

# 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,  
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**Last Sunday after Pentecost  
Christ the King  
November 23, 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

Salutations and Responses

Hymn of Praise

BCP 356

**Blue Hymnal #494**

Book of Common Prayer 355

**Blue Hymnal S280**

## **The Collect of the Day**

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

## ***The Word of God***

### **First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6**

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

### ***The Word of the Lord.***

***People: Thanks be to God.***

### **Psalm 46**

1 God is our refuge and strength, \*  
a very present help in trouble.

2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, \*  
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;

3 Though its waters rage and foam, \*  
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.

4 The Lord of hosts is with us; \*  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, \*  
the holy habitation of the Most High.

6 God is in the midst of her;  
she shall not be overthrown; \*  
God shall help her at the break of day.

7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; \*  
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.

8 The Lord of hosts is with us; \*  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

9 Come now and look upon the works of the Lord, \*  
what awesome things he has done on earth.

10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; \*  
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,  
and burns the shields with fire.

11 "Be still, then, and know that I am God; \*  
I will be exalted among the nations;  
I will be exalted in the earth."

12 The Lord of hosts is with us; \*  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

### **Second Reading: Colossians 1:11-20**

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

***The Word of the Lord.***

***People: Thanks be to God.***

***Gospel: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 23:33-43***

***Glory to You, Lord Christ***

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

***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

***Soon and Very Soon – arr. Andre Crouch***

**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	<b>Eucharistic Prayer A</b>	BCP 361
Sanctus		Blue Hymnal S125
The Lord's Prayer		BCP 364
The Breaking of the Bread	BCP 364	<b>Fraction Anthem -Blue Hymnal S155</b>
Communion Hymn		<b>Blue Hymnal #495</b>
Post Communion Prayer	<b><i>Going Forth into the World</i></b>	BCP 366
Blessing		BCP366
Dismissal		BCP 366
Recessional Hymn		<b>Blue Hymnal #718</b>

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### **THIS WEEK AT SMAS:**

**Sun., 11/23 – 9 AM** – Mass, Children's Program, Fellowship

**Mon., 11/24 - 9:30 AM** - Zoom Morning Prayer

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

**6:00 PM** – Advent Book Study & Potluck

**Tues., 11/25 - 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

**7:00 PM** - Community Thanksgiving Service

Absecon Presbyterian Church, 208 New Jersey Ave.

**Wed., 11/26 – 9:30 AM** - Zoom Morning Prayer

**4:30 PM** - ESL at St. Mary's

**5:00 PM** - Healing service with Eucharist

**Thurs., 11/27 - 9:30 AM** - Zoom Morning Prayer

**Fri., 11/28 - 9:30 AM** - Zoom Morning Prayer

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

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**Fellowship Hour** -Please join us after Mass. Thank you Tom & Julie Hirschlein! Hosts needed! Sign up for future weeks to maintain our weekly fellowship hour.

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**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](http://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. **ALL WELCOME!**

### **Upcoming Vestry Vacancies – January 2026**

As we prepare for our Annual Meeting in January 2026, parishioners are invited to prayerfully consider serving in the following leadership roles:

- **Junior Warden** – 3-year term
- **Three Vestry Members** – 3-year terms

**SEAMAN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE** - 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.

**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 16<sup>th</sup>. 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!**

**Kid’s Program** –for children up to 6<sup>th</sup> 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** – From our collection on November 16<sup>th</sup> we collected 167 lbs. of food, and \$75 in cash- Thank you! The next Peggy’s Pantry will be on **December 21<sup>st</sup>** 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](mailto: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, 12/17 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 (***3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month***)

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

**Girl Scouts** – Every Other Tuesday

**Cub Scouts (Chartered by SMAS)** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

### **Memorials & Thank Offerings**

#### **Altar Flowers**

David Martin in thanksgiving for what would have been the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of  
Joyce & Dave

#### **Candle Memorials and Thank Offerings**

Rich & Sarah Wisniewski in loving memory of Sally Runyon

Terry O'Connor, Jr. in loving memory of Frank & Lois Duffy



## 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  
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**Fr. Terry's Office Hours:**

Sundays 11 AM – 1 PM

Tuesdays 4:30 PM – 7 PM

Wednesdays 6 PM – 8 PM Other

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