

ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

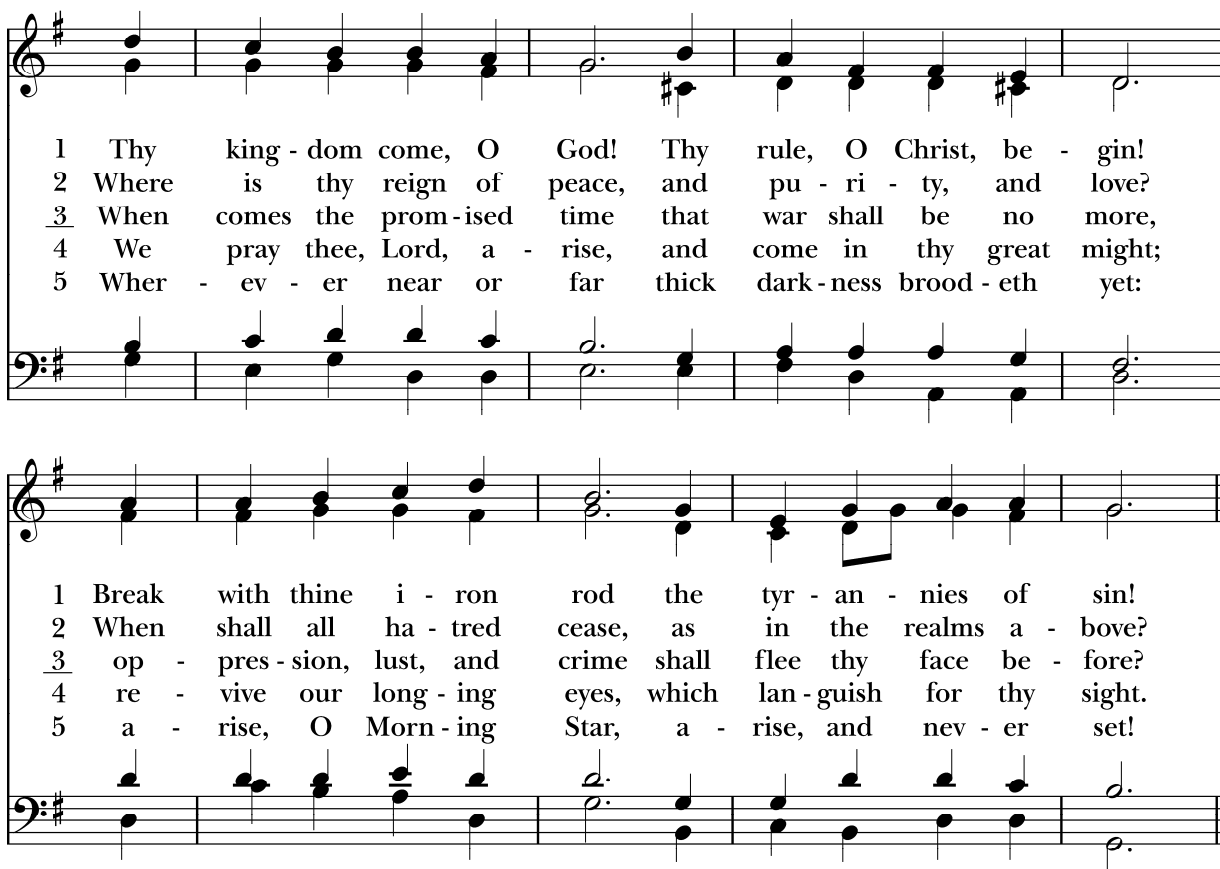
Centered in our love for Jesus, we worship God, reach out to those in need, celebrate our blessings, and love and care for each other. We are inclusive and welcoming of all God's people. Together, we strive to faithfully meet the challenges of a changing world.

