



Welcome!

Because we believe that the risen Christ is in our midst, we also believe that we should never place a period where God has placed a comma.

Order of Worship
March 15, 2026 | 10:30 am
Fourth Sunday of Lent

We Gather

Welcome

Prelude

Come to the Church in the Wildwood
-arr. Pitts

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.

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.**

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name.

Amen.

(Moment of Silence)

Lord, have mercy upon us. **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Christ, have mercy upon us. **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us. **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Assurance of Pardon

***Hymn #56 (Chalice)**

For the Beauty of the Earth

You are invited to use the time before service to prepare your heart and mind for worship through prayer and reflection. We kindly ask that all cell phones and media devices be silenced.

Worship Liturgy
Throughout the worship liturgy, you are invited to respond with all of the words in bold.

***Asterisk indicates**
please rise in body or spirit

Hearing Assist Devices
Headphones and receivers are available in the tech booth.

Prayer of the Day

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

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, the 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.

Amen.

We Hear

New Testament

1 Timothy 4:7-16

(pg. 209)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 78:1-7

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.

We will not hide them from their children;

we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.

He established a decree in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children;

that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and rise up and tell them to their children,

so that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments.

Gospel

Mark 10:13-16

(pg. 46)

*Gospel Response:

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost!

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, amen.

Amen.

Sermon

- Rev. Sam Chamelin

***Hymn #190(Chalice)**

Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

Thanks to the following people for helping with service today:

Readers:

Sabrina Hodge

In-Person Greeters:

Bob Lillis

Ruthanne Lillis

Jane Sharpe

Online Greeter:

Jennie Chamelin

Tech Team:

Rob Brown

Ryan Brown

Doug White

Acolyte:

Delilah Barber

Consistory Person of the Month:

Jodie Foster

Back up:

Rob Brown

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The Barilaro Family

Altar Flowers:

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Beatitudes

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the clean in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

We Respond

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

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 debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

One Great Hour of Sharing

When communities are impacted by disaster,

Our love offering is comfort, provision and a hand to rebuild.

When people are displaced,

Our love offering is shelter, nourishment and safety.

When groups are afflicted by prejudice, economic hardship, or difficult circumstances beyond their control,

Our love offering is empowerment, strength to rise and dreams for a better future.

Our love offering is

loving our neighbor, next door and on the other side of the world.

Our love offering is

not just for this hour, but forever.

Presentation of Offering

If you'd like to support the mission and work of St. Mary's, you may give using the QR code or place cash or a check in the offering plate at the welcome table in the vestry.

Thank you!



*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Sunday Mornings

9:15 am - Adult Sunday School

9:15 am - Children's Sunday School

10:30am - Hybrid In-Person and Online Worship

Church Staff

Rev. Sam Chamelin, *Pastor*

Jane Sharpe, *Choir Dir.*

Gabriel Longuinhos, *Organist*

Sabrina Hodge, *Financial Sec.*

Lisa Brown, *Treasurer*

Megan Shealy, *Office Mgr.*

Pastoral Emergencies

For pastoral concerns please call the church office 410-346-7977

Prayer Requests:

To submit a prayer request, scan the QR code with your phone, submit a request via the Church Center app, or call the church office.



Church Office Hours

Mondays &

Wednesdays

9am - 2pm

Voicemail and email are monitored daily.

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***Offertory Prayer**

Gracious God, what we place before you today is small beside your abundance. Take these offerings and use them to bring your living water to dry and weary places. Let our generosity reflect your endless gift. In the name of the One who is the Messiah, we pray. Amen.

We Are Sent

***Hymn #589 (Chalice)**

Lord, I Want to be a Christian

***Benediction**

***Three-fold Amen**

Announcements

***Postlude**

How Majestic Is Your Name

-arr. M. Smith