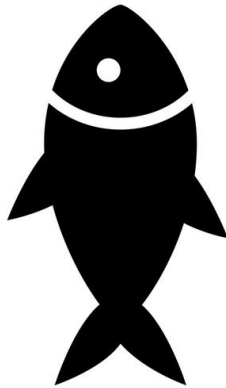


Third Sunday of Easter

May 4, 2025 • 10 am

Holy Eucharist (EOW)



St Michael's

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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

Prelude

"Selections from '24 Pie"

L Viern

* Processional Song

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

Hymnal # 460

* Opening Sentence & Collect for Purity

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.*

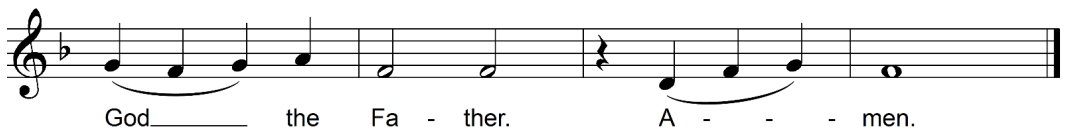
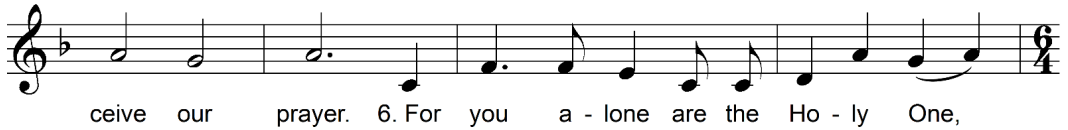
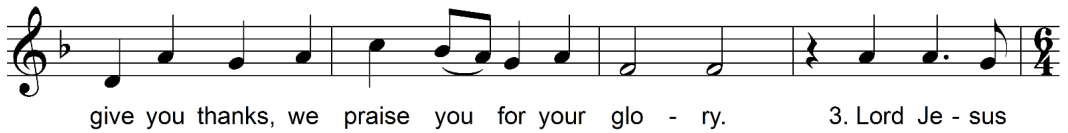
* Song of Praise

"Glory to God"

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

peace_____ to his people on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly

King, al - might - y_____ God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we



Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson

Acts 9:1-6

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

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

Psalm 30

I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up *
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

O LORD my God, I cried out to you, *
and you restored me to health.

You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; *
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; *
 give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.
For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, *
 his favor for a lifetime.
Weeping may spend the night, *
 but joy comes in the morning.
While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. *
 You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."
Then you hid your face, *
 and I was filled with fear.
I cried to you, O LORD; *
 I pleaded with the Lord, saying,
"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? *
 will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; *
 O LORD, be my helper."
You have turned my wailing into dancing; *
 you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.
Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; *
 O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

Second Lesson

Revelation 5:11-14

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

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

* Sequence

"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

The musical score is written for four voices on a single staff, using a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. 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!

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

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

Sermon

The Rev. Jim Robertson

*** 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

- Parents' Night Out: Friday, May 16
- **Parish Retreat: Thu-Sat, May 22-24 - Register Now >>>**
- Trivia Night: Thursday, May 29



Today's Guests

We welcome two guests from Philadelphia, who came to Kansas City to attend yesterday's bishop consecration. Today they have chosen to join us to offer their gifts in preaching and music, respectively. Let's make them welcome!

The Rev. Jim Robertson originates in Kansas and Missouri, and is now the Priest-in-Charge at Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator in Philadelphia, PA.

Nolan K Spade is the Music Director at All Saints' Church (Rhawnhurst) also in Philadelphia.

Our New Bishop!



As of yesterday, we can officially say that our new Bishop Diocesan in West Missouri is the Right Reverend Amy Dafler Meaux! We very much look forward to her leadership in general, and to her visit to St. Michael's on June 8 in particular. ***Congratulations, Bishop Amy!***

The Holy Communion

Offertory

"Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless"

Hymnal # 343

* **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.

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 sing with joy:

* **Sanctus**

"Holy Holy Holy Lord"

Hymnal S-125



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name 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 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!

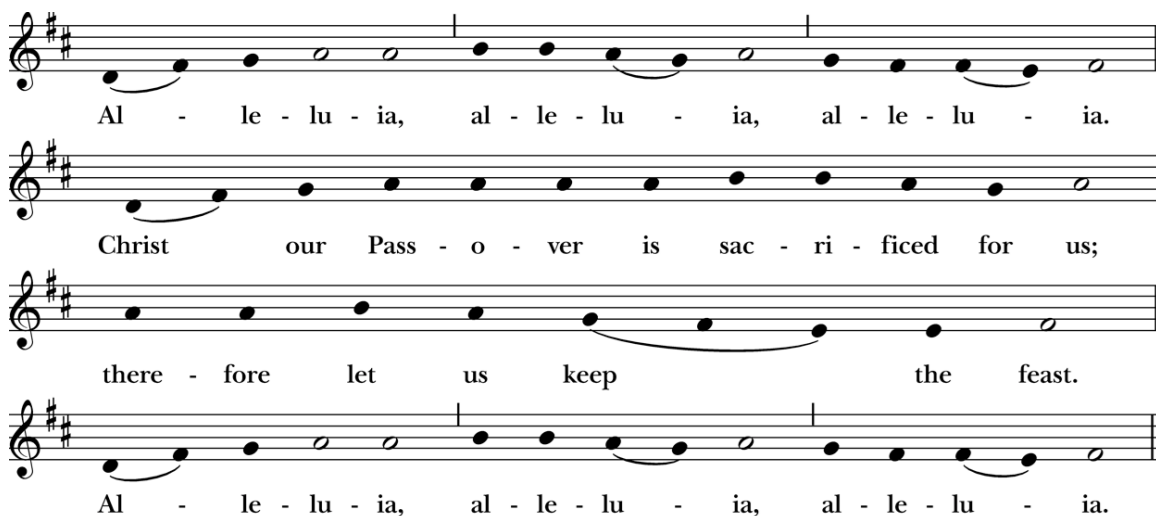
* The Lord's Prayer

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

Hymnal S-154



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.

*** 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** *“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”*

Hymnal # 688

*** Dismissal**

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

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Postlude *“Introduction, variations and chorale on “Een Vaste Burk”* Cor Kee

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