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost July 26, 2026

PRELUDE Andante from Piano Sonata, K. 570 by Mozart

Please stand in body or spirit

OPENING HYMN The Hymnal 1982 - #615 Thy Kingdom Come (*Please join us*)



1 Thy king - dom come, O God! Thy rule, O Christ, be - gin!
2 Where is thy reign of peace, and pu - ri - ty, and love?
3 When comes the prom - ised time that war shall be no more,
4 We pray thee, Lord, a - rise, and come in thy great might;
5 Wher - ev - er near or far thick dark - ness brood - eth yet:

1 Break with thine i - ron rod the tyr - an - nies of sin!
2 When shall all ha - tred cease, as in the realms a - bove?
3 op - pres - sion, lust, and crime shall flee thy face be - fore?
4 re - vive our long - ing eyes, which lan - guish for thy sight.
5 a - rise, O Morn - ing Star, a - rise, and nev - er set!

Words: Lewis Hensley (1824-1905), alt. Music: *St. Cecelia*, Leighton George Hayne (1836-1883).

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant welcomes the congregation.

Celebrant Together, let us pray.

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.

We ask that you silence any electronics that might make noise during the service.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE Wonder, Love & Praise—#829 Laudate Dominum (*Please join us.*)

Lau - da - te Do - mi - num, Lau - da - te Do - mi - num om - nes
gen - tes, Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Translation: Praise the Lord, all you peoples.

Words: Psalm 117. Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994).

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

CHILDREN & COMMUNITY HOMILY The Rev. Megan Anderson Gartin

THE LESSONS & PSALM

A reading from the first book of Kings (3:5-12)

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, “Ask what I should give you.” And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?”

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, “Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.”

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please pray Psalm 119:129-136 responsively by half-verse.

129 Your decrees are wonderful; *

therefore I obey them with all my heart.

- 130 When your word goes forth it gives light; *
it gives understanding to the simple.
- 131 I open my mouth and pant; *
I long for your commandments.
- 132 Turn to me in mercy, *
as you always do to those who love your Name.
- 133 Steady my footsteps in your word; *
let no iniquity have dominion over me.
- 134 Rescue me from those who oppress me, *
and I will keep your commandments.
- 135 Let your countenance shine upon your servant *
and teach me your statutes.
- 136 My eyes shed streams of tears, *
because people do not keep your law.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans (8:26-39)

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;
 we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

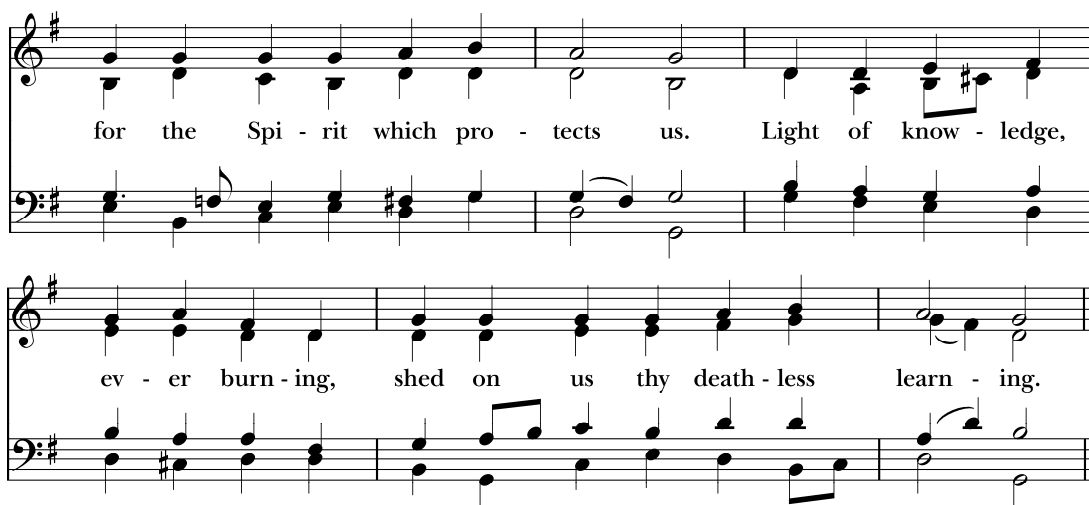
No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

GRADUAL HYMN The Hymnal 1982—#631 Book of Books (3rd verse) *Please join us.*

3 Praise we God, who hath in - spired those whose wis - dom still di -

rects us; praise him for the Word made flesh,



Words: Percy Dearmer (1867-1936). By permission of Oxford University Press. Music: *Liebster Jesu*, melody Johann Rudolph Ahle (1625-1673); alt. *Das grosse Cantional oder Kirchen-Gesangbuch*, 1687; harm. George Herbert Palmer (1846-1926).

PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL Matthew (13:31-33, 44-52)

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

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

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

SERMON The Rev. Mike Ferrito

THE NICENE CREED *Please stand in body or spirit.*

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 Holy God, be in the midst of us now as we pray for ourselves and the world saying, Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for the Church, the body of Christ, that you would be in our midst everywhere we are. Strengthen us, reorient us and send us to be your people to the world. We especially pray for Archbishop of Canterbury, Sarah Mullally, Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Megan, our Bishop, Megan, Mike, Rod, and Jesse, our clergy. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the health, welfare, and legacy of this nation. We pray for the prosperity and needs of our brothers and sisters across our country and around the world. Embolden us to serve the common good and advocate for the needs of all people. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all creatures on the earth, and for the earth itself. We pray for an end to pollution and the apathy that destroys the creation that you called Good. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for this congregation, give us hearts that long for you and hands that serve others in your name. We especially pray for Olivia, our interim head of school, for all the staff, teachers and students of St. Michael's Episcopal Day School and Starr King TK-8. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are sick, suffering, anxious, hopeless, imprisoned, persecuted or alone. We pray for those who are ill and for those who provide them care. Especially we pray for **Mary, Rick, Larry, Diane, John, America, Kathy, Ramiro, Jane, Fred, Ellen, Bill, Carol, Holly, Sara, Kathy, Dan, Jon, Sarah, Jennifer, Michael, Andrea, Chris, Mike and Hunter.** Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Be with the dying, comfort the grieving, and hold us in your heart, this day and always. We especially pray for the repose of the souls of Barbara Gilcrist and Ed Linn, and for peace and comfort to their families and loved ones. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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

Celebrant Lord, you have promised to be with us whenever we gather in your name, be with us now. Hear and respond to our prayers. Show us the path to be your people more perfectly. All this we ask in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

GENERAL CONFESSION

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. 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.**

THE PEACE AND OFFERTORY *Please stand in body or spirit.*

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

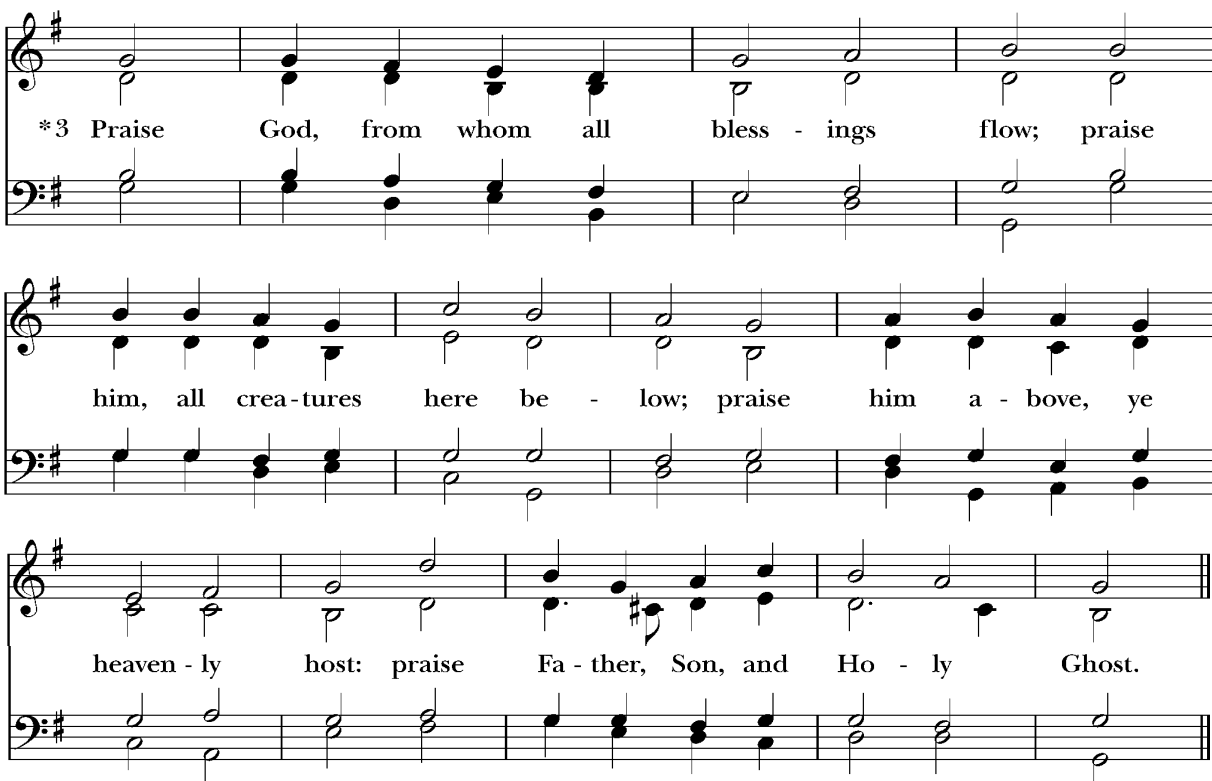
WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, BLESSINGS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

