THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 16, 2024 11:00 AM





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 grounded in the Episcopal Church tradition, expressed from the creative perspective of our community. We are learning how to live into the bilingual and multicultural diversity 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. Also, coloring and reading books for children are located at the back of the church.

We'd love to know more about you. Please fill out a welcome card from the pew, place it in the offering plate when it comes by, and we'll be in touch to get to know you. 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

Lord, build me a cabin in glory land

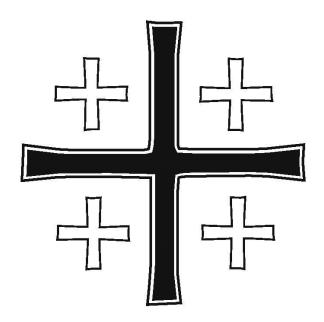
setting by Uzee Brown Jr. (b. 1950)

Please be seated

A WORD OF WELCOME

A PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS AND MILESTONES

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.



For the fruit of all creation

Ar hyd y nos



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THE GREETING

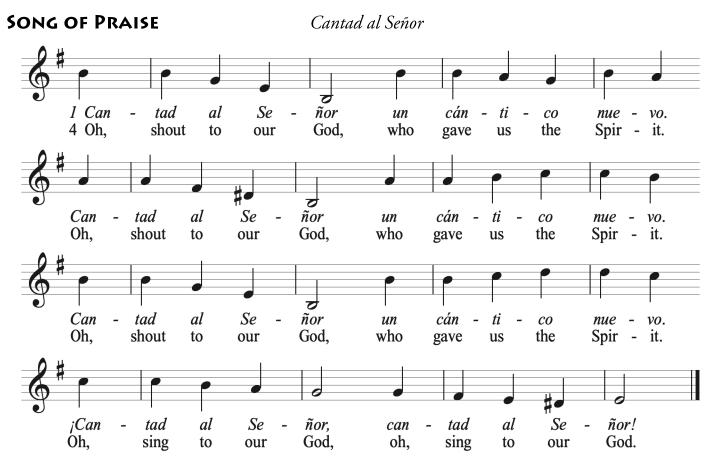
Presider Grace to you and peace from God our Creator, the love at our beginning and without end, in our midst and with us.

People God is with us, here we find new life.

Please pray together

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Great and merciful God, your life is the source of all life; your mercy is our only hope; you watch over all your creatures; you know the secrets of our hearts. By your life-giving Spirit, draw us into your presence, that we may worship in the true life of your Spirit, who moves by your love; through him who has led us to your heart of love, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Text: Brazilian folk song; tr. Gerhard M. Cartford, b. 1923, Spanish and English Music: CANTAD AL SEÑOR, Brazilian folk tune Spanish and English text © Gerhard Cartford, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.
People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray

Gracious God, give us such a vision of your purpose and such an assurance of your love and power that we may ever hold fast to the hope we have in Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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 LESSON

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17 (CEB)

Lector A reading from Second Corinthians.

So we are always confident, because we know that while we are living in the body, we are away from our home with the Lord. We live by faith and not by sight. We are confident, and we would prefer to leave the body and to be at home with the Lord. So our goal is to be acceptable to him, whether we are at home or away from home. We all must appear before Christ in court so that each person can be paid back for the things that were done while in the body, whether they were good or bad.

The love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: one died for the sake of all; therefore, all died. He died for the sake of all so that those who are alive should live not for themselves but for the one who died for them and was raised.

So then, from this point on we won't recognize people by human standards. Even though we used to know Christ by human standards, that isn't how we know him now. So then, if anyone is in Christ, that person is part of the new creation. The old things have gone away, and look, new things have arrived!

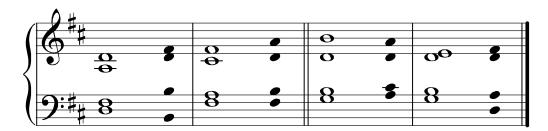
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 20

THE PSALM

Please sing together



- 1 May the LORD answer you in the day of / trouble, * the Name of the God of Jacob de-/-fend you;
- 2 Send you help from his holy / place * and strengthen you out of / Zion;
- 3 Remember all your / offerings * and accept your burnt / sacrifice;
- 4 Grant you your heart's de-/-sire * and prosper all your / plans.
- We will shout for joy at your victory and triumph in the Name of our / God; *
 may the LORD grant all your re-/-quests.
- Now I know that the LORD gives victory to his an-/-ointed; *
 he will answer him out of his holy heaven,
 with the victorious strength of his right / hand.
- 7 Some put their trust in chariots and some in / horses, * but we will call upon the Name of the LORD our / God.
- 8 They collapse and fall / down, *
 but we will arise and stand / upright.
- †9 O LORD, give victory to the / king * and answer us when we / call.

