

# Holy Eucharist

## St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church

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

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.

### Celebrating Creation

October 4, 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 ~** All creatures worship God most high

*(See next page)*

1 All crea-tures, wor - ship God most high! Sound  
 2 Sing, broth - er wind; with clouds and rain you  
 3 Sing, broth - er fire, so mirth - ful, strong; drive  
 4 All who for love of God for - give, all

ev - 'ry voice in earth and sky: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le -  
 grow the gifts of fruit and grain: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le -  
 far the shad-ows, join the throng: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le -  
 who in pain or sor - row grieve: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le -

lu - ia! Sing, broth - er sun, in splen-dor bright, sing,  
 lu - ia! Dear sis - ter wa - ter, use - ful, clear, make  
 lu - ia! Dear moth - er earth, so rich in care, praise  
 lu - ia! Christ bears your bur-dens and your fears; still

sis - ter moon and stars of night:  
 mu - sic for your Lord to hear:  
 God in co - lours bright and rare: Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-  
 make your song a - mid the tears:

lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia!

Custom FlexScore created at [Hymnary.org](http://Hymnary.org)

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MUSIC (LASST UNS ERFREUEN, L.M.Alleluias): *Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, Cologne, 1623; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

## 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.

## Call to worship

*Celebrant* In the beginning, the Spirit of God hovered over the waters. And God called them good.

*People* Come Holy Spirit and cleanse the waters.

*Celebrant* The prophet saw a river flowing from the Temple, and wherever the river flowed, everything lived.

*People* Come Holy Spirit and renew the face of the Earth.

*Celebrant* Jesus cried out, “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me... Out of the believer’s heart shall flow rivers of living water.”

*People* Come, Holy Spirit and heal your people.

## **Thanksgiving for the Waters**

*Celebrant* Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for your love in all creation, and especially for your gift of water to sustain and cleanse all life.

Christ is the living water, cleansing, refreshing, and making all things new. So now we offer our thanks for the waters that bring beauty to all that we enjoy, the wild places, the bush, the mountains, coast and the sea. We give thanks and praise for all good lands, for the trees and pastures, for our plentiful crops, and for the living water that quenches them.

*(Adapted from Anglican Aotearoa NZ Prayer Book)*

*Celebrant* We praise you for giving us life through water, and for all waters everywhere. We especially praise you for the waters who sustain us in this part of our common home.

*(Here local bodies of water are named as people bring a bottle of water from their local context and pour it into the baptismal font.)*

*Celebrant* We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden.

In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave your people water from the rock. When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus’ wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life. You bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. You satisfy all who thirst, and give us the life only you can give.

*(Adapted from All Creation Sings, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America)*

## Lament

*(Lamenting is a passionate expression of sorrow or grief; a song, hymn or poem of mourning to express sorrow, mourning, or regret aloud; to regret strongly. Often sins are confessed in the plural, as a sign that, even if we personally have not committed each sin, our souls are bound up one with the other. The response in this service is, 'ashamnu', which means in Hebrew 'we have all been guilty'.*

*Deacon* We lament that we have neglected your gifts, and taken the waters for granted.

*(Silence)*

*Deacon*

We look upon your waters, O God, and we grieve:  
Rivers run polluted.  
Oceans choke with plastic.  
Marine life disappears from warming seas.  
Coral reefs fade and fisheries collapse.

*People* Ashamnu... we have all been guilty.

*Deacon*

The seas rise and swallow coasts.  
Storms grow stronger.  
Floods destroy homes.  
Drought cracks the Earth and children thirst.

*People* Ashamnu... we have all been guilty.

*Deacon*

We confess that we have not guarded your waters.  
We have consumed water without restraint.  
We have polluted what you called good.  
We have forgotten that the river of life flows from your throne.

*People* Forgive us, O God.

## Absolution

*Celebrant* God's mercy flows like living water. The love of God, incarnate in Jesus who spoke to troubled waters, forgives us and calms our hearts so that justice may flow to all the dry places in our lives. In the name of Christ, may this grace free us to follow and proclaim the good news of the healing of all creation. *Amen.*

## First Reading

Ezekiel 47:9-12

*(The Season of Creation Theme text)*

Swarms of living creatures will live wherever the river flows. There will be large numbers of fish, because this water flows there and makes the salt water fresh; so where the river flows everything will live. Fruit trees of all kinds will grow on both banks of the river. Their leaves will not wither, nor will their fruit fail. Every month they will bear fruit, because the water from the sanctuary flows to them. Their fruit will serve for food and their leaves for healing.

