

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 third week's theme is **"The Steward's Lifestyle."** Our stewardship is seen in our deeds and actions. Out of love and gratitude for our Savior who has redeemed us, we are eager to use our time, talents, and money in ways that honor and glorify Jesus. As we grow spiritually, our activities and deeds of stewardship develop into a lifestyle of stewardship. In a lifestyle of stewardship, we commit our lives, gifts, and resources to serve the Lord and fulfill his will.

BE SURE TO FILL OUT YOUR PLEDGE CARD AND BRING IT WITH YOU TO CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY, 10/26. JOIN US AS WE SUBMIT OUR PLEDGES AND CELEBRATE WITH A POTLUCK BRUNCH AFTER OUR 9AM WORSHIP AND BRIEF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING FOR A VOTE ON MOVING FROM MISSION TO PARISH STATUS. ALL ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!

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

HARD COPIES OF FR. TERRY'S LETTER WITH STEWARDSHIP RESOURCE AND PLEDGE CARD AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX (FOYER) ON THE SMALL TABLE BY THE EXIT OF THE BUILDING.

*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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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 19, 2025
The Holy Eucharist Rite Two - Eucharistic Prayer A
9:00 AM

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!

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 #372

Salutations and Responses

Book of Common Prayer 355

Stewardship Theme

Hymn of Praise

BCP 356

Blue Hymnal S280

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

The Word of God

First Reading: Genesis 32:22-31

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121

1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?

2 My help comes from the Lord, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

3 He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;

5 The Lord himself watches over you; *
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,

6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.

7 The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.

8 The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Blue Hymnal #530

Gospel: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 18:1-8

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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	<i>Lord, have mercy</i>	Form V	BCP 389
Confession of Sin			BCP 359
The Peace			BCP 360
Announcements			

Welcome Back! A special word of thanks to **Nathan Bryson** for providing the organ music for today's service. Your musical gifts are a blessing to our congregation, and we are grateful for your contribution to our worship.

Personal Testimony (Is this still on for this week?)

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 #152

Going Forth into the World

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 366

Blessing

BCP366

Recessional Hymn

Blue Hymnal #544

Dismissal

BCP 366

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THIS WEEK AT SMAS:

Sun., 10/20 – 9 AM – Mass, Sunday Kid’s Program, Fellowship Hour

Mon., 10/21 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

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

Tues., 10/22 - 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., 10/23 – 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., 10/24 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

Fri., 10/25 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

Sat., 10/26 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

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Fellowship Hour -Please join us after Mass. Thank you Lee & Nancy Powers! 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!

Meetings are held the **3rd Thursday of each month – 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

Joan Klaus in loving memory of Kurt Klaus, sr.

Candle Memorials and Thank Offerings

Alice & Jim Dougherty in thanksgiving for Megan DeFalco's 32nd birthday

Faith Penrose in loving memory of Betsy Penrose, sister-in-law

Candle Memorials and Thank Offerings

Gen Creamer in thanksgiving for Alex Maguire who celebrates his 5th birthday on 10/22



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