THE GOSPEL Mark 4:26-34 (CEB)

The Deacon or Priest says

The Holy Gospel, according to Mark.

People Praise and glory to God.

Then Jesus said, "This is what God's kingdom is like. It's as though someone scatters seed on the ground, then sleeps and wakes night and day. The seed sprouts and grows, but the farmer doesn't know how. The earth produces crops all by itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full head of grain. Whenever the crop is ready, the farmer goes out to cut the grain because it's harvesttime."

He continued, "What's a good image for God's kingdom? What parable can I use to explain it? Consider a mustard seed. When scattered on the ground, it's the smallest of all the seeds on the earth; but when it's planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all vegetable plants. It produces such large branches that the birds in the sky are able to nest in its shade."

With many such parables he continued to give them the word, as much as they were able to hear. He spoke to them only in parables, then explained everything to his disciples when he was alone with them.

This is the Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to Christ, the Word.

Please be seated

THE SERMON

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A South India Prayer Book

Presider We affirm our faith in one God -

All Source of all life, greater than all names and forms, source of our being, closer than any

other. Upon this one God we depend for all we are and for all that ever will be.

Presider And we affirm our faith in Jesus Christ -

All Who has shown us the way to true life. By breaking the chain of human bondage,

through his self-giving life and death, and by his rising again, he has given us hope for a

new humanity, hope for the healing of the world.

Presider And we affirm our faith in the living Spirit of God -

All Through whom we awaken to God's purpose for the world, and share in freedom, joy, and peace as God's children. For by Spirit God's love has flooded our lives, shaping us into a community of forgiven and freely accepted siblings set apart for God's service; risen with Christ we share in his work for God's world of everlasting life, justice and peace. Amen.

Please remain standing

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Deacon or Priest says

In peace, we pray to you, loving God.

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

All For families, friends, and neighbors, and for everyone alone.

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;All For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader For the just and proper care of your creation;

All For victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

All For those who minister to any who are sick, suffering, and insecure.

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

All For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek truth.

Leader For all Christians, and all deacons, priests, and bishops.

All For all who serve God in the Church.

Leader For the special concerns of this congregation, especially those on our prayer list and those we now name.

The People may add their own petitions

Leader Hear us, O God;

All For your mercy is great.

Leader We thank you for all the blessings of this life, especially what we now name.

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Leader We will exalt you, O Glorious Creator;

All And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a home in your eternal presence,

especially those we name.

The People may add their own petitions

Leader Let your lovingkindness be upon them;

All Who put their trust in you.

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

THE CONFESSION

All O God of compassion, we confess that we have sinned against you and one another. We have not been true followers of your new way in Christ. We have not shared in your liberating work in the world. We have fallen short of your glory. In your great compassion, forgive our sin and set us free in the joy of your Spirit, that we may serve you with renewed life; through Jesus Christ, who gave his life that we might truly live. Amen.

Presider God forgives you. Forgive others. Forgive yourself. Amen.

Please stand as able

THE PEACE

The Presider says

The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please be seated

THE OFFERTORY

The Presider says the Offertory Sentence

How good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity. (Psalm 133.1)

OFFERTORY SOLO

Ave Maria, Op. 52, No. 6

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

Jennifer McBratney, soprano soloist

Ave Maria, gratia plena,

Ave! Dominus tecum,

Benedicta tu in mulieribus,

Et benedictus fructus ventris tui Jesus.

Ave Maria!

Hail Mary, full of grace,

Hail! The Lord is with thee,

Blessed art thou among women,

And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Hail Mary!

Please stand as able

HOLY COMMUNION

Enriching our Worship 2

Presider The Spirit of God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts to heaven.
People Where Christ in glory reigns.

Presider Let us give thanks to God.

People It is right to offer thanks and praise.

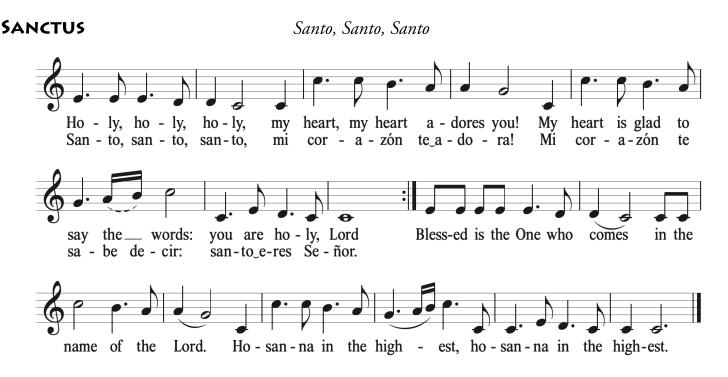
Presider It is right indeed to give you thanks most loving God, through Jesus Christ, our

Redeemer, the first born from the dead, the pioneer of our salvation, who is with us

always, one of us, yet from the heart of God.

