

St. Mark's Lutheran Church of Van Wert, Ohio
Sunday, February 21, 2021

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[Livestream Order of Service](#)

Tower Chimes (10:30 service)

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Protocol

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Second Prelude (8:00 service)

Call to Worship

P: By re-centering our lives in Christ we learn to make better decisions with fewer regrets.
We worship as the people of God in the name of the Father, Son ✝ and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen!

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness (page 94)

P: Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleansing the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through
Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen!

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you
and given ourselves into the power of sin.**

**We are truly sorry and humbly repent.
In your compassion
forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things we have done
and things we have failed to do.
Turn us again to you, and uphold us
by your Spirit,
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy,
loved us even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.
By grace you have been saved.
In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
C: Amen!

Gathering Hymn “In the Cross of Christ I Glory” Hymn 324 vv. 1 & 4

In the cross of Christ I glory, towering
o’er the wrecks of time. All the light of
sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the
cross are sanctified; peace is there that
knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.

Prayer of the Day

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you!

P: Let us pray...through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen!

Mark 10:17-22 The Rich Man

¹⁷ As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸ Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹ You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” ²⁰ He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” ²¹ Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money^[a] to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” ²² When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Message

Hymn of the Day “Lead Me, Guide Me” Hymn 768 vv. 1 & 2

Lead me, guide me, along the way;
for if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

I am weak and I need thy strength and power
to help me over my weakest hour.
Help me through the darkness thy face to see.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Lead me, guide me, along the way;
for if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Help me tread in the paths of righteousness,
be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.
Lord, just always let me thy servant be.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Lead me, guide me, along the way;
for if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Music

Apostles' Creed (page 105)

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into
heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of Intercession

P: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those
in need, and all of God's creation...

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting
in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offering

The continuing 157 year ministry of your church functions as the hands, voice and feet of Jesus in our local, national, and global communities. You can give your financial offering in a number of ways:

- Electronically. Go to [My Offering](#) or text 419-273-9947.
- Mail your offerings or bring them to the church office directly.
- Save your offerings and bring them collectively when we can worship again in person.

“Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.” Luke 1:38

**Holy Communion 8:00 service on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.
10: 30 service on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.**

Lord’s Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

C: 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.

Blessing

P: Blessed and beloved people of God and members of his forever family, God has shown you what is good. What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God.
(Micah 6:8)

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. In the name of the Father, Son \mp and Holy Spirit. (Numbers 6:24-26)

C: Amen.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the good news!

C: Thanks be to God!

Sending Hymn "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" Hymn 618 v. 1 & 3

Guide me ever, great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side. Songs and praises, songs and praises I will raise forever more, I will raise forever more.

Doxology Sung By The Congregation (8:00 service)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Doxology on the Tower Chimes (10:30 service)

Dismissal Protocol & Dismissal

Postlude