

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, especially Violet and Cindy Thomas, for in whose memory today' flowers grace God's altar , and Michael and Sophie Horvath- in whose memory today's bulletins have been sponsored- and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, St. Mark, St. John, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. **To you, O Lord our God.**

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

the Priest, stands and says: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you**

Announcements

Offertory: HYMN

Doxology: Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Who by water and the Holy Spirit has made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth thy glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People(S130)

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!

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all. Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. AMEN.

Officiant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Officiant and People Together.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: **HAVE MERCY ON US.**

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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: **GRANT US PEACE.**

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

All: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with Thanksgiving.

ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS ARE INVITED TO PARTAKE IN HOLY EUCHARIST AT GOD'S TABLE

Communion

Celebrant and People: Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CELEBRANT: GO IN PEACE TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD,

PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD!

RECESSIONAL HYMN: 719 AMERICA

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son, he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

For the Church, that she may continue to provide care and healing for all, especially those affected by the attacks on September 11, 2001; O Lord, **Lord Have Mercy**

For *Michael* our Presiding Bishop, Sean, our Presiding Bishop elect and for *Kevin* our own Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, especially: St. Peter's Tunkhannock, from the Diocese of Bethlehem and Emmanuel Parish Lobule, Kajo Keji- we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all victims of violence and terrorism around the world, and for their families, that they may find comfort and peace, O Lord, **Lord Have Mercy.**

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our leaders and for the leaders of nations, that they may work together to address the problems that provide fertile ground for the growth of terrorism, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the safety of our service men and women abroad, for civil servants who protect us and keep us safe, and for all who live with war and violence, O Lord, **Lord Have Mercy**

For the ability to forgive and for an end to all hatred, beginning in our own hearts, O Lord, **Lord Have Mercy**

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, especially-Cheryl, Monica, Don, Charlea, Gloria, Anna, Carol, Fr. John, Alex, Cheryl, William, Grace, Tim, Nancy, Jim, Charlotte, Ric, Dorothy, Dale, Brent, Mae, Curt, Mary, The Hower Family, Lynette, Thomas, Linda, Susan, Erin, Luan, Nick, Joanne, Bob, and Sally we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

St. Mark and St. John Episcopal Church

September 18, 2024

16 Pentecost

The Rev. Timothy Griffin

Mrs. Karen A. Horvath- Director of Music

The Liturgy of the Word

Processional Hymn: 47 ON THIS DAY, THE FIRST OF DAYS

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People And Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. AMEN

The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Gloria(S280)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect: Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons (see insert)

The Gospel: **HYMN: 1 FATHER, WE PRAISE THEE, NOW THE NIGHT IS OVER (VS 1-2) (VS 3)**

The Sermon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 2024 Book has opened to take reservations for Bulletin, Communion Cup Sponsorship and Flower Sponsorship. If you would like to reserve a specific date, please contact the office. Bulletin Sponsorship fee is \$10 for Sunday Services, Ash Wednesday, and Holy Week Services and \$20 for Holidays (Christmas & Easter). Communion Cups Sponsorship- \$15 per week or \$50 per month. Altar Flower Sponsorship is \$28.00.

ALTAR FLOWER/BULLETIN SPONSOR

Altar Flowers: In Loving Memory of Violet Thomas Strohl and Cindy Thomas, by their Family
Bulletin: In Loving Memory of Michael and Sophie Horvath, by Cheryl Horvath

LAY READER SCHEDULE

Date	Reading	9:00 AM	
September 8	16 th Sunday after Pentecost	Sue Urban	Jill Perry
September 15	17 th Sunday after Pentecost	Rose Douglas	Jim Pompa Jr
September 22	18 th Sunday after Pentecost	Sue Ellen Andreas	Zach Baker
September 29	19 th Sunday after Pentecost	Bill Diehm	Tom Lager

ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE

Date:	Set Up	Clean Up
September 8	Laura Ferko	Sue Urban
September 15	Karen Gasker	Rose Douglas
September 22	Tom & Diane Lager	Shelly Pompa
September 29	Sue Ellen Andreas	Judy Lennon

Pastoral Needs: Fr. Tim Griffin is available for all pastoral needs. If you should need assistance, please contact him at 215-796-4602 or email: frtimgriffin@gmail.com

LAYING OF HANDS- HEALING- Will Take Place Every 2nd Sunday of the Month following the 9am Service

CONVOCATION MEETING-Please consider attending the next convocation meeting held at All Saints in Lehighton-September 18th at 6:30pm. Bishop Kevin will be in attendance. All members are invited and encouraged to attend!

Bishop Kevin will Visit our Parish on November 24th- Please save the date!

Annual Parish Picnic: Our Annual Parish Picnic is scheduled for **September 22nd**. Save the Date. Sign Up Sheets Posted.

Fall Food Fundraiser- Please consider donating your time volunteering for the parish food sale during the weekends in October.

Volunteers needed to work the stand and Food Items are needed and appreciated. Sign up sheets are located on the table outside the main entrance to the Sanctuary. **ALSO- we need Volunteers who will Oversee the stands if not for the whole weekend, but for at least one day. Those interested are asked to contact Jim or any Vestry Member.**

Did you know? Most of the items in our pantry are funded by Thrivent. What is Thrivent? Thrivent provides funding for non-profit organizations and helps with programs such as our Food Pantry. To learn more about Thrivent and how you can become involved in helping - please see Tom and Diane Lager or visit www.thrivent.com.

Blessing Box- Items most needed: WE ARE IN NEED OF PERSONAL CARE ITEMS FOR MEN AND WOMEN (deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste, diapers, women's disposable menstrual products, toothbrushes, diapers, shave cream, combs, brushes, dental floss, mouthwash, etc....)

SICK AND HOMEBOUND- Please remember in your prayers: Cheryl, Monica, Don, Charlea, Gloria, Anna, Carol, Fr. John, Alex, Cheryl, William, Grace, Tim, Nancy, Jim, Charlotte, Ric, Dorothy, Dale, Brent, Mae, Curt, Mary, The Hower Family, Lynette, Thomas, Linda, Susan, Erin, Luan, Nick, Joanne, Bob, and Sally

**If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please contact the parish office **

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Parish office hours: Monday- Wednesday 10am – 2pm, Thursday & Friday- By appointment

SERVICES

Sunday 9am- Main Sanctuary

Other services TBA

September – May

9:00am

Church School

CHRISTMAS, EASTER, AND HOLY DAYS AS ANNOUNCED

STAFF

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CHURCH SCHOOL

Zachary and Melissa Baker

VESTRY

Senior Warden: James Pompa, Jr. ('25)

Junior Warden: Deborah Fry ('26)

Rose Douglas ('25)

Karen Gasker ('28)

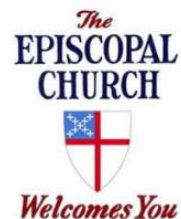
Sue Ellen Andreas ('28)

Clerk of the Vestry

Sue Urban

Treasurer

Bill Diehm



St. Mark and St. John Episcopal Church

Sunday, September 8th, 2024

16 Pentecost

Parish Mission Statement

Our parish will be energetic, effective, and loving as we seek to be inclusive and diverse in accomplishing God's work in the Church and Community.



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