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"



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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Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost November 16, 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

Salutations and Responses

Hymn of Praise

Blue Hymnal #607

Book of Common Prayer 355

Blue Hymnal \$280

The Collect of the Day

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace

and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen*.

The Word of God

First Reading: Malachi 4:1-2a

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98

1 Sing to the Lord a new song, * for he has done marvelous things.

2 With his right hand and his holy arm * has he won for himself the victory.

3 The Lord has made known his victory; * his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, * and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; * lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, * with the harp and the voice of song.

7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn * shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, * the lands and those who dwell therein.

9 Let the rivers clap their hands, * and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.

10 In righteousness shall he judge the world * and the peoples with equity.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Blue Hymnal #7

Gospel: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 21:5-19 Glory to You, Lord Christ

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to

death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

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 Form III - BCP 387

Confession of Sin BCP 359
The Peace BCP 360

Announcements

The Holy Eucharist

Offertory My Lord, What a Morning – arr. Burleigh

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

Blue Hymnal #632

Post Communion Prayer

Going Forth into the World

BCP 366

Blessing

BCP366

Dismissal

BCP 366

Recessional Hymn

Blue Hymnal #371

THIS WEEK AT SMAS:

Sun., 11/16 - 9 AM - Mass, Sunday Kid's Program, Fellowship

Mon., 11/17 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

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

Tues., 11/18 - 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., 11/19 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

4:30 PM ESL at St. Mary's

5:00 PM Healing service with Eucharist

6:00 PM Vestry Meeting

Thurs., 11/20 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM - Fiber Arts Guild

Fri., 11/21 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

Sat., 11/22 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

needed! Sign up for future weeks to maintain our weekly fellowship hour.

STEWARDSHIP - Many thanks to all who submitted pledge cards already. Pledging helps the church strike a more accurate budget for the upcoming year. If you have not pledged yet, or have never pledged in the past, there is still time. There are extra pledge cards on the table in the center aisle. You can place folded pledge cards in the collection plate. Thanks to all for sharing your time, talents, and treasures to support the Lord's work.

IT'S OFFICIAL - Special thanks to all who were able to join us last Sunday for our special congregational meeting. Following the unanimous vote to return to parish status, the Certificate of Incorporation was submitted to, and recorded by, the county. God is good! Please join us in-person to be acknowledged at the annual Diocesan Convention at Christ Church, Toms River on Sat., 11/22. Information about the convention can be found at dioceseofnj.org. We hope you will join us for this important blessing and milestone!

KUPS OF KINDNESS - A Community Soup Supper Saturday, November 22 ● 5−7 PM

Absecon United Methodist Church, 100 Pitney Road, Absecon, NJ 08201

Join us in the Great Hall for a warm evening of soup, bread, and fellowship as we come together in kindness, empathy, and love. **All are welcome! Bring a Donation:** We're collecting new and gently used coats for our January *Coats & Cocoa* drive. Let's be intentional about showing kindness to one another. Questions? Absecon United Methodist Church • 609-641-1265

Community Thanksgiving Service - Tuesday, November 25, 2025 at 7:00 PM at the Absecon Presbyterian Church located at 208 New Jersey Ave., Absecon. Join us, along with our sisters and brothers from other local denominations to give Thanks to God for all blessings. <u>ALL WELCOME!</u>

<u>ADVENT POTLUCK & STUDY:</u> 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!

<u>SEAMAN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE</u> - A big thank you to all who contributed to our ongoing Christmas At Sea program. Thanks to your generous donations we were able to ship 2 large boxes of knitted and crocheted hats and scarves, ditty bags, toiletries, candy and Christmas cards. Any questions or for more information please see Deacon Rich.

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 – Today, 11/16 - Your generosity helps support the community food bank. 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 Thursday Online Meditation - Join Mel Caron and participants from churches across the diocese and beyond for a peaceful and enriching online meditation session every Thursday 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

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.

Vestry Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 11/19 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

Kathleen Donnelly in loving memory of her husband James Dierwechter

Church Bulletin

Rick & Mary Dovey in thanksgiving for granddaughter Nola Eileen Austin whose birthday is on November 20th

Christa Atkins in loving memory of Jill Tapper Maureen Terminelle in loving memory of Jerrell Little

Candle Memorials and Thank Offerings

Rick & Mary Dovey in loving memory of Etta P. Galloway
Terry O'Connor, Jr. in thanksgiving for the birthday of his brother, Shawn O'Connor, Jr.
Daniel Paules in loving memory of his mother, Patricia Paules on the anniversary of her
birthday

Our Ministers

Jesus Christ, Chief Pastor and Head of the Church All Baptized Members

The Rev. Terrence O'Connor, Jr., CFC (Fr. Terry), Priest-in-Charge frterry15@gmail.com - <u>Pastoral Emergency</u>: Call/Text 609-425-0459 (cell)

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