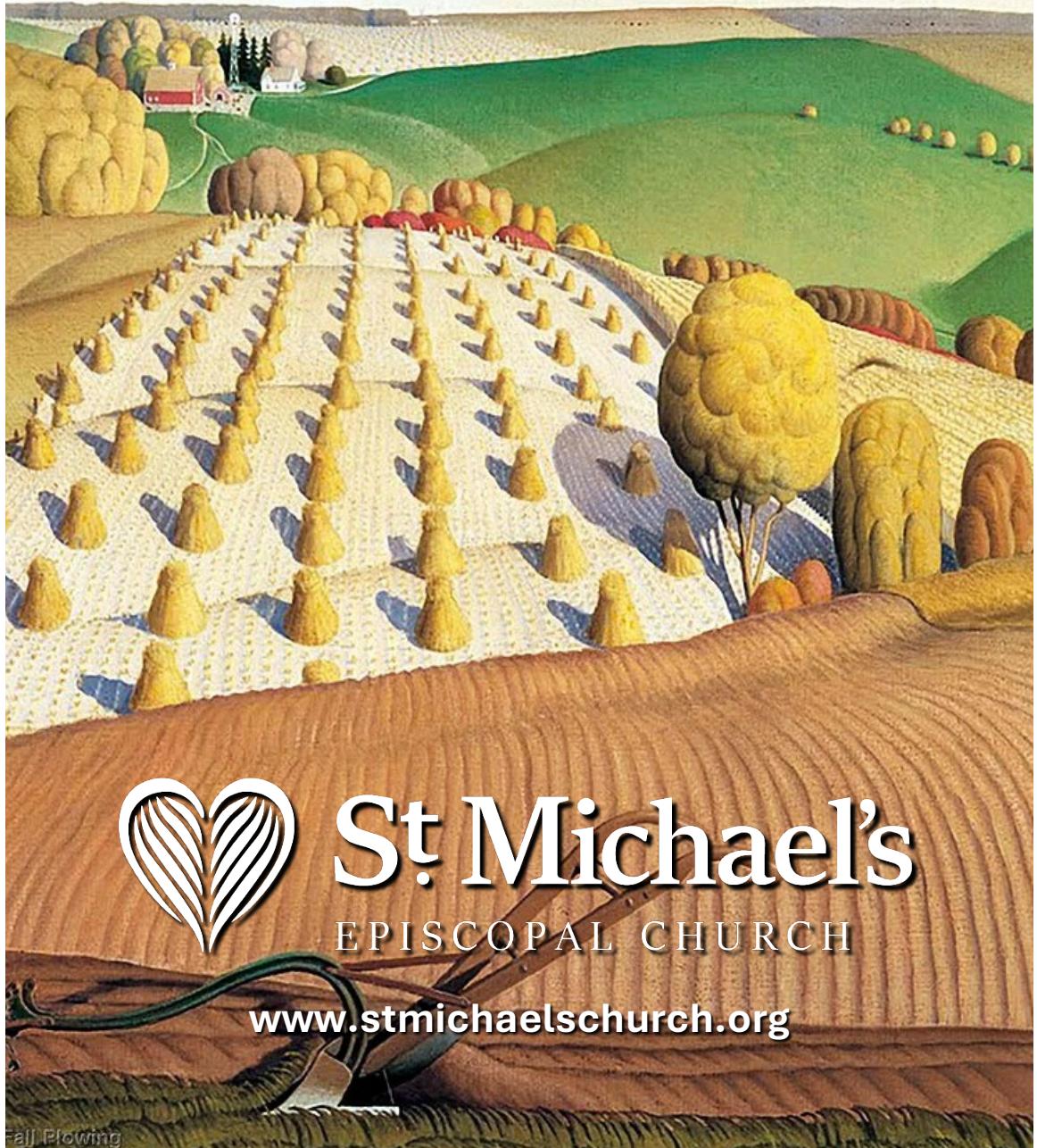


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# The Word of God

## Prelude

Philip DeWalt

### \* Processional Song

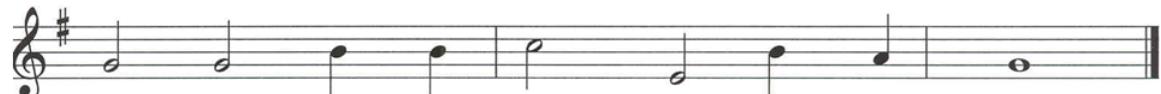
*"Jesus Calls Us"*



1. Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our  
2. as, of old, Saint An - drew heard it by the  
3. Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the  
4. In our joys and in our sor - rows, of the  
5. Je - sus calls us! By thy mer - cies, of days  
Sav - iour,



