

## The Alleluia and Verse

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand;  
repent and believe in the gospel.**

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## The Holy Gospel

*Mark 16:14-20*

<sup>14</sup>Afterward he appeared to the eleven themselves as they were reclining at table, and he rebuked them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. <sup>15</sup>And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. <sup>16</sup>Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. <sup>17</sup>And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; <sup>18</sup>they will pick up serpents with their hands; and if they drink any deadly poison, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover."

<sup>19</sup>So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. <sup>20</sup>And they went out and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by accompanying signs.

## The Apostles' Creed (p. 192)

**The Hymn of the Day:** 836 "O God of Light"

## The Homily

*Offerings are not gathered during Service. While Pastor Messer prepares the Table for the Holy Supper, you may spend time prayerfully preparing to receive the Blessed Sacrament (you may wish to read through Luther's "Christian Questions . . ." on pp. 329-330). If you wish to leave an offering, you may do so by placing it in the plate by the door as you depart after Service.*

## The Prayer of the Church

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

## The Service of the Sacrament

*(Communicants are to be in full confessional fellowship with the LCMS)*

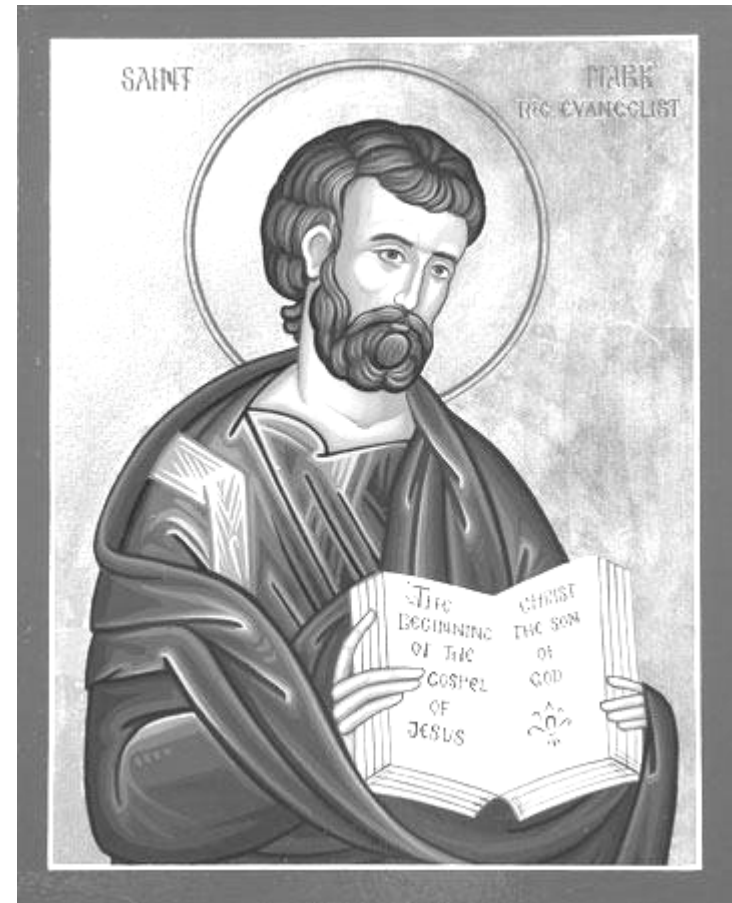
**The Preface - Agnus Dei** (pp. 194-199)

**The Distribution**

**The Nunc Dimittis - Benediction** (pp. 199-202)

*Soli Deo Gloria!*

# St. Mark, Evangelist



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### The Service of Preparation

*(Upon entering the nave, silence should be observed to allow all the opportunity to prayerfully prepare for the presence of the Lord and the reception of His gifts)*

#### *Preparatory Prayer*

*Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord. Amen.*

### Confession and Absolution (pp. 184-185)

#### The Service of the Word

##### The Introit

*Ps. 92:1-5; antiphon: Mark 16:1*

Go into all the world

and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.

**It is good to give thanks to the LORD,**

**to sing praises to your name, O Most High;**

to declare your steadfast love in the morning,

and your faithfulness by night,

**to the music of the lute and the harp,**

**to the melody of the lyre.**

For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;

at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

**How great are your works, O LORD!**

**Your thoughts are very deep!**

**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.**

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##### The Kyrie (p. 186)

##### The Gloria in Excelsis (p. 189)

### The Salutation and Collect of the Day (p. 189)

Almighty God, You have enriched Your Church with the proclamation of the Gospel through the evangelist Mark. Grant that we may firmly believe these glad tidings and daily walk according to Your Word; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### The Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 52:7-10*

<sup>7</sup>How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." <sup>8</sup>The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the Lord to Zion. <sup>9</sup>Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem. <sup>10</sup>The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

### The Gradual

*Ps. 119:105, 103; 45:1a, c*

Your word is a lamp to my feet

and a light to my path.

**How sweet are your words to my taste,**

**sweeter than honey to my mouth!**

My heart overflows with a pleasing theme;

my tongue is like the pen of a ready scribe.

### The Epistle

*2 Timothy 4:5-18*

<sup>5</sup>As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

<sup>6</sup>For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. <sup>7</sup>I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. <sup>8</sup>Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

<sup>9</sup>Do your best to come to me soon. <sup>10</sup>For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. <sup>11</sup>Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry. <sup>12</sup>Tychicus I have sent to Ephesus. <sup>13</sup>When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. <sup>14</sup>Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will repay him according to his deeds. <sup>15</sup>Beware of him yourself, for he strongly opposed our message. <sup>16</sup>At my first defense no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! <sup>17</sup>But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. <sup>18</sup>The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.