

ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

9:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST



THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 3, 2023

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL'S

We manifest joy through vibrant worship, beautiful music, and the active participation and nurturing of our children and youth.

We embrace resilience by learning each other's stories, proclaiming the Good News of God's unconditional love, and strengthening our capacity to hope.

We seek justice by advocating for political change, continuing our work as an Immigrant Welcoming Congregation, and striving to understand our role in social, economic, and racial inequality.

We live in love through our Baptismal Promises to welcome and respect the dignity of every human being, care for God's creation, and engage in the ministry of Jesus to bring light, healing, and grace to our world.

We are rooted as an Episcopal Church, honoring our traditions from the creative perspective of our community, learning how to engage the bilingual and multicultural makeup of our congregation, and seeking silence and stillness to glean insight from the Holy Spirit among us.

Episcopal worship gathers the hearts and prayers of everyone present and involves call and response between the leader and the assembly. You'll find the responses of the community here, in bold type, marked "People."

Children are welcome here, voices and wiggles and all! The very young (infants to five years) are invited to play in our childcare room on the lower level, though some children prefer to remain in worship with their families. Early in the service, school-age children (generally, grades K-5) will be invited downstairs for their Liturgy of the Word, and they return to the gathered community before communion. Coloring and reading books for children are located at the back of the church.

We'd love to know more about you. Please sign the guest book by the door or fill out a pew card, and we'll be in touch with you for further conversation. You may also email us using the addresses listed below.

Thank you for coming together!

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.

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THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Chorale Prelude on "Wachet auf," BWV 645

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

HYMN 61

all stand

"Sleepers, wake!" A voice astounds us

Wachet auf

1 "Sleep - ers, wake!" A voice a - stounds us, the
 2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing; her
 3 Lamb of God, the heavens a - dore you; let

shout of ram - part - guards sur - rounds us: "A -
 heart with joy - ful hope is spring - ing, she
 saints and an - gels sing be - fore you, as

wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!" Mid - night's peace their
 wakes and hur - ries through the night. Forth he comes, her
 harps and cym - bals swell the sound. Twelve great pearls, the

cry has bro - ken, their ur - gent sum - mons clear - ly spo -
 Bride-groom glo - rious in strength of grace, in truth vic - to -
 ci - ty's por - tals: through them we stream to join the im - mor -

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ken: "The time has come, O maid - ens wise!
 rious: her star is risen, her light grows bright.
 tals as we with joy your throne sur - round.

Rise up, and give us light; the Bride - groom is in
 Now come, most wor - thy Lord, God's Son, In - car - nate
 No eye has known the sight, no ear heard such de -

sight. Al - le - lu - ia! Your lamps pre - pare and
 Word, Al - le - lu - ia! We fol - low all and
 light: Al - le - lu - ia! There - fore we sing to

has - ten there, that you the wed - ding feast may share."
 heed your call to come in - to the ban - quet hall.
 greet our King; for ev - er let our prais - es ring.

Words: Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608); tr. Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944)

Music: *Wachet auf*; melody Hans Sachs (1494-1576); adapt. Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608); arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

OPENING ACCLAMATION *remain standing*

Presider Blessed are you, holy and living One.

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

All **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 Lord. Amen.**

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Setting: Jeffrey Smith, *Mass in E*

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **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.*

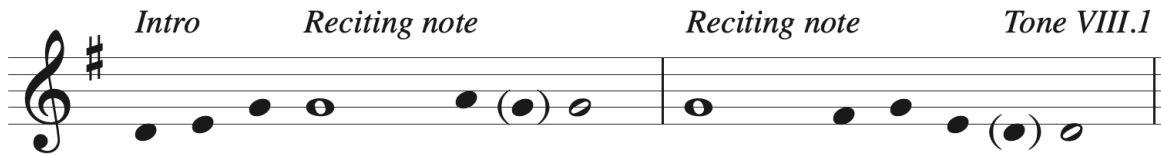
Please be seated

THE FIRST READING **Isaiah 64:1-9**

A contrite plea to God for merciful justice.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**



1 Watch-man, tell us of the night, what its signs of prom - ise
 2 Watch-man, tell us of the night; high - er yet that star a -
 3 Watch-man, tell us of the night, for the morn - ing seems to

are. Trav - eler, o'er yon moun-tain's height, see that glo - ry -
 scends. Trav - eler, bless - ed - ness and light, peace and truth its
 dawn. Trav - eler, dark - ness takes its flight, doubt and ter - ror

beam - ing star. Watch-man, does its beau - teous ray
 course por - tends. Watch-man, will its beams a - lone
 are with - drawn. Watch-man, let thy wan - derings cease;

aught of joy or that hope fore - tell? Trav-eler, yes; it
 gild the spot that gave them birth? Trav-eler, a - ges
 hie thee to thy qui - et home. Trav-eler, lo! the

brings the day, prom - ised day of Is - ra - el.
 are its own; see, it bursts o'er all the earth.
 Prince of Peace, lo! the Son of God is come!

