

THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK & ALL SAINTS (Episcopal)

Worldwide Anglican Communion Diocese of New Jersey Atlantic Convocation

"Loving God and neighbor by word and action"



Living Each Day as a Steward!

This week's focus is *"The Steward's Purpose."* Through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, we are transformed into new people who seek to fulfill God's purpose for our lives. As Paul stated, *"...if anyone is in Christ, he/she is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come"* (2 Corinthians 5:17). As God opens our eyes and hearts through the reading and studying of God's Word, we discover God's purpose for us. Understanding our purpose as God's stewards, we commit all that we are and have to God's service.

- **TODAY:** "The Steward's Purpose" – October 12
 - "The Steward's Lifestyle" – October 19
- "New Beginnings Sunday" (Pledge/Commitment Sunday) – October 26

PICK UP YOUR DAILY DEVOTIONAL TODAY! FOR THOSE WHO PREFER A HARD COPY OF FR. TERRY'S INTRO LETTER AND STEWARDSHIP RESOURCES, PLEASE ALSO PICK UP A COPY!

*Sundays 9:00 AM – Holy Eucharist
Kid's Program (Sunday School) – 9AM*

A Service for Healing with Holy Eucharist – Wednesdays at 5PM

*For Holy Baptism, Private Confession, or Holy Matrimony,
please contact Fr. Terry*

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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 12, 2025
The Holy Eucharist Rite Two - Eucharistic Prayer A
9:00 AM

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WELCOME TO ALL!

It is our privilege to have you worship with us and share in the community of God's faithful as we gather to celebrate the Holy Eucharist. We celebrate our diversity, knowing that ALL are created in God's image and likeness. At The Church of St. Mark and All Saints, there are no visitors—for this is Christ's Church; therefore, ALL God's children are welcomed here no matter where you are on the journey! Please sign our guestbook in the lobby.

RESTROOMS:

are located in the hall immediately across from the interior entrance doors to the sanctuary. The Ladies' Room is located to the right, with the Men's Room to the left. An usher will be happy to direct you.

Please join us for coffee/tea and other light refreshments in the parish hall immediately following our worship today!

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Helpful Abbreviations:

BCP – *The Book of Common Prayer* (black or red book with the cross on the front cover)

Blue Hymnal – (hardback blue book with year 1982 on it)

LEVAS – *Lift Every Voice and Sing Hymnal* (multi-colored hymnal)

Praise Hymnal – (paperback light blue book)

Gathering in the Lord's Presence

Processional Hymn

Blue Hymnal #625

Salutations and Responses

Book of Common Prayer 355

Stewardship Theme

Hymn of Praise

BCP 356

Blue Hymnal S280

The Collect of the Day

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Word of God

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111

1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

2 Great are the deeds of the Lord! *
they are studied by all who delight in them.

3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, *
and his righteousness endures for ever.

4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

5 He gives food to those who fear him; *
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

6 He has shown his people the power of his works *
in giving them the lands of the nations.

7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *
all his commandments are sure.

8 They stand fast for ever and ever, *
because they are done in truth and equity.

9 He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever; *
holy and awesome is his Name.

10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; *
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his praise endures for ever.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David-- that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore, I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
if we endure, we will also reign with him;
if we deny him, he will also deny us;
if we are faithless, he remains faithful--
for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 17:11-19

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Rev. Terrence O'Connor, Jr.

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Prayers of the People

Lord, have mercy

Form V

BCP 389

Confession of Sin

BCP 359

The Peace

BCP 360

Announcements

Personal Testimony

The Holy Eucharist

Offertory

The Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Sanctus

Blue Hymnal S125

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

Fraction Anthem -Blue Hymnal S155

Directions for the Reception of Holy Communion:

To receive the bread and wine separately, please kneel or stand by the **left-side** of the altar rail. Bread will be distributed first, followed by the wine. If you choose to receive the bread only, please leave the altar rail before the distribution of the wine.

To receive the bread dipped in the wine (intinction), please kneel or stand by the **right-side** of the altar rail.

If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you may come to either side of the rail for a blessing. Please cross your arms across your chest to indicate that you wish to receive a blessing—**or** you may remain in your pew for prayer/meditation.

Communion Hymn

LEVAS #154

Going Forth into the World

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 366

Blessing

BCP366

Recessional Hymn

Blue Hymnal #397

Dismissal

BCP 366

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THIS WEEK AT SMAS:

Sun., 10/12 – 9 AM – Mass, Sunday Kid's Program, Fellowship Hour

Mon., 10/13 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

6:00 -8:00 PM – Art Space (*all ages & skill levels welcome*)

Tues., 10/14 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

4:30 PM ESL at St. Mary's

7:00 PM Evening Bible Study with Mo. Mag via Zoom

Wed., 10/15 – 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

4:30 PM ESL at St. Mary's

5:00 PM Healing service with Eucharist

6:00 PM Mission Committee Meeting

Thurs., 10/16 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

Fri., 10/17 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

Sat., 10/18 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

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Fellowship Hour -Please join us after Mass. Thank you Emily Murray & Charlotte Nistico! Hosts needed! Sign up for future weeks to maintain our weekly fellowship hour.

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Attention Delegates! Annual Fall Atlantic Convocational Gathering - Thursday, November 13th at 7:00PM in our parish hall. Dinner will be provided.

