Holy Baptism with Holy Eucharist

Ministers of St. Michael's: All Members of the Congregation

Church Musician: Nadia Kelham

Welcome to historic St. Michael and All Angels, a Welcoming and Affirming Total Ministry congregation!

A Prayer of Welcome:

Holy Spirit living within us, guide our hearts and minds as we welcome today all those who worship at St. Michael's. Give us discerning hearts so that everyone who crosses our threshold feels welcomed in the spirit of your love. Help us to recognize each person as an individual sent by you who will enrich our lives. And, most of all, O God, let this be a place of love and acceptance of all your children, in the name of your child, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Mission Statement: Empowered by the Holy Spirit through our baptism and transformed by the Word and Sacrament, we follow Christ to serve the world as ministers of God's redeeming love.

First Sunday after The Epiphany ~ The Baptism of Our Lord January 7, 2024

Please be seated as we share announcements, concerns, birthdays and anniversaries (inside cover of BCP) and other prayers of thanksgiving.

Centering Music *(A time to prepare our hearts and minds for worship)*

Please stand for the opening hymn

Hymn ~ Hark, the glad sound *(See next page)*

1 Hark, the glad sound! The Sav - ior comes, the Sav - ior
2 He comes the pris - 'ners to re - lease, in Sa - tan's
3 He comes the bro - ken heart to bind, the bleed - ing
4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of peace, your wel - come
prom - ised long; let ev - 'ry heart pre -
bond - age held. The gates of grass be -
soul to cure, and with the trea - sures
shall pro - claim, and heav'n's e - ter - nal
pare a throne and ev - 'ry voice a song.
fore him burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.
of his grace to en - rich the hum - ble poor.
arch - es ring with your be - lov - ed name.

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Liturgy of the Word

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People There is one hope in God's call to us;
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People One God and Father of all.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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*.

Gloria

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Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

First Reading Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.
He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the LORD,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:

I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the LORD, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.
See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

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

Psalm 29

Read responsively by whole verse

1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name;
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
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.

5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

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.

9 And in the temple of the LORD
all are crying, "Glory!"

10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.

11 The LORD shall give strength to his people;
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Second Reading Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God

as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
People Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the hymn and remain standing for the reading of the Gospel.

Hymn ~ Baptized in Water *(See next page)*

(The tune for this hymn is the same as "Morning has Broken")

Glory to God 482

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Holy Gospel Matthew 3:13-17

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

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

Sermon Gail Blum

The Celebrant then says

Let us now recommit ourselves to Christ and renew our baptismal covenant.

Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?
People I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant 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.

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Celebrant

Remember your baptism!

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Offertory

Celebrant

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,
an offering and sacrifice to God.

Please be seated after the exchange of the Peace. We remain seated as we sing the offertory hymn.

Offertory Hymn ~ Children of the Heavenly Father

Baptist Hymnal 1991 55
WORDS: Caroline V. Sandell-Berg, 1832-1903; tr. Ernst W. Olson, 1870-1958
MUSIC (TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA 8.8.8.8.(L.M.)): Traditional Swedish Melody

Doxology *(Please stand)*

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TEXT: Thomas Ken (1674), P.D., alt.
MUSIC (OLD HUNDREDTH, LM): Genevan Psalter, 1551

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

God of hope, in your Holy Spirit
you hovered over the face of the waters in creation,
and in your pillar of fire you led your people
to liberation across the Red Sea.
Through the waters you brought your people
into the life and land of promise.
In your Son's baptism at the Jordan
we see your creative and liberating purpose at work
amid our human flaws and failures,
and we hear anew with hope the promise of your voice.
In our own baptism you number us among your saints,
created and redeemed for your glory.
Through baptism you bury us in death with Christ
yet raise us to new life with him forever.
And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels and archangels,
and all the company of heaven,
singing the hymn of your unending praise:

mp
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
mp
might. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
f
pow'r and might. Heav - en and earth are full,
f
mf
full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -
mf

Music: *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert, 1797–1828; adapt. by Richard Proulx, 1937–2010, © 1985, 1989, GIA Publications, Inc.

The Celebrant continues

Blessing God, who sent down your Holy Spirit like a dove
upon your Beloved,
send your Spirit among us now to sanctify us by your grace.
By the power of that same Spirit,
make these gifts of bread and wine be for us
the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ;
who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks,

broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying,
"Take, eat: This is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me."
After supper he took the cup.
Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
"Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant

Father of glory, you have opened your heaven and come among us.
Be close to those who ache for your liberating power
in the midst of travails
and seek your open heaven.
Visit all who need the healing, forgiving, peacemaking,
and restoring touch of your Spirit
and look for your kingdom to come.
Bless all who long to be called beloved,
by sibling or parent or spouse or friend or child,
and any who are searching for the love that only you can bring,
until all stand in your presence, and sing your name,
and are enfolded in your embrace,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, ever one God. *AMEN.*

The Celebrant continues

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

People and Celebrant

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

*All are welcome to receive communion at God's table. The bread is received in the open palm. The wine is received by carefully dipping the bread into the chalice when it is presented. **Please note that we do use real wine. You may choose to receive only the bread if you would rather not consume alcohol.** If you would prefer not to receive communion, you may come forward with your arms crossed over your chest to receive a blessing. After receiving communion we return to our seats and remain seated as we finish singing the communion hymn.*

Hymn ~ Here, O our Lord, we see you *(See next page)*

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MUSIC (EVENTIDE 10.10.10.10): William Henry Monk, 1861

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Please stand

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Sisters and brothers in Christ,
life is short, and we do not have much time
to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us,
so be quick to love and make haste to be kind.
And the blessing of Almighty God,
Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Postcommunion Hymn ~ O Love, how deep *(See next page)*

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TEXT: Latin, 15th cent., tr. Benjamin Webb (1819-1885), alt. [Hymnal 1982 #448]

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Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia. Alleluia. Go forth in the light and love of God, giving glory to God in all that you do.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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If this is your first time worshipping with us, please sign the Registry Book in the vestibule as you enter the Sanctuary, or in the greeting area as you enter Benes Hall. Please include your full address so we might send you a note of welcome.

Sunday Morning Worship Time
10:00 am

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