Words: John Bowring (1792-1872); Music: *Aberystwyth*, Joseph Parry (1841-1903)

GOSPEL: Mark 13:24-37

Jesus presents his disciples with a vision of the end of human history and repeatedly urges them to be on watch.

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

Gospeler concludes The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON *please be seated*

Quiet for reflection

SUNG FORM OF THE CREED *all stand*

1. I be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all things that
2. I be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci -
3. I be - lieve in God's own Spi - rit, bond - ing all the saints with -
be, Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens, Keep - er of the sky and
fied; ta - ken from the cross, was bur - ied, true Life there had tru - ly
in one church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly, where for - give - ness frees from
sea. I be - lieve in God's Son, Je - sus, now for us both Lord and
died. I be - lieve that on the third day Christ was raised up from the
sin; in the bo - dy's res - ur - rec - tion, for the break - ing of death's
Christ, of the Spi - rit and of Ma - ry born to bring a - bun - dant life.
grave, then as - cend - ed to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.
chain gives the life that's ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that I have claimed.

Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993). Music: Gaelic melody; harm. Richard Proulx.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *remain standing*

Presider Let us by prayer and intercession, with thanksgiving, make our requests to God.

Leader Gracious God, we pray for peace, justice and reconciliation throughout the world. We pray for the honoring of human dignity, and for the relief of the oppressed.
We give thanks for all that is gracious in the lives of people.

People **Hear our prayer, O God.**

Leader We pray for the renewal of the Church in faith, love and service. We pray for bishops, ministers, and for the life of this community. We give thanks for the gift of your word, the grace of the sacraments and the fellowship of your people.

People **Hear our prayer, O God.**

Leader We pray for this local community and for all people in their daily life and work. We pray for the young and the elderly, for families, and all who are alone. We give thanks for human skill and creativity and all that reveals your loveliness.

People **Hear our prayer, O God.**

Leader We pray for all who suffer pain and loss; for those without housing, who are food insecure, and who experience addiction or mental illness.

We pray for victims of violence, war, and natural disaster, and for all in harm's way.

We give thanks for the peacemakers and advocates who work to make the world whole.

People **Hear our prayer, O God.**

Leader We pray for those who are in need; for the sick, sorrowful and bereaved. We pray for all who bring comfort, care and healing. We give thanks for human love and friendship and for all that enriches our daily lives.

People **Hear our prayer, O God.**

Leader We especially pray for those on our prayer list, and for those we name silently or aloud.

(Silence)

We commend to God's mercy all who have died, especially those we name silently or aloud.

(Silence)

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and love of God.

The Presider says

(Veronese Sacramentary)

God our rock and refuge: keep us safe in your care and strengthen us with your grace, that we may pray to you faithfully and love one another boldly, following the example of Jesus, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION *remain standing*

Presider Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

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.**

Presider 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

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

A WORD OF WELCOME, BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please be seated

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.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come

Paul O. Manz

Peace be to you and grace from Him who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed His blood that we might saved be.
Sing Holy, Holy to our Lord, the Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come; sing Holy, Holy, Lord!
Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein, rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon, for Christ is coming soon!
E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come, and night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun, for Christ will be their All!

Revelation 22

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

all stand

Eucharistic Prayer A

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Presider continues:

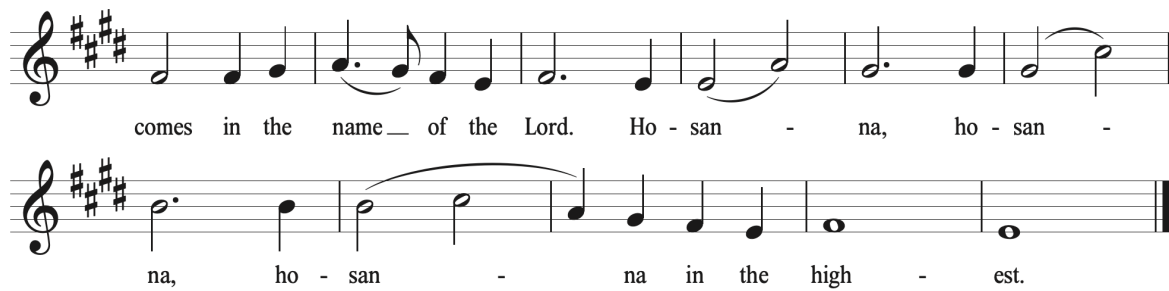
It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the fullness of time came among us in flesh and opened to us the way of salvation. Now we watch for the day when he will come again in power and great triumph to judge this world; that we, without shame or fear, may rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

SANCTUS



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



Setting: Jeffrey Smith, *Mass in E*

The Presider continues

Holy and gracious God: 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 maker of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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:

Presider and People:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Presider continues:

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ’s 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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

All **AMEN.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Presider As our Savior Christ has 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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A Period of Silence is kept

FRACTION ANTHEM

Lamb of God

Sung twice

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-
way the sins of the world: grant _____ us peace.

The musical notation is written on a single treble clef staff with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). It begins in 4/4 time, changes to 2/4, and returns to 4/4. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with a long line under 'grant' indicating a sustained note.

