



St. Mark Lutheran

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Growing God's Family

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10:45 a.m. Service

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**WE GIVE A WARM WELCOME TO THE VISITORS AND GUESTS AMONG US.
WE PRAY THAT TODAY'S SERVICE IS A BLESSING TO YOU. PLEASE COME AGAIN!**

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER: We are celebrating the Sacrament of the Altar today. This is The Lord's Table. As a church and body of Christians we believe this:

We will be receiving the true body and blood of Jesus Christ, in, with and under, the bread and wine.

When we receive Jesus' true body and blood, we receive the forgiveness of sins.

By communing together with our Lord and one another, we express a common belief that Jesus is in truth the Son of God, and our Savior; He is present in this Sacrament in a very real way; that Christ's sacrificial death assures us of complete forgiveness of our sins; and that God is strengthening us in this Sacrament to live a life that honors God.

If you share all these convictions, then you are welcome to come and celebrate the blessings of our Altar today. Please note that cups at the center of each tray are "non-alcoholic" wine for those who prefer such for medicinal and personal reasons. Pastor Erler is available before service if you have any questions.

A **NURSERY** with an attendant is available during worship service. You are welcome to use this service. Ask an usher for directions.

PRAYERS FOR WORSHIP

BEFORE WORSHIP

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

BEFORE COMMUNING

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AFTER RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Came To My Rescue

Words and Music by
Marty Sampson, Dylan Thomas
and Joel Davies

♩=83 **VERSE 1**

C G Am

1. Fall - ing on _ my knees _ in wor - ship, giv - ing all _ I am _

4 F C G/B Am

_ to seek _ Your face. _ Lord, all _ I am _ is Yours. _

VERSE 2

8 F C G Am

2. My whole life, _ I place _ in Your _ hands. God of mer - cy, hum -

12 F C G/B Am

- bled I _ bow down, _ in Your pres - ence, at _ Your throne. _

CHORUS

16 F C G/B Am7

I _ called, You an - swered, _ and You

20 F C G/B Am7

came to my res-cue. And I, _ I wan-na be where _ You _ are. _

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Please stand

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Confession of Sins

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins,

C **O Lord, who could stand?**

P But with You there is forgiveness;

C **therefore You are feared.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**

Absolution

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated

King of Kings

Words and Music by
Brooke Ligertwood, Scott Ligertwood and Jason Ingram

♩=68

VERSE 1 & 2

1. In the dark - ness we were wait - ing, with - out hope, -
(2.) the king - dom com - ing and to re -

2. with-out light, till from Heav - en You came run - ning. There was mer -
con - cile the lost, to re - deem the whole cre - a - tion You did not -

4. cy in Your eyes. To ful - fil the law and pro - phets, to a vir -
des - pise the cross. For e - ven in Your suf - fring, You saw to -

6. gin came the Word from a throne of end - less glo - ry to a cra -
the oth - er side. Know - ing this was our sal - va - tion, Je - sus, for -

CHORUS

8. - dle in the dirt. Praise the Fa - ther,
our sake - You died.

12. G praise the Son, Bm praise the Spir - it, A^{sus} three in one. A God of Glo - ry, D

16. G maj - es - ty, Bm G praise for - ev - er to the A King of kings. D

1. 2. VERSE 3

20 2. To re-veal 3. And the morn - ing that - You rose - all of heav-

23 - en held - its breath - till that stone - was moved - for good, - for the Lamb -

25 - had con - quered death. - And the dead - rose from - their tombs, - and the an -

27 - gels stood - in awe, - for the souls - of all - who'd come - to the Fa -

VERSE 4

29 - ther are - re - stored. - 4. And the Church - of Christ - was born, - then the Spir-

31 - it lit - the flame. - Now this Gos - pel truth - of old - shall - not kneel, -

33 - shall - not faint. - By His blood - and in - His Name, - in His free-

35 - dom I - am free, - for the love - of Je - sus Christ - who has res - ur - rect - ed me. -

CHORUS

38 D D G

Praise the Fa - ther, praise the Son,

42 Bm A^{sus} A D G

praise the Spir - it, three in one. God of Glo - ry, maj - es - ty,

TAG

46 Bm G A D D/F# G

praise for - ev - er to the King of kings. Praise for - ev - er to the

49 A D

King of kings.

