

Holy Eucharist

St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church

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 Word and Sacrament, we follow Christ to serve the world as ministers of God's redeeming love.

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 6, 2026

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

Centering Time

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

Please stand for the opening hymn

Hymn ~ Jesus calls us here to meet Him

(See next page)



1. Je - sus calls us here to meet him as through word and song and prayer,
2. Je - sus calls us to con - fess him Word of life and Lord of all,
3. Je - sus calls us to each oth - er, though we may have wan - dered far:
4. Je - sus calls us to his ta - ble root - ed firm in time and space,



we af - firm God's prom - ised pres - ence where his peo - ple live and care.
shar - er of our flesh and frail - ness, sav - ing all who fail or fall.
creed and col - or, class and gen - der, nei - ther lim - it nor de - bar.
where the Church in earth and heav - en finds a com - mon meet - ing place.



Praise the God who keeps his prom - ise, praise the Son who calls us friends,
Tell his ho - ly, hu - man sto - ry; tell his tales that all may hear;
Join the hand of friend and stran - ger, join the hands of age and youth,
Share the bread and wine, his bod - y; share the love of which we sing;



praise the Spir - it who, a - mong us, to our hopes and fears at - tends.
tell the world that Christ in glo - ry came to earth to meet us here.
join the faith - ful and the doubt - er in their com - mon search for truth.
share the feast for saints and sin - ners host - ed by our Lord and King.

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Tune: BEACH SPRING; *The Sacred Harp*, 1844

Liturgy of the Word

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

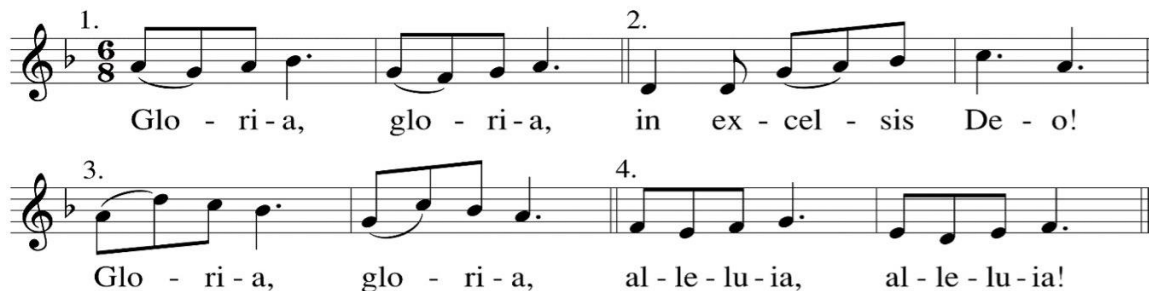
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for
ever. Amen.

Celebrant 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

1x unison, then 2x as a round, right (North) side first, then left (South).



1. Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, 2. in ex - cel - sis De - o!

3. Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, 4. al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994, © 1979, 1988, Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Ezekiel 33:7-11

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

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

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:33-40

(Read responsively by whole verse)

33 Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes,
and I shall keep it to the end.

34 *Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law;
I shall keep it with all my heart.*

35 Make me go in the path of your commandments,
for that is my desire.

36 *Incline my heart to your decrees
and not to unjust gain.*

37 Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless;
give me life in your ways.

38 *Fulfill your promise to your servant,
which you make to those who fear you.*

39 Turn away the reproach which I dread,
because your judgments are good.

40 *Behold, I long for your commandments;
in your righteousness preserve my life.*

Second Reading

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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 ~ Not for tongues of heaven’s angels

(See next page)

Unison

1 Not for tongues of heav-en's an - gels, not for wis-dom to dis -
 2 Love is hum - ble, love is gen - tle, love is ten - der, true and
 3 Nev - er jeal - ous, nev - er self - ish, love will not re - joice in
 4 In the day this world is fad - ing faith and hope will play their

cern, not for faith that mas - ters moun - tains, for this
 kind; love is gra - cious, ev - er pa - tient, gen - er -
 wrong; nev - er boast - ful, nor re - sent - ful, love be -
 part; but when Christ is seen in glo - ry love shall

bet - ter gift we yearn:
 ous of heart and mind: may love be ours, O Lord.
 lies and suf - fers long:
 reign in ev - ery heart:

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 MUSIC: Peter Cutts (1937-)

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

Deacon

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Sandy Benes

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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

Deacon All-knowing God,
you know our needs before we name them in prayer.
All-caring God,
you care enough to hear our prayers anyway,
knowing that all we truly need is your love.
All-loving God,
hear now these prayers that name the needs of your people:

Reader Your people need health . . .
(Please pray for the sick and those in any need or trouble)

Your people need peace . . .

(Please pray for those who have died and those experiencing war, abuse, conflict—where peace is a particular need).

Your people need hope . . .

(Please pray for those experiencing illness, job loss, divorce, prejudice—where hope is a particular need).

Your people need blessing . . .

(Please offer prayers for all our joys and blessings).

Your people need to learn and grow...

(Please pray for our students and teachers).

Your people need strong and trust-worthy political leadership...

(Please pray for all leaders and those serving in the military).

Your people need loving and faithful spiritual leadership and care...

(Please pray for the Church and our partners in ministry).

Your whole creation needs your powerful presence.

All-powerful God, the need is so great; we rejoice that you are greater. Hear these prayers we offer in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

The Creation Collect of the Day

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the powerful who oppress and dominate Creation, so you never forsake your creatures who live in harmony with nature's order; through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

Deacon Our sins weigh us down,
and we struggle to live in freedom and joy.

When we turn and return to the God who loves us, God finds pleasure. We turn now, confessing our sins against God and neighbor.

Deacon and People

From evil, even when it masquerades as good,
Merciful God, deliver us.

From selfishness and vain desires,
Merciful God, deliver us.

From irresponsible behaviors, quarreling,
and jealousy,
Merciful God, deliver us.

From hurtful disagreements and
irreconcilable differences,
Merciful God, deliver us.

**Turn us away from the death sin inflicts.
Lead us into the abundant life Christ brings.
Forgive us, we pray,
and teach us to forgive,
through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by
the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

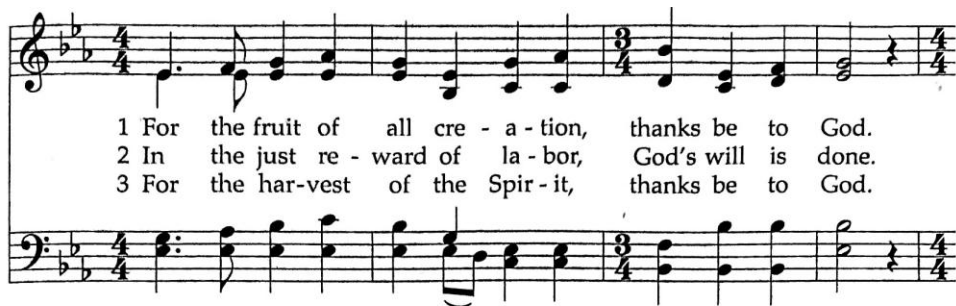
*Please be seated after the exchange of the Peace. We remain seated as we sing
the offertory hymn.*

Offertory

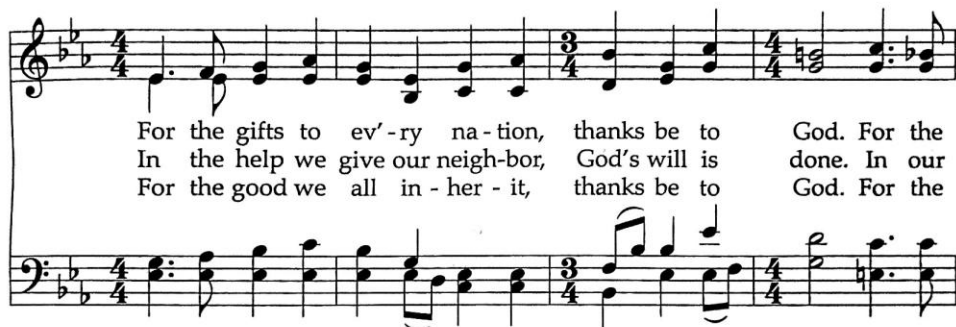
Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,
an offering and sacrifice to God.

Hymn ~ For the fruit of all creation

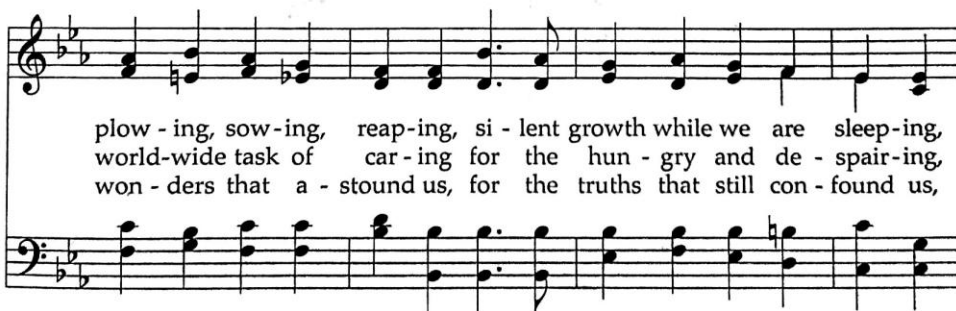
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1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
 3 For the har-vest of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For the gifts to ev'-ry na - tion, thanks be to God. For the
 In the help we give our neigh-bor, God's will is done. In our
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God. For the



plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
 world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,
 won - ders that a - stound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe-keep - ing, thanks be to God.
 in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
 most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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Doxology *(Please stand)*

1 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below, Praise

God a-bove, you heav'n-ly host, Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

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

Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

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 God thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We glorify and enjoy you now and forever, gracious God,
because you created the universe as your work of art,
and set us in the midst of it.

When the canvas of your kindness was torn by our sin,
you crafted a work of even more depth and beauty
from the damage we had done.

When your Son's body was scarred and pierced,
you raised him to glorious life.

In your chosen people you drew out a song of thankfulness and
praise,

and in your church you give us voices to shout and dance
and sculpt and inscribe the wonders of your love.

And so we rejoice to join with angels and archangels
and all the company of heaven,
singing the hymn of your unending praise:

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and

mp

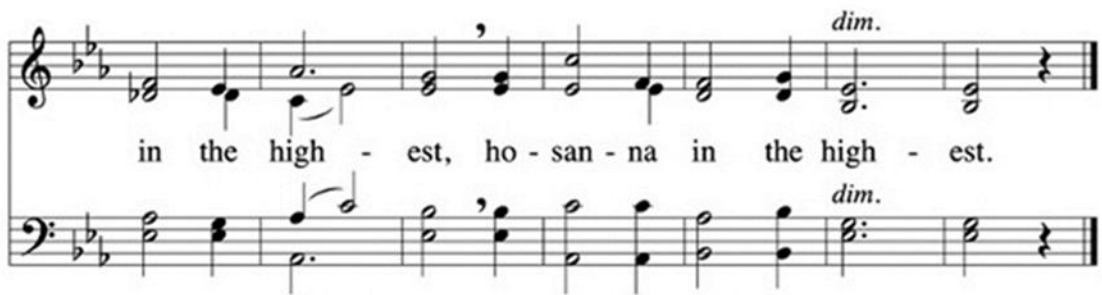
might. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow'r and might. Heav - en and earth are full,

full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -

est, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is the one who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na



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The Celebrant continues

We lift our hearts to you, Lord God,
 because you draw your whole creation
 into the celebration of your glory.
 Send down your Holy Spirit upon us now,
 that every part of every one of us
 might become an instrument of your peace.
 Give us your very self in these gifts of bread and wine
 and make them 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

God of justice, make us a prophetic people,
whose every work and every act
is a proclamation of the new order found in you
and worthy of your kingdom.

Holy God, make us a priestly people,
whose lives are so transparent with your truth
that we become a place of encounter between you
and your beloved children.

Reigning God, make us a kingly people,
whose hearts are filled with worship and wonder,
and who seek to bring every one of your gifts to fruition
in the power of your Spirit.

We pray in union with Christ in the power of your Holy Spirit,
God of glory, forever and ever. *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 ~ Lord, we love this blessed communion

(See next page)



1 Lord, we love this blessed com - mun - ion
 2 Lord, we rise re - newed and nour - ished,
 3 With your bod - y you have fed us,
 4 As your bod - y you have giv - en,

bind - ing us in faith to you! Bind us al - so
 By this ban - quet you've pre - pared. In your word, our
 With your blood you've made us clean. By your Spir - it
 Give us faith to give our own. Nur - ture us in

to each oth - er, Fill our hearts and make us new!
 lives re - ground - ed, In this time that we have shared.
 you have called us. Show us what your call can mean!
 hum - ble ser - vice, By the seed that you have sown.

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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.

A Prayer of Blessing for Labor Day

(See Handout)

Blessing

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

Hymn ~ Sing a new world into being

(See next page)



1. Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Sound a bold and
 2. Sing a new world in - to be - ing Where each gen - der,
 3. Sing a new world in - to be - ing Where the home - less
 4. Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Join the an - cient



hope - ful theme. Find a tune for si - lent yearn - ings.
 class, and race Brings its rain - bow gifts and col - ors
 find a home, Where no chil - dren ev - er hun - ger
 proph - ets' cry For a time of health and plen - ty



Lend your voice and dare to dream: Dream a church where
 To God's lim - it - less em - brace; Where the lines that
 But are filled in God's sha - lom; Where all peo - ple
 When all tears have been wiped dry; When com - pas - sion



all who wor - ship Find their lives and loves be - long.
 once di - vid - ed Form in - stead the ties that bind.
 work for jus - tice, Where all hate and venge - ance cease.
 flows like wa - ters, Pour - ing balm for all who grieve.

Sing a new world in - to be - ing.
Sing a new world in - to be - ing:
Sing a new world in - to be - ing:
Sing a new world in - to be - ing:

Sing as Christ in - spires your song!
Risk trans - form - ing heart and mind!
Raise the har - mo - nies of peace.
Live the prom - ise you be - lieve!

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Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia. Alleluia.

God's commandments are an invitation to daily faithfulness.
Love God and your neighbor every day,
and you will fulfill all that God intends.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.



Thanks for being here!

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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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