

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"



August 16, 2026

*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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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

August 16, 2026

The Holy Eucharist Rite Two - Eucharistic Prayer C

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

Proclamation Hymn

Salutations and Responses

Glory to God

Blue Hymnal #537

BCP Page 355

Blue Hymnal #S280

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Word of God

First Reading: Genesis 45:1-15

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, “Send everyone away from me.” So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’ And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.” Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 133

1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when brethren live together in unity!

2 It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,

3 Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.

4 It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.

5 For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: *
life for evermore.

Second Reading: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Blue Hymnal #470

***Gospel: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28
Glory to You, Lord Christ***

[Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."] Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily The Rev. Donald R. Caron

The Nicene Creed

(Sung to the tune of Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing - Blue Hymnal #686 or Love Divine, All Loves Excelling – Blue Hymnal #657)

We believe in God the Father, God almighty, by whose plan, earth and heaven sprang to being, all created things began. Jesus infant born of Mary He grew up in Galilee.

From the water with John the Baptist, He began his ministry.
Christ, who on the cross forsaken, like a lamb to slaughter led,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, he descended to the dead.

We believe in Jesus risen, heaven's king to rule and reign,
to the Father's side ascended. till as judge he comes again.

We believe in God the Spirit; in one Church, below, above;
saints of God in one communion, one in holiness and love.

So by faith, our sins forgiven, Christ our Savior, Lord and friend.
We shall rise with him in glory. to the life that knows no end.

Prayers of the People ***Form IV*** - BCP 388

Confession of Sin BCP 359

The Peace BCP 360

Announcements

Announcements & Birthday/Anniversary/Traveler Blessings

Offertory

The Holy Eucharist

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 **Summer Eucharistic Prayer**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.

People: Glory to you forever and ever.

Celebrant: You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do. In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we sing (say),

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected. Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

People: Glory to you forever and ever.

Celebrant: On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

People: Glory to you forever and ever.

Celebrant: Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him. Send your Holy Spirit on us + and on these gifts +, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

People: Glory to you forever and ever.

Celebrant: Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom. We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

People: Glory to you forever and ever. Amen.

Sanctus

Blue Hymnal S125

Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Blue Hymnal S155

Communion Hymn

LEVAS #119

Post Communion Prayer

Going Forth into the World

BCP 366



Vestry and Discernment Committee Prayer

All: Lord, we ask you to guide the members of our Vestry and Discernment Committee so that they may hear Your voice leading St. Mark's and All Saints Church into the future to which you are calling us. Give them wisdom and insight into the qualities of Leadership needed to best serve our precious church. Inspire also the person You intend to be our spiritual leader and pastor. Give us all a sense of happy anticipation as we await the one we know will be the right one according to Your plan for us. We pray in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Blessing

BCP366

Dismissal

BCP 366

Recessional Hymn

Blue Hymnal #544

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THIS WEEK AT SMAS:

Sun., 8/16 – 9:00 AM – Mass, Children’s Sunday Funday Fellowship Hour

Mon., 8/17- 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

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

Tues., 8/18 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

Wed., 8/19 – 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

5:00 PM Healing service with Eucharist

Thurs., 8/20 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

Fri., 8/21 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

Sat., 8/22 - 9:30 AM - Zoom Morning Prayer

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Fellowship Hour –Please join us after Mass. Thank you to Inga Roberts & John Reynolds! Hosts needed! Sign up for future weeks to maintain our weekly fellowship hour.

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Announcements

I will usually be in the office on Wednesdays from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM and available by appointment at other times. I can be reached at 478-234-2697 or by email at donaldcaron1@gmail.com.

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 – Looking for real conversation and connection? The Men’s Group gathers for a relaxed and meaningful Bible study, where we explore scripture through the lens of everyday life and men’s spiritual journeys. All are welcome - come as you are and join the conversation. Next meeting: **August 25 at 4:00 PM** in the parish hall.

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, 8/16 - Your generosity helps support the community food bank. 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!