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Old Testament Reading
The Compassion of the LORD

Isaiah 55:1–5

¹“Come, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and he who has no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.

²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.

³Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,
and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

For from him and through him and to him are all things.

To him be glory forever. Amen.

God's Sovereign Choice

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit—²that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. ⁵To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

⁶But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, ⁷and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” ⁸This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. ⁹For this is what the promise said: “About this time next year I will return and Sarah shall have a son.” ¹⁰And not only so, but also when Rebecca had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, ¹¹though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God's purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of his call—¹²she was told, “The older will serve the younger.” ¹³As it is written, “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:13–21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

G **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

**☩ I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.**

Please be seated

Glorious Day

Words and Music by
Kristian Stanfill, Jason Ingram,
Jonathan Smith and Sean Curran

VERSE

♩ = 110

G



1. I was bur - ied be - neath my shame. Who could
 (2. I was) breath - ing but not a - live. All my
 (3. Now Your) mer - cy has saved my soul. Now Your

5 Em7

C2



car - ry that kind of weight? It was my tomb
 fail - ures I tried to hide. It was my tomb
 free - dom is all that I know. The old made new,

1 | 2

G

G



'til I met You. 2. I was You. You called my
 'til I met You.
 Je - sus, when I met

CHORUS

C2

G

C2



name, (and) I ran out of that grave! Out of the dark - ness in -

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20 G C2

to Your glo - ri - ous day! You called my name, (and)

24 Em7 C2
3rd time to Coda $\text{\textcircled{C}}$

I ran out of that grave! Out of the dark - ness in - to Your glo - ri - ous day!

INSTRUMENTAL

G 1 D.C.

3. Now Your

INSTRUMENTAL

BRIDGE

33 2 G G

I need - ed res - cue.

39 G

My sin was heav - y, but chains break at the weight of Your glo - ry. I need - ed shel - ter.

43 G

I was an or - phan. Now You call me a ci - ti - zen of Heav - en. When I was bro - ken,

47 Em7

You were my heal - ing; now Your love is the air that I'm breath - ing. I have a fu - ture.

51 Dsus D.S. al Coda

My eyes are o - pen, 'cause when You called my name,



Sermon

Offering

Please stand

Prayer of the Church

The Pastor will end each petition with the phrase, "Lord in Your Mercy".
The congregation will respond "**Hear our Prayer**".

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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 evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Please note:

St. Mark Lutheran Church is a congregation and a body of Christians believing firmly God's Word which says that in Holy Communion we truly and really receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus as we receive the earthly elements of bread and wine.

His body and blood are not symbolically present or spiritually received, but real and tangible in the bread and wine, with the bread and wine, under the bread and wine by the authority of Jesus' words, and given to us as His pledge of love and forgiveness.

Holy Communion is a gift of God intended for those who have been baptized and confirmed in the Christian Faith.

Within our Lutheran Church, we ask that a confirmation be done according to our Lutheran understanding. It is imperative, according to 1 Corinthians 11:27-29, for a communicant to spiritually examine himself before coming to the Lord's Table.

A brief examination would include answering "Yes" to the following five questions:

Do you believe that you are a sinner by nature and by choice?

Are you truly sorry for your sins?

Do you believe Jesus Christ is your Lord and Savior from sin Who graciously forgives your sins?

Do you intend, by the power of the Holy Spirit to make the needed changes in your sinful life?

Do you believe you receive the true body and blood of Jesus in, with, and under the bread and wine?

Please be seated

Distribution

Man of Sorrows

Words and Music by
Matt Crocker and Brooke Ligertwood

♩=72

VERSE 1, 2 & 3

D G D G D



1. Man of sor - rows, Lamb of God, by His own be -
2. Si - lent as He stood ac - cused, beat - en, mocked, and -
3. Sent of heav - en, God's own Son to pur - chase and re -

4 A Bm G Bm G A



- trayed. The sin of man and wrath of God has been on Je - sus -
- scorned. Bow - ing to the Fa - ther's will, He took a crown of -
- deem. And re - con - cile the ver - v ones who nailed Him to that .

