

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 the Church Office.*

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Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany
February 1, 2026
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 #436
Salutations and Responses		Book of Common Prayer 355
Hymn of Praise	BCP 356	Blue Hymnal S280

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; 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: Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. “O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.” “With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

The Word of the Lord. People:

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 15

1 Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
who may abide upon your holy hill?

2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
who speaks the truth from his heart.

3 There is no guile upon his tongue;
he does no evil to his friend; *
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.

4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
but he honors those who fear the Lord.

5 He has sworn to do no wrong *
and does not take back his word.

6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, *
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

7 Whoever does these things *
shall never be overthrown.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Blue Hymnal #471

(vs. 1-3)

Gospel: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 5:1-12

Glory to You, Lord Christ

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Rev. G. Douglas Eberly

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

Bread of the World - Austin Lovelace

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

Communion Hymn

LEVAS #152

Post Communion Prayer

Going Forth into the World

BCP 366

Blessing

BCP366

Dismissal

BCP 366

Recessional Hymn

Blue Hymnal #344

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THIS WEEK AT SMAS:

Sun., 2/1 – 9 AM – Mass, Children's Program, Fellowship

Mon., 2/2 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

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

Tues., 2/3 - 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., 2/4 – 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

4:30 PM ESL at St. Mary's

5:00 PM Healing service with Eucharist

Thurs., 2/5 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

Fri., 2/6 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

Sat., 2/8 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

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Fellowship Hour -Please join us after Mass. Thank you to Winnie Gaupp & the Spencers! Hosts needed! Sign up for future weeks to maintain our weekly fellowship hour.

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STEWARSHIP - 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.

Annual Parish Meeting - Following the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday, February 8, 2026, we will gather in the parish hall to conduct parish business and hold elections.

Openings on the Mission Committee include:

- **Junior Warden** – 2-year term
- **Three Vestry Members** – 3-year terms

We also elect Deputies & Alternates to the Diocesan Convention, and Delegates for our Atlantic Convocation. Mark your calendars and plan to attend this important meeting!
Potluck brunch. Please bring a dish to share on 2/8/26!

Pancake Supper & Pancake Races - Mark your calendars and join the fun at our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 17, from 5:30–7:00 p.m. Enjoy a delicious meal, plenty of laughter, and our always-entertaining *crazy Pancake Races!* Bring a friend (or two!) and come share in the fun and fellowship. There is no set price—a free-will offering will be accepted. Everyone is welcome!

(We need volunteers to help with set/clean-up and pancake flippers, please call or text Val Kozlowski 609-204-1633 if you can lend your talents)

Ash Wednesday – February 14

Begin the season of Lent with prayer, reflection, and the sign of ashes.

- **Ashes to Go:** 7:30–9:30 AM in the church parking lot – a brief, meaningful moment for those on the go.
- **Noon Service:** Distribution of Ashes (no Eucharist).
- **6:00 PM Service:** Distribution of Ashes with Holy Eucharist.

All are welcome to pause, pray, and mark the beginning of this sacred season.

SEAMAN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE - We will continue to collect throughout the year **HAND** knitted or crocheted hats and scarves, ditty bags, toiletries, candy, tissues, microwave popcorn, playing cards, etc. Please place it in box provided by entry to the sanctuary. We will be shipping them as soon as shipping boxes are full. Any questions, please see Deacon Rich.

Men of St. Mark & All Saints – At our first gathering, the group agreed to meet every other Tuesday. Our next meeting will be held at the church on Tuesday, **February 10th** **at 4:00 PM**. Join us for a short Bible reflection and plenty of good conversation and fellowship.

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 – From our collection on January 18th we collected 200 lbs. of food, and \$85 in cash- Thank you! The next Peggy's Pantry will be on **February 15th**. Your generosity helps support the community food bank.

Peggy's Pantry Reminders - Help us serve our neighbors safely! When donating, please avoid glass jars (which break in transit) and perishable items (like fresh produce or bread). We appreciate your kindness and your help in keeping our donations safe and fresh!

Jersey Shore Fiber Arts Guild - We're back! Join us, **Thursday, 2/19**, from 7-9 PM in the Fellowship Hall. No membership fees—everyone is invited to come, reconnect, and share in the creative fun. For more details, feel free to email us at: jerseyshorefiberartsguild@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 Matthew's Gospel. No homework required—just bring your preferred Bible.

🔗 Please call the office for the Zoom details.

Portrait of a Radical: The Jesus Movement - We will meet again on February 9th and 16th. You are welcome to participate even if you didn't attend the first session. Let Mel know if you plan to attend.

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, 2/25 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

Church Bulletin

Christa Atkins in loving memory of Toni Clapp

JoAnn Binette in loving memory of René Binette on the anniversary of his birthday

Alice & Jim Dougherty in loving memory of her mother, Louise Longworth, on the anniversary of her birthday

Alice & Jim Dougherty in loving memory of my father, Francis Longworth, on the anniversary of his birthday.

Candle Memorials and Thank Offerings

Rich Wisniewski in thanksgiving for Sarah Wisniewski's birthday

Dale Sharp in thanksgiving for Vicki Sharp's birthday



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