult 1 in the conference room



The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God in honor of Dan & Kim Markley's anniversary on St. Patrick's Day, March 17

Welcome to St. Mark's as we journey with Jesus, led by the Spirit into the wilderness of Lent and life. Walking together with Christ and one another we are stronger against the devil. Worshiping together with Christ and in fellowship with one another we are faithful. Serving with Christ in fellowship with one another and the whole church on earth, we practice the disciplines of Lent (repentance, prayer, fasting, & works of love).

Prayer Concerns

St. Mark's Members: Judd Jones, Ruth Ann Swart, Linda Clark, Lya Wills, Sylvia Johnson, Susan Altieri, Arden Lown, Carol McManus, Ron Boardman, Chris Isetts, Peter Cuocolo all who are homebound, all who are caregivers.

St. Mark's Friends & Family: David Martz (Carol Martz' nephew), Dianne (friend of Michelle Kowatschitsch), Brynda Bechtold, Dave & Annette Simpson (friends of Peter Cuocolo), Renee (friend of Cindy Wilkins), Dave (friend of the Greene Family), Colin Goracke (Jack & Melanie Altman's grandson), David Morogas (friend of Nina Keck), Siggy Toia (Michelle Kowatschitsch's mother), Cindy Munsey Hall (friend of Peter Cuocolo), Glen Bannister (Sharon Roy's brother-in-law), Betty Lowe, Jocelyn Bracken (leukemia), Sue Wilson (Michelle Corbett's mother), Bleier family, Kristi (friend of Nancy Tyree), Sandra Davis, Rick Barger (friend of Kathy Jo McLean), Zeb Hounslea, Rick Rose, Maria Cuocolo; Ronnie & kids; Bill Malcolm (Shelby Westmoreland's brother), Emma (15- Hodgkins Lymphoma), Jason Casillas (Son in law to Mark & Annette Relyea, husband of Rachel Hope (Relyea) Casillas), Debbie Sokalski & Cecelia Sokalski (sister & mother of Laurie Isetts), Teresa (friend of Nancy Tyree), Tabatha Overcash (friend of Melinda Little), Keith LaPrelle (nephew of Karen Pettit), Adam Mann (Jane & David Saleeby's son-in-law)

St Mark's Military Members: Tommy Upshaw, Erik Crowder, and Janet Smeltz's grandson- Dalton Leik, Andrew Boman.

Shepherd of the Week: Linda Clark

NEWS & EVENTS

Next Sunday, March 23

Wear your Lutheridge gear!

8:30– Worship & Baptism

9:30– CONNECT: Groups for all ages in the FLC; Adult 1 in the conference room

10:30– Worship (livestreamed)

Sunday, March 30

8:30– Worship

9:30– CONNECT: Groups for all ages in the FLC; Adult 1 in the conference room

10:30– Worship (livestreamed)

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday

6:30pm Council Meeting

Tuesday

12:30pm Hands On

6pm Handbell rehearsal

Wednesday

10am Bible Study

5:30pm Dinner & Devotions

7pm Adult Choir

Thursday

12pm Fellowship Group

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Lutheridge Camp 75th Anniversary Campaign Over the next few weeks we will hear brief stories about Camp Lutheridge (Arden, NC) and be invited to participate financially to their Anniversary Campaign. **PLEASE SEND YOUR PLEDGE OR DONATION DIRECTLY TO LUTHERIDGE: lutheridge.org/campaign/ or Lutheridge, PO Box 830, Arden, NC 28704.** For more info contact St. Mark's members Dian Morgan, Catherine Tyree, Wanda Redden, Liz Whitlow, Alice Lee, Ginger Martin, Jessica Fitzgerald, David Wagoner, David Keck, Sr. or Pastor Dave. ***Wear Your Lutheridge Gear!*** In recognition of Lutheridge's 75th anniversary this year, wear your Lutheridge t-shirts, caps, or wood chip name tags to worship service on *Sunday, March 23.*

Hands On Easter Drive for Living Waters Lutheran in Cherokee, NC. Please consider donating any of the following items: Easter baskets, small stuffed animal, eggs big enough to hold candy, a small book about Easter, bubbles, jump rope, chalk or anything you would put in an Easter basket. Food items that are needed for their community pantry: self rising flour, cereal, pop tarts, cake mix and macaroni. Please leave items in your pew on Sundays in March.

Fellowship Group *Thursday, March 20, 12pm* Lunch in the FLC. Senior 55+ members are invited every 3rd Thursday. Bring a dish to share. See you there!

Wednesday Worship and Holden Evening Prayer *5:30pm supper, 6:15 worship in the FLC.* Bring soup to share for our potluck supper.

St. Mark's Workday– God's Work Our Hands *March 29, 8:30am-noon.* Come when you can, stay as long as you'd like. We will trim shrubbery, clean chairs, and paint. Breakfast and coffee served at 8:30. Call David Wagoner with questions. Use the QR code or contact the church office to sign-up.



Food for Days March item of the month: juice boxes/pouches. Donations can be dropped in the bin near the office hall.

VBS 2025 Team Leaders If you are interested in helping, we need leaders for: music, bible stories, crafts, games, decorations, opening skits, and meals/snacks. Use the QR code or contact the office or Pastor Dave if you would like to help.



St. Mark's Mission Trip to Western North Carolina post-Helene, *June 1-7, 2025.* The trip will be coordinated through Lutheran Disaster Response of the NC Synod. There are spots for up to 24 older teens and adults. Contact Pastor Dave if interested.

Ladies Lunch Bunch *Wednesday, April 9, at 11:30am at Hickory Tavern-115 Morrison Plantation Parkway, Mooresville.* Please RSVP to susanaltierinc@gmail.com or 704-929-5648 by Monday, April 7.

Empty Nesters JOY (Just Older Youth) Are you between the ages of 45ish and 65? Join us *Friday, March 21, at 6pm at Bottles & Taps, 106 Wagner Street, Troutman,* for an evening of fellowship and fun. RSVP to Kristie Ward at 704-807-6155 or rkward93@yahoo.com