## Saint Mark Presbyterian Church

Sunday, July 6, 2025
The Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
11:00 AM



## Gathering in the Presence

PRELUDE

GREETING

The grace of our LORD Jesus Christ be with you all. Pastor:

And also with you. People:

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

Pastor: We have traveled to see dangerous seas be turned into dry land,

Land that is durable. Land that leads to further places. People:

We have come seeking the promise of turning mourning into dancing, Pastor:

Of turning enemies into friends, empires into dust. People:

We come to do the hard work Pastor:

Transform our effort. Transform hope from despair. Bring passion People:

where apathy rules.

We have come to you. All:

**God the Sculptor of the Mountains** \*HYMN #5

## Invitation to Confession and Repentance

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Eternal God, before you nations rise and fall.

Help us to repent for that which we support, that which we allow, and that which we turn the other way from in the name of feigned patriotism. Teach us peace, that we may plow up battlefields and learn to talk across old boundaries as brothers and sisters not in arms but as collaborators of the breach.

Talk sense to us, Great God, guide of all nations, renew this nation.

Silent Confession

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** 

Praise to God the Father \*Hymn #605

#### **PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

## Hearing the Word

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Reader: Listen for what the Spirit is saying to the church.

People: Our hearts are open.

## FIRST READING Psalm 66: 1-9

<sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

- <sup>2</sup> sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.
- <sup>3</sup> Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.
- <sup>4</sup> All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name." *Selah*
- <sup>5</sup> Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.
- <sup>6</sup>He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. There we rejoiced in him,
- 7 who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations let the rebellious not exalt themselves.
- <sup>8</sup> Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard,
- <sup>9</sup> who has kept us among the living and has not let our feet slip.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**SECOND READING** 

Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20

**SERMON** 

"Amongst the Dust" Rev. Dr. Jay Moses

## Responding to the Word

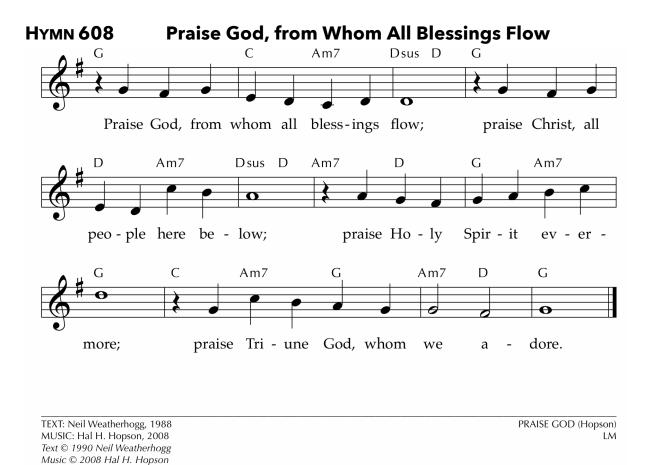
\*HYMN #522

I Am the Bread of Life

## **PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

#### **OFFERTORY**

#### \*DOXOLOGY



#### Invited to the Table of Remembrance

#### **INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

### THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The LORD be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

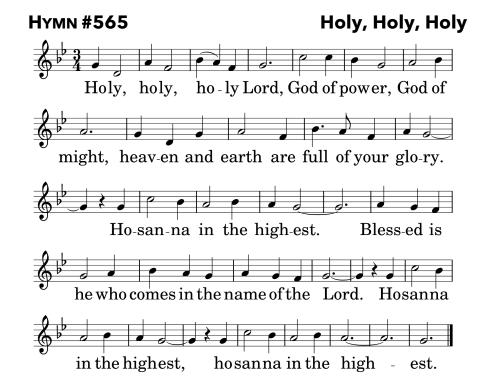
People: We lift them to the LORD.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the LORD our God.

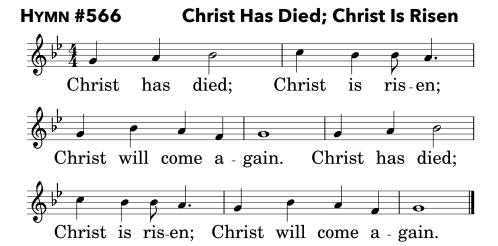
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: And so we gladly thank you, with your people on earth and all the

company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending praise.



Pastor: .... Great is the mystery of faith.



### THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Switch your window to "gallery view" to see everyone)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION** 

THE SHARING OF HOLY COMMUNION

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*Hymn #536

Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen

**CHARGE & BLESSING** 

**POSTLUDE** 

\*Please stand if you are able.

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Welcome to Saint Mark Presbyterian Church. We are grateful that you are joining us today. We welcome everyone to our community regardless of race, class, marital status, sexual orientation, ability or disability. Saint Mark welcomes children and adults with disabilities and their families. We strive to ensure our programs and facilities are accessible to all and to accommodate any special needs. For those of you attending Saint Mark for the first time, we ask that you introduce yourself to an usher, so that we can greet you and answer any questions you may have.



We are pleased this morning to welcome Hoorig Poochikian, violinist, and Emma Johnson, cellist, from Galatea Chamber Music.

## **Offering Made Easy**

If you would prefer to make an offering online, please go to the below QR code. We thank you for your generosity.



#### **Announcements**

## **Lemonade After Worship**

Please join us in the Education Building for lemonade after worship today.

## **Summer Choir**

If you'd like to sing in the choir, but can't commit to weekly rehearsals, then perhaps you'll consider summer choir. We only meet briefly before the 11am service each Sunday to rehearse for that service. We won't sing an anthem, but rather, help teach new hymns, or add harmony, or simply provide strong leadership for the congregation. This will begin on June 15. Questions? Please contact Jeff at **jeffdmusic@gmail.com**.

## Please include the following persons in your prayers this week:

- ~ Kay Haynes
- ~ Mary Pullen
- ~ Betty Seidell
- ~ Alice and Stan Miller
- ~ Les Henig
- ~ Betty and Jerry Lowrie
- ~ Mary Jo and Ray Mountain
- ~ Ingrid Persaud

## **Saint Mark Community**

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