



**Eighth Sunday of Pentecost**

**July 30, 2017**

**9:30 a.m.**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT ST. MARK.** Please sign our attendance pad located in each row. We are happy to have you here with us! Please join us for refreshments on the walkway following worship.

**NOISY OFFERING IS TODAY** - We have an opportunity today to collect a Noisy Offering for our local food pantry, F. E. A. S. T. Although the food receives good and appropriate non-perishable items, monetary gifts are also accepted that help them purchase fruit, vegetables, and meats. The staff and volunteers at F. E. A. S. T. are very grateful for the generosity of the community. So, please if you are able, help make a joyful noise as the kids come around with the little metal buckets.

**YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY PLANNING MEETING** - Families with children ages 0-18 are invited to a planning meeting with Pastor Katy TODAY to brainstorm ministry opportunities and events for the coming school year. The meeting will take place at 11:00 am in the large conference room. We look forward to your ideas for service projects, growth in faith opportunities, and fellowship events!

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We have cross-stitch kits of baby bibs that need completion. If you would like to help, please pick them up in the Narthex and return them when completed. We will use them in our layettes in the fall. Also available are cross-stitch patterns that would make great hand-crafted Christmas gifts. So please do not hesitate to pick up one and take it home. Thanks from the WELCA group.

**BACKPACK BLESSING** - Calling all students, teachers, and school staff who are returning to school in the next few weeks: Bring your backpack, lunchbox, briefcase, or other item from your school life to church on August 6th. We would like to send you on your way back to class this fall with a special blessing for the year ahead. Inside your box or bag include a note with your personal prayers, hopes, and dreams for the coming school year.

**WELCA IN PARTNERSHIP WITH GRACE LUTHERAN** - The group is helping to provide men's and women's clothing as well as toiletries for their homeless outreach project at Grace called Lydia's Closet. This is an ongoing project and you are invited to donate as you are able. Please donate any extra items, including the mini sized soaps and shampoos that you may accumulate from traveling. Small baskets for toiletries and a large bin for clothing are located in the Narthex.

**MORAVIAN TEXTS PRE-ORDER TIME** - The Moravian Daily Texts has been living the ecumenical dream of sharing the same devotional with more than 1.5 million believers in more than 50 languages around the globe for many years! The Daily Texts grew out of a spiritual renewal of the Moravian Church that dates back to Aug. 13, 1727 and was first published in 1731 in Herrnhut, Germany. The Moravian Daily Texts offers an inspirational connection to the Holy Scriptures every day. Each entry in this beloved daily devotional includes "watchwords"—Old and New Testament verses to accompany readers throughout the day—combined with beautiful hymn texts and heartfelt prayers selected and written by Moravians across North America. Orders placed before August 11 will receive a discount. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex for your convenience. Order your today.

**ST. MARK BIBLE STUDY** is Tuesday, August 8th. This session is "Upend the Tables". We are asked to read Paul's letter to the Romans, chapters 12-14. Paul describes what God expects of those who live under God's authority. We'll read Matthew 12:1-14 and discuss these stories told by Jesus. Please join us at 10:00 am at St Mark in the large conference room of the church office.

**"ACCIDENTAL SAINTS" BOOK DISCUSSION** - We will gather together on Wednesday, August 30th @ 7:00 pm to discuss Nadia Bolz-Weber's most recent book, *Accidental Saints: Finding God in All the Wrong People*. We will meet at the new (and tasty) Hackett's Causeway Cafe & Creamery on the corner of Curlew and Alt. 19 by the Pinellas Trail ([www.causewaycafedunedin.com](http://www.causewaycafedunedin.com)). Please plan to read the book prior to meeting and we'll meet to talk about these honest and authentic stories that challenge all of us. It's an engaging and interesting read and can be purchased through [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) and [www.indiebound.org](http://www.indiebound.org). If you have any questions, please see Jennifer Grumbly ([grumbje@gmail.com](mailto:grumbje@gmail.com)). You can sign up in the Narthex if you're interested in attending. Hope you can come!

**PRAYER REQUEST LIST** - There is a new category on the "prayer request" form to allow you to remove someone from the list at your convenience. A number of the people currently on the list would like extended prayers for their recovery and healing but you may remove a name as circumstances improve.

## IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember in your daily prayers members and friends of our congregation who are on our prayer list. If you would like to add someone to our congregation's prayers, please call or email the church office or sign the prayer notebook in the narthex.

### FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR IN NEED OF SUPPORT:

Millie Adams

Trish Kitchel

Eva Hoenig

Bill Martin

Howard Buck

Julia Peterson

Janet Armstrong

Lynne Anderson

Mark Anderson

Michael Bryant

Frank Ollari (friend of Doris Ullestad)

Linda Grumbling (mother of Jennifer Grumbling)

Eddie Frederick (friend of the Grumbling/Delerme family)

Don Werner (friend of Steve Miller and Wayne Morris)

Karen Aungst (friend of Debbie Woodard)

Elizabeth K. (friend of Sue Nelson)

Joe and Justine (co-worker of Julie Kitchen)

Eric Vehrs (son of Linda Vehrs)

Dinah Reid (niece of Constance and Henry Chapman)

Amanda Dungan (friend of Carol Czajkowski)

Sheldon Rusch (friend of Carol Czajkowski)

Audrey Bower and family (friends of Carol Czajkowski)

Tom Conway (brother of Mary VanHaute)

Elaine Forestier (Emery Horvath's teacher)

Irene Chernes (mother of Ken Chernes)

Henry Richie (family of Doris Ullestad)

Dorothy and Otto Pollei, Jr. (parents of Doug Pollei)

Laurie Froelich (sister-in-law of Janice Froelich)

Adam Ruane (friend of Tim and Angela Langenback)

Vicki Claussen (daughter of Charlotte Claussen)

Kacey Fowler (friend of Trish Kitchel)  
Heather Mackin (relative of the Plasketts)  
Michael Kayser (nephew of Horst Kayser)  
Irene Klein (mother of Charles Klein)  
Kaycee Fowler (friend of Trish Kitchel)  
Helen Whitson (mother of Robin Klein)  
Kris Carter (friend of Janet Armstrong)  
Missy Martin (sister-in-law of Suzanne Bryant)  
Carrie Leone (niece of the Walthours)  
Anita Hans (friend of Sue Nelson)  
Heather Booth (daughter of the Plasketts)

**FOR THOSE WHO GRIEVE (Family and friends of:)**

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**FOR THOSE WHO SERVE:**

Calvin Jensen (friend of Carol Czajkowski - US Navy)  
Bobby Dusel (friend of Carol Czajkowski)  
Steven Klein (USCG)  
Sam Palmer (family of the Horvaths)  
Andrew Amstutz (friend of the Langenbacks - US Navy)  
Greg Burnham (son-in-law of the Nizers—US Navy)  
Kori Smeiska (friend of Carol Czajkowski - K. C. Police Officer)  
Joel Elliott (stepson of Carolyn Elliott - in Germany)  
Alexis Grzegorzcyk (friend of Carol Czajkowski - USAF)  
Mitch Shellenberger  
Tierney Froelich  
Rodney Mobley (son of the Nizers - Police Officer)  
Jason King (son-in-law of the Tegges - US Coast Guard)  
Zoe Lekakis (granddaughter of the Nizers - Marines)  
Andy Bloch (son-in-law of Shirley Polak - Homeland Security)  
Steven Plaskett (grandson of the Plasketts - US Air Force Academy)  
Monica Tegge-King (daughter of Bernie and Holly - US Coast Guard)  
Christopher Tegge (son of Bernie and Holly Tegge - US Army Reserves - Virginia)  
Luke Ballesteros (friend of Robin Jo Bower Miller and David Miller - in Germany)  
Michael Christenson (friend of Arnie Dano - U.S. Navy)

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Serving The Community of Faith

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**Assisting Minister:** Kayla Horvath  
**Ushers:** Beverly and Harry Entwisle  
**Offering Bearers:** Emily Seiter and Madison Seiter  
**Acolyte:** Emery Horvath and Ella Horvath  
**Lector:** Janice Froelich  
**Communion Assistants** Pastor Connie Bonner and Arnie Dano

**Altar Guild:** Janice Froelich, Kathie Chernes and Carol Kitchen

**Given to the Glory of God:**

**Thanks to** James Harry for helping to provide refreshments today.

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This Week at St. Mark

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**Sunday**            **Noisy Offering** (Collecting for F. E. A. S. T.)  
    **July 30**    **9:30 am Worship**  
                    **10:45 am Refreshments**  
                    **10:45 am Handbell Choir**  
                    **11:00 am Youth and Family Planning Meeting**

**Monday**            7:00 pm Al-Anon  
                          8:00 pm Ala-Teen Meeting

**Tuesday**           **10:00 am WELCA Meeting**

**Thursday**           6:00 pm AA  
                          7:00 pm Al-Anon

**Sunday**            **9:30 am Worship**  
    **August 6**    **10:45 am Refreshments**  
                    **10:45 am Handbell Choir**

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**Readings for next Sunday—Lectionary 18**

Isaiah 55:1-5; Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21

## Our Statement of Welcome

St. Mark is a spiritual community that celebrates the gifts of God that empower us to engage in the struggles of life, to care for each other, and to serve Christ where we work and live.

We welcome the participation of people of all ages, faiths, ethnic backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identities, educational backgrounds, and economic conditions – all who want to join in community to honor God and be of service to people. We recognize that each person is a unique creation of God and by the grace of God is called a “child of God.”

St. Mark is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.



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