


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.

Serving in God's House		
	Today	May 24
Elder	Chuck Bannister	Ted Veit
Comm. Assistant	Guenther Heiss	Mike Monnat
Ushers	Ken & Patty Hampson	Rod Amidon & Deb Bolcko
Greeter	Barb Done	Georgette Peterson
Altar Care	Sharon Fiaschetti	Deb Bolcko

Our Lord Jesus Is with Us in the Upper Room of His Church on Earth

On the night when He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus prayed for His apostles and His Church on earth. "The hour" had come when the Father would glorify His Son by the cross (John 17:1). Through the shedding of His blood, He would bring forgiveness for the sins of the world, and in His resurrection and ascension He would unite all Christians with the Father "that they may be one" with God (John 17:11). He manifested His name to the apostles and gave them the words of the Father to speak in His name. The apostolic witness of His cross and resurrection (Acts 1:21-22) gathers disciples together "with one accord" into the one Body of Christ (Acts 1:14). "Devoting themselves to prayer," they wait upon the Lord in "the upper room" (Acts 1:13-14), the place of His Holy Supper. Strengthened by the Gospel, Christians bear the cross of Christ in patience and peace, rejoicing to share in His suffering, in order that they "may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed" (1 Peter 4:13).

In Our Prayers

The Family of Norma Helm, who was called to glory last week

Around the World: Missionaries Ben and Ella Goehring; Persecuted Christians around the world, particularly in Sudan, Congo, and Syria; For protection for **Rev. 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; Ellie & Maisie (Georgette's co-worker's daughters); **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 Bend-schneider'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, Jim Knopp, Effie Steingasser

Send prayer requests/updates to secretary@stmarkmendon.com

Coming Up This Week	Attendance	Celebrations
Today 9am Worship 10:30am Sunday School	Sunday, 5/10 53 Giving \$5,476	Birthday Bob Shraeder 5/18
Thurs, 5/21 7pm Choir	Wkly Budget \$3,135	Deb Bolcko 5/19
Sun, 5/24 9am Worship 10:30am Sunday School	YTD Giving \$57,480 YTD Budget \$59,565	Sharon Fiaschetti 5/20 Sabrina Urlaub 5/21

Seventh Sunday of Easter
 Divine Service I
 May 17, 2026

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About the Cover

When Jesus prayed, He interceded for us. His perfect and holy prayers were heard by our Father in heaven. Jesus—the crucified one, the risen one—ascended to the right hand of the Father, where He continues to intercede for us. He does so by the atoning blood He shed for us in His once-for-all sacrifice on the cross nearly two thousand years ago. There is no cessation to His intercession for us because He has been raised and will never die again (see Romans 6:9).

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 1:12–26

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And 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. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶"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. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸(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. ¹⁹And 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.) ²⁰For 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."

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning 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." ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

Epistle: 1 Peter 4:12–19; 5:6–11

¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. ¹⁵But let none of you suffer as a

murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. ¹⁶Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. ¹⁷For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? ¹⁸And

"If the righteous is scarcely saved,
what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?"

¹⁹Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good. . . .

^{5:6}Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, ⁷casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. ⁸Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. ¹⁰And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Holy Gospel: John 17:1–11

¹When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

⁶"I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one."

*I am praying for those
whom You have given Me*

JOHN 17:9

