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**St. Mark's Sunday worship starts at 10 a.m. in the Erwin Chapel and on Zoom**

Welcome. Our service will always be available on Zoom with Meeting ID 500-865-037. You can enter via the parish Web link at <http://www.stmarksnewbritain.org>. You may also enter by calling 1-646-558-8656. Please either print or have the bulletin open on a separate browser tab to participate fully in the service.

In-person services at 90 Main Street continue to require that everyone wear a mask and maintain a safe distance inside the buildings of South Church. Masks will be available for those who need them. Thank you.



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## THE WORD OF GOD

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.**

*Celebrant sets the pace.*

## People and Celebrant

**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**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray together.

**Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

**The First Lesson**

**Deuteronomy 30:15-20**

Lector: Volunteer

A Reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

The Word of the Lord.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

*(silence)*

**Psalm 1**

Volunteer

Leader: Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, \*

**People: nor lingered in the way of sinners,  
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!**

Leader: Their delight is in the law of the LORD, \*

**People: and they meditate on his law day and night.**

Leader: They are like trees planted by streams of water,

bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \*

**People: everything they do shall prosper.**

Leader: It is not so with the wicked; \*

**People: they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

Leader: Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, \*

**People: nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.**

Leader: For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, \*

**People: but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

## The Second Lesson

Lector: Volunteer

**Philemon 1:21**

A Reading from Paul's letter to Philemon.

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love - and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother - especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

The Word of the Lord.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

*(silence)*

**Sequence Hymn 567** *“Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old”*

**St. Matthews**

## The Holy Gospel

**Luke 14:25-33**

**Clergy:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, “Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

**Clergy:** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*(silence)*

**The Sermon**

**The Reverend Joseph Pace**

## **The Creed**

*Celebrant sets the pace.*

**People and Celebrant, remembering to pause at the punctuation:**

**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 VI**

Leader: Volunteer

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

**People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

**People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

**People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader: For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Ian and Laura our Bishops; and for all Priests, and for all bishops and other ministers;

**People: For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*The People may add their own petitions*

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

**People: For your mercy is great.**

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

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

Leader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

**People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*The People may add their own petitions*

Leader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**People: Who put their trust in you.**

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.

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant: 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**

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**



## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

### **The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A**

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.**

Celebrant: 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. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down [on this day] from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

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**

**Celebrant and People:**      **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.**

**Celebrant:**      Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Celebrant and People:**      **Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

**Celebrant:**      We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.**

**Celebrant:**      As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Celebrant and People**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

**Celebrant:** Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People:** **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** is open to all baptized Christians, and for precautionary measures, only consecrated bread is distributed. If coming forward to receive the bread, please keep a respectful 6 foot distance from the people in front of you, if you do not live in the same dwelling.

To receive the bread, please extend your hands and keep them level. The priest will drop the wafer into your hands. Please take the bread back to your seat and consume it there, briefly moving your mask, to do so.

In Anglican liturgy, receiving bread is equivalent to receiving bread and wine.

### **The Prayer of Spiritual Communion** *(To be recited by people joining us on Zoom.)*

*Celebrant sets the pace.*

**In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is celebrated, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we ask you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves to you, and embrace you with all the affections of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live and die in your love. Amen.**

### **Postcommunion Prayer**

**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.**

### **Blessing**

**Celebrant:** The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

**Dismissal Hymn 675** *“Take up your cross, the Savior said”*

**Bourbon**

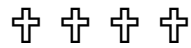
### **Announcements**



Priest, Deacon or  
Worship Leader:  
People:

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.  
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Thank you to everyone who participated in putting the service together today.**



### **SAVE THE DATE**

<b>Sunday, September 4 10:00 a.m.</b>	Service in Erwin Chapel - Rev. Joe Pace will be the Celebrant and Preacher
Monday, September 5	Parish office closed for Labor Day Holiday
Wednesday, September 7 5:45 p.m.	Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday, September 7 7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
<b>Sunday, September 11 10 a.m.</b>	Service in Erwin Chapel - Rev. Joe Pace will be the Celebrant and Preacher
Tuesday, September 13 6:45 p.m.	Vestry Meeting
<b>Sunday, September 18 10 a.m.</b>	Service in Erwin Chapel - Rev. Joe Pace will be the Celebrant and Preacher
<b>Sunday, September 25 10 a.m.</b>	Service in Erwin Chapel - Rev. Joe Pace will be the Celebrant Maggie Breen, our N.E. Region Missionary, will be our Preacher.