SALA! A new SALA will be offered on Thursday, September 10 at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Ever wonder what all the hullabaloo is about Meditation? Tried it, but couldn't seem to quiet your mind? Practice it now but want to know more?

Mel Caron will be offering an information meeting on the various forms of Christ Meditation that exist today and a bit of its history. You can learn how you might consider making one or more of them a part of your prayer life. See Mel or contact her at melanieannecaron@gmail.com with questions.

Good News! Over the next few weeks, one of us will be contacting those who have sponsored flowers, bulletins, or candles in the past to see which dates you would like to sponsor again in **2027**.

All parishioners will have the opportunity to sign up for **2027** sponsorships on **December 6** and **December 13** in memory of departed loved ones or to commemorate special occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, and other meaningful dates.

Sponsorships are:

- Flowers:** \$50
- Bulletins:** \$7
- Candles:** \$5

While all flower dates for **2026** have already been sponsored, there are still many **bulletin and candle** dates available for **September through December**. If you would like to sponsor one of these open dates, sign-up sheets will be available in the foyer on **August 23** and **August 30**. Simply write in the date(s) you wish to sponsor. If you would like to reserve that same date for **2027**, you may indicate that as well. Payment envelopes will be available in the designated area of the foyer for the dates you sponsor and may be placed in the collection plate at your convenience. If you have any questions or would like more information, please see **Winnie, Christine, or Kathleen**.

Jersey Shore Fiber Arts Guild – The Guild will be taking a break for the summer and return on **September 17th** For more information, please email: 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.

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, 8/19 at 6:00 PM**. The vestry will not meet in July. 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)

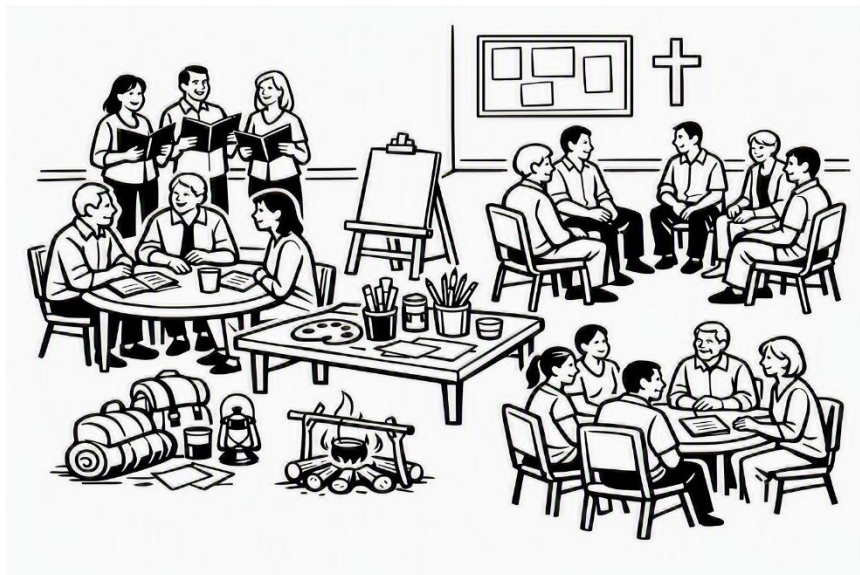
Boardwalk Chorus – Wednesdays 6 PM – 8 PM

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

Dale & Vicki Sharp in thanksgiving for their 55th wedding anniversary

Vase of Flowers on White Pillar

Winnie Gaupp in thanksgiving for family and friends

Church Bulletin

Dale & Vicki Sharp in thanksgiving for their 55th wedding anniversary

Adele Hook in loving memory of Clarence Hook, husband

Dave Stalhuth in loving memory of Rebecca Camp Aiken

Candle Memorial and Thank Offerings

Sarah and Rick Wisniewski in thanksgiving for their grandsons

Nick and Noah's birthday

Jeane Lutz in thanksgiving for her husband Vincent

Faith Penrose in loving memory of her brother Patrick Penrose



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