

— ST. MICHAEL'S — EPISCOPAL CHURCH



NOVEMBER 3, 2024

THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

PRELUDE MUSIC & WELCOME

Officiant Blessed be the one, holy and living God.

People **Glory to God forever and ever.**

Officiant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

PRAYER FOR RECTOR SEARCH

O shepherding God, guide the hearts and minds of our Search Committee as we seek to discern the role of Rector for St. Michael's Church. By your light, draw to us those with vision and passion for St. Michael's future. Guide them as they discern your call. Raise up for us a faithful pastor, a dynamic preacher of your Gospel, to shepherd us as your flock, strengthen our ministries, and work with us in building up your kingdom. **Amen.**

THE LESSON & PSALM

Reader **A reading from the Book of Isaiah (25:6-9)**

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines
strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;
he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all
the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day,
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he
might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

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

Thanks be to God

Reader Please pray Psalm 24 responsively by half verse.

1 The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, *
the world and all who dwell therein.

2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas *
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.

3 "Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? *
and who can stand in his holy place?"

4 "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, *
**who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by
what is a fraud.**

5 They shall receive a blessing from the Lord *
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."

6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, *
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

7 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting
doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

8 "Who is this King of glory?" *
"The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle."

9 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting
doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

10 "Who is he, this King of glory?" *
"The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory."

Officiant A reading from the Gospel of John 11:32-44
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Officiant The Word of the Lord
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

CANDLE LIGHTING AND SILENT PRAYER

You are invited to light a candle and observe a period of silent personal prayer time.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Officiant God of hope, so that your will for us might be complete, respond to the prayers of your people and answer our hopes and needs as we say, Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Leader That your people across the world might set aside their differences and learn to work as one for the sake of the

gospel mission to love our neighbors, we pray especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Sean, our Presiding Bishop-elect, Megan our Bishop, Andy, Katie, Mike, Rod, and Jesse our clergy. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

That this nation might be an advocate for peace and liberty and an example of justice and opportunity to the world we pray. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for justice and peace throughout the earth, following the way of Jesus and learning from his example. We pray especially for those in the Middle East facing violence. We pray for you to be with them and for an end to the atrocities that continue to plague the world. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

That this assembly might grow in faith and love and find new ways to truly love and serve our neighbors, we pray for Mary, our head of school, for all the staff, teachers and students at St. Michael's Day School and Starr King K-8. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

That our climate challenges might be answered with courage and determination, and the abundance of your natural world preserved, we pray. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

That those challenged by sickness or injury might be made whole and know the healing peace of Christ which passes all understanding, we pray especially for **Cynthia, Liz, Barbara, Bobbi, Mike, Sandy, Robert, Sherry, Michael, Sarah, Tina,**

Jennifer, Jay, Mark, Mary, Kay, Hunter, and Billie. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

That the dying might enter into your eternal embrace and that we too may join with all your saints in your new kingdom, we pray especially for the repose of the soul of Lynn Dowdell and for peace and comfort to her family and loved ones. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For what else and whom else shall we pray? (*A time of silence is kept.*) Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Assisting Priest O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day all who have died.

Names of the Departed are read by the clergy.

Assisting Priest God of all, we pray to you for those we love, but see no longer: Grant them your peace; let light perpetual shine upon them; and in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Officiant Help us to marshal our whole selves in service to your Good News and expand our perception that we might fully know the abundant life of Christ throughout our lives. We ask this through that same Christ, our only advocate and Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Officiant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant For those who cannot be here physically to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ let us invite the Lord Jesus through this prayer for spiritual communion:

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you, and, since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself with you, and embrace you with all the love of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me. May I live in you, and may you live in me, both in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

Julian of Norwich liturgy

Officiant Together, let us pray the prayer Jesus taught us.

**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.**

Officiant Almighty God, we give you thanks for surrounding us, as daylight fades, with the brightness of the vesper light; and we implore you of your great mercy that, as you enfold us with

the radiance of this light, so you would shine into our hearts the brightness of your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

And now may the peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Officiant Alleluia, Alleluia. Let us go into the world to love and serve Christ!

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

CONCLUDING REMARKS, DISCUSSION, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND
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