

# SAINT MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH WELCOMES YOU

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT March 30, 2025





This week's leaflet is given to the glory of God and in honor of Amanda Costanzo celebrating a birthday this week.

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Bob & Jane Shingle's 69th wedding anniversary and Bob's birthday. Flowers are also given in honor of Brian Henderson's 27th birthday by his mother, Donna Henderson.

### WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S CHURCH

Please note that the *Restrooms & Sunday School/ Nursery* are located on the floor below the sanctuary. You may access either by entering through the first level door from the parking lot or use the sanctuary stairs behind the organ.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Welcome to Saint Mark's online and in person worship! Go to our webpage www.stmarkshb.org, click on YouTube to view.
- 2. Please remember the Saint Mark's "Little Food Cupboard" bring only canned or dry food items. Also, City Gate Prison Ministry dinner is April12th. Please see Frank Weaver or Stu McLauchlan to help.
- 3. The New Driveway Project is moving forward. An email informational letter has been sent to all members. Printed copies are available at the entry table.
- 4. Parish Secretary, Toni McLauchlan returns from South Africa this week. Please welcome her and Stu back home!
- 5. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated by Bishop Gutierrez at 10:00AM, May 10th at the Diocesan Center, 23 Airy St., Norristown, PA. We have three confirmands, Lucia & Nick Costanzo and Macayla Symonds. You are invited to attend!
- 6. Lectors & Greeters are needed in April.
- 7. Altar Flower Sponsors: Easter Lily Memorials opportunities start March 23. Please use the Memorial form in the leaflet.
- 8. Special thanks to all who sponsored memorial gifts for worship! New processional torches, Altar Chairs, Brass holders, and Choir cassocks have been memorialized for loved ones.

<b>Birthdays</b>	March 16 to March 24	<u>Anniversaries</u>
Bill Freeman, 3/21		Joe & Karen Orlando, 3/21
Bob Shingle, 3/24	Dav	vid & Sheila Chellappa 3/15

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Bells Ring A Call to Worship Prelude Announcements

## Apostolic Greeting

C In the name of the + Father, and of the + Son and of The + Holy Spirit.

P Amen



## PENITENTIAL RITE

(All)

C Let us make our Confession:

I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; and I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you my brothers and sisters, to pray with me to the Lord our God.

C May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to + everlasting life. Amen

 $C = Priest \ celebrant$ 

P= Congregation

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN (690)



Words: William Williams (1717-1791); tr. Peter Williams (1722-1796), alt. Music: Cwm Rhondda, John Hughes (1873-1932)

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

- C The Lord be with you.
- P And also with you.
- C Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever

P Amen

### Kyrie Eleison

Kyrie Eleison (Lord, Have Mercy On Us)



# +THE LITURGY OF THE WORD + THE FIRST READING A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JOSHUA

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the Passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- P Thanks be to God.



### PSALM 32



- 1 Happy are they whose trans' gressions are for given, \* and whose sin is put a way!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the LORD im putes no guilt, \*
  and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered a way, \* because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \*
  my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I ack nowledged my sin to you, \*
  and did not con ceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, "I will confess my trans'gressions to the LORD." \*
  Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*
  when the great waters over flow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place;
  you pre'serve me from trouble; \*
  you sur'round me with shouts of de'liverance.

### THE SECOND READING

# A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF SAINT PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

Saint Paul wrote: From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- P Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



(Please stand - Sing through twice as the Gospel book processes)

### THE HOLY GOSPEL

- C The Lord be with you.
- P And also with you.
- C The Holy Gospel according to **St. Luke**
- P Glory to you, Lord Christ +++

### THE HOLY GOSPEL

Pharisees and scribes said, "he receives tax collectors and sinners and eats with them. So Jesus told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands." So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. (The Gospel continues)

- C The Gospel of the Lord.
- P Praise to you, Lord Christ.

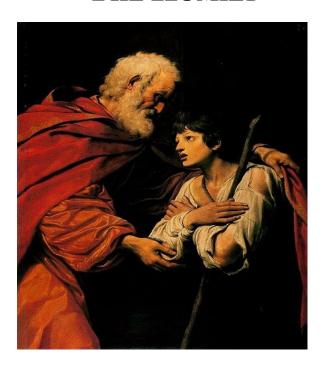
(The Gospel Acclamation is sung as the book of the Gospels is reposed.)

