

ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

9:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST



Bayou Baptism, Lauren Wright Pittman, 2016

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD
JANUARY 8, 2023

A Prayer for Transition

COMPASSIONATE CREATOR,

You have journeyed with your people since ancient times, once with pillars of cloud and fire, and later through prophetic visions and promises of a future. Finally, you sent your Holy Spirit to reveal the truth that leads to abundant life.

Give us wisdom and discernment as we listen to the Christ in one another and as we imagine the spiritual leadership we will need to guide the community of St. Michael & All Angels to the future you have in mind for us.

Through Christ our Savior. Amen

SERVING AT 9:00 AM TODAY

Presider & Preacher The Rev. Sherman Hesselgrave

St. Michael's Singers Music

Brian Fairbanks, Choir Director

Hannah Brewer, Music Director & Organist

Lectors Elizabeth Rouffy, Leslie Kowash

Crucifer Gayle Morris

Acolytes Joplin Henry, Benji Lighthart-Faletra

Ushers Kristina Kallen, Barbara Mason

Eucharistic ministers Becky Tooley, Gary Davis

Eucharistic visitors Sue Harper to Janet McAuliffe

Altar Guild Jennie Street, Julie Grandfield

Kirk Lambert, Lindsay Ramsey

Communion Bread Charlene Sabin

Coffee Host Susie Silva-Strommer, Alice Hardesty

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St. Michael & All Angels, located in Multnomah County, rests on the traditional homelands of the Multnomah, Kathlamet, Clackamas, Molalla, Tumwater, Watlala bands of the Chinook, the Tualatin Kalapuya, and many other indigenous nations of the Columbia River. We acknowledge the ancestors of this place and understand that we are here because of the sacrifices forced upon them. By recognizing these communities, we honor their legacy, their lives, and their descendants.

St Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church acknowledges the gifts of sacred music written by African Americans, indigenous peoples and all people of color. This music enriches our liturgies, and we are grateful for these musicians. Music of oppressed cultures has been appropriated by the dominant culture without an appreciation of the pain and suffering experienced by its creators. We repent and commit to the work of racial justice and ending racism.

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

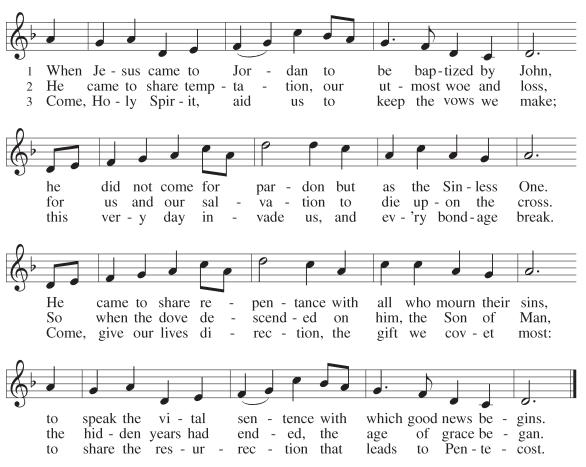
Prelude on "This endris nyght"

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

HYMN

When Jesus came to Jordan

King's Lynn



Words: Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000); Music: Kings's Lynn, English folk tune

Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider 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 Savior. Amen.



Words: Michael Perry, (b. 1942); Music: Thaxted, Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

COLLECT OF THE DAY

REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY PRAYERS

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

People Creator God, our soul's delight, your voice thunders over the waters, liberating the future from the past. In the Spirit's power and the waters of rebirth, Jesus was declared your blessed and beloved Son; may we recall our baptism, and be disciples of the Anointed One. Amen.

School-age children are invited to the Children's Liturgy of the Word to hear stories about the Good News of God's love.

Children return to their families at the Peace.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST READING 42:1-9 read by Elizabeth Rouffy

The mission of the Lord's servant, the one whom God has chosen to bring forth justice and salvation.

The reader concludes Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29:1-4, 7-11

Anglican chant setting by Percy Buck (1871-1947)

Choir first, then All



- 1. Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's Name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;

REFRAIN

- 3. The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4. The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.

REFRAIN

- 7. The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8. The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.
- And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!"

REFRAIN

- 10. The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as Sovereign for evermore.
- 11. The Lord shall give strength to God's people; the Lord shall give the people the blessing of peace.