*Reader* May the Word, as living water,  
*People* make everything live.

## Psalm 65: 5-13

*(Read responsively by whole verse)*

God our Savior, You answer us  
with awesome and righteous deeds,  
the hope of all the ends of the Earth  
and of the farthest seas,

*who formed the mountains by your power,  
having armed yourself with strength,*

who stilled the roaring of the seas,  
the roaring of their waves,  
and the turmoil of the nations.

*The whole Earth is filled  
with awe at your wonders;  
where morning dawns, where evening fades,  
you call forth songs of joy.*

You care for the land and water it;  
you enrich it abundantly.  
The streams of God are filled with water  
to provide the people with grain,  
for so you have ordained it.

*You drench its furrows and level its ridges;  
you soften it with showers and bless its crops.*

You crown the year with your bounty,  
and your carts overflow with abundance.

*The grasslands of the wilderness overflow;  
the hills are clothed with gladness.*

The meadows are covered with flocks  
and the valleys are mantled with grain;  
they shout for joy and sing.

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it  
was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

## **Second Reading**

Revelation 22:1-7

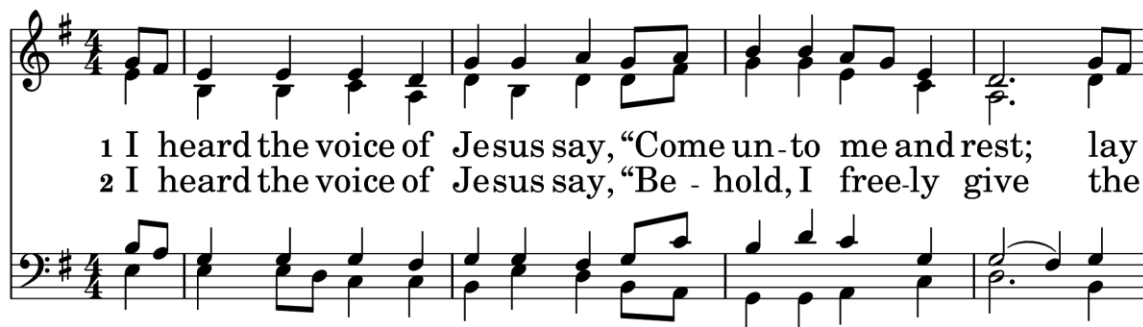
Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of *the* Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month, and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of

the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever. And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true, for the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place." "See, I am coming soon! Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."

*Reader*        May the Word, as living water,  
*People*        make everything live.

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

### Hymn ~ I heard the voice of Jesus say



1 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come un-to me and rest; lay  
2 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Be - hold, I free-ly give the

The musical notation is for a hymn in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems. The first system has two staves. The top staff is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The bottom staff is a bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves, with the first line of the hymn starting with '1 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come un-to me and rest; lay' and the second line starting with '2 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Be - hold, I free-ly give the'.



down, O wea-ry one, lay down your head up-on my breast." I  
liv-ing water, thirst-y one; stoop down and drink and live." I

The musical notation continues from the first system. It consists of two staves. The top staff is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The bottom staff is a bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves, with the first line of the hymn starting with 'down, O wea-ry one, lay down your head up-on my breast." I' and the second line starting with 'liv-ing water, thirst-y one; stoop down and drink and live." I'.

came to Je-sus as I was, so wea-ry, worn, and sad; I  
came to Je-sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream; my  
found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.  
thirst was quenched, my soul re-vived, and now I live in him.

*Glory to God* 182

TEXT: Horatius Bonar, 1846, alt.

MUSIC (KINGSFOLD, CMD): *English Country Songs*, 1893; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

## Holy Gospel

John 7:37-39

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.' " Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive, for as yet there was no Spirit because Jesus was not yet glorified.

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Affirmation of Faith**

We believe in God, who creates all things,  
who embraces all things, who celebrates all things,  
who is present in every part of the fabric of creation.  
We believe in God as the source of all life,  
who baptizes this planet with living water.  
We believe in Jesus Christ, seen in the suffering one,  
the poor one, the malnourished one,  
the climate refugee - who loves and cares for this world  
and suffers with it.  
And we believe in Jesus Christ, the seed of life,  
who came to reconcile and renew this world  
and everything in it.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God,  
who moves with God  
and who moves among and with us today.  
We believe in everlasting life in God.  
And we believe in the hope that one day God will put an end to  
death and all destructive forces. *Amen.*

*(Lutheran Theological College, South India, adapted)*

**Prayers of the People**

*Deacon* God of living waters, today we pray for a wounded world  
where waters are exploited, polluted, and withheld.

