FOR YOUR SOUL MATTHEW 11:29



ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 5, 2020

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, we welcome and accept you, and we trust God to take you where God wants you in God's timing. We want to be a safe place for you to experience God's grace, love, and presence with us. Welcome home.

PRELUDE MUSIC AT 10 AM

America, the Beautiful Rex Koury

Simple Gifts
Dale Wood

Lord of All Hopefulness Franklin Ashdown

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All standing, the Celebrant says

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

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

The Celebrant says

