

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.

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025

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

Prelude – Centering Time *(A time to prepare our hearts and minds for worship)*

Please stand for the opening hymn.

Hymn ~ For the beauty of the earth

(See next page)

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter,
 5 For thy - self, best gift di - vine to the world so

of the skies, for the love which from our birth
 of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower,
 mind's de - light, for the mys - tic har - mo - ny
 par - ent, child, friends on earth, and friends a - bove,
 free - ly given; for that great, great love of thine,

Refrain

o - ver and a - round us lies:
 sun and moon, and stars of light:
 link - ing sense to sound and sight: Lord of all, to
 for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 peace on earth and joy in heaven:



Glory to God 14

TEXT: Follott Sandford Pierpoint, 1864, alt.

MUSIC (DIX 7.7.7.7.7): Conrad Koehler, 1838; abr. William Henry Monk, 1861; harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

Liturgy of the Word

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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).



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.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying,

‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?” When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, “Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.”

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

Psalm 148

Read responsively by whole verse

- 1 Hallelujah!
Praise the LORD from the heavens;
praise him in the heights.
- 2 *Praise him, all you angels of his;
praise him, all his host.*
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon;
praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4 *Praise him, heaven of heavens,
and you waters above the heavens.*
- 5 Let them praise the Name of the LORD;
for he commanded, and they were created.
- 6 *He made them stand fast for ever and ever;
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.*
- 7 Praise the LORD from the earth,
you sea-monsters and all deeps;

- 8 *Fire and hail, snow and fog,
tempestuous wind, doing his will;*
- 9 Mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10 *Wild beasts and all cattle,
creeping things and winged birds;*
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the world;
- 12 *Young men and maidens,
old and young together.*
- 13 Let them praise the Name of the LORD,
for his Name only is exalted,
his splendor is over earth and heaven.
- 14 *He has raised up strength for his people
and praise for all his loyal servants,
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.
Hallelujah!*

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.”

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn Holy Spirit, Truth divine

1. Ho - ly Spir - it, Truth di - vine, dawn up - on this
 2. Ho - ly Spir - it, Love di - vine, glow with - in this
 3. Ho - ly Spir - it, Power di - vine, fill and nerve this
 4. Ho - ly Spir - it, Right di - vine, King with - in my

soul of mine; Word of God and
 heart of mine; kin - dle ev - ery
 will of mine; grant that I may
 con - science reign; be my Lord, and



United Methodist Hymnal 465
 WORDS: Samuel Longfellow, 1864
 MUSIC (CANTERBURY 77.77): Adapt. from Orlando Gibbons, 1623

Holy Gospel

John 13:31-35

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Archie Handy

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 In this season of Easter rejoicing,
let us offer our prayers and thanksgivings
for the church and the world saying,
O God of love, raise us to new life in Christ.

Reader For the well-being of your creation,
that we may promote its ability
to offer praise to you through spacious skies,
bountiful seas, verdant lands,
and precious creatures great and small.
(Please offer prayers for our stewardship of all creation)
O God of love,

Raise us to new life in Christ.

For the life of the church,
that our generous witness may broaden your table
as all find a place to live and grow in love.
(Please offer prayers for the Church and our partners in ministry)
O God of love,

Raise us to new life in Christ.

For the welfare of your world,
that all leaders and people young and old
will strive to live together in harmony
while serving the common good.
(Please pray for our nations' leaders and those in the military)
O God of love,

Raise us to new life in Christ.

For all who suffer any violence, pain, or grief,
that they will know the comfort of your presence
as you wipe every tear from their eyes.

(Please pray for all in any need or trouble)

O God of love,

Raise us to new life in Christ.

For the love made known to us in Jesus Christ
through this community,
for this and all other blessings we give you thanks and praise.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries,

(Please pray)

for our teachers and students and the opportunity to learn,

(Please pray)

and for all our many joys and blessings.

(Please pray)

O God of love,

Raise us to new life in Christ.

For all who have died,
that you will bring them to the fullness of your joy,
where mourning and pain will be no more.

(Please pray for those who have died and those who mourn)

O God of love,

Raise us to new life in Christ.

