

## 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: 542 CHRIST IS THE WORLD'S TRUE LIGHT**

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!

## **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.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son 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:

### **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*

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 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

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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: HAVE MERCY ON US.  
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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 Hymn: 448 O LOVE, HOW DEEP, HOW BROAD, HOW HIGH

After Communion-Blessing and Dismissal

**Celebrant:** Let us pray;

**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: 525 THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

**CHURCH SERVICE TIME WILL REMAIN AT 8:30AM SUNDAY MORNINGS UNTIL  
FURTHER NOTICE**

### 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.

### The Prayers of the People -Form VI From the Book of Common Prayer

**Intercessor:** In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work; **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world; **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation; **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; especially Mediator, Allentown, St. James, Bedford, Christ Church, Williamsport, Grace Montessori School, Allentown, and St Peter Tipere Parish, Kajo Keji - **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Audrey, Bishop of the Diocese of The Susquehanna, and Bishop Kevin-assisting Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers; **For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially those on our prayer list: Cheryl, Monica, Don, Gloria, Carol, Fr. John, William, Tim, Nancy, Jim, Doris, Bill, Luan, Valerie, Chris, Mary Ann, Marilyn, Ben, Greg, Tom, Jesse, Lisa, Heather, Donna, Chuck, Milton, Betty, Ilona, George, Kris, Robert, George M., Alida and Logan- and for prayers for healing for Alida- for whom today's altar flowers have been sponsored - Hear us, Lord; **For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We will exalt you, O God our King; **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; **Who put their trust in you.**

**Celebrant:** Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**St. Mark and St. John Episcopal Church**  
**January 18, 2026**  
**The Second Sunday after the Epiphany**  
**The Rev. Timothy Griffin**

**The Liturgy of the Word**

**Processional Hymn: 7 CHRIST WHOSE GLORY FILL THE SKIES**

*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.**

**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:** Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lessons (see insert)

**HYMN: 135 SONGS OF THANKFULNESS AND PRAISE (VS 1-3) (VS 4-5)**

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). Communion Cups Sponsorship- \$15 per week or \$50 per month. Altar Flower Sponsorship is \$28.00.

**Sponsorships**

**Altar Flowers:** Get Well Wishes for Alida, from Glenn & Penny Campbell

**LAY READER SCHEDULE**

Date	Reading	8:30 AM	
January 18	Epiphany 2	Rose Douglas	Jim Pompa
January 25	Epiphany 3	Sue Ellen Andreas	Zachary Baker

**ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE**

Date:	Set Up	Clean Up
January 18	Karen Gasker	Rose Douglas
January 25	Tom & Diane Lager	Shelly Pompa

**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](mailto:frtimgriffin@gmail.com)

**LAYING OF HANDS- HEALING- Will Take Place Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month following the 8:30am 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](mailto:Dfrybikes81@gmail.com) Cleaning Orientations will be held on Tuesday evenings beginning at 6pm.

**Choir Rehearsals:** Choir will meet on **January 21, February 4, February 11<sup>th</sup> (Wednesdays) at 6pm at Tolman House.** New members welcome!

**ASH WEDNESDAY-** Services with Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes will be held on February 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

**Annual Meeting-** The parish annual meeting will be held on February 1<sup>st</sup> immediately following the 8:30am services- Snow date will be held on February 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Blessing Box- Items most needed:** Canned tuna, Canned chicken, Peanut butter, Jelly, Fruit cups, Canned fruit, Small mayonnaise, Hamburger Helper, Breakfast cereal (individual serving), Evaporated milk

**SICK AND HOMEBOUND-** Please remember in your prayers: Cheryl, Monica, Don, Gloria, Carol, Fr. John, William, Tim, Nancy, Jim, Doris, Bill, Luan, Valerie, Chris, Mary Ann, Marilyn, Ben, Greg, Tom, Jesse, Lisa, Heather, Donna, Chuck, Milton, Betty, Ilona, George, Kris, Robert, George M. , Alida 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: Monday- Wednesday 10am – 2pm, Thursday & Friday- By appointment

**SERVICES**

Sunday 8:30am- Main Sanctuary

Other services TBA

9:00am

September – May

Church School

CHRISTMAS, EASTER, AND HOLY DAYS AS ANNOUNCED

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**CHURCH SCHOOL**

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**VESTRY**

**Senior Warden:** Deborah Fry ('26)

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Jonna Li Catrini ('28)

Michael Leonetti ('28)

Sam Strohl ('28)

Robert Muscovitch ('28)

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Sue Urban

**Treasurer**

Bill Diehm



**St. Mark and St. John Episcopal Church**  
Sunday, January 18, 2026  
The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

**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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