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*Fourth Sunday of Easter*



**St. Michael's**

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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### Welcome, Visitors! Tell us about yourself.

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# The Word of God

\* **Processional Hymn**

*"I Come with Joy"*

Hymnal #304

\* **Opening Sentence & Collect for Purity**

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

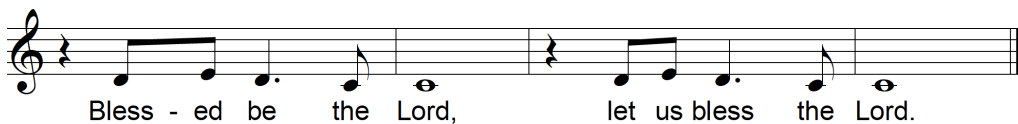
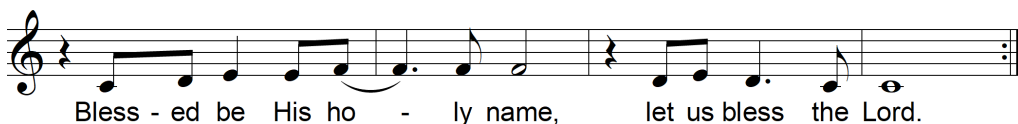
**People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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.**

\* **Song of Praise**

*"Blessed Be"*

Bellmont



## \* Collect of the Day

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Celebrant      The Lord be with you.

**People**        **And also with you.**

Celebrant      Let us pray. O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people:  
Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each  
by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## First Lesson

Acts 4:5-12

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?"

Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.'

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; \*

I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures \*

and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul \*

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; \*

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*

you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

## Second Lesson

1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his



## \* **The Nicene Creed**

BCP p. 358

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

## \* **Prayers of the People**

Form III, BCP p. 387

Intercessor: Father, we pray for your holy catholic<sup>1</sup> Church

**People: That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you.

**That your name may be glorified by all people.**

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<sup>1</sup> In this context, “catholic” means “universal” referring to the global church.

We pray for all bishops, priests and deacons.

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. *[The people may add their petitions]*

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and on earth:

mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## \* **The Peace**

Officiant        The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People            **And also with you.**

## **Welcome & Announcements**

- “Tacos & Trivia” Quarterly Meeting & Potluck – after this service
- Wednesday, April 24: DOK Passover Seder Presentation
- May 16-18: St. Michael’s Parish Retreat at Conception Abbey



# St. Michael's ANNUAL RETREAT



## Conception Abbey

Thursday, May 16 – Saturday, May 18

“Christianity and the Enneagram”

Programming by The Rev. Ryan Wiksell

***Reservations still available!***

# The Holy Communion

Offertory

*"The King of Love"*

Hymnal #645

\* **The Presentation**

*"There Is a Redeemer (refrain)"*

Green

Thank You, O my Fa - ther, for giv - ing us Your Son. \_\_\_\_\_ And  
leav - ing Your Spir - it til the work on earth is done.

\* **The Great Thanksgiving**

**Eucharistic Prayer A**

**Celebrant** **People**  
The Lord be with you, and al - so with you.

**Celebrant** **People**  
Lift up your hearts, 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.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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”*

Belmont

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of pow - er and might, God of pow - er and might, Heav - en and earth, are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na - in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in treble clef. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the hymn: "Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,". It features a triplet of eighth notes on the first measure, followed by a dotted quarter note and a half note. The second measure has a quarter rest, followed by a triplet of eighth notes and a half note. The second staff contains the melody for the second line: "Ho - san-na in the high-est, Ho - san-na in the high-est." It starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note, a triplet of eighth notes, and a dotted quarter note. The second measure has a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note, a triplet of eighth notes, and a dotted quarter note. The piece ends with a double bar line.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,  
 Ho - san-na in the high-est, Ho - san-na in the high-est.

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:

**All: 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.

**All: AMEN.**

**\* The Lord's Prayer**

BCP p. 364

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ hath taught us, we now sing,



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - low-ed be your



Name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in\_



heav-en. Give us to-day our dai - ly bread. For -



give us our sins as we for-give those whosin a - gainst us.



Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the



king - dom, the pow - er and the glo - ry are yours, now and for



ev - er. A - men. A - men.

### \* 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 Notes:** Communion is offered in two kinds: bread and wine. One may receive the bread alone, dip it into the wine, or drink from the chalice after consuming the bread. Sealed, pre-packaged containers of bread and wine are available. Gluten-free bread may be requested by crossing one's hands palms-down. All manners of reception are valid, and all are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a blessing.

# Communion Hymn

*"Lead Us from Death to Life"*

Haugen, Kumar

Lead us from death to life, from false-hood to truth, from de - spair to  
hope, from fear to trust. Lead us from hate to  
love, from war to peace; let peace fill our hearts, let  
1. Still all the an - gry cries, still all the an - gry guns,  
2. So man - y lone - ly hearts, so man - y bro - ken lives,  
Am  
still now your peo-ple die, earth's sons and daugh-ters. Let jus - tice  
long-ing for love to break in - to their an - guish. Come, teach us  
roll, let mer - cy pour down, come and  
love, come teach us peace, come and  
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teach us your way of com - pas - sion.  
teach us your way of com - pas - sion.

\* **Postcommunion Prayer & Blessing**

BCP p. 366

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All:** 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.

\* **Closing Hymn**

*“The Church’s One Foundation”*

Hymnal #525

\* **Dismissal**

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

