

*Church is not a place; it is who we are. Once we realize this, we can be the church anywhere.*



**SAINT MARK**  
Evangelical Lutheran Church

# ORDER OF SERVICE

**Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**  
**Sunday, January 31, 2021**

To gather together in worship, please use the worship links at [stmarkcp.org](http://stmarkcp.org) or our Facebook page “St.MarkCP”.

*All words for music will be in the Worship video.  
\* denotes additional resources not used in worship*

## WELCOME

### OPENING SONG

“Rise, Shine, You People” *ELW #665*

### CONFESSON AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\dagger$  one God, whose voice is upon the waters, whose mercy is poured out upon all people, whose goodness cascades over all creation.  
Amen.

Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God.  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

L: Holy God,

**C: you search us and know us. You are acquainted with all our ways.**

We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—  
our own sins and the broken systems that bind us.

We turn inward, failing to follow your outward way of love.  
We distrust those who are not like us.

**We exploit the earth and its resources and fail to consider generations to come.**

Forgive us, gracious God, for all we have done and left undone.

Even before the words are on our tongues, you know them;  
receive them in your divine mercy.

Amen.

How vast is God’s grace!

Through the power and promise of  $\dagger$  Christ Jesus,  
our sins are washed away and we are claimed as God’s own beloved.

Indeed, we are forgiven. In the wake of God’s forgiveness,  
we are called to be the beloved community living out Christ’s justice  
and the Spirit’s reconciling peace.

Amen.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

### SPECIAL MUSIC

“Lord Be Glorified”

*Greta Anderson*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

### PSALM\*

Psalm 111

### SECOND READING\*

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

### HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:21-28

### SERMON

### SONG OF THE DAY

“Take, O Take me as I am” *ELW #814*

### APOSTLES' CREED

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 power of 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 THE PEOPLE

*Each petition will end with the words, “Let us pray,”  
Please respond with “Have mercy, O God.”*

### PEACE

We encourage you to pass the peace with those you are with and/or call, text, or face-time someone and share God's peace with them.

### OFFERING

*We have a generous God who provides for us richly. We honor God in return with our offering.  
Thank you for giving generously to St. Mark.*

We invite you to try our “Text to Give” option. Text the dollar amount to 763-296-067. If this is your first time using “Text to Give”, you will be asked to fill out your card information.

### OFFERING PRAYER

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

### **HOLY COMMUNION**

#### **COMMUNION MUSIC**

“Let us Break Bread Together” *ELW 471*

### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

#### **BENEDICTION**

#### **SENDING SONG**

“Son of God, Eternal Savior” *ELW #655 v.1,3*