OFFERTORY SOLO Footsteps in the Snow from *Preludes, Book I* by Debussy

PRESENTATION HYMN The Hymnal 1982—#380 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (*verse 3*)
Please join us.



*3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Please stand in body or spirit.*
Eucharistic Prayer Enriching Our Worship 1

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 our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

THE SANCTUS The Hymnal 1982—#S125 Holy, holy, holy Lord (*Please join us.*)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Please stand or kneel in body or spirit.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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, and when he had given thanks, he 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, that with Michael, your archangel, and all your angels and saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. 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.**

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

**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.**

THE BREAKING OF BREAD and THE INVITATION

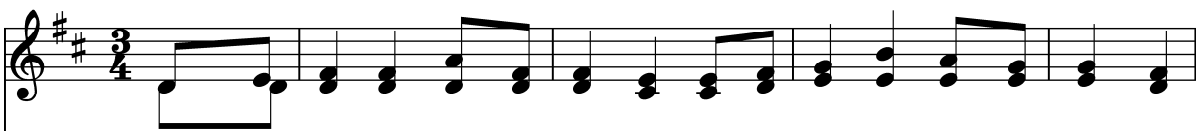
Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

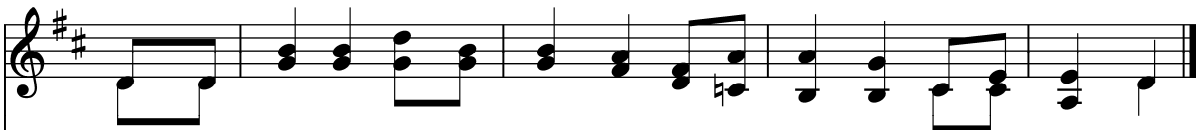
All are welcome to receive communion. Communion is offered with gluten free bread, baked in a gluten free space, ingredients are listed in the back of the bulletin. The Bread and Wine is offered around of the altar, and grape juice is offered at the back of the altar. Communion will be taken by eating the bread and sipping from the cup. If you do not feel able to sip from the cup please allow it to pass by. We believe that if you have received communion in one kind (bread only) you have received a full communion. Cross your arms over your chest if you wish to receive a blessing in place of consuming. Baptism from any Christian tradition is anticipated for those regularly receiving. Let an usher know if you need to receive at your pew.

This is the table of the Lord. It is made ready for those who want to know and love Christ, all are invited to come and meet Jesus here. The Gifts of God for the people of God.