For with your whole created universe, we praise you for your unfailing gift of life. We thank you that you make us human and stay with us even when we turn from you to sin. In that love, dear God, righteous and strong to save, you came among us in Jesus Christ, our crucified and living God. You make all things new. In Christ's suffering and cross you reveal your glory and reconcile all peoples to yourself, their true and living God.

You pour out your Spirit on all. You empower us to know your truth and fearlessly to proclaim your gospel among the nations. Your love fires our hearts; and in your Spirit we hunger and thirst for justice in the world. With saints and martyrs, apostles and prophets, and with all the redeemed, joyfully we praise you and sing:



Setting: Composer of melody unknown; arr. based on a two-part version as taught by Pablo D. Sosa (b. 1933)

Presider All glory to you, Giver of life sufficient and full for all creation. Accept our praises, living God, for Jesus Christ, the one perfect offering for the world, who in the night that he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; 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, to forgive sin. Do this as often as you drink it to remember me.

Therefore, God of all creation, in the suffering and death of Jesus our redeemer, we meet you in your glory. Here and now, with this bread and wine, we celebrate your great acts of liberation, ever present and living in Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come.

May Christ ascended in majesty be our new and living way, and the source of all new life. In Christ we offer ourselves to do your will. Empower our celebration with your Holy Spirit, feed us with your life, fire us with your love, confront us with your justice, and make us one in the body of Christ with all who share your gifts of love.

Through Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Creator God. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider As Christ teaches us, we pray.

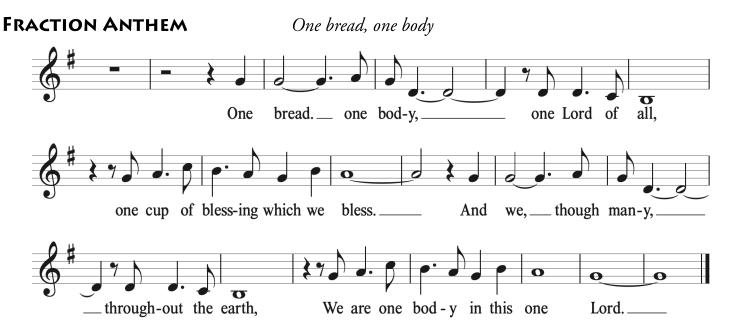
All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

Presider We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

All We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.



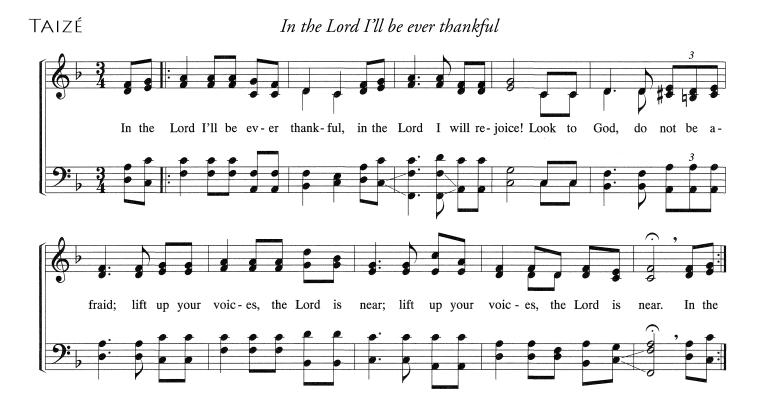
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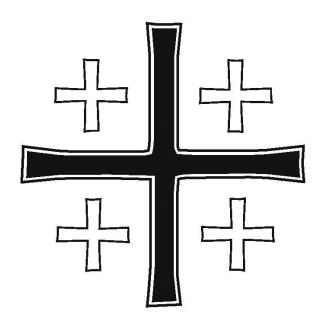
THE INVITATION

The Presider says

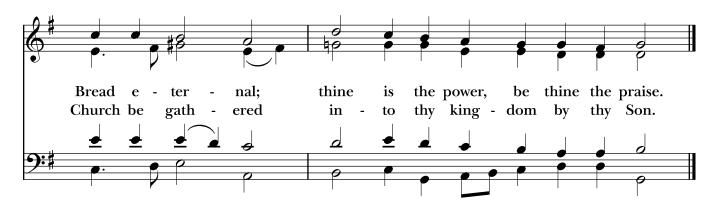
Come to this table, all who have much faith and all who would like to have more; all who have been here often and all who have not been for a long time; all who have tried to follow Jesus, and all who have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

All are welcome to share in Holy Communion. 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.