life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his clear voice  
Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil  
vain world's gold - en store; still each i - that  
toil and hours of ease, call, he calls, dol  
may we hear thy call, our hearts in to  
care thine and o -



sound - eth, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me;"  
kin - dred, leav - ing, all for his dear sake.  
keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."  
plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me than these."  
be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.

### \* Opening Sentence

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Celebrant      Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People      **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

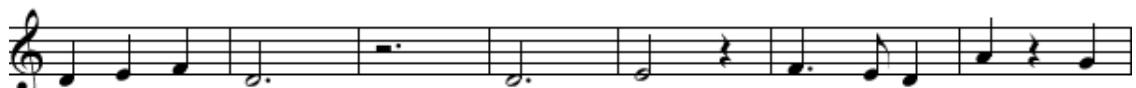
# \* Gloria

*"Glory to God"*

Swaney



Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his



peo-ple on earth. Lord God, hea - ven-ly King, al -



mighty God and Fa-ther. We wor - ship you. We



give you thanks. We praise you for your glo - ry.

1.



1. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed

*to beginning*



at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive our prayer.

2.

2. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One. You a -  
lone are the Lord. You a - lone are the Most High,  
Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

*to beginning*

### \* Collect of the Day

Proper 8c

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

## First Lesson

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

The LORD said to Elijah, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place."

So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

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

## Psalm 16

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; \*

I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \*

upon those who are noble among the people.

But those who run after other gods \*

shall have their troubles multiplied.

Their libations of blood I will not offer, \*

nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.

O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; \*

it is you who uphold my lot.

My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \*

indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; \*

my heart teaches me, night after night.

I have set the LORD always before me; \*

because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \*

my body also shall rest in hope.

For you will not abandon me to the grave, \*

nor let your holy one see the Pit.

You will show me the path of life; \*

in your presence there is fullness of joy,

and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

## Second Lesson

Galatians 5:1,13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are

obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

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

\* Holy Gospel Luke 9:51-62

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

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

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will

follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.

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

## **Sermon**

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: 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\* 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.

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\* In this context, "catholic" means "universal".

## \* Prayers of the People

Form III, BCP p. 387

Intercessor: God of love, we pray for your holy universal 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.**

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.

*[Silence – The people may add their own petitions]*

Intercessor: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

**All: Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## **The Peace**

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

## **Welcome & Announcements**

# The Holy Communion

## Offertory

*"He Who Would Valiant Be"*

Hymnal # 564

## \* The Presentation

*"Doxology"*

Owens

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below. Praise ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## \* The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here the Celebrant adds a Proper Preface*

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”*

Swaney

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
he-a-ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in -  
the high-est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na - in - the high-est.

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.  
**AMEN!**

### **\* The Lord's Prayer**

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

**All:** 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## \* Fraction



As we drink this cup, we wor - ship you. As we  
eat this bread, we hon - or you. And we of - fer you our  
lives as you have of - fered yours for us.

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 Hymn

*“Father, We Thank Thee”*

Hymnal # 302

## \* Postcommunion Prayer & Blessing

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

*“Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us”*

Hymnal 559

## \* Dismissal

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

People      Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!



## **“What a Place to Be”**

A poem by Heather Rhoads

What a place to be—  
Where your heart is free,  
And you're free to speak your mind;  
Where your heart is full,  
And love can grow—  
A place that feels like home.

What a place to be—  
Where you feel safe,  
And your heart and mind can heal;  
A place to call your own,  
Where you never feel alone.

What a place to be—  
Where you can learn and create,  
Allow your heart to feel;

Where you can share your thoughts,  
And share your heart  
With people who are real.

A place of peace,  
A place of love,  
A place of hope—  
Where people truly care.  
Where you're valued,  
Where you're encouraged  
To be exactly who you are.

Where no one is perfect,  
Mistakes are allowed—  
And you're finally free.  
Oh, what a place to be.