COMMUNION HYMN LEVAS—#213 Children of the Heavenly Father *(Please join us.)*



1. Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly in His bos - om gath - er;
2. God His own doth tend and nour - ish, In His ho - ly courts they flour - ish;
3. Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the Lord His chil - dren sev - er;
4. Praise the Lord in joy - ful num - bers, Your pro - tect - or nev - er slum - bers;
5. Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;



1. Nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en, Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
2. From all e - vil things He spares them, In His might - y arms He bears them.
3. Un - to them His grace He show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.
4. At the will of your de - fend - er Ev - ery per - son must sur - ren - der.
5. His the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER *Please stand or kneel in body or spirit.*

Celebrant Together, let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN The Hymnal 1982—#635 If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee (*Please join us.*)

Unison or harmony

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through
2 Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv - ing; so do thine own part

all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee,
faith - ful - ly, and trust his word, though un - de - serv - ing;

and bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un -
thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for -

chang - ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.
sook in need the soul that trust - ed him in - deed.

The musical score is written for unison or harmony in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are written below the staves, with line numbers 1 and 2 indicating different parts of the hymn. The music is simple and hymn-like, with a focus on the lyrics.

Words: Georg Neumark (1621-1681); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1829-1878), alt. Music: *Wer nur den lieben Gott*, Georg Neumark (1621-1681).

Please stand in body or spirit.

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE Prelude in g minor, BWV 558 by Bach

***Communion Bread ingredients:** Gluten Free Flour (*Rice Flour, Whole Grain Brown Rice Flour, Sorghum Flour, Tapioca Starch, Potato Starch, Cellulose, Vitamin and Mineral Blend [calcium carbonate, niacinamide (vitamin B3), reduced iron, thiamin hydrochloride (vitamin B1), riboflavin (vitamin B2)], Xanthan Gum, Cellulose Gum.*), Baking Powder, Salt, brown sugar, honey, olive oil, evaporated milk and water. If you have any allergy concerns, contact Rev. Megan.

Serving Today

The Rev. Megan Anderson Gartin Celebrant& Children's Homily

The Rev. Mike Ferrito Preaching

The Rev. Rodney Davis Deacon

Jan Bowdler, Ann Hall & Mary Ellen Ferguson Altar Guild

Allison Flower-Arledge Flowers

The Acolyte Team

Warner Seargeant, Marilyn McEntyre & Dave Decker Readers

Jan Bowdler, Kate Muris, Mary Ellen Ferguson & Dianne Robbins Eucharistic Ministers

Jay Bowdler & Molly Hoever Ushers

Sue Corbin Greeter

Dr. John Cozza Music Director

Coffee Hour Hosts Virginia Henry, Vern & Tessie Simunek & Julie Linderman

The flowers are given in loving memory of **Billie McPhillips**

Announcements

Worship

10am Sunday Morning Worship Eucharist & Choir

5pm Sunday Contemplative Service on Zoom

9am Morning Prayer – Zoom, Monday—Thursday

8:30am Friday Morning Contemplative Eucharist

Children's Space in the Narthex—with Nursery & Godly Play on break for the summer we will be testing out setting up a table, chairs and small corner bookcase with activities and children's books in the Narthex. If you are interested in participating in the nursery ministry please contact the office.

Coffee Hour in July Please note that while work is being done in the kitchen we will be having light refreshments for coffee hour in July through August with Coffee, Tea and Cookies only. As always please sign up on the coffee hour board available in Parish Hall on Sunday's & contact the office with questions. Thank you for your cont. support.

Celebration of Life Services

We will be having a Celebration of Life Service for **Ed Linn on Saturday, August 1, 2026** at 11am at the church with a reception immediately following in the Parish & Johnstone Hall.

We will be having a Celebration of Life Service for **Liz Glad on Saturday, August 8, 2026** at 11am at the church with a reception immediately following in the Parish & Johnstone Hall.

We will be having a Celebration of Life Service for **Dave Jones on Saturday, August 15, 2026** at 11am at the church with a reception immediately following in the Parish & Johnstone Hall.

We will be having a Celebration of Life Service for **Lesle Rea on Friday, September 4, 2026** at 4pm at the church with a reception immediately following in the iMast courtyard area.