We pray for places where plastics, toxins, and oil spills blacken  
creeks and wetlands, for communities whose fishing waters are  
contaminated and whose children drink from polluted streams.  
*(Pause for petitions, naming local creeks, wetlands or contaminated  
places)*

Heal what has been poisoned. Bring justice where profit has silenced truth.

*People* Where water flows, Lord, let everything live, trees for food and leaves for healing.

*Reader* We pray for all rivers dammed without the consent of the vulnerable; for farmers whose soil dries seasonal flood; for indigenous peoples whose sacred waters are engineered for distant cities and data centers; for the suffering of communities whose livelihoods are stolen by corporate greed, and whose health is sacrificed for global consumption. *(Pause for petitions naming local rivers, farmlands and affected peoples)*

Free what has been unjustly controlled. Let rivers flow again with dignity and life.

*People* Where water flows, Lord, let everything live, trees for food and leaves for healing.

*Reader* We pray for oceans burdened by plastic and chemical waste; for coral reefs bleached by warming seas; for great whales navigating through labyrinths of nylon and ghost nets; for the microscopic life, the plankton and the krill, now mingling with the invisible dust of synthetic waste; for the rivers that carry our runoff — the fertilizers, the dyes, and the heavy metals. *(Pause for petitions naming nearest oceans and those around the globe)*

Turn our guilt into grace and our apathy into action. Make us a people who live justly and bring healing to every shore and stream.

*People* Where water flows, Lord, let everything live, trees for food and leaves for healing.

*Reader* We pray for communities where rising seas claim communities and ancestral lands, where saltwater invades freshwater wells, where graves are washed away with memory and belonging;

for those who have contributed least to climate change, yet suffer first and most. (*Pause for petitions*)

Hold them in dignity and strengthen global resolve for justice.

*People* Where water flows, Lord, let everything live, trees for food and leaves for healing.

*Reader* We pray for informal settlements and rural villages where taps run dry or water is unsafe to drink; for children walking miles to collect water or women burdened by scarcity; for those whose sickness is caused by contaminated supply. (*Pause for petitions*)

We pray for those whose lives are closely intertwined with water - coastal peoples, fisherfolk, marine biologists, water engineers - who can teach us wise ways to live with water. We pray for people to be moved to action and use their inherent or entrusted power to create change. Stir governments, corporations, and communities to protect and share water justly.

*People* Where water flows, Lord, let everything live, trees for food and leaves for healing.

(*Methodist Church of Southern Africa*)

*Reader* Convert our hearts, O God.

Where we have treated water as a commodity,  
teach us to receive it as a sacred gift.

Where we have consumed without thought, teach us simplicity.

Where we have used water without reverence, teach us to protect it  
as a gift entrusted to every generation and honor water as a source of  
life for all.

Where we have been silent and tolerant of injustice make us  
courageous protectors of rivers, defenders of seas, and companions  
to those who suffer water injustice until justice and mercy flows like  
the river of life.

*People* Where water flows, Lord, let everything live, trees for food and leaves for healing.

*Reader* You who hold all of creation in your womb and spring us forward onto the Earth at birth. Spirit of Tides, remind us of the rise and fall of your rhythms so that we may discover them deep within our own being. Spirit of Greenness, bring moistness and vigor to our lives so that we might savor the experience of your energy moving through us out into the world. Blessings of water be upon us.

May we be carried by the flow of the great river of life.

May we discover a hidden spring within, gushing forth.

May we be carried to the shores of the sacred and renewed. *Amen.*

*(Trinity Wall Street Lenten reflections  
based on St Hildegarde of Bingen)*

## **Blessing of the Waters**

*Celebrant* Holy Trinity, transcendent in essence, goodness and divinity, the Almighty who watches over all; Creator of all beings, the Light, that enlightens every being that comes into the world.

We glorify You, Master and Lover of creation.

We glorify You, Creator and Fashioner of all.

We glorify You, only-begotten Son of God.

