

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: *Sung by the Choir "CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY!"*

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! AMEN.

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer D

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 truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say:

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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!

Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation. Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

Then the Celebrant continues

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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 he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your righthand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

[Remember (NN. and) all who minister in your Church.] [Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.] [Remember _____.] [Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.]

And grant that we may find our inheritance with [the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. Mark and St. John, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and 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

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. ALLELUIA!

The Breaking of the Bread

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: 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 Hymn: 179 WELCOME HAPPY MORNING!

Post Communion Prayer and Blessing

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: May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen**

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

PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

Recessional Hymn: 180 HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN!

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 ~ Form I

Intercessor: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, we pray for- St. James, Dundaff; Christ Memorial, Danville; and Clergy of the Diocese of The Susquehanna; and Kudupi Parish, Kajo Keji -let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Audrey, Bishop of the Diocese of The Susquehanna, and Bishop Kevin- assisting Bishop, -and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially-Cheryl, Monica, Don, Gloria, Carol, Fr. John, Nancy, Jim, Bill, Chris, Marilyn, Ben, Greg, Lisa, Heather, Donna, Chuck, Milton, Betty, Ilona, George, Kris, Alida, John U., Jonna-Li, Harry, Valerie, Livy, Samantha, Joyce, Jimmy, and Logan - let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

In the communion of St. Mark and St. John- and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God. **To thee, O Lord our God.**

Celebrant: Lord, hear the prayers of *your* people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of *your* Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

St. Mark and St. John Episcopal Church

April 5th, 2026

Easter Sunday

The Rev. Timothy Griffin

The Liturgy of the Word

Processional Hymn: 207 JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY!

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People: The Lord is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant: 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: O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons (see insert)

HYMN: 210 THE DAY OF RESURRECTION (VS 1-2) (VS 3)

The Gospel

The Sermon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 2026 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. The Bulletin Sponsorship fee is \$10 for Sunday Services, Ash Wednesday, and Holy Week Services and \$20 for Holidays (Christmas & Easter).. Altar Flower Sponsorship is \$28.00.

LAY READER SCHEDULE

Date	Reading	8:30 AM	
April 5	Easter Sunday	Sue Ellen Andreas	Zachary Baker
April 12	Easter 1	Bille Diehm	Tom Lager
April 19	Easter 2	Deb Fry	Diane Lager
April 26	Easter 3	Sue Urban	Jill Perry

ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE

Date:	Set Up	Clean Up
April 5	Karen Horvath	Jill Perry
April 12	Laura Ferko	Sue Urban
April 19	Tom & Diane Lager	Shelly Pompa
April 26	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

Email Updates: Fr. Tim will be comprising a newsletter and would like to send it electronically, via email. Please fill out form located on the wooden table outside the main sanctuary.

2026 Bulletin and Altar Flowers Sponsor Calendar: Check availability on the calendar outside the main sanctuary (on the wooden table) and contact the office to reserve your date.

Cleaning Volunteers: Those interested in cleaning should contact Deb Fry 484-866-6111 or Dfrybikes81@gmail.com Cleaning Orientations will be held on Tuesday evenings beginning at 6pm.

Vestry: The next Vestry meeting will be held on April 14th at 6pm.

Parish Bowling Event: Mark your calendars for a day of fun and fellowship- April 25th beginning at 2:30pm at Fritz's Lanes in Lehighton. This event is sponsored by the Rosamond Starr Heberling Dana Memorial Fund.

Choir Rehearsals: Choir will meet on **15, 22, and 29 (Wednesdays) at 6:15 pm at Tolman House.** New members welcome!

Community Dinners: Dates Scheduled- April 19, May 31, September 27, and November 11.

Blessing Box- Items most needed: Please participate in the 40 cans in 40 days project- Flyer and Bags located outside the main sanctuary.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND- Please remember in your prayers: Cheryl, Monica, Don, Gloria, Carol, Fr. John, Nancy, Jim, Bill, Chris, Marilyn, Ben, Greg, Lisa, Heather, Donna, Chuck, Milton, Betty, Ilona, George, Kris, Alida, John U., Jonna-Li, Harry, Valerie, Livy, Samantha, Joyce, Jimmy, and Logan

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



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Parish office hours: PLEASE CALL TO SET UP APPOINTMENT

SERVICES

9:00am Sunday 9:00am- Main Sanctuary
Other services TBA
September – May Church School

CHRISTMAS, EASTER, AND HOLY DAYS AS ANNOUNCED

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Sam Strohl ('28)
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