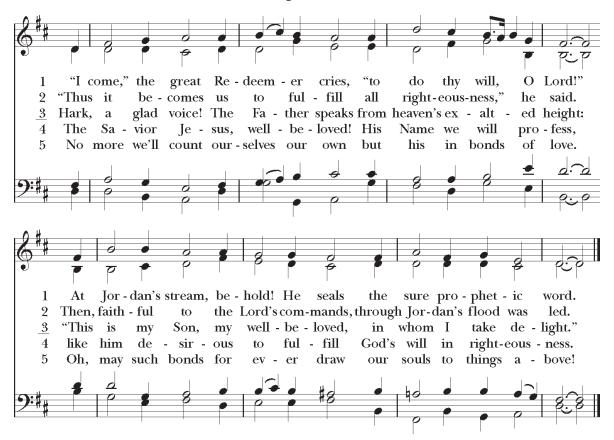
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THE SECOND READING Acts 10:34-43 read by Leslie Kowash

Peter recognizes that the good news, which Jesus began to proclaim after his baptism, now extends to all people.

The reader concludes Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.



Words: *Christian Hymnbook*, 1865, alt. Music: *This Endris Nyght*, English melody; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

GOSPEL: Matthew 3:13-17

The story of Jesus' baptism.

At the announcement of the Gospel, the People respond Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The reader concludes The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON Bringing forth justice

The Rev. Sherman Hesselgrave

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Presider Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People I do.

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace; through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE remain standing

The Presider introduces the prayers and concludes:

Sisters and brothers, our baptismal vows call us to compassion and mercy on behalf of those in need. We offer our prayers for the church and the world, saying:

Creating and Re-creating God, guide us to your perfect light.

Leader I ask your prayers for the Church around the world:

For every community of faith dedicated to the Epiphany, and for their efforts to live out the gospel with the gifts they have been given; for The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma), and in our own diocese, for the clergy and people of St Mary's, Gardiner; St Matthew's, Gold Beach; and St Luke's, Grants Pass; we pray for all new Christians baptized on this feast day. Pray for the Church.

Silence, during which petitions may be added

Creating and Re-creating God, guide us to your perfect light.

Leader I ask your prayers for all nations of the world and for those in authority:

For the new Congress, and the work that lies before them; for greater efforts to mitigate harm to the environment; for organizations working to end human trafficking.

Pray for the nations.

Silence

Creating and Re-creating God, guide us to your perfect light.

Leader I ask your prayers for the welfare of our community:

For those bearing grief in this moment; for the final candidates for Rector and for the Vestry, as it completes the process of discernment; for those beginning Dry January; for anyone standing for election to positions of parish leadership, and the gifts they will bring.

Pray for our community.

Silence

Creating and Re-creating God, guide us to your perfect light.

Leader I ask your prayers for those who are sick:

For those in the hospital, and for those recuperating or in rehab; for those undergoing treatment for cancer; and for those in hospice or palliative care.

Pray for those who suffer.

Silence

Creating and Re-creating God, guide us to your perfect light.

Leader I ask your prayers for those who have died, especially those whom we name before you, silently or aloud.

And pray for those who are grieving.

Silence

Creating and Re-creating God, guide us to your perfect light.

The Presider concludes with a collect:

Creator God, our soul's delight, your voice thunders over the waters, liberating the future from the past. In the Spirit's power and the waters of rebirth, Jesus was declared your blessed and beloved Son; may we recall our baptism, and be disciples of the Anointed One.

All Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

A Word of Welcome, Birthdays and Anniversaries

A PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome to receive communion at this table. If you'd like to receive the bread, please extend your hands out. If you need a gluten free wafer, please let us know as you receive. If you'd like to come forward, but prefer a blessing in place of the bread or the wine, please cross your arms across your chest.

If you wish to use intinction please ask for a wafer.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Deep River

AT THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM

Deep river, my home is over Jordan,

Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.

Oh don't you want to go to that gospel feast,

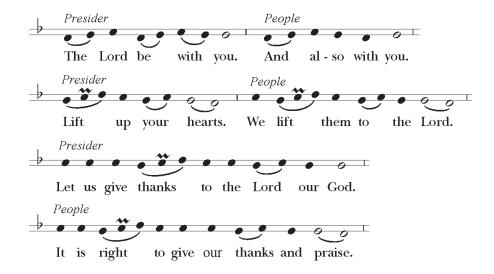
That promised land where all is peace?

Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.

HOLY COMMUNION

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER OR BAPTISM OF CHRIST 2023

American Spiritual arr. Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)



The Presider continues:

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:



Setting: William Bradley Roberts (b. 1947) from Mass for St. Phillip's

Presider And so, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

All We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of Christ's coming.