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Please be seated

# THE HOMILY



Please rise following the homily for the hymn of the day

# THE HYMN OF THE DAY (671)



The melody may be sung in canon at distances of either two or three beats.

Words: John Newton (1725-1807), alt.; st. 5, John Rees (19th cent.) Music: New Britain, from Virginia Harmony, 1831; adapt. att. Edwin Othello Excell (1851-1921); harm. Austin Cole Lovelace (b. 1919) Copyright ©1974 by Abingdon Press. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

SAID BY ALL

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;

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I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(Please kneel or sit. The people respond prayerfully with the words in **bold** type.)

C Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

#### Silence

C Grant, Almighty God, that all who trust in you may be united as one holy catholic and apostolic church and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

### P Hear our prayer.

C Guide the people of this land, and especially our president, in ways of reconciliation and mercy, that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy

### P Hear our prayer.

C Give us all a spirit of mercy for those prodigal souls who return to our lives seeking forgiveness and a homecoming. Lord, in your mercy

### P Hear our prayer.

C Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours in this congregation and grant that we may act with grace and love with one another as Our Father does.

Lord, in your mercy

### P Hear our prayer.

C Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy

#### P Hear our prayer.

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE ESPECIALLY PRAY FOR: HOWDY BENNER, CHRISTINE TODD, PAT NASS, MARY HAYES, Sandy Shaffer, Michael Morris, Jeff Haas, Erin Pasela, Pat Clark, Debbie Reese, Peg Hoxter, Drinda, Debbie Mienert, Dorothy Stauffer, Sharon Levering, Nelson Price, Carol Hoppes, Marge Darby, Sue Lorah, Brian Lee, Diana Anders, Bill Freeman, Ron Shingle, Zach Schrum, Mary Ann Gallagher, Piper Hatfield, Lynn Williams. Wanda Bullock, Julie Combs, Diane Spath, Lois Schultz, Taran Miller, Sheri Monti, Jane Shingle, Galen Miller, Julie (Nass) Immel, Tori Edwards, The Dienno Family, Bella Maria, Beverly Karlson,

C We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy *P Hear our prayer* 

(Celebrant says the concluding collect)

C Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord.

P Amen.



## THE PEACE

(SHARED BY GESTURE ONLY)

- C Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles: I leave you peace, my peace I give to you. Look not on our sins but on the faith of your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom where you live forever and ever.
- C The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
- P And also with you.
- C Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

### OFFERING OF THE GIFTS

(The gifts of bread and wine come forward)

## **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

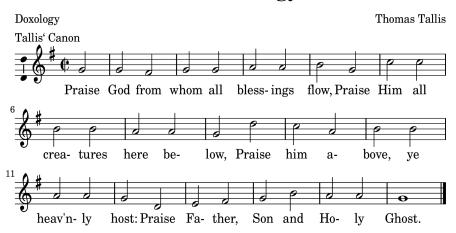
### **O**FFERING

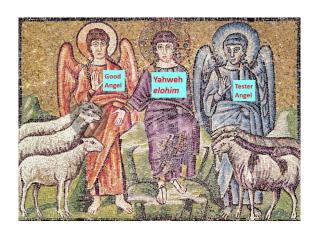
(Ushers pass offering plates and bring them forward)



## **OFFERTORY CANTICLE**

### "The Doxology"





# +THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST + THE OFFERTORY PRAYERS

- C Let us pray.

  Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.
- P Blessed be God forever.
- C Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.
- P Blessed be God forever.
- C Pray friends that this Eucharist may be acceptable to the Almighty Father.
- P May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.



### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- C The Lord be with you.
- P And also with you.
- C Lift up your hearts.
- P We lift them to the Lord.
- C Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- P It is right to give him thanks and praise.

### THE LENTEN PREFACE

C It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth through Jesus Christ our Lord;

Who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin.

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:



## SANCTUS

#### Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (Sanctus)

Zack von Menchhofen

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Ho-

sa- na,

Ho-

sa- na,

### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYERS

Please kneel or sit

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 in remembrance of me." +++

After supper he took the chalice 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 in remembrance of me." +++

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People say:

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

### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYERS

continued

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 become +++ 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 \_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.

Through him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN**.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

- C And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:
- P 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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE FRACTION

- C Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
- P Therefore, let us keep the feast.

