

April 8, 2018



## The Episcopal Church of Bangor in Caernarvon



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Churchtown, Narvon, Pennsylvania 17555  
The Rt. Reverend Audrey Scanlan, Bishop  
The Reverend Canon Mark A. Scheneman  
Priest in Charge

*Historic Bangor Episcopal Church, the mother church of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, seeks to be a community in Christ Jesus celebrating our heritage, vibrant in our worship, and engaged in ministry and mission as we approach the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our founding.*

# This Sunday at Bangor Church

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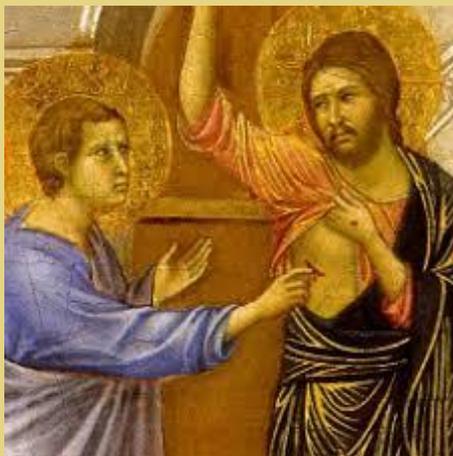
## The Second Sunday of Easter

10:00 AM **HOLY EUCHARIST**

11:15 AM Fellowship (Church House)

This Sunday following Easter Day is officially “The Second Sunday of Easter,” reminding us that we have now entered into the fifty-day season of Easter. Easter is not so much an ‘event’ or a ‘day’, but rather a new beginning. The joy of Easter can’t be contained nor limited to one Sunday.

Some will remember a time when we casually, and a bit humorously, referred to this Sunday as “low Sunday” - a nod to both the return to normal worship and also an acknowledgement that attendance was expected to be ‘low.’



But we also greet this Sunday as “Thomas Sunday,” after the story in the Gospel According to John concerning the “doubting Thomas.” Having not been with the other disciples on the evening of the Resurrection, Thomas will not accept their testimony and demands proof. One week later, the risen Lord greets them and invites Thomas to see, touch, and believe.

Fr. Mark will use this occasion again this year to present a “walk about sermon,” reflecting on elements of the church building - this year the Communion vessels and the vestments. In these symbols we are given an opportunity, like Thomas, to see, touch, and believe.

Join us after church in the Church House for refreshments and fellowship.



## **From Fr. Mark: Many thanks!**

May I take this opportunity to thank so many people who devoted their time and energy to our Lenten worship and activities, and especially to our observance of Holy Week and Easter Day. We enjoyed a fine Easter morning, dodging snow storms this year, yet blessed on Easter Day with moderate weather. It was great to have a full church and to share the joy of Easter Day.

Among those who should be recognized for their dedication and time, are Cynthia Mascioli and Jaime Gould. Cynthia is so very dedicated, traveling to the church office in the middle of each week to make copies of the Sunday bulletin and to attend to other office responsibilities, including maintaining the schedule of volunteer ministries and the parish calendar.



And Jaime was on the organ bench for Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Easter Day, providing us with great musical leadership for singing and music to enrich the liturgy.

Maurine VanDyke made sure we had great soups for our Lenten meals, including a fine "Scotch Broth" one week made by Marge Dailey. When it came time to transport over 300 donated items to the New Holland Food Bank, Maurine and Gary VanDyke loaded everything and made sure it got to the food bank.

The members of the Altar Guild had lots of extra work to do, preparing for all the services and decorating the church for Easter. And Lee White again coordinated the Easter flowers.

Jarrold Wysock hardly ever misses servicing at the altar each Sunday. And when he couldn't serve in Holy Week, Sarah VanDyke graciously "came out of retirement" to be acolyte Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.



Tom Peck and Susie Matangos split the schedule assisting with the chalice and reading the Prayers of the People. And Sr. Warden Bill Zimnoch helped on Easter Day with the incense and an extra chalice.

Behind the scenes, others just stepped in to get everything done that needed to be done: in the kitchen for meals and Sunday fellowship, counting the offering, greeting those arriving for services, reading the lessons. Jeff Liszcz jumped in to clean away Palm Sunday snow; Walter Johnson quietly saw to it that the Main Street sidewalks in front of the church were swept after accumulating gravel from the snow trucks. Jr. Warden John Sizer, Sr. Warden Bill Zimnoch, Gary VanDyke, Property Chair Dan Lake, and Jerry Martin seem to be always checking on things and troubleshooting. Treasurer Alan Benton devotes hours to keeping our books. Betty Martin makes sure the sacristy is organized and Altar Guild functions smoothly.

Who might I have forgotten? That's the danger in trying to thank everyone - I am sure that someone has been left out. I know that some provide rides to church; some visit our home bound and take a palm or Easter flower; some make sure the coffee is on.

So to one and all - my personal thanks to you for all that you do. It is an absolute joy to serve in this congregation and to share these special seasons and days.

Mark+



## PASTORAL ANNOUNCEMENT

We noted on Easter Sunday that two of our members lost loved ones in Holy Week. Bill Zimnoch's mother, Janet Zimnoch passed away. Her funeral will be at her family church, St. Luke's Episcopal, Lebanon on Thursday, April 5 at 11:00. Jeannie Haddock lost her father, Allen Zimmerman. His funeral services will be on Saturday, April 7 at 11:00 in the Cedar Union Church, 3419 Broadway, Allentown. We extend to both families our sincere condolences.

### Coming Events

Women's Luncheon	April 10
Prayer Shawl Ministry	April 13
Vestry	April 15
Morning Prayer	April 29
Rogation Sunday	May 6

### Announcements

+The next **Women's luncheon will be on Tuesday, April 10** at noon. All the women are invited to gather at Garden Spot Village in the Harvest Table .

+ Our Prayer Shawl Ministry will gather at the home of Marge Dailey on Friday, April 13 at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome to attend. Contact Marge for more information.

+Our prayers have been asked for Kathy Weaver, Dyllys Glew, Jim Chubb, Eleanor Hertzog, Shirley Smith, Lynn Schneider Schauer, Carol Greenfield, Irene Gundlah, Lois Benedix, Stan Imboden, Fred Stevenson, Bob Dailey, Ann Dailey, Claire Fleming, Alissa Groff.