

Communion

We believe this table is the table of our Lord. All followers of Jesus are welcome!

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And, also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

***Closing Hymn # 835** Just a Closer Walk with Thee

***Benediction**

Postlude We Welcome Glad Easter
Arr. Cox

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Serving in Worship Today

Rev. Ann Marie Quigley-Swanson

Dave Thomas, Liturgist

Mary Beth Thomas, Chancel Choir Director

Andy Phillips, Pianist

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Today's flowers are given by Jack and Marilyn Bonaguro to the glory of God, in gratitude for their 61st anniversary and in celebration of the birthdays of Jim and Joy Bonaguro and Maverick Miller.



**St. Mark Presbyterian Church
Fifth Sunday in Lent
April 6, 2025**

Prelude Andy Phillips
"Are Ye Able," Said the Master
Arr. Smith

Welcome Rev. Ann Marie Quigley-Swanson
Congregational Life

Introit The Chancel Choir
Antiphonal Jubilate Deo!
Greg Gilpin

***Call to Worship** Dave Thomas
One: God has set this day before us,
All: A day set apart, a day of rest and praise.
One: God has set our lives before us,
All: A span of years in which we love, and learn, and serve.
One: God has set God's seal upon our hearts,
All: So that we might live fully in deep love.
One: God has set a path before us,
All: Let us worship God who guides us to abundant life.

***Hymn # 65** Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Confession

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, You have set before us the path, but we have wandered on our own to try to find our way. Sometimes we are like toddlers and we hear Your call and come back. Other times, we are children testing boundaries, ignoring Your call until fear finally makes us look back. And still other times we are full of youthful rebellion, demanding to be cut loose and set free, not knowing how much we still need to seek Your wisdom and guidance. But most of all, too often we think we are adults and have it all figured out, only to stumble and stray so far.

Remind us, Loving God, that we are always Your children, that we are never fully grown up in Your sight, that we always have much to learn. Help us to seek You every day, to acknowledge that we need Your wisdom and guidance, and help us to return to the path and walk with You. In the name of Christ, who is our companion on this journey of faith, we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Sung Petition #417 *Lord Jesus, Think on Me (vs 3)*

Assurance of Pardon

***Response #581** *Gloria Patri*

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Anthem

Lord of All Hopefulness
Jan Struther | Lloyd Larson

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Acts 13:1-3

Sermon

Rev. Ann Marie Quigley-Swanson

Closer: Practicing Practices for Spiritual Growth –
Guidance

***Hymn of Response #187** Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering

Call for the Offering

Offertory

Be Thou My Vision
Arr. King