



# St. Mary's Episcopal Church

*A parish in the Diocese of Pennsylvania*

May 19, 2024 7:45 AM - *The Day of Pentecost*

*Artwork by Lindsay Smith*

*Our Mission:* God is calling the people of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Wayne, Pennsylvania to follow Jesus' teaching to love God with all our hearts, souls and minds; and to love our neighbor as ourselves. Therefore we love and embrace each other, friend and stranger alike in worship, service and prayer as we seek to live in and share God's Word.

- Adopted by the St. Mary's Vestry, May 2015



*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**A**lmighty God, who on this day didst open the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of thy Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.. **Amen.**

### **First Reading**

**Acts 2:1-21**

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

**W**hen the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs-- in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

‘In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams.  
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.  
And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.  
The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.  
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’“

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 104:25-35, 37**

25 O Lord, how manifold are your works! \*  
in wisdom you have made them all;  
the earth is full of your creatures.

26 Yonder is the great and wide sea  
with its living things too many to number, \*  
creatures both small and great.

27 There move the ships,  
and there is that Leviathan, \*  
which you have made for the sport of it.

28 All of them look to you \*  
to give them their food in due season.

29 You give it to them; they gather it; \*  
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; \*  
you take away their breath,  
and they die and return to their dust.

31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; \*  
and so you renew the face of the earth.

32 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; \*  
may the Lord rejoice in all his works.

33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; \*  
he touches the mountains and they smoke.

34 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; \*  
I will praise my God while I have my being.

35 May these words of mine please him; \*  
I will rejoice in the Lord.

37 Bless the Lord, O my soul. \*  
Hallelujah!

## Second Reading

Romans 8:22-27

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans.

**W**e know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

*Reader*     The Word of the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**J**esus said to his disciples, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## The Prayers of the People

*The Deacon or other person appointed says*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church. In our parish cycle of prayers this week, we pray for **David & Kirsten Parsells, Timothy O' Donovan, Brian & Linda Noll and their families.**

*After each paragraph of this prayer, the People may make an appropriate response, as directed.*

Almighty and ever living God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Daniel, our Bishop, Lucy Ann our Interim Rector and for that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Joseph our President, and Josh our Governor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor *(Congregation reads the names aloud)* **Irene Steinhardt, Barbara Kidder, Jennifer Lurie, Victoria Coates, JoAnne Vereneck, Jim Cobb, Scott Ziglar, Craig and Ann Marie Erickson, Marylu Hill and her family, Magali Behrmann, and Avanya Manasseh.** That they may be delivered from their distress, and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

*Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.*

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; and especially remembering, Betty and Frank Rippel and Joseph A. Dixon for whom the flowers on the High Altar are given, for Milas Bennett for whom the Lady Chapel Altar Flowers are given, and Oliver Feldman in whose memory the Sanctuary Candle is given; beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## Invitation & Announcements

To all who are lonely and need friendship; to all who are discouraged and need good news; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are tempted and need help; to all who are sinners and need forgiveness; to all who are complacent and need disturbing; to all who thirst for the water of life; to all who love Christ and would follow Christ, this church opens wide its doors and bids you WELCOME!

We welcome all visitors to St. Mary's this morning. Please sign our guest book by the front door of the Church.



**Today is Sunday, May 19, 2024**

**The Day of Pentecost**

**7:45 am** Holy Eucharist Rite I

**10:00 am** Holy Eucharist Rite II  
(livestreamed and recorded)

**10:15 am Christian Formation** Edith Helms

**11:15 am** Coffee Hour

**Acolytes:**

**7:45 am** Greg Kelleher

**10:00 am** Allyson Radford, Griffin Connor, and  
Owen Connor

**Chalice:**

**7:45am** Greg Kelleher

**10:00am** Elizabeth Morrill

**Readers:**

**7:45 am** Balana Gullatt

**10:00 am** Elizabeth Morrill, Frank Tatnall

**Prayers of the People:** Ellen Buerklin

**Altar Guild:** Team 3

**Live Stream:** Nate Connor

**Ushers:** David Parsells, Brian Lanouette

**Parish Cycle of Prayers**

This week in our parish cycle of prayers, we pray for David & Kirsten Parsells, Timothy O'Donovan, Brian & Linda Noll and their families.

