

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 13, 2026 • 10 am • Holy Eucharist (Enriching Our Worship)

Grandparents Day



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EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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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, feel free 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 Celebration Hymnal located throughout the Nave.

About *Enriching Our Worship* (EOW)

During the last portion of Ordinary Time (the Season after Pentecost) 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

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Celebration # 210

* Opening Acclamation & Collect

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One,

People **You come to your people and set them free**

Celebrant God of unchangeable power, when you fashioned the world the morning stars sang together and the host of heaven shouted for joy; open our eyes to the wonders of creation and teach us to use all things for good, to the honor of your glorious name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

* Song of Praise

"Glory, Glory, Hallelujah"

Haywood



Glo-ry, glo-ry, hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name,



— Glo - ry, glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we



praise your Ho - ly name. — 1. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



2. Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - mighty - y - God and



Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



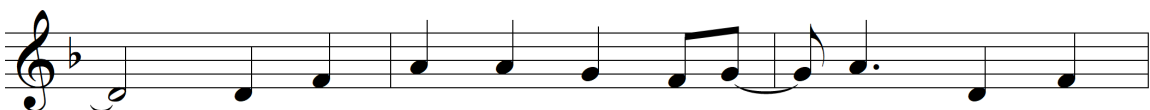
praise you for — your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly



son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God. Glo - ry,



glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name.



— Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we



praise your Ho - ly name. 4. You take a-way the



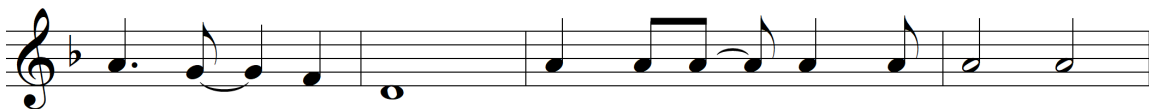
sin of the world: have mer - cy on us. 5. You are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our



prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, You a -



lone are the Lord, 7. You a - lone are the Most High,



Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the



glo - ry of the Fa - ther. Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le - lu -

- jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name. Glo - ry,

glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we praise your

Ho - ly name. A - - - men.

* Collect of the Day

Proper 19

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Lesson

Exodus 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 114

Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, *
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,

Judah became God's sanctuary *
and Israel his dominion.

The sea beheld it and fled; *
Jordan turned and went back.

The mountains skipped like rams, *
and the little hills like young sheep.

What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *
O Jordan, that you turned back?

You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *
you little hills like young sheep?

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *
at the presence of the God of Jacob,

Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water *
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

Second Lesson

Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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*** Sequence Song**

"South African Alleluia"

1x/1x

Chords: G, G7, A_m, G, D7, G, G7, A_m, G, D7, G, A_m, C, G, D7, E_m, G7, A_m, C, E_m7, D7, G.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al -
 le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al -
 le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made.

“So the servant fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’

“Then his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place.

“Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’

“And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

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, 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 II

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop, Amy; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church. *(Petitions may be offered, either silently or aloud.)*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace. *(Petitions may be offered, either silently or aloud.)*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. We remember this day those on our altar prayer list and those you would name.

Pray for those in any need or trouble. *(Petitions may be offered, either silently or aloud.)*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him. *(Petitions may be offered, either silently or aloud.)*

I ask your prayers for the departed and those who grieve.

Pray for those who have died. *(Petitions may be offered, either silently or aloud.)*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *(Petitions may be offered, either silently or aloud.)*

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* The Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins to God.

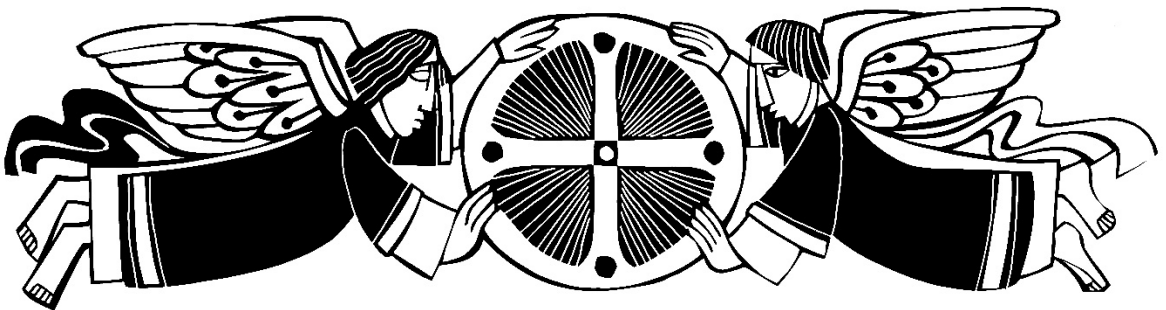
All: God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of 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 Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.



Welcome and Announcements

- **Confirmation & Episcopal 101 Class** – Sundays at 9 am
- **Third Thursday**– September 17, 6 pm – Trivia night
- **Patronal Picnic Feast of St. Michael** – Sunday, Sept 27, after service
- **St. Michael's Spiritual Assessment**

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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 is available by request. All manners of reception are valid, and all are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a blessing.

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The Holy Communion

Offertory

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Celebration # 90

The Presentation

"Thank You"

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

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: We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

* Sanctus

"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"

Brown

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 and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.



* The Lord's Prayer*

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

* The Breaking of the Bread



1. Come to me, come to us, you who are bur - dened.
2. Come to me, come to us, pil - grim or strang - er,



Come to the Word, and come to the meal.
look - ing for change, or chal - lenge or light.



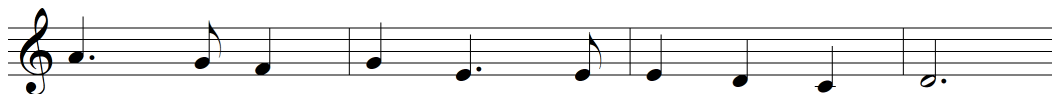
Come with-out ques - tion or pres - sure or price:
We are the peo - ple whose call - ing is care,



come, be em - braced by the bod - y of Christ._____
bear - ers of mer - cy,____ nour - ished in prayer._____



3. Come to me, come to us, bro - ken or build - ing,



come with your chil - dren, your choic - es, your chains.



All are in - vi - ted to friend - ship or rest, to



share in our strug - gle, our call and our quest, _____ to



share in our strug - gle, our call _____



_____ and our quest. _____

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 Music

“Sanctuary”

Celebration # 655

* Post-Communion Prayer & Blessing

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

* Closing Hymn

"There Is a Redeemer"

Celebration # 308

* Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

