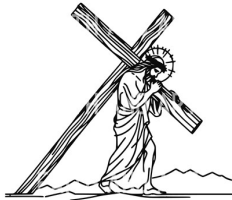


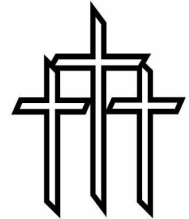
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 30, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP



Hymns: TLH 657,394,649
First Reading: Jeremiah 15:15-21
Epistle: Romans 12:9-21
Holy Gospel: Matthew 16:21-28



The September/October Communicator are ready for pickup on the bulletin table

WELCOME TO ST MATTHEW!

The Lord richly bless your time here this morning as we receive Christ in the liturgy, hymns, and preaching. There are guest cards and envelopes in the pews. All guests are encouraged to fill these out. The envelopes are provided for guests to contribute during the offering.



Important Notice

Pastor David Keating of St Mark Lutheran Church in North Tonawanda will be available to bring Holy Communion to the home of any member desiring a visit. You may also call him, regardless of the time, if any congregation member is in need of pastoral care. This is particularly important when there is a serious illness, an accident, a hospitalization and when death approaches or occurs.
cell: 631-974-4034
email: pastor@stmarknt.org

QUESTIONS ABOUT WORSHIP, BAPTISM OR COMMUNION? Please see the Pastor or the Elder on duty.

There will be one Worship Service at 9:00A.M.. **Holy Communion will be celebrated the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month.** Please announce your intention to commune by signing the sheet in the narthex. If you would like to receive communion in your pew please check the box after your name on the announcement sheet.

Joan Baroudi	Kelly Benedict
Christiana Brenon	Bob Burton
Patricia Cake	Linda Davidson
Bill Doebler	Toni Durick
Doug Ellman	Tom Essenburg
Ellie Grichen	Casey Gordon
Gloria Haeseler	Karl Haeussler
Marilyn Heigl	Sue & Ned Holmes
Hanna Koepsell	Nancy Lake
Mike & Terry Lance	Sharon Lemke
Florence Lindaman	Doris Matheis
Cathy Ormond	Rob Pidanick
Jason Painter	Renee Patton
Danielle Rance	Scott Rance
Mary Smith	Karen Tischler
Dennis & Eileen Tischler	Jeremy Trombley
Dave Urtel	Ron Waliszewski
Tami Walters	Curt Webb
Our Shut Ins	

TODAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR:

The Glory of God Is the Passion and Cross of Christ Jesus

After St. Peter confessed that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, our Lord **“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”** (Matt. 16:21). Upon hearing this **“theology of the cross,”** Simon Peter stumbled into a satanic **“theology of glory.”** But the glory of God is revealed in the Passion and cross of His incarnate Son. The faithful prophets, such as Jeremiah, suffered persecution and rejection in anticipation of Jesus’ cross. Yet the Lord did not abandon them; He remembered them, and He was with them to deliver them (Jer. 15:15–20). By His cross, Jesus has redeemed the world, and in His resurrection, He has vindicated all who trust in Him. Thus, the Christian life is a discipleship of self-sacrificing love. Since Christ Jesus has reconciled us to God, we **“live peaceably with all”** (Rom. 12:18). By the certainty of His cross and resurrection, we **“rejoice in hope,”** and we are **“patient in tribulation”** and **“constant in prayer”** (Rom. 12:12).



Young At Heart will get together after church **TODAY** to enjoy brunch at Country Cottage on Beach Ridge Road. Country Cottage is a popular place and there could be a wait.
See Carol Wilczak



In memory of Linda Pascucci, memorials were made to Ladies Guild from Linda Jaslevich and Rachel Behnke.



Thursday the 3rd-6:30pm Elders Meeting



Tuesday the 8th-6:30pm Church Council Meeting

Wednesday the 9th-5:45pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday the 10th-10:30am Bible Study Class

Sunday the 20th-10:30am VOTERS MEETING

Sunday, the 27th-10:00am Sunday School starts

Sunday the 27th-10:00 SARB starts



SENIOR CHOIR NEWS

If you have those beautiful songs/hymns buzzing around in your head, and would like to join with us in singing them...please come to choir rehearsal and sing with us! You need not know how to read music all that's required is a love of singing and a willingness to serve the Lord with your voice. Our first rehearsal is Wednesday, September 9th at 5:45 PM. They usually last less than an hour. The plan is to rehearse every other Wednesday. And we will be singing on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month.



ATTIC TREASURE DONATIONS are now being accepted. Please bring in only clean, unbroken items. We are respectfully not accepting any clothes, heavy books, chipped/dirty items, or outdated equipment or any appliances that are not functional. We appreciate your consideration in this to save us time and many sorting decisions! Thank You. If there are any questions, please see Ellen Graf