Lord God of our Ancestors; God of Abraham and Sarah and their progeny; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one Spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

All Risen One, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

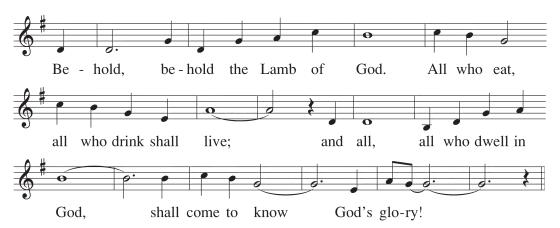
Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

AT THE FRACTION



Setting: Martin Willet (b. 1960)

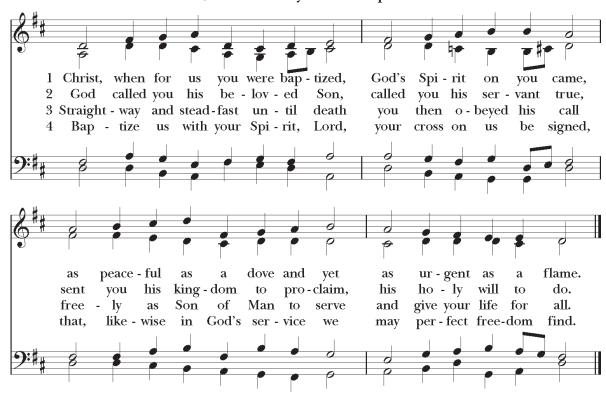
Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

THE COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

AT THE COMMUNION COMMUNION TAIZÉ:



Words &. Music: Jacques Berthier



Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984), rev. Music: Caithness, melody from The Psalmes of David in Prose and Meeter, 1635; harm. The English Hymnal, 1906

GOING FORTH

SENDING OUT OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider In the name of this congregation we send you forth to share this Eucharist with *N*.

All You carry the prayers of us all as you take this Sacrament of Christ's presence. May those who receive it be strengthened and encouraged in the life we find together in our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

PRAYER FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

Presider 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.

BLESSING

Shall we gather at the river



Words and Music: Robert Lowry (1826-1899)

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Grand Plein Jeu on "Deo gracias"

Mary Beth Bennett (b. 1954)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Forum today and upcoming

January and February will be "St. Michael's History Months." In a series of hybrid forums beginning today, January 8, at 10:15 am, we will explore the roots of the attributes that make this such a special place. Today's forum is *The History of St. Michael's, 1910-1959*, and although the order may change, the remaining forums will include

- The History of St. Michael's (1960 2022)
- Women's Crucial Roles within St. Michael's
- The History of the Music Program
- The Emergence of Hispanic Ministries

This series is being coordinated by The Rev. Dr. Caroline Litzenberger. Caroline will present in person, but you can also join by Zoom; check your eblast for the link. This forum series will take a break on January 22, when there will be a forum to hear from the vestry candidates in preparation for the election at the Annual Meeting on January 29.

Music today

Today, January 8, we have two different 20th-century American choral anthems to mark the Baptism of Christ. At 9:00 am, the choir will sing Gerre Hancock's dense, eight-part arrangement of the African-American spiritual Deep River. At 11:00 am, a smaller group with soloists will offer Peter Hallock's reflection on *The Baptism of Christ*.

Transition Update

The transition process to find St. Michael's next rector is now making its way through the final phase of a yearlong process that began last January.

In February, the Communication and Profile Committees began their work. The Parish Profile was completed at the end of July and turned over to the Search Committee. The Search Committee finished its work in late December and passed the process on to the vestry.

At this point, vestry members have reviewed the material that was given to them by the Search Committee. Interviews with the final candidates are now scheduled to begin. The vestry will have the opportunity to talk with

the finalists in informal settings as well as during formal interviews. Once these conversations have been completed, there will be a time of discernment after which the final selection will be made and the new rector called.

Financial Update

Our treasurer, Dave Reilly, continues to work on the 2023 church budget, which goes next to the vestry for approval. The number of families and individuals pledging for 2023 is down about 17% when compared to 2022, and the total amount pledged is down approximately 6%. The 2022 operations budget was just over \$598,000. Based on the direction of the 2023 pledges, we may be looking at a 2023 operations budget 10%+/-less than it was in 2022.

We are working to get our pledged amount up to the point where it supports the kind of operations budget we believe is necessary for our mission and ministries. If you haven't yet pledged, please consider doing so in order that we have a better idea of our 2023 financial picture. The 2023 budget will be presented at the Annual Meeting in late January. For more details, please check Dave's article in the eblast.

Women's Breakfast gathering resumes

At long last, he Women's Breakfast gathering is resuming this month! All women of the parish are welcome to meet on Saturday, January 14, at 9:00 am at Sam's. Billiards right here in Hollywood. Come to refresh old friendships and begin new ones. New attendees are welcome! Please contact Paula Raines for more information at psmelody@comcast.net.

Upcoming AARP driving courses

St. Michael's is hosting another series of AARP driving workshops in early February. On February 4 from 11-30 am to 1:00 pm, a class called Smart DriverTEK will offer an interactive way to stay up-to-date with the latest safety technology in your current or future car. Then on February 4 and 5, from 1:30 to 5:00 pm, the AARP Smart Driver classroom course will be offered. You will learn techniques for many driving situations and also save money on your auto insurance. Please check the flyers on the bulletin board or call Barb Mason at 503/459-1991.



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