



Welcome to St. Michael's Episcopal Church!

We are an open, affirming and inclusive parish, worshipping in the Episcopal tradition. No matter where you're from, or what you believe, you are welcome to gather with us, sing with us, pray with us, learn with us, and receive communion with us. We do our best to make our customs accessible to all people, but if anything seems confusing to you, feel free to ask someone for help, or simply sit and observe.

Welcome, Visitors! Tell us about yourself.

If you are visiting today, we invite you to sign the Guest Book. We would love to get to know each other! And if you're seeking baptism, confirmation, or simply a community of healing and hope to belong to, we would be delighted to join you on your journey.



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Service Notes

An asterisk (*) denotes moments when the congregation is invited to stand (as able)

"Hymnal" refers to the Hymnal 1982 located throughout the Nave.

Scriptures are quoted from the NRSV Bible, unless otherwise indicated.

About *Enriching Our Worship* (EOW)

During the season of Easter we will be using the liturgical resources from *Enriching Our Worship*. This is a series of supplemental texts authorized by the Episcopal Church to expand and deepen our worship life. It offers inclusive and expansive language for prayers and rites, enriching our experience of God's presence and mystery. EOW is not intended to replace the Book of Common Prayer, but instead to augment and complement it.

The Word of God

* Processional Song

“Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks”

Hymnal # 178

* Opening Sentence & Collect for Purity

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen

People **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

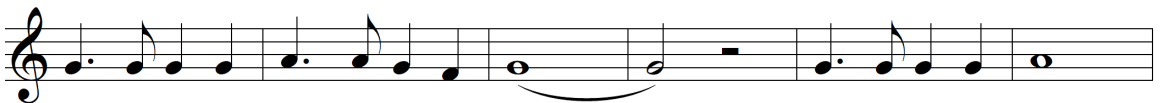
Celebrant Christ our true and only Light: receive our morning prayers, and illumine the secrets of our hearts with your healing goodness, that no evil desires may possess us who are made new in the light of your heavenly grace. *Amen.*

* Song of Praise

“Glorify Thy Name”



1. Fa - ther, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
2. Je - sus, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
3. Spir - it, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,



Glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth.____ Glo - ri - fy Thy name,



Glo - ri - fy Thy name, Glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth.____

* Collect of the Day

Easter 2

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

First Lesson

Acts 5:27-32

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

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

Psalm 150

Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy temple *
 praise him in the firmament of his power
Praise him for his mighty acts *
 praise him for his excellent greatness
Praise him with the blast of the ram's horn *
 praise him with lyre and harp
Praise him with timbrel and dance *
 praise him with strings and pipe
Praise him with resounding cymbals *
 praise him with loud-clanging cymbals
Let everything that has breath *
 praise the LORD. Hallelujah!

Second Lesson

Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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

* Sequence

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”

Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

- Hal - le lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! - Hal - le lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

* Holy Gospel

John 20:19-31

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

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

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the *Jewish authorities*, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you

forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

“QAF”

The Rev. Ryan Wiksell

* **Nicene Creed**

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, and who 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.

* **Prayers of the People**

Form III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

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.

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 own petitions. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

* **The Peace**

Officiant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

- Bishop Consecration: Saturday, May 3
- Guest Preacher & Pianist: Sunday, May 4
- Parents' Night Out: Friday, May 16
- Parish Retreat: Thu-Sat, May 22-24
- Trivia Night: Thursday, May 29

Special thanks to Rachel Swaney for 30 years of Music!

With mixed emotions, we recognize today as Rachel Swaney's last regular Sunday leading from the piano.

Rachel and her husband Jim Swaney first came to St. Michael's in 1995 and in 1998, Rachel became the music director. She managed the selection and playing of music as well as directing the choir. Rachel also coordinated a yearly concert with other area choirs to benefit Habitat for Humanity. Sadly this tradition came to an end with the COVID pandemic. Along the way, Rachel earned certification from the Leadership Program for Church Musicians at the Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest.

St. Michael's is eternally grateful for the 30 years of musical service that Rachel has provided for us, and, although her journey is changing, we are immensely grateful that it isn't taking her anywhere else. Thank you, Rachel!

The Holy Communion

Offertory

"In the Bulb there Is a Flower"



1. In the bulb there is a flow - er; in the
2. There's a song in ev - 'ry si - lence, seek - ing
3. In our end is our be - gin - ning; in our



seed, an ap - ple tree; in co - coons, a hid - den prom - ise: but - ter -
word and mel - o - dy; there's a dawn in eve - ry dark - ness bring - ing
time, in - fin - i - ty; in our doubt there is be - liev - ing; in our



flies will soon be free! In the cold and snow of
hope to you and me. From the past will come the
life, e - ter - ni - ty. In our death, a res - ur -



win - ter there's a spring that waits to be, un - re -
fu - ture; what it holds, a mys - ter - y, un - re -
rec - tion; at the last, a vic - to - ry, un - re -



vealed un - til its sea - son, some - thing God a - lone can see.
vealed un - til its sea - son, some - thing God a - lone can see.
vealed un - til its sea - son, some - thing God a - lone can see.

* **The Presentation**

“Doxology”

Hymnal # 380 v.3



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures
here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host; praise
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

* **The Great Thanksgiving**

Enriching Our Worship 3

Celebrant The LORD be with you.

“Sursum Corda” Hymnal # S-120

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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

* Sanctus

“Holy Holy Holy Lord”

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly

ho - ly ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav-en and earth are filled with your glo -

ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is He who comes in the name

of the Lord of the Lord Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho -

san - na in the high est.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

All: Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

All: Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN!

* The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant As our Savior Christ taught us, we now pray,

All 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 for ever. Amen.

* Fraction

Eat This Bread



Celebrant The Gifts of God for the people of God.



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

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent"

Hymnal # 324

* Postcommunion Prayer & Blessing

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

* Closing Hymn *“Rejoice, the Lord Is King”*



1. Re - joi - ce, the Lord is King; Your Lord and King a -
2. Je - sus, the Sav - ior reigns, The God of truth and
3. His king - dom can - not fail; He rules o'er earth and
4. Re - joi - ce in glo - rious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall



dore! Re - joi - ce, give thanks and sing And tri - umph
love. When He had purged our stains, He took His
heav'n. The keys of death and hell, Are to our
come And take His ser - vants up to their e -



ev - er - more. Lift up your heart; Lift
seat a - bove.
Je - sus giv'n.
ter - nal home.



up your voice! Re - joi - ce, a - gain I say, re - joi - ce!

* Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!



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