**Flowers on the High Altar** this morning are given by this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Betty and Frank Rippel, and Joseph A. Dixon, by their family.

**Flowers on the Lady Chapel Altar** are given by Carole Fowler to the glory of God and in loving memory of Milas Bennett.

**The Sanctuary Light** is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Oliver Feldman.

**Please pray for those in ongoing need of our prayers and all on our parish intercession list at St. Mary's:** Irene Steinhardt, Barbara Kidder, Jennifer Lurie, Victoria Coates, JoAnne Vereneck, Jim Cobb, Scott Ziglar, Craig and Ann Marie Erickson, Marylu Hill and her family, Magali Behrmann, and Avanya Manasseh.

Also included on the prayer list are our friends John Paul, Peggy Wilson, Emma Cavanaugh-Kerr, Stan Compton, Arlene, Dan Bailey, Joe Stellabotte, Father Hentzi Elek, Carole Beideman, Mike Mattingly, Dana Lips, Fionn Reid, Miriam, Kris, and Wilhelm Rebmann.

The names read aloud today include St. Mary's parishioners and family members of parishioners. Please say aloud the names of your loved ones during the Prayers of the People when the lector pauses for the congregation to add their own petitions.

Please note: *Kindly let our Parish Administrator Nicole Marie know if you would like yourself or another prayed for at our services. It is our practice to take individuals off the Intercession list after four weeks unless more time is requested.*

### **Our Transition Prayer for this week:**

Pray for the Vestry and the Search Committee.

Dear Lord, bless with your heavenly wisdom those who are to choose a new rector for this parish. We ask for a wise and gentle shepherd, ready to serve us with joy, build us up in faith, and lead us by example. We ask these things through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Spring and Summer Pledge Reminder:** As we enter the spring and summer months and the heart of vacation season, we would kindly ask that you also try to keep current with your 2024 pledges. Keeping your pledge current will help us keep up with utility, insurance and other expenses that are incurred throughout the year. If you did not make a pledge for 2024, non-pledge gifts or other contributions are always welcomed during the year. If you need some help to figure where you stand with your pledge, please reach out to our Parish Administrator, Nicole Marie at [nicole@stmaryswaynepa.org](mailto:nicole@stmaryswaynepa.org).

**Bryn Mawr Film Institute** on Tuesday, May 21, at 7:00 pm there will be a screening of a new documentary called *The Philadelphia Eleven*, which tells the story of the first group of women to be ordained as priests in the Episcopal Church. There will be a moderated discussion after the film featuring several panelists, including Rev. JoAnn Bradley Jones, Rev. Thomas Szczerba, and Rev. Dr. Flora Keshgegian. There is more information and a trailer on this webpage: <https://brynmarwrfilm.org/event/the-philadelphia-eleven>



**Good Works: Thank You Volunteers!** A big thank you to the St. Mary's volunteers that helped refurbish a trailer home this past Saturday for a young family in Phoenixville. After morning prayers, the team helped replace a water-damaged ceiling and install new siding to help the family stay warm and dry. Please consider joining your St. Mary's friends as a volunteer at the next Good Works event!

### **Transition & Transformation Funding**

As our search for a new rector progresses, we are seeking financial support for specific work items critical to a successful and welcoming transition and transformation which we are currently undergoing. Contributions to our Transition and Transformation Fund go directly to project items on the work list for the Rectory, Parish Hall, and Church.

The focus now is the Rectory where we have eight additional work items to complete as well as the roof and support structure for the Fr. Greene emergency exit. Examples are the Rectory kitchen cabinets, floor, countertop, and sink/faucet, as well as the broken underground stormwater drainpipe. Rectory estimates are still developing. Estimates in hand so far put Rectory work at about \$40,000. The Fr. Greene exit estimates put that work at \$21,000 due to the severity of the damage to the roof and support structure.

The B&G Committee wishes to thank all those who have contributed to date including two anonymous gifts for the Rectory roof repair and the repairs to the Fr. Greene room south windows. Every donation matters and is greatly appreciated.