8 1. D 2, 3. D % CHORUS Bm G



- laid. thorns. Oh, that rug - ged cross, my sal -
- tree.

12 D A Bm G A



-va - tion, where Your love poured out o - ver me. Now my

15 G D (A/C#) A Bm G Last time to Coda A



soul cries out, hal - le - lu - jah, praise and hon - our un - to

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18 1. D 2. D BRIDGE
D.C. Bm G

— Thee. — Thee. Now, my debt is — paid, it is

23 D A Bm G D A Bm G

paid in full by the pre-cious blood that my Je - sus spilled. Now, the curse of sin has no

27 D A Bm G 1. D A 2. D A D.S. al Coda

hold on me. Whom the Son sets free, oh is free in - deed. Now, my free in - deed. Oh, that

♢ Coda

VERSE 4

31 D D G D

— Thee. 4. See the stone — is rolled a - way, be -

35 G D A Bm G Bm

-hold the emp - ty — tomb. Hal - le - lu - jah, God be praised, He's

CHORUS

39 G A D Bm G D A

ris - en from the — grave. Oh, that rug - ged cross, my sal - va - tion, where Your

43 Bm G A G D A/C# Bm

love poured out o - ver — me. Now my soul cries out, hal - le - lu - jah, praise and

47 G A D G A D

hon - our __ un - to ___ Thee. Praise and hon - our __ un - to ___ Thee.

Please stand

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Blessed Be Your Name

Words and Music by
Matt Redman and Beth Redman

♩ = 116

VERSE

A

E

F#m7



1. Bless - ed be ___ Your name _ in the land that ___ is plen -
 2. Bless - ed be ___ Your name _ when I'm found in ___ the des -
 3. Bless - ed be ___ Your name _ when the sun's shin - ing down .
 4. Bless - ed be ___ Your name _ on the road marked _ with suf -

4

D

A

E



- ti - ful, ___ where Your streams of ___ a - bun - dance flow, _ bless-ed _
 - ert place, _ though I walk through _ the wil - der - ness, _ bless-ed _
 - on me, ___ when the world's "all ___ as it ___ should be." ___ bless-ed _
 - fer - ing, ___ though there's pain in ___ the of - fer - ing, ___ bless-ed _

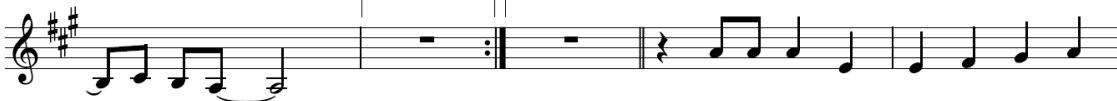
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D

PRE-CHORUS

A

E



___ be Your name. _ Ev - 'ry bless - ing You pour out I'll
 ___ be Your name. _
 ___ be Your name. _
 ___ be Your name. _

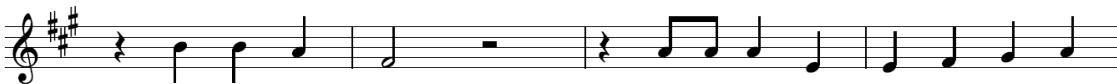
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F#m7

D

A

E



turn back to praise. When the dark - ness clos - es in, Lord,

16

F#m7

D

A

E

CHORUS



still I will say, "Bless-ed be the name of ___ the _ Lord, _ bless-ed be Your

20 F#m7 D A

name. Bless - ed be the name of ___ the ___ Lord, _

23 E F#m7 E Last time to Coda ⊕
D

_ bless - ed be Your glo - ri - ous name." _

26 1. 2. BRIDGE A E
D.C.

You give and take a - way, You

30 F#m7 D A E

give and take a - way. My heart will choose to say, "Lord,"

34 F#m7 1. 2. D.S. al Coda
D D

Bless - ed be Your name." _ You name." _ Bless - ed be the

⊕ Coda
37 D A

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