


Disciples of Jesus, Connecting Our Community to Christ  
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Pastor's Office Hours Thursday 10 am-noon, other times by appointment

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:** place in the offering plate or give 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.

### Altar Flowers Today

Given to the glory of God, in celebration of Margie's birthday, by Guenther Heiss.

Serving in God's House		
	Today	May 3
Elder	Chuck Bannister	Ted Veit
Comm. Assistant	Guenther Heiss	Mike Monnat
Ushers	Sally Hacker & Scott Stranford	Guenther & Margaret Heiss
Greeter	Gary Weisensel	Sally Hacker
Altar Care	Margaret Heiss	Margaret Heiss

### The Crucified and Risen Lord Jesus Christ Is Our Good Shepherd

Although we *"were straying like sheep,"* the Lord Jesus Christ has willingly suffered and died for us, bearing our sins *"in his body on the tree"* (1 Peter 2:24-25). We are healed by His wounds (1 Peter 2:24), and in His resurrection He gathers us to Himself as our Good Shepherd, by whose righteousness we *"have life and have it abundantly"* (John 10:10). Now through other shepherds whom He calls and sends in His name, He guards and keeps us in the green pastures of His Church, leading us beside the quiet waters of our Baptism and spreading the feast of His table before us. Since He has called us by the Gospel to be His own dear sheep, we also *"hear his voice"* and *"know his voice"* (John 10:3-4) in the faithful preaching of His Gospel, and we follow Him by faith. When we receive His Gospel, we have the abundant life and common unity of the entire flock under one Good Shepherd, in *"the apostles' teaching and the fellowship"* and in *"the breaking of bread and the prayers"* (Acts 2:42).

#### In Our Prayers

**Around the World: Missionaries Ben and Ella Goehring; Persecuted Christians Phillip Callahan** (Faith, Corning) who is a Lt. Col. Chaplain in the Army Reserves, now deployed to Poland with the expectation that he will also see duty in the Baltic States; **Shane (deployed), Jennifer, and son** (Richard's Krause's niece and family)

**Those with Health Concerns: Bob Haag; Kathie Monnat; Marilyn Ryan; Roberta** (Barb Done's friend); **Steve & Denise McCormack** (Georgette's friends); **Sue Boezi** (Vicar Al's wife); **Sherry**, (friend of Nancy Connorton); **Ron Hacker; Karyn Roman** (Marlene's granddaughter); **June Van Zandt** (Sue Eilinger's sister-in-law); **Tim Poppenberg; Melissa Rizzo** (Amanda Bendschneider's sister); **Richard & Shirley Landseadel** (Deb Lillie's parents); **Dave** (Jeff Lillie's friend); **Theresa** (Jim & Ginnie Knopp's daughter-in-law); **Mike Morse; Kathy Wallack** (Deb Bolcko's friend); **Donna Werth** (Cindy Barben's friend); **Tim Jasmin** (Mary Reimers' brother-in-law); **Will Dunton** (Kay Killenbec's son); **Nancy Dunton** (Kay Killenbec's daughter)

**Members and Friends in Care: Ron Coyle, Barb Dingle, Norma Helm, Jim Knopp, Effie Steingasser**

Send prayer requests/updates to [secretary@stmarkmendon.com](mailto:secretary@stmarkmendon.com)

Coming Up This Week	Attendance	Celebrations
Today 9am Worship 10:30am Sunday Sch.	Sunday, 4/19 52 Giving \$1,216	<b>Birthdays</b> Gail Maffett 4/26
Thurs, 4/30 7pm Choir	Wkly Budget \$3,135	Joe Mynio 4/28
Sun, 5/3 9am Worship 10:30am Sunday Sch.	YTD Giving \$46,101 YTD Budget \$50,160	Ed Blythe 4/28 Margaret Heiss 4/29 John Reese 5/1

Good Shepherd Sunday  
 Divine Service I  
 April 26, 2026

#### Prelude

#### Welcome and Announcements

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### About the Cover

Christ, the Good Shepherd, leads His sheep to eternal life. The Good Shepherd is intent on giving life as He searches for the lost, gives guidance for the wandering, provides protection for the helpless, and delivers food for the hungry. He gave us this abundant life by laying down His own for His sheep and taking it up again. Since Christ gave His life for us on the cross and rose from the dead, we can have confidence that the life He promises us is in His hand forever (see John 10:28).

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### First Reading: Acts 2:42–47

<sup>42</sup>They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. <sup>43</sup>And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. <sup>44</sup>And all who believed were together and had all things in common. <sup>45</sup>And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup>And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup>praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

### Epistle: 1 Peter 2:19–25

<sup>19</sup>This is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. <sup>20</sup>For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. <sup>21</sup>For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. <sup>22</sup>He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. <sup>23</sup>When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who

judges justly. <sup>24</sup>He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup>For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

### Holy Gospel: John 10:1–10

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus said:] "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. <sup>2</sup>But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup>To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup>When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. <sup>5</sup>A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." <sup>6</sup>This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

<sup>7</sup>So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. <sup>9</sup>I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."

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John 10:10

