

REFLECTIONS ON REPENTANCE



ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

April 09, 2025

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S!

We are happy you could worship with us this evening. Our prayer is that the songs and message from God's Word will fill you with love for our Savior, the One who first loved us.

OPENING HYMN

Delay Not! Delay Not! – Hymn 337

INVOCATION

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Praise the Lord, O my soul; and forget not all His benefits—
who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases.

You open Your hand
and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

Hear my cry for mercy as I call to You for help
as I lift up my hands toward Your Most Holy Place.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You preserve my life;
You stretch out Your hand against the anger of my foes; with Your right hand You save me.

O most merciful God,
since You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us, we pray, and for Jesus' sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins. By Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

PSALM OF THE DAY — READ RESPONSIVELY

Psalm 30

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Sing to the LORD, you saints of his;*
praise his holy name.

For his anger lasts only a moment,*
but his favor lasts a lifetime;

weeping may remain for a night,*
but rejoicing comes in the morning.

To you, O LORD, I called;*
to the Lord I cried for mercy.

Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me;*
O LORD, be my help.

You turned my wailing into dancing,*
that my heart may sing to you and not be silent.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

PRAYER

When I was in the pit of despair, Lord, you lifted me out. Though your anger blazed down on me because of my sin, you sent your Son to take the brunt of your anger so that I might be spared. Now I rejoice in the splendor of your grace and proclaim your savings deeds to those who will yet praise you as their only Savior.

Amen.

THE PASSION HISTORY

Part Five

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead,

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there He will come 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.**

HYMN

Jesus, Your Blood – 376

SERMON

Psalm 51:7

“Relying on God’s Grace”

PRAYER

LUTHER’S EVENING PRAYER

I thank You, my Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day. Forgive me all my sins, and graciously keep me this night. Into Your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

BLESSING

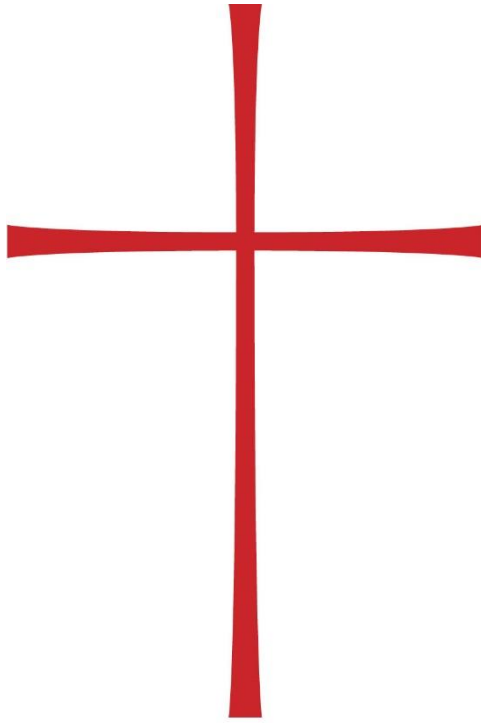
The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

CLOSING HYMN

Today Your Mercy Calls Us – 339

Thank you to Pastor David Waterstradt from Hope Lutheran in Penryn for your service here at St. Mark’s Lutheran.

*RESTORE
us through your SON*



Happy are those whose
transgression
is forgiven,
whose sin
is covered.

PSALM 32:1, NRSV