

# **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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**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
**July 27, 2025**  
**The Holy Eucharist Rite Two - Eucharistic Prayer A**  
**9:00 AM**

***Gathering in the Lord's Presence***

Processional Hymn

**Blue Hymnal #410**

Salutations and Responses

BCP 355

Hymn of Praise

BCP 356

**Blue Hymnal S280**

**The Collect of the Day**

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; 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 18:20-32**

The Lord said to Abraham, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know." So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

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

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

## Psalm 138

1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; \*  
before the gods I will sing your praise.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple  
and praise your Name, \*  
because of your love and faithfulness;

3 For you have glorified your Name \*  
and your word above all things.

4 When I called, you answered me; \*  
you increased my strength within me.

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, \*  
when they have heard the words of your mouth.

6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, \*  
that great is the glory of the Lord.

7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; \*  
he perceives the haughty from afar.

8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \*  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right hand shall save me.

9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; \*  
O Lord, your love endures for ever;  
do not abandon the works of your hands.

### Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-28

As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism,

you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. [Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.]

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

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

**Sequence Hymn**

**Blue Hymnal #587**

***Gospel: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 11:1-13***

***People: Glory to You, Lord Christ***

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come.  
Give us each day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our sins,  
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.  
And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish?

Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

***The Gospel of the Lord.***

***People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

Homily		The Rev. Lee Powers
The Nicene Creed		BCP 358
Prayers of the People	<b><i>Lord, hear our prayer</i></b>	
Confession of Sin		BCP 359
The Peace		BCP 360
Announcements		

***The Holy Eucharist***

Offertory	
The Doxology	<b><i>Praise God from Whom all blessings flow...</i></b>

The Great Thanksgiving	<b>Eucharistic Prayer A</b>	BCP 361
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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 #343</b>

***Going Forth into the World***

Post Communion Prayer		BCP 365
Blessing		BCP366
Recessional Hymn		<b>Blue Hymnal #680</b>
Dismissal		BCP 366

**Welcome!**

**At SMAS, there are no visitors. This is Christ's Church, and ALL are always welcome!**  
**With us for the first time or after a long time? Please sign the guestbook in the foyer.**

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**THIS WEEK AT SMAS:**

**Sun., 7/27 – 9 AM – Mass – Children’s Sunday, Fellowship Hour**

**Mon., 7/28 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer**  
**6:00 -8:30 PM – VBS – Camp True North**

**Tues., 7/29 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer**  
**6:00 -8:30 PM – VBS – Camp True North**

**Wed., 7/30 – 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer**  
**5:00PM - Healing Service and Eucharist**  
**6:00 -8:30 PM – VBS – Camp True North**

**Thurs., 7/31 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer**  
**6:00 -8:30 PM – VBS – Camp True North**

**Fri., 8/1 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer**

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

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**Fellowship Hour** -Please join us after Mass. Thank you Donna Taylor & Sarah Wisniewski!  
Hosts needed! Sign up for future weeks to maintain our weekly fellowship hour.

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**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 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!

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**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.

**Children's Sunday Today!** Children will have the opportunity to assist in worship and take part in a special children's sermon or reflection.

**Peggy's Pantry** – From our collection on July 20<sup>th</sup> lbs. we collected 155 lbs. of food, and \$50 in cash- Thank you! The next Peggy's Pantry will be on **Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>**. Your generosity helps support the community food bank.

**Thinking about getting more involved at SMAS?** We could really use some friendly faces to help out as ushers! If this sounds like something you'd enjoy, just add your name to the sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex.

**Fall/Winter Bible Study with Mother Mag** – The Study has ended – Mother Mag thanks everyone that attended and wishes everyone a great summer! The study will begin again in the Fall and will be studying the Book of Esther.

**Education for Ministry** - Want to study the Bible, church history, and theology with others? Mother Mag leads an *Education for Ministry* group on Monday evenings via Zoom. The group starts back up in September. If you're interested in learning more or would like to join, please email Mother Mag at [margaretotterburn@msn.com](mailto:margaretotterburn@msn.com).

**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, 8/20 at 6:00 PM**. ALL Welcome! The committee will not meet in July.

**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

**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

Rick & Mary Dovey in thanksgiving for daughter Kate's birthday on August 1<sup>st</sup>.

### 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

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