There are two ways to donate: You can send a check to Nicole Marie, our Parish Administrator made out to St. Mary's Episcopal Church and on the memo line put "T&T Fund". Donors may also specify a work item such as Rectory Kitchen, Rectory Pipe, Rectory Doorbell etc. by adding the item to the memo on the check, or by sending an email to Nicole Marie at [nicole@stmaryswaynepa.org](mailto:nicole@stmaryswaynepa.org). Your donation will be reserved for that item of work. You can also find a link for donating to the fund under the Stewardship tab on our website where you will also find additional information about the work item projects.

If you have questions please reach out to Bob Mickel at [robertmickel27@gmail.com](mailto:robertmickel27@gmail.com) or David Gardiner at [dfgardiner99@outlook.com](mailto:dfgardiner99@outlook.com), from the B&G Committee.





**Painting the Ark** Evangaline, Penny, and Beau getting the Ark ready for “Rise and Shine” on Mother’s Day.

**Rectory Workday** Our next Workday is TODAY this afternoon, May 19, after our morning services. Lunch will be provided! The Painting of the Rectory with volunteer efforts led by Allyson Radford & Jim Anderson have made immense progress - All walls have been rolled except for the Kitchen, Butler’s Pantry and Laundry Room. Trim is in progress and will be proceeding from bottom to top as we hope to be showing the space soon! If you have any questions about volunteering to help wrap up the painting of the Rectory please reach out to Allyson Radford at [radford.allyson@gmail.com](mailto:radford.allyson@gmail.com) or Jim Anderson at [jsanderson569@gmail.com](mailto:jsanderson569@gmail.com).

**Adult Formation** on Sunday mornings at 9am will be on hiatus for a few weeks, and will resume in June, date and subject TBD. Reach out to Mother Lucy Ann or Erlis Wickersham with any ideas or questions.

**The Bible Study** that meets on Zoom has resumed on Mondays from 11am - 12pm. Now we are reading The Book of Psalms together. After reading from the Scripture, we discuss the passage to discover its relevance for lives today. All are always welcome to join us as we “read, mark, learn and inwardly digest” the meaning. Just click on the link on the homepage of the St. Mary’s website under the heading “Weekly Activities.” If you have any questions, feel free to speak with Twila, Erlis or Mother Lucy Ann.

**St. Mary’s Book Club** The June meeting of the St. Mary’s Book Club will take place on Wednesday, June 12th at 2 p.m. at Jean Wetzel’s house. We will read *Alfie and Me; What Owls Know, What Humans Believe* (2023) by Carl Safina. At our July 10th meeting our selection will be *Bel Canto* (2001) by Ann Patchett. There will be no book club in August. In September we intend to consider the poetry of Emily Dickinson. Please come to the book club! You don’t even have to read the book. The conversation is always lively, and we serve delicious refreshments. If you have questions please contact Erlis Wickersham at [vze27g53@verizon.net](mailto:vze27g53@verizon.net)

**Housekeeping** Due to our administrative office hours, all announcements for the Sunday Bulletin and weekly Chimes Newsletter need to be submitted to our Parish Administrator, Nicole Marie, by the end of the day on Tuesdays. Also please note that Nicole plans to be out of the office for summer vacations June 6th through June 12th and July 9th through July 17th. For Nicole’s travels in June announcements will need to be submitted by *Tuesday June 4th* and for Nicole’s travels in July announcements will need to be submitted by *Tuesday July 2nd*. We appreciate your understanding.

**WEEKLY SERVICES AT ST. MARY'S**

Sunday in the Church

7:45 am Holy Eucharist Rite I

10:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II\*

Monday-Friday in the Lady Chapel\*

9am Morning Prayer Rite II

5pm Evening Prayer Rite II

Thursday in the Lady Chapel\*

12 noon Holy Eucharist with Healing

*\*Livestreamed at St. Mary's Facebook page*

**Please note:** there will be no Morning or Evening Prayer on Memorial Day, May 27th.

## **How to give to St. Mary's**

Simply point your camera at the QR code below and follow the instructions, or, to make a donation via text, simply text worship 1887, to the number 73256.



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