For so many blessings,
and for answered prayers,
we give you thanks through Jesus Christ,
in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

Peace

<i>Celebrant</i>	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
<i>People</i>	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 ~ In Christ there is no East or West

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in 4/4 time and G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves.

1 In Christ there is no east or west, in
2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their
3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what-
4 In Christ now meet both east and west; in

him no south or north, but one great fel - low -
high com - mu - nion find; his ser - vice is the
e'er your race may be. All chil - dren of the
him meet south and north. All Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
 gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.
 liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.
 one in him through - out the whole wide earth.

Glory to God 317

TEXT: John Oxenham, 1908, alt.

MUSIC (MC KEE, CM): African American spiritual; *Jubilee Songs*, 1884; adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, 1940

Doxology *(Please stand)*

* "God" may be substituted for "him."

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise *him, all creatures here below; praise

*him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Glory to God 606

TEXT: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709

MUSIC (OLD HUNDRETH, 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

Creating God, you made the earth as a place of encounter.

Here you made a covenant with your chosen people.

When your children went astray

you came among us in the form of your Son,

showed your glory, and in his passion suffered for our sin.

In him you brought every aspect of creation to its purpose.

Your Son's resurrection empowered his disciples,

and your Spirit's fire enlivens your church.

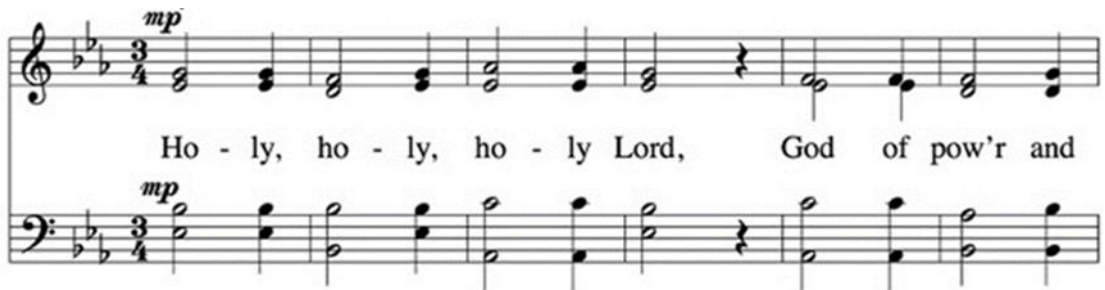
You promise us that when our story with you is completed,

you will inaugurate a new heaven and a new earth

where we shall enjoy life with you forever.

So with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven,

anticipating your eternal praise, we bless you in everlasting song:



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

in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

The Celebrant continues

Redeeming God, you have prepared a banquet
 for us to share with you in your kingdom.
 Send now your Holy Spirit, that we may taste that banquet today,
 that your Son may be present among us,
 and that this bread broken and wine outpoured
 may be for us his body and blood;
 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

Transforming God, in Christ and in this holy meal
you show us the shape of love.

In broken bread show us the cost of your love
and inspire us to love like you.

In poured wine show us the constancy of your love
and form us to love as truly as you love us.

Remake your earth that it may breathe your life.

Remake its people that they may resound with your glory.

Remake your church that it may look like your Son.

Wipe every tear from every eye; make death no more;

and take away mourning and crying and pain,

that all may find justice in your mercy

and freedom in your service,

until the beginning and the ending of all things are one in you,

and you are all in all, one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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. 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 They'll know we are Christians by our love (See next page)



Celebrant Let us pray.

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

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Hymn Love divine, all loves excelling *(See next page)*

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell-ing, joy of heaven, to
 2. Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery
 3. Come, Al - mighty - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
 4. Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down; fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; all thy
 trou - bled breast! Let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be. Let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown! Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 find that sec - ond rest. Take a - way our bent to sin - ning;
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be always blessing,
 ly re - stored in thee; changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray and praise thee
 till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

United Methodist Hymnal 384b

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1747

MUSIC (HYFRYDOL 87.87 D): Rowland H. Prichard, 1830; harm. from *The English Hymnal*, 1906

Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia. Alleluia. Jesus has loved us so that we may love others. Go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude



Thank you 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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