

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Prelude (*Twin City Harmonizers*)

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song: "All Are Welcome" Hymn #641

Greeting: 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.

Hymn of Praise: "Shine, Jesus, Shine" Hymn #671

Prayer of the Day: God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen**

Psalm 100 (*Pastor Ralph*)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness;

come into God's presence with a song.

Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong:

we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving

and the courts with praise;

give thanks and bless God's holy name.

Good indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is everlasting.

whose faithfulness endures from age to age.

Scripture Reading: Romans 5:1-8 (*Pastor Ralph*)

Children's message: (*Pastor Dave*)

Gospel Acclamation: "Be Not Afraid" (2 times) Hymn #388

Gospel reading: Matthew 9:35-10:8

Land Acknowledgement (*Bishop Carla*)

Sermon: *Carla Blakley (Eastern Synod Bishop)*

Hymn of the Day: "Christ, Be Our Light" Hymn #715

Prayers of Intercession: "Lord, Listen to your..." Hymn #752

Leader: "God of Mercy" **People: "Hear our Prayer"**

Blessing: "God bless us and keep us, God's face shine upon us with grace and mercy, God look upon us with favor and give us peace."
Amen.

Sending Song: "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

Postlude (*Twin City Harmonizers*)

Dismissal: Leader: "Go in peace and serve the Lord"

Congregation: "Thanks be to God"

Pastor's Message: What a joy it has been to be a member of the St. Mark's church family for many years. So many people over the past 150 years have given of themselves and their talents and resources to ensure that this congregation has been a vital part of the Wellesley Community and beyond since 1876. Some of our current, oldest members were born about the same time as the cornerstone was laid for the newer church building in 1927 and were part of the team that helped construct the addition in 1997 with help from many of the younger members.

We give thanks for a century and a half of ministry and the opportunity to share God's love and grace with one another, both members and friends of the congregation, as well as many others beyond our church walls and the Wellesley Community. May God's loving presence, continue to guide and inspire us as we look forward to what lies ahead. - *Pastor Dave Hammer*

Thank You!

Special Thanks ... To all who helped plan, prepare and provide leadership for St. Mark's 150th Celebrations today ... to our Anniversary Committee, Guest Speaker, Twin City Harmonizers, and Musicians. Many Thanks to our guests for joining us and making this day special!



Fellowship and Lunch following Worship

Everyone is invited to join us for a time of sharing, fellowship and lunch following the worship service. Please make your way down to the church basement by the front stairs or the elevator. Thanks to those members of our congregation who have arranged for the food and refreshments for us. Please find a table or chair to sit at as you enter the fellowship hall so that others behind you can make their way in as well. Table grace will be said after all are seated and before we begin eating.

Offering Donations

Offering envelopes have been provided in the pews for your use if you wish to donate today. Donations received will be used to support the ministry of St. Mark's, the Eastern Synod and the Waterloo Region Health Network Cancer Clinic. Please indicate on the offering envelope which ministry or ministries you wish your donation to be given to and include your name and address for tax receipts. Cheques should be made out to "St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Wellesley."

***This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Psalm 118:24***



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