

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 "In Flanders Field"

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! AMEN.

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer C

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

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: **By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People: **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People: **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

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

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People: **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming**

Lord God of our Fathers (and Mothers): God of Abraham (and Sarah), Isaac (and Rebecca), Jacob (and Rachel); God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength, for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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: 531 O SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD

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

PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

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 ~ 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; - **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 St. Peter's, Hazelton; Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Hawk Run; New Bethany Ministries, Bethlehem; and Mutongo Parish, Kajo Keji.

Silence

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially: Cheryl, Monica, Don, Gloria, Carol, Fr. John, Nancy, Jim, Bill, Chris, Marilyn, Ben, Greg, Lisa, Heather, Milton, Betty, Ilona, George, Kris, Alida, John U., Jonna-Li, Harry, Valerie, Livy, Samantha, Joyce, Jimmy, Judy, Nancy W., Rose, and Logan - Hear us, Lord; **For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

We will exalt you, O God our King; **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, remembering especially all those brave men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice to protect our freedoms; 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

May 24, 2026

Pentecost Sunday

The Rev. Timothy Griffin

The Liturgy of the Word

Processional Hymn: 509 SPIRIT DIVINE, ATTEND OUR PRAYERS

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 on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons (see insert)

HYMN: 511 HOLY SPIRIT, EVER LIVING (VS 1) (VS 2)

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.

SPONSORSHIPS

Altar Flowers: In Loving Memory Of All Military Members Who Paid The Ultimate Sacrifice For Our Country- By Bill Diehm

LAY READER SCHEDULE

| Date | Reading | 8:30 AM | |
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| May 24 | Pentecost | Deb Fry | Diane Lager |
| May 31 | Trinity Sunday | Sue Urban | Jill Perry |

ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE

| Date: | Set Up | Clean Up |
|--------|-------------------|--------------|
| May 24 | Tom & Diane Lager | Shelly Pompa |
| May 31 | 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

Card Shower- Former Pastor- Rev. John C. Wagner is gravely ill. Please send cards of well-wishes and encouragement. Hospital Address: Fr. John C. Wagner, Wesley Health Center, 131 Lawrence St. Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 ROOM 317 or Home Address: Fr. John C. Wagner, PO Box 113, Nicholville, NY 12965

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.

Choir Rehearsals: Choir will meet on **Wednesdays at 6:15 pm at Tolman House.** New members welcome!

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

Blessing Box- Items most needed: trial size toiletries, toothpaste, deodorant, toothbrushes and women's feminine products, Peanut butter, jelly, soup, canned pasta.

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

Sunday 9:00am- 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: Deborah Fry ('29)

Junior Warden: Karen Gasker ('28)

Sue Ellen Andreas ('27)

Jonna Li Catrini ('28)

Michael Leonetti ('28)

Sam Strohl ('28)

Robert Muscovitch ('28)

Clerk of the Vestry

Sue Urban

Treasurer

Bill Diehm



St. Mark and St. John Episcopal Church

Sunday, May 24, 2026

Pentecost Sunday

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.



• BE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT •

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