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Please stand as able

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 AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Let us pray.

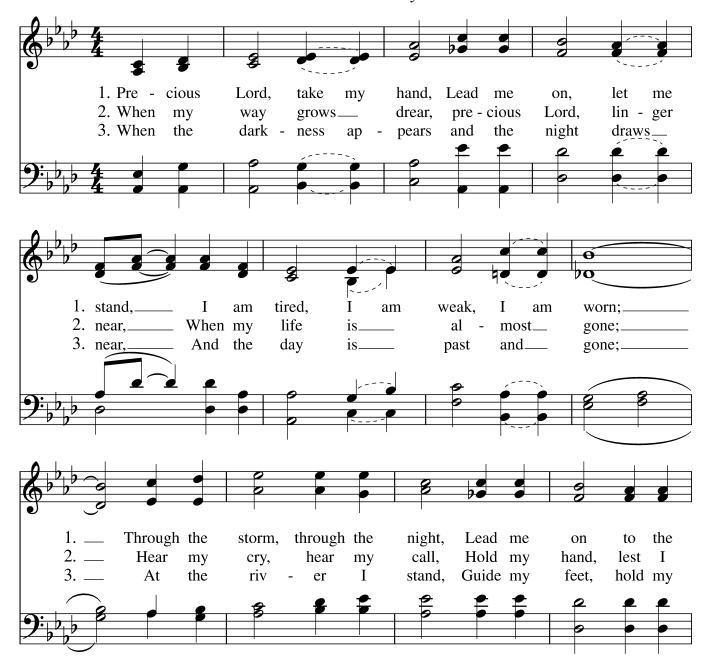
All Glorious God, you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. You have fed us with the bread of life and renewed us for your service. Help us who have shared Christ's body and his cup, to be faithful disciples who manifest the life of your reign and who reach out with your love for the world. Amen.

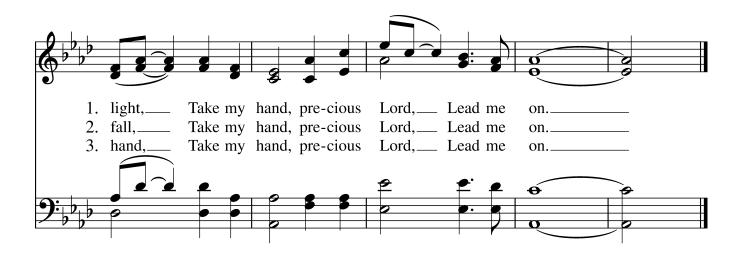
THE BLESSING

The presider blesses the people.

HYMN

Precious Lord, take my hand





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THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon or Priest dismisses the people, saying

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Go down, Moses with Wade in the Water

Trad. Spiritual, arr. Larry Shackley (b. 1956)

Assisting in the Service Today

VESTRY

Presider	The Rev. SuEllen Pommier	Senior Warden	Thrina Parent
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Lector	Steve Flagg	Treasurer	Dave Reilly
Prayer Leader	Jeanne Pace	First Year	Joe de Luna, Elizabeth Rouffy
Eucharistic Ministers	Lynda Moses, Jana Gregory		Kevin Warren, Ann Wetherell
Ushers	John Davis	Second Year	Lindsay Gutierrez, Ann Hargraves
Bread Baker	Ann Wetherell	Patrick	McLaughlin, Susie Silva-Strommer
Altar Guild	Sigrid Huston, Georg Ann Flagg	Third Year	Carl Braginsky, Beth llem
	Carol Gordon, Sally Harrison		Sheri O'Brien, Thrina Parent
Livestream Tech	Steve Walton	Student Representative	Lucy Shields
Coffee Hosts	Paula Raines, Barb Mason	Diocesan Convention D	elegates Sherri Afryl
Eucharistic Visitors	Charlene Sabin to Caroline Litzenberger		Cheryl Braginsky, Gillian Butler
	Henry Welch to Doug NEville		Barbara Mason, Karen Oglesby
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Flowers on the altar today are given in memory of my beloved sister Jan on our birthday, by Bev Hoeffer.



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