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### **The St. Mark's Food Pantry**



We are in need of gently used grocery bags.  
If you have any grocery bags (plastic or other types) and  
would like to donate them to the pantry,  
please drop them off in the Parish Office.

We have finally run out of plastic bags that were donated by Big Y  
and could really use them. Thank you!

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**The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost - September 4, 2022**

**Longterm prayers are asked for:** Irene Alibrio, Patricia Anderson, Sophia Anderson, Joe Arcari, Russell Atkinson, Bill Briggs, Cletus Cone, Patricia Cone, Dave, Debbie, Gary Hudkins, Margaret Hughes, Rachael Johnston, Katherine, Florence Kruvka, Linda, Lindsay, Louise, Ann Maltais, Christopher McLaughlin, Ron Napper, Gabriella Nauss, Kelly Nauss, Lori Nauss, Nancy Nowlak, Joseph O'Tulak, Benjamin Pisseri, P.J., Rae Robinson, Francis and Joann Rusczyk, Debbie Spak, Bud Wilcox, and Zachary.

**Healing:** Lilly Weich, Manny Monteiro, Cheryl Hanson, Mike Krumrine, Claire Lucid, Danny, Edward Dubois, Gail Bates, and Mary Gould.

**ECCT Cycle of Prayer:** L'Eglise de L'Epiphanie, Stamford; St. Andrew's, Stamford; St. Francis', Stamford; those involved in the misitry in Christian Formation in parishes; church school and youth group directors, teachers, and mentors; for adult education leaders; Education for Ministry leaders and students and those who have been received into The Episcopal Church..

**Those who serve our country:** Ryan Alexander, Tiana Baptiste, Ryan Beaudoin, Parker Browne, Michael Johnston, and Ed Priesser.

**Parish families:** Michael, Jessica and Johnathin Wilcox, Desmond Williams, Oscar and Gertrude Yagoodbian, Beth Yannello, Luke Zielinski, Edmund Zup and Ronald and Lisa Zup.

**Those who have died, especially Lois Blomstrann, and those who are remembered today:** David "Jake" Jakobowski, Beverly Brzezinski, Joseph Brzezinski, Ingeborg and Carl Gustafson and Denise Senberg.

**PRAYER CHAIN:** To activate the chain call or email:

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**Please remember to send in your pledges and offerings to the parish. The mail in the St. Mark's post office box is picked up several times a week. Your pledge payments are compiled at least once a month and deposited.**

**Mailing address for financial contributions:**

**St. Mark's Episcopal Church PO Box 1538 New Britain, CT 06050-1538  
or send checks electronically to the Church via your bank.**

**St. Marks keeps going in God's way, God's time, and to God's glory.**

**The worship services, the parish office, and ministry to the community adapt and continue. Your contributions of time, talent, and treasure are appreciated to make it happen.**

**The Food Pantry ministry continues on Mondays (9 to 2) and Thursdays (9 to 2).**

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**Join us on Sunday, September 25 for a visit from Maggie Breen**

**Join us on Sunday, September 25 as we welcome to St. Mark's our Northeast (N.E.) Region Missionary Maggie Breen for the celebration of the Eucharist (Rev. Joe Pace, Celebrant) and coffee hour This will be a good time for us to pick her brain as we prepare for our visits to neighboring parishes. As our regional missionary she is familiar with these parishes and may be able to provide some insights as we dive into merger considerations.**

 **SAVE THE DATE!** 

Ordination and Consecration of  
The Rev. Jeffrey William Mellow  
XVI Bishop Diocesan  
of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut

**Saturday, October 15**  
**Connecticut Convention Center, Hartford**  
Service at 11 a.m.  
Doors open at 10 a.m.

A formal invitation with registration and  
live stream links will be forthcoming.

Go to [episcopalct.org/consecration](https://episcopalct.org/consecration) for more information.

**In honor of Bishop Ian, give to the  
Bishop Farewell Fund**

In accordance with recent tradition, to honor our bishop on his retirement, ECCT has set up a fund for donations in his honor to an organization designated by him. Bishop Ian has chosen Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services (IRIS).

IRIS provides wrap-around services for refugee families, asylum seekers, asylees, and other immigrant families who seek assistance to stabilize their family situations in the U.S.

To donate, go to: <https://www.episcopalct.org/make-a-new-gift/bishop-ian-farewell-fund/>

**The fund will close on October 8, 2022.**

