

Connecting Our Community to Christ  
 St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church  
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We are glad you are here today and hope you have found a warm welcome. If you are our guest, please fill out a connection card; we would like to thank you for joining us and would appreciate feedback on your experience at St. Mark. The tall laminated card in the pew rack offers an explanation of our liturgy (order of worship).

**Thank you for Giving!** One-time or recurring donations may be made securely online by scanning the QR code. For a check or cash offering, please request an envelope from an usher.



**Yellow prayer request cards** may be placed in the offering plate or given to an usher.

**Communion practice:** Our Lord Jesus invites to His table baptized believers who repent of their sin, recognize His presence in the bread and wine as His body and blood, and trust His promise to forgive their sins and strengthen them in the faith. If you have any questions about Holy Communion, feel free to speak to the Elder before worship.

**Sunday Livestream:** <https://stmarkmendon.com> or scan QR code.



Serving in God's House			Celebrations
	Today	May 19	
Guest Pastor	Pastor Hering	Pastor Hering	Birthday Bob Shraeder 5/18
Elder	Chuck Bannister	Ted Veit	
Ushers	Guenther & Margaret Heiss	Chuck Bannister & Joyce Haag	
Greeter	Barb Done	Georgette Peterson	
Altar Care	Barb Done	Marlene Hampson	
Mowing Team	Jeff Lillie	Ed Blythe	
Office Help	<b>May 17</b> Kristen Waterstram-Rich	<b>May 24</b> Marlene Hampson	

## Our Great High Priest Preserves Us in the Name of His Father

On the eve of His Passion, Christ Jesus intercedes for the disciples as their merciful and great High Priest. He prays that His Father would protect them *"from the evil one"* and preserve them in His name (John 17:11-12, 15). Along with His prayer, Christ Himself comes to the Father by His self-sacrifice upon the cross, thereby consecrating Himself for the sake of His disciples, *"that they also may be sanctified in truth"* (John 17:19). To that same end, He speaks to them in the world and gives them His Father's Word, that is, Himself. His apostles, in turn, have written these things *"to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life"* (1 John 5:13). For *"this life is in his Son,"* whom He has given by His Word, and *"whoever has the Son has life"* (1 John 5:11-12). By this apostolic testimony, disciples are gathered together *"with one accord,"* as one Body in Christ, *"devoting themselves to prayer"* and waiting upon the Lord in *"the upper room"* of His Church on earth (Acts 1:13-14).

### In Our Prayers

**Kathie Monnat:** prayer of thanksgiving for successful gallbladder surgery  
**Wayne:** (friend of Barb Done) prayer of thankfulness for great test results  
**Allen Mack:** (Barb's son) receiving treatment following a heart attack  
**Julie Schulman:** (Wendie's sister) healing of medical issues  
**Ilsa's nephew:** recently diagnosed with a brain tumor  
**Bonnie Weidert:** (Georgette & Joe's neighbor) melanoma  
**Donna Smith:** (Sue Henry's friend) diagnosed with cancer  
**Linda Johnson:** (Kathie Monnat's cousin) stage four lymphoma  
**Tim Poppenberg:** (Dan's brother) cancer diagnosis  
**Paula Kuempel:** (Georgette's friend) pancreatic cancer  
**Nancy Dunton:** (Kay's daughter) metastatic cancer, liver failure, and recent heart attack  
**Members and Friends in Care:** Ron Coyle, Norma Helm, June Mihalov, Sue Buchanan (Heiss' friend)  
 If you have prayer updates, please send them to [secretary@stmarkmendon.com](mailto:secretary@stmarkmendon.com)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Today, we welcome Pastor Jeff Hering.** We are thankful he can be with us to share a message of encouragement and joy in our Lord.

**Pizza Booth:** Join the fellowship and have fun working the SMLC Pizza Booth at the Mendon Firemen's Carnival May 30-June 1. There is something for everyone to do! If you have any questions, contact Vicki Laube. Sign-up sheets will be in the Fellowship Hall.

Coming Up This Week	Attendance & Giving	*****
Today <i>Happy Mother's Day!</i> 10:30am Bible Study	<b>Sun, 5/5</b> 43 Giving \$1,600	***** Altar Flowers Today Given to the glory of
Tues, 5/14 2pm Chime Choir	Weekly Budget \$2,687	***** God, in loving
Thurs, 5/16 9am CBS	YTD Giving \$37,413	***** memory of our
7pm Choir Practice	YTD Budget \$48,366	***** father, Pete Laube,
Sun, 5/19 9am Worship		***** on his birthday, by
		***** his family. *****

The 7th Sunday of Easter  
 Divine Service II  
 Order of Worship  
 May 12, 2024

**Prelude**  
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Entrance Hymn: 830  
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 Benediction  
Closing Hymn: 525





### About the Cover

The eternal life God gives us is full and abundant. That first Easter morning has opened to us a new horizon of eternal life. Christ has overcome the devil, the world, and our sin to give us life by believing in Him. God has taken care to give us His Word and Sacraments so that we may have life by believing in His name.

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### First Reading: Acts 1:12–26

<sup>12</sup>Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup>And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. <sup>14</sup>All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

<sup>15</sup>In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, <sup>16</sup>“Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. <sup>17</sup>For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” <sup>18</sup>(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. <sup>19</sup>And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) <sup>20</sup>“For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

“‘May his camp become desolate,  
and let there be no one to dwell in it’;

and

“‘Let another take his office.’

<sup>21</sup>“So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” <sup>23</sup>And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup>And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned

aside to go to his own place.” <sup>26</sup>And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

### Epistle: 1 John 5:9–15

<sup>9</sup>If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. <sup>10</sup>Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. <sup>11</sup>And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup>Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

<sup>13</sup>I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. <sup>14</sup>And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. <sup>15</sup>And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

### Holy Gospel: John 17:11b–19

<sup>11b</sup>[Jesus said:] “Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. <sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup>But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. <sup>14</sup>I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. <sup>15</sup>I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

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1 John 5:11