



Welcome Guests!

(Members for info change)

We are glad you are worshipping with us today! Please fill out for your entire family, tear off, and place in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. Thank you!

Date _____

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Home Church _____

Church City, State _____

I am a guest of _____

☐ First Time Guest

☐ Returning Guest

☐ New to Area

☐ Would like a visit

☐ Would like to know more about
St. Mark

☐ Other _____

Prayer Request

☐ Today **(Please hand to Pastor)**

☐ Prayer Chain

☐ Congregation at Prayer

☐ Pastor Kolb

Holy Gospel

Matthew 16:21–28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

²¹From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.” ²³But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? ²⁷For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

St. Mark Lutheran Church

is a Christ-centered, Historic, Liturgical, Lutheran Congregation
in the heart of Waco, Texas.

We have been serving Waco and the surrounding communities since 1917.



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 30, 2026

DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE
LUTHERAN SERVICE BOOK, PAGE 184

Introit

Psalm 37:5–7; antiphon: v. 4



Delight yourself | in the LORD,*
and he will give you the desires | of your heart.

Commit your way | to the LORD;*
trust in him, and | he will act.

He will bring forth your righteousness | as the light,*
and your justice as the | noonday.

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently | for him;*
fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man
who carries out evil de- | vices!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Delight yourself | in the LORD,*
and he will give you the desires | of your heart.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.
Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament ReadingJeremiah 15:15–21

¹⁵O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me,
and take vengeance for me on my persecutors.
In your forbearance take me not away;
know that for your sake I bear reproach.
¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me
a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD,
God of hosts.
¹⁷I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice;
I sat alone, because your hand was upon me,
for you had filled me with indignation.
¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed?
Will you be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail?
¹⁹Therefore thus says the LORD: “If you return, I will restore you,
and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not
what is worthless, you shall be as my mouth.
They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them.
²⁰And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze;
they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you,
for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the LORD.
²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.”

- A

This is the Word of the Lord.
- C

Thanks be to God.

PsalmPsalm 26; antiphon: v. 8

¹Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity, and I have
trusted in the LORD without wavering.
²Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and my mind.
³For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in your faithfulness.
⁴I do not sit with men of falsehood, nor do I consort with hypocrites.
⁵I hate the assembly of evildoers, and I will not sit with the wicked.
⁶I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD,
⁷proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds.
⁸O LORD, I love the habitation of your house and the place where your
glory dwells.
⁹Do not sweep my soul away with sinners, nor my life with bloodthirsty
men,
¹⁰in whose hands are evil devices, and whose right hands are full of bribes.
¹¹But as for me, I shall walk in my integrity; redeem me, and be gracious
to me.
¹²My foot stands on level ground; in the great assembly I will bless the
LORD.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen

⁸O LORD, I love the habitation of your house and the place where your
glory dwells.

GradualPsalm 34:9, 19, alt.



Fear the LORD, | you his saints,*
for those who fear him lack | nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,*
but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.

EpistleRomans 12:9–21

⁹Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good.
¹⁰Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing
honor. ¹¹Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.
¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.
¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.
¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice
with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with
one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be
conceited. ¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is
honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends on you, live
peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the
wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the
Lord.” ²⁰To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is
thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning
coals on his head.” ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with
good.

- A

This is the Word of the Lord.
- C

Thanks be to God.

AlleluiaLSB 190



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
August 30, 2026

Entrance Hymn	p. 425
“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”	
Divine Service Three	p. 184
Introit	(see insert)
Kyrie	p. 186
Gloria in Excelsis	p. 187
Collect of the Day	(see insert)
Old Testament Reading	Jeremiah 15:15-21
Psalm	Psalm 26
Gradual	(see insert)
Second Reading	Romans 12:9-21
Gospel	Matthew 16:21-28
Nicene Creed	p. 191
Hymn of the Day	p. 531
“Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus”	
Sermon	Peter Gets It Wrong
Offertory	p. 192
Offering	The offering plate will be passed down the pews, or you may give electronically at www.stmarkwaco.com
Prayers of the Church	p. 193
Service of the Sacrament	p. 194
Distribution Hymns	
“In the Cross of Christ...” p. 427	
“Praise to You...” p. 692	
“Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy”* p. 774	
“The Son of God...” p. 661	
“Let Us Ever Walk ...” p. 685	
“O God, My Faithful ...” p. 696	
Nunc Dimittis	p. 199
Benediction	p. 202
Closing Hymn	p. 861
“Christ Be My Leader”	

* - Hymn of the Month