

**WELCOME . . . to St. Mark Lutheran!**

**We're so glad you're here!**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**

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#### **HOLY COMMUNION POLICY**

**You enter this Missouri Synod Church not as a stranger but as a guest of God. Here at St. Mark's, we believe the Scriptural teaching that there must be unity with Christ and each other as we commune at the Lord's Table. If you have a question about our policy, please consult with Pastor Beyersdorf or an Elder.**

***"I have been instructed and confirmed in my faith in the doctrines of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and desire to receive the Lord's Supper with my fellow believers.***

***I confess that I have sinned against God in thought, word, and deed. I am truly sorry for those sins and earnestly desire, with the aid of the Holy Spirit, to amend my sinful life. I believe that Jesus Christ has won the forgiveness of all my sins through His death and resurrection, and that He gives me His true body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine of His Supper."***

**LSB Divine Service, Setting Four page 203**

**Opening Hymn: 402**

**Hymn of the Day: 858**

**Distribution Hymns: 628, 635, 624**

**(If you wish to have Communion in the pew, please let an usher know)**

**Closing Hymn: 644**

**Tomorrow morning join us here for the opening Divine Service of the 2025 District Convention. It begins at 8:30. See you then!**



**"But in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God" (Philippians 4:6).**

All involved in the CA fires, Bette Anderson, Janet Bertsch, Gene & Ethel Cornog, Janice Eslinger, Marven & LaVona Getzlaff, Gladys Guenther, Leona Johnson, Linda Kaseman, Shelley Larson, Marlys Opheim, Ethel Peterson, Vera Pfau, Monte Reiner

**Anniversaries this week:**

**Birthday** - Mason Keller, Cassidy King

**Baptism** – Jason Bromley, Idamae Hauf, Emma Schatz, Cassidy King,

**Wedding** – Morrie & Sharon Reiser, Penny & Roger Wahus

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#### **Jesus' First Miracle Reveals God's Glory**

The coming of the Messianic kingdom means the restoration of creation. The sign of this restoration is that *"the mountains shall drip sweet wine"* (Amos 9:11–15). When the elements of a fallen creation fail and run short at a wedding feast, our Lord Jesus steps in to restore creation and miraculously changes water into an abundance of the very best wine (John 2:1–11). With this sign, Christ manifests His glory. The "back" of God (Ex. 33:12–23) is revealed to those who believe. The hour will come when Jesus will again manifest His glory by taking creation's curse into His own body to release us from its power. The Bridegroom will give His life for the Bride (Eph. 5:22–32), and from His side will flow water and blood, the holy sacraments by which she is cleansed and made one with Him. Through this sacrificial love of Christ we are enabled to *"love one another with brotherly affection . . ."* and to *"outdo one another in showing honor"* (Rom. 12:6–16).

**A list of committee and board members is posted on the bulletin board by mailboxes.**

**Remember to frequently check the bulletin boards and media table for current LCMS Local Community, District, and National events. Check out what's happening in our family!**

<b>Weekly Schedule</b>	
Sunday 1-19	8:30 Choir practice 9:30 Divine Service 11:00 Sunday Bible Study and Sunday School 6-8:30 Family Skating Event
Monday 1-20	8:30am Opening Divine Service for the Convention 12:00 Newsletter Deadline
Tuesday 1-21	1:00 Quilters 6:00 Church Council Meeting
Wednesday 1-22	12:00 Bulletin Deadline 5:00-6:30 7-8 grade Confirmation Class 5:30-6:30 6 <sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation Class 5:30 Supper 6:00-7:00 Kid Connection
Thursday 1-23	8:30 Men's Bible Study 10:30 Women's Bible Study
Friday 1-24	Pastor's day off
Saturday 1-25	
Sunday 1-26	8:30 Sunday Bible Study and Choir Practice 9:30 Divine Service 11:00 Voter's Meeting and Sunday School

**The deadline for giving to the LCMS schools in ND is today. The offering will be given at the divine service tomorrow.** Thank you for supporting His kingdom.

**Next Sunday will be the Voter's Meeting at 11:00.** All members are welcome to attend. If you are interested in becoming a voting member, please contact Pastor or an Elder prior to the meeting.

**Today Family Skating Event** on Sunday, January 19 from 6 PM to 8:30 PM at MAYSA. The event is free. Please bring an unperishable food item to donate to the Lord's Cupboard.

**The 2024 contributions statements** have been placed in your mailbox and

thank you for giving.

**Some information of how to help our LCMS family in Southern California is placed on the table in the Fireside Room.**