

### 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**

**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 B**

**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, Father Almighty, 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.

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:

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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

*The Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days, you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord 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 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."

Therefore, according to his command O Father,

### Celebrant and People

**We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son, in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Mark and St. John and all your Saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters, through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, 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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**Celebrant:** Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

**All:** Therefore let us keep the feast. ALLELUIA!

**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.

**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, ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

**PEOPLE:** THANKS BE TO GOD! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!



**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 FROM THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER**

**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- Trinity, Pottsville; and the Diocesan Convention- Lorudung Parish and Liwolo-Helen Wagner Primary School in Kajo Keji-let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For Michael our Presiding Bishop and Kevin our bishop, -and for all the clergy and people, 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, remembering especially:- Cheryl, Monica, Don, Judith, Charlea, Shirley, Gloria, Anna, Carol, Fr. John, Alex, Clare, William, Grace, Fr. Bob, Tim, Nancy, Jim, Diane, Charlotte, Ric, Dorothy, Randy, Joyce, and Jill - let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, remembering especially-John A. Weaver- for in whose memory today's Flowers Grace God's Altar and Daniel Smith- in whose memory today's bulletins have been sponsored- 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's and St. John's Episcopal Church*

*September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023*

*17 Pentecost*

*The Rev. Bob Criste-Troutman*

*Annual Parish Picnic*

The Liturgy of the Word

*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, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons (see insert)

The Gospel

**The Sermon**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 2023 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 FLOWERS-BULLETIN-COMMUNION CUP SPONSORSHIPS**  
Altar Flowers- In Loving Memory of John A. Weaver by Daughter, Jill Perry  
Bulletin- In Loving Memory of David Miller by Judith Smith

**LAY READER SCHEDULE- 9AM Services**

Date	Reading	9:00 AM	
09/24/23	17th Sunday after Pentecost	Rose Douglas	Jim Pompa Jr
10/01/23	18th Sunday after Pentecost	Sue Ellen Andreas	Zack Baker
10/08/23	19th Sunday after Pentecost	Bill Diehm	Tom Lager
10/15/23	20th Sunday after Pentecost	Deb Fry	Diane Lager
10/22/23	21st Sunday after Pentecost	Sue Urban	Jill Perry
10/29/23	22nd Sunday after Pentecost	Rose Douglas	Jim Pompa Jr

**FALL FOOD FUNDRAISER:** During the Weekends in October- The parish is having a food sale-please consider helping! To volunteer- Please see Jim and Brittney Pompa.

**GREETING CARD REQUEST-** Shirley Yanette would like to hear from you! The family contacted the parish office with this request. Shirley is now residing at Maple Shade Meadows 50 East Locust Street, EW3, Nesquehoning PA 18240.

**CHOIR PRACTICE-** All are welcome to join us for Choir Practice! Practice begins on Wednesday- Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> at 6pm- at Tolman House.

**Convocation Meeting-** Please consider joining this important meeting of the Episcopal Parishes of Carbon County. Your voice matters! The next meeting will be held on October 28<sup>th</sup> from 10am -12pm at All Saints Episcopal Parish in Lehighton.

**Hospitality Committee-** Please sign up to be involved with this committee. This committee will send out greeting cards, parish greeters, and plan events within our parish. It's a great way to be more connected as a parish family! Sign up sheets are located in the vestibule of the Main Sanctuary.

**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](http://www.thrivent.com).

**Blessing Box- Items most needed:** Canned Soup, Boxed Macaroni and Cheese, Cereal, Juice, Peanut Butter, Non-Peanut Spreads, Jelly, Crackers, Tuna, Canned Chicken, Canned Beef, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Canned Potatoes, Dry Pasta, Ramen Noodles, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit, Canned Pasta, Baby Items, Socks and Toiletry Items. Thank you!

- Besides the items listed above- every month we are doing "items of the month" -October Items: RICE- INSTANT OR DRY MIX VARIETIES / APPLESAUCE**

**SICK AND HOMEBOUND-** Please remember in your prayers: Cheryl, Monica, Don, Judith, Charlea, Shirley, Gloria, Anna, Carol, Fr. John, Alex, Clare, William, Grace, Fr. Bob, Tim, Nancy, Jim, Diane, Charlotte, Ric, Dorothy, Randy, Joyce, and Jill

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

**October Service Schedule- All Services are at 9am**  
October 1<sup>st</sup> - Morning Prayer  
October 8<sup>th</sup> - Morning Prayer  
October 15<sup>th</sup> - Fr. Tony  
October 22<sup>nd</sup> - Morning Prayer  
October 29<sup>th</sup> - Fr. Bob

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Parish office hours: Monday through Friday, 9:30am– 1:30pm.

**SERVICES**

Sunday 9am- Main Sanctuary

Other services TBA

September – May

9:00am

Church School

CHRISTMAS, EASTER, AND HOLY DAYS AS ANNOUNCED

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James Pompa, Jr

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**VESTRY**

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

**Junior Warden:** John "Jay" Horvath ('26)

Rose Douglas ('25)

Zack Baker ('24)

Deb Dyer ('24)

Karen Gasker ('24)

**Clerk of the Vestry**

Sue Urban

**Treasurer**

Bill Diehm

*The*  
**EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH**



*Welcomes You*

# St. Mark's and St. John's Episcopal Church

## Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023

### 17 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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