Setting: Jeffrey Smith, *Mass in E*

*All are welcome to share in Holy Communion. After singing "Lamb of God" please be seated until invited by the ushers to move forward to stand or kneel at the altar.
To receive only a blessing, place arms in an "x" across your chest as the priest approaches.
To share the bread, extend hands open, palms up, one on top of the other.
To share the cup, take hold of the base and guide it to your mouth. If not desiring to receive the wine, fold arms in an "x" over your chest as the cup passes by.*

THE COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

COMMUNION ANTHEM:

My Lord, What a Mornin'

Trad. Spiritual

arr. Harry T. Burleigh (1866-1949), adapt. Albert Blackwell

My Lord what a mornin', my Lord what a mornin',
Oh, my Lord what a mornin', when the stars begin to fall.
Done quit all my worldly ways, joined that heavenly band.
Oh! My Lord what a mornin', when the stars begin to fall.

TAIZÉ

The Lord is my light

The Lord is my light, my light and sal - va - tion: in
God I trust, in God I trust.

The musical notation is written on a single treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are placed below the notes. A fermata is placed over the final note of the second line, with the text 'Last time' written above it.

Words and Music: Taizé Community.

HYMN 615 “Thy kingdom come!” on bended knee St. Flavian

1 “Thy king - dom come!” on bend - ed knee the pass - ing a - ges pray;
 2 But the slow watch - es of the night not less to God be - long;
 3 And lo, al - rea - dy on the hills the flags of dawn ap - pear;
 4 the day to whose clear shin - ing light all wrong shall stand re - vealed,
 5 when know - ledge, hand in hand with peace, shall walk the earth a - broad;

1 and faith - ful souls have yearned to see on earth that king - dom’s day.
 2 and for the ev - er - last - ing right the si - lent stars are strong.
 3 gird up your loins, ye pro - phet souls, pro - claim the day is near:
 4 when jus - tice shall be throned in might, and ev - ery hurt be healed;
 5 the day of per - fect right - eous - ness, the prom - ised day of God.

Words: Frederick Lucian Hosmer (1840-1929)

Music: *St. Flavian*, melody from *Day’s Psalter*, 1562; adapt. and harm. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

SENDING OUT OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS *all standing*

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.**

BLESSING OF PRAYER SHAWLS

Presider Let us pray.

All **May God’s grace be upon these shawls, created with prayers for comfort, healing and well-being. May each mantle be a safe haven, a sacred place. May those embraced by these shawls feel upheld by unseen hands, be strengthened on their way and encircled with God’s love in all things. Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Let us pray.

All **God for whom we watch and wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to greet Christ when he comes. We ask this in the name of Christ. Amen.**

BLESSING

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and shed light before your path; and the blessing of the holy and Triune God, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

PROCESSION HYMN 57

Lo! he comes, with clouds descending

Helmsley



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on



our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the



saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine



train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: *Helmsley*, melody Thomas Augustine Arne (1710-1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

THE DISMISSAL

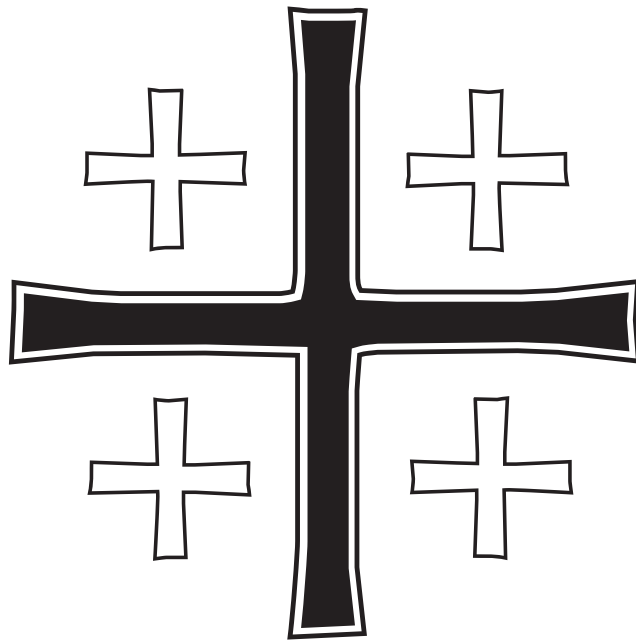
Presider Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Veni Emmanuel

Rex Koury (1911-2006)



SERVING TODAY

Presider & Preacher	The Rev. R. Scott Painter
Assisting Priest	The Rev. Scott Dolph
Music	St. Michael's Singers Hannah Brewer, Music director/Organist Brian Fairbanks, Choir Director
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Prayer Leader	Cash Henry
Lectors	Josh English, Leslie Tuomi
Ushers	Jack Harper, Craig Kolins
Altar Guild	Sundance Henry, Debra Portugal Barb Mason, Kelly Zander
Bread	Charlene Sabin
Coffee Host	Ann Hargraves, Sheri O'Brien

VESTRY

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Junior Warden for the People	Sheri O'Brien
Junior Warden for Facilities	Carl Braginsky
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