SALA FELLOWSHIP IS BACK! WOMEN MYSTICS: Thursday, October 30th at 7PM. Christian Mysticism is Christianity's best kept secret. Both men and women mystics were well known for their ancient wisdom teaching, their experiences with the Divine, and their service to the Church and their communities. It was profound that the women spoke out to the authority of the church giving their messages from Christ. During our time together, we will look more closely at the women mystics, i.e. Teresa of Avila, Hildegard de Bingen, and Julian of Norwich. Their lives and ministries are fascinating and inspiring! Join us for food, fellowship, and learning. ALL are welcome!

ADVENT POTLUCK & STUDY: Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus - AN ADVENT TO CHRISTMAS PILGRIMAGE by Andy Langford, Ann Langford Duncan. YOU are invited "on an Advent-to-Christmas pilgrimage to draw closer to Jesus! Traditional Scripture readings and acts of worship reveal anew the treasures of God's grace for all people. Let this book guide you to open your heart to the priceless gifts of the good news. Start your pilgrimage today and experience the full riches of God's love" (taken from Cokesbury.com). Please sign-up on the bulletin board **no later than Sunday, November 16th. Please purchase book on your own at least one week prior to the start of the study.**

If anyone needs assistance with the purchase of a book, please reach out privately to Fr. Terry or Deacon Rich. **Mondays at 6PM: 11/24, 12/1, 12/8, & 12/15. Potluck Meal, fellowship, discussion/learning! Bring a dish to share! ALL WELCOME!**

SEAMAN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE - Have you been thinking about how you can become involved with the parish's ministry to the Seamen's Church Institute, but you don't knit or crochet?

Well, here are some ideas...

- ❖ **Donate loose change or other denominations** to help pay for postage/shipping costs for holiday mailings. A basket is located at the back of the church. It costs \$20 to mail a package.
- ❖ **DONATE YARN...#4** Medium worsted weight (avoid pastels)
- ❖ **DO YOU SEW?...** Make Ditty Bags, there is a simple pattern in the book in the box in the back of the church or online @ <https://seamenschurch.org>
- ❖ **DONATE ITEMS TO FILL THE DITTY BAGS...** travel sized toiletries, granola bars, gum, individual packages of hot chocolate and microwave popcorn, playing cards and puzzles
- ❖ **AMAZON WISH LIST...** Christmas at Sea has an Amazon wish list, if you use Amazon, you can use this to send items to them, be sure to add a gift note so they can acknowledge your gift

❖ **Knitting/Crocheting for the Seamen's Church Institute continues!** Please place items in the box. We are also collecting the front covers of used Christmas cards. Thank you for your contributions and generosity!

Kid's Program –for children up to 6th grade! Children will have fun learning Bible stories, how to imitate Jesus, as well as how to worship in the Episcopal Church, etc. Sundays during 9AM Mass.

Peggy's Pantry – The next Peggy's Pantry will be on **Sunday, October 19th**. Your generosity helps support the community food bank.

Jersey Shore Fiber Arts Guild

Knitters, crocheters, weavers, spinners & quilters—come join us!

This **Thursday, 10/16 – 7 – 9 PM** in the fellowship hall. No membership fees—everyone is welcome! Email: jerseyshorefiberartsguild@gmail.com for details.

Weekly Wednesday Online Meditation - Join Mel Caron and participants from churches across the diocese and beyond for a peaceful and enriching online meditation session every Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Our time together includes a 20-minute meditation, followed by a teaching video from a contemporary contemplative, and a discussion afterward. No prior meditation experience? No problem! We're happy to guide you. For more information and to receive the weekly link, contact Mel at [*melanieannecaron@gmail.com*](mailto:melanieannecaron@gmail.com)

Thinking about getting more involved at SMAS? We could really use some friendly faces to help out as ushers! Please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the long table.

Fall/Winter Bible Study with Mother Mag - September 9, 2025 – June 2026

Join us on Tuesdays, 7:00 – 8:15 PM as we study the Book of Esther. No homework required—just bring your preferred Bible.

✂ Sign up on the bulletin board or call the office to be added to the list.

🔗 Zoom details will be provided closer to the start date.

In need of Prayer? Please add name(s) to our parish prayer list at the usher's stand.

Zoom Morning Prayer –Mondays through Saturdays at 9:30 AM. Please contact the church office for the link to Morning Prayer.

SMAS CARE Team – Is there a parishioner who needs a visit? Card? Call? Assistance with transportation to a medical appointment? Please email or call the church office.

Mission Committee Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 10/15 at 6:00 PM**. ALL Welcome!

Pocket Prayer Squares Ministry – Please take one from the blue basket at the back of the church for someone in need or your comfort.

Important Groups Meeting at SMAS:

Art Space – Mondays 6 PM – 8 PM

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) – Tuesdays (6 PM) & Wednesdays (4:30 PM)

Boardwalk Chorus – Wednesdays 6 PM – 8 PM

Jersey Shore Fiber Arts Guild – 7 PM – 9 PM

(3rd Thursday of the month)

Easter Seals – Fridays (10:30 AM – 1:30 PM)

Girl Scouts – Every Other Tuesday

Cub Scouts (Chartered by SMAS) – 3rd Sunday

Memorials & Thank Offerings

Altar Flowers

Christa Atkins in loving memory of her mother, Kathryn Atkins, on her birthday

Candle Memorials and Thank Offerings

Christa Atkins in loving memory of her mother, Kathryn, on the anniversary of her birth

Stan & Val Kozlowski in thanksgiving for Stanley R. Kozlowski

Marie Beall in thanksgiving for her son Ron and daughter-in-law Janet on their wedding anniversary



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