St. Michael's Learn & Connect

Newcomer Welcome Program and Lunch—Today

Please join us in the church after our regular 10am service for a welcome from Rev. Megan, followed by an "Episcopal 101" led by Father Rod. During this program we will get an overview of the symbols and art in our sanctuary and their connection to our Episcopal teachings. Visitors, and those new to our membership, are invited to attend. There will be a lunch served in Johnstone Hall following.

Celebrating Emmy's Baptism! We will be celebrating the Baptism of Emerald Elizabeth Gartin on **Saturday August 22 at 11am** here at St. Michael's in a joint church service with St. Michael's and Faith Episcopal Church congregations. This will be a full baptismal service with a eucharist and potluck reception in Parish and Johnstone Hall. Please see the messenger for more info.

St. Michael's Cont. Studies—

Healing Circle - 3rd Saturdays 11am in Friendship Center.

Sacred Circle - Last Wed. of the month 6pm on zoom.

Centering Prayer - Mondays in Friendship Center (or the Sanctuary) at 9:00am & Thursdays on Zoom at 7pm.

St. Michael's Serves in the Community

Backpacks for Starr King

Our partner school, Starr King K-8, greatly appreciates the assistance we have given their students over many years through donations of backpacks and other supplies (i.e. hand sanitizer, large boxes of Kleenex, glue sticks, black thin dry erase markers and thick dry erase makers of all colors). We will be collecting these from now through August 9 when we will bless them and drop them off to the school on August 10. Cash, check or online donations are appreciated as well. Please indicate in the memo line these are for Starr King.

Volunteering at Starr King

Like all of our public schools, Starr King must cut costs for this coming year, resulting in many cuts to school aid positions next year. This will increase the need for volunteers at Starr King. This year St Michael's will help coordinate and place volunteers from our church. They need help in all grades K-8 and are happy to train volunteers, you can set the time and frequency that work best for you, what grade you want to work with, and subjects you would most enjoy helping students master. I found working with the students very gratifying. Please contact Cindy Dewey or the church office if you have further questions.

Parishioner Guided Grants 2026—Caring for one another & our Community—For many years, St. Michael's Episcopal Church has contributed to organizations in the greater Sacramento Community and beyond. Beginning in 2013 all our church fundraising proceeds have been donated to the non-profit community. You are invited to nominate a non-profit organization to receive a grant in 2026. This year grant amounts are expected to range from \$50-\$2000. Grant applications are available online and on Sundays at the usher's desk. These are due October 16, 2026. For more information contact Terry Bridges

Regular Outreach opportunities

River City Food Bank Center at St. Matthew's -

Distribution Prep every Tuesday—Friday

& Distribution every Wednesday & Friday

Carmichael HART Carmichael Presbyterian Church - Lunch program every Thursday & the Shower Ministry every Saturday

God's Helping Hands Laundry at Mega Wash on Fair Oaks Blvd. at El Camino. Volunteers are needed every 3rd Saturday of the month, and donations are appreciated.

Additional details on the announcements can be found in this week's Messenger and on our website.

Sunday July 26—The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist 10am with Livestream
Coffee Hour 11:15am Parish Hall
Newcomer Welcome Program & Lunch 11:30am
Contemplative Prayer Service 5pm Zoom

Monday July 27

Morning Prayer 9am Zoom
Centering Prayer 9am Friendship Center
Vestry Meeting 6:30pm

Tuesday July 28

Morning Prayer 9am Zoom
Staff Meeting 9:30am Zoom

Wednesday July 29

Morning Prayer 9am Zoom
Sacred Circle 6pm Zoom

Thursday July 30

Morning Prayer 9am Zoom
Centering Prayer 7pm Zoom

Friday July 31

Contemplative Eucharist Prayer Service 8:30am

Saturday August 1

Celebration of the Life of Ed Linn 11am
Reception to follow in Parish & Johnstone Halls

Sunday August 2—The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist 10am with Livestream
Vitalant Blood Drive 11am
Coffee Hour 11:15am Parish Hall
Contemplative Prayer Service 5pm Zoom



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Sunday August 9—Backpack Blessing
Saturday August 22—Emmy's Baptism

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