### AGNUS DEI

### Agnus Dei (O Lamb of God)

Zack von Menchhofen





### AGNUS DEI

C This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are they who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

P LORD, I AM NOT WORTHY TO RECEIVE YOU, BUT ONLY SAY THE WORD AND I SHALL BE HEALED

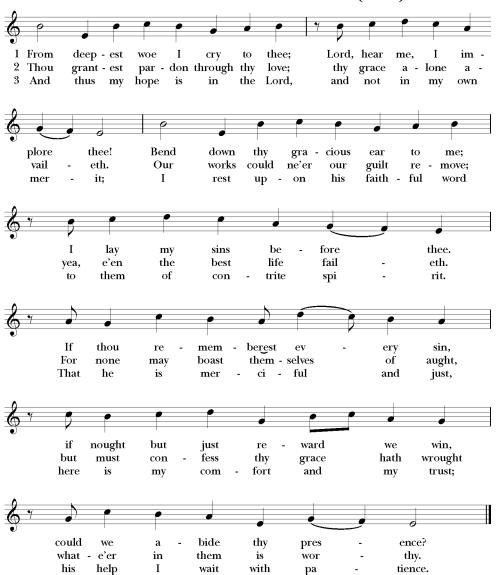


# + Holy Communion +

All people are welcome to come forward for a Communion blessing. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Please come forward using the center aisles on your side. Please sanitize your hands at the station, then proceed with cupped hands to receive the host. Those desiring to receive the Blood of Christ should step forward to the Eucharistic Minister, then dip their host in the Chalice



# **COMMUNION HYMN (151)**



Words: Martin Luther (1483-1546); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.; based on Psalm 130 Music: Aus tiefer Not, melody att. Martin Luther (1483-1546); harm. Johann Herman Schein (1586-1630), alt.

## Communion Prayer

C The Lord be with you **P** And also with you C Let us Pray together;

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

## BENEDICTION

The Blessing of God Almighty, + The Father, + The Son, and
 + The Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.



# CLOSING HYMN (657)



## **POSTLUDE**

### **DISMISSAL**

C The Mass is ended. Go in peace, serve the Lord.

P Thanks be to God.

### **Holy Eucharist Leaders**

Eucharistic Minister: Kathleen Mraz

Ushers: Bill Freeman & Liz Hughes

Lectors/Readers: Kathleen Mraz Prayers: Toni McLauchlan

Acolyte: D. & E. Symonds, C. Wetzel,

Altar Guild: Karl & Verna

Greeter: Fr. Kim

Counters: John Mraz & Toni McLauchlan

Sunday School; Ivanna Freeman

If you are a Visitor, please join us for lunch!

### **Fellowship Lunch Cooks**

Appetizer: Kathleen Mraz

Main Course: Toni McLauchlan & Kathleen Mraz

Dessert: Toni McLauchlan

### Memorial Needs/ Opportunities

Saint Mark's has a number of supply needs for Sunday Worship that may be memorials in memory or honor of a person you want remembered. Please see Fr. Kim if you are interested in making a Memorial in 2025.

- 1. A Wall Sanctuary Lamp @ \$360
- 2. 2 New Eucharistic Minister Albs @\$ 200
- 3. 3 New Choir Cassocks & Surplices @ \$145
- 4. 1 New Acolyte Cassocks & Cottas @ \$100
- 5. 2 Brass Cross & Torch Holders @ \$75
- 6. 1 Altar Fair Linen @ \$435



### MAR. 30 4th SUNDAY IN LENT

8:00 AM Choir School

9:00 AM Choir rehearsal

10:30 AM Holy Eucharist

11:30 AM National Doctor's Day Lunch

### **APRIL 6** - 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

8:00 AM Choir School

9:00 AM Choir rehearsal

10:30 AM Holy Eucharist

11:30 AM National Tomato Day Lunch

### **APRIL 13 - PALM/PASSION SUNDAY**

8:00 AM Choir School

9:00 AM Choir rehearsal

10:30 AM Holy Eucharist & Procession

11:30 AM Tax Day Free Lunch

### **APRIL 17 - HOLY THURSDAY**

7:00 PM Seder Passover Meal & Eucharist

### APRIL 18 - GOOD FRIDAY

7:00 PM Choral Tenebrae

### APRIL 20 - EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 AM Choir School

9:00 AM Choir rehearsal

10:30 AM Holy Eucharist & Blessing of Font

11:30 AM Easter Ham Lunch

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