On the day of your baptism in the Jordan, the grace of the Holy Spirit descended on the waters in the likeness of a dove.

The sun shines, and the world is lighted by the light of the Lord.

The moon shines with the world in its beams.

The shining stars adorn the universe with their radiance.

The clouds from heaven nourish the Earth with showers of justice.

The waters of the Jordan are changed to healing by the presence of the Lord.

The whole creation is watered by mystical streams.

By the light of the Wisdom of God, we have been illuminated.

The whole creation is lighted from on high.

The land and the sea share the joy of the world, and the world is filled with rejoicing.

You are Great, Lord, and wondrous are Your works.

*People*      Glory to You, O Lord, glory to You.

*Celebrant*    By Your will you brought all things into being from nothingness. With Your love and goodness You sustain creation. You framed creation out of four elements and encircled the year with four seasons. The sun and the moon praise You. The stars intercede with You. The ocean currents flow before You. The water-springs serve You. You spread out the heavens like a curtain. You established the Earth upon the waters. With sand you walled in the sea.

All creation sings praises to You, who revealed Yourself in solidarity with the stuff of creation. For You, God, appeared upon Earth and dwelt among us.

*(The Celebrant touches the water)*

Therefore, Creator who loves all creation, be present even now, by your Holy Spirit, and sanctify this water.

Give it the grace of redemption, the blessing of Jordan. Make it a fountain of life. May it be to all who receive it a healing of souls and bodies, and a grace to protect the waters, to be Living Water for the healing of all creation.

We praise You holy God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit; both now and ever, unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

*(Adapted from The Service for the Great Sanctification of Water  
at the Theophany of the Lord, by Sophronius,  
Patriarch of Jerusalem (Orthodox Liturgy))*

*(The congregation is sprinkled with water recalling our baptismal vocation to become water guardians.)*

## 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 ~ Touch the earth lightly



1 Touch the earth light - ly, use the earth gent - ly,  
2 We who en - dan - ger, who cre - ate hun - ger,  
3 Let there be green - ing, birth from the burn - ing,  
4 God of all liv - ing, God of all lov - ing,

nour - ish the life of the world in our care:  
a - gents of death for all crea - tures that live,  
wa - ter that bless - es and air that is sweet,  
God of the seed - ling, the snow, and the sun,

gift of great won - der, ours to sur - ren - der,  
we who would fos - ter clouds of di - sas - ter,  
health in God's gar - den, hope in God's chil - dren,  
teach us, de - flect us, Christ re - con - nect us,

trust for the chil - dren to - mor - row will bear.  
God of our plan - et, fore - stall and for - give!  
re - gen - er - a - tion that peace will com - plete.  
us - ing us gent - ly, and mak - ing us one.

*Lift Up Your Hearts 18*

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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 HUNDREDETH, LM): Genevan Psalter, 1551

***Celebrant*** God, whose Spirit moved over the deep: We thank you for the gift of water — the waters on the Earth, and under the Earth, the waters above us, and within us. Make us mindful of the care of all the planet's waters, that it may richly sustain life for us and for those who come after us. Accept the first fruits we offer here. Bless and multiply these gifts to our nurture and the care of your creation; for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*(All Creation Sings, Augsburg Fortress, 2026)*

## 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.

*The Celebrant proceeds*

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,  
source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep  
and brought all things into being:

sun, moon, and stars;

earth, winds, and waters;

and every living thing.

You made us in your image,

and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;

and yet, as a mother cares for her children,

you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us

to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels

in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,

lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

The musical score is written for two staves, treble and bass, in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The tempo/mood is marked *mp* (mezzo-piano). The melody is simple and hymn-like, using mostly half and quarter notes. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and". The score shows the first two measures of the phrase "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and".

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

This system contains the first two staves of music. The treble staff begins with a half note G4, followed by a half note F#4, and then a series of quarter notes: E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3. The bass staff begins with a half note G2, followed by a half note F#2, and then a series of quarter notes: E2, D2, C2, B1, A1, G1, F#1, E1, D1, C1. The lyrics 'might. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of' are written below the staves.

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

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

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

This system contains the final two staves of music. The treble staff begins with a half note G4, followed by a half note F#4, and then a series of quarter notes: E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3. The bass staff begins with a half note G2, followed by a half note F#2, and then a series of quarter notes: E2, D2, C2, B1, A1, G1, F#1, E1, D1, C1. The lyrics 'est, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is the one who' are written below the staves.

The image shows a musical score for a vocal and piano setting. The top system contains the first two lines of music. The vocal line (treble clef) has lyrics: "comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na". The piano line (bass clef) has lyrics: "comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na". The bottom system contains the next two lines of music. The vocal line has lyrics: "in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est." The piano line has lyrics: "in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est." The music is in B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. Dynamics include *mp* (mezzo-piano) and *dim.* (diminuendo).

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

### *The Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.  
 To deliver us from the power of sin and death  
 and to reveal the riches of your grace,  
 you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,  
 that she might conceive and bear a son,  
 Jesus the holy child of God.  
 Living among us, Jesus loved us.  
 He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,  
 healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.  
 He yearned to draw all the world to himself  
 yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.  
 Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross  
 the sacrifice of his life,  
 and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,  
Jesus was at table with his friends.  
He took bread, gave thanks to you,  
broke it, and gave it to them, and said:

“Take, eat:

This is my Body, which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.

Again, he gave thanks to you,

gave it to them, and said:

“Drink this, all of you:

This is my Blood of the new Covenant,

which is poured out for you and for all

for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it,

do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,

and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,

who was and is and is to come,

we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,

and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts

that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.

Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth

and make us your new creation,

the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us,

with Michael and all your saints,

from every tribe and language and people and nation,

to feast at the banquet prepared

from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
to you be honor, glory, and praise,  
for ever 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 ~ Come to the water



1. O let all who thirst, let them come to the  
 2. And let all who seek, let them come to the  
 3. And let all who toil, let them come to the  
 4. And let all the poor, let them come to the

1. wa - ter. And let all who have noth-ing,  
 2. wa - ter. And let all who have noth-ing,  
 3. wa - ter. And let all who are wea - ry,  
 4. wa - ter. Bring the ones who are lad - en,

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1. let them come to the Lord: with-out
2. let them come to the Lord: with-out
3. let them come to the Lord: all who
4. bring them all to the Lord: bring the



1. mon-ey, with-out price. Why should you pay the
2. mon-ey, with-out strife. Why should you spend your
3. la - bor, with-out rest. How can your soul find
4. chil-dren with-out might. Eas - y the load and



1. price, ex-cept for the Lord?
2. life, ex-cept for the Lord?
3. rest, ex-cept for the Lord?
4. light: 7 come to the Lord.

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

*Please stand*

*Celebrant and People*

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

May the God who sprung water from a rock, quenching the thirst of  
those who wandered in fear, spare us from the drought of a  
senseless life.

May the God who flows from the wells of salvation, and who is  
Living Water to the foreigner, the stranger, and the unknown, keep us  
in peace.

May the God who rolls on like a river, changing the course of  
the world with streams of righteousness that guide the Church's  
vessel in this world, empower us to work for transformation.

And may the blessing of our merciful God, the Father, the Son, and  
the Holy Spirit, keep us and preserve us in eternal life. *Amen.*

*(Anglican Episcopal Church of Brazil)*

## Hymn ~ Life-giver, Maker, God of all

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble staff on top and a bass staff on the bottom. The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, aligned with the notes. The lyrics are: 1 Life gi - ver, ma - ker, God of all, your breath sus - tains cre - 2 Here we be - come your liv - ing church; we learn and claim your 3 We hold your gifts in o - pen hands, to of - fer peace and

Custom FlexScore created at [Hymnary.org](http://Hymnary.org)

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a - tion. Your arms en - fold the u - ni - verse, its  
vi - sion: We are the hands and feet of Christ, em -  
heal - ing. We leave this place to share our bread, your

ev - 'ry con - stel - la - tion. Yet when we ga - ther  
pow - ered, bless'd for mis - sion. Your Spir - it fills the  
ten - der care re - veal - ing. Thus, through us, may your

in this place, we know your near - ness,  
church, each part; your Spir - it dwells in  
love be shown; through us, this truth to

your em - brace. You make your home a - mong us.  
ev - 'ry heart; you make your home a - mong us.  
all be known: you make your home a - mong us.

## Dismissal

*Deacon* Alleluia, alleluia. Go in peace, as people of God made Christ's own through the waters of baptism, in the power of the Holy Spirit.

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*(Please take the blessed water home to bless your homes, gardens etc. There are extra containers available.)*





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### **Sunday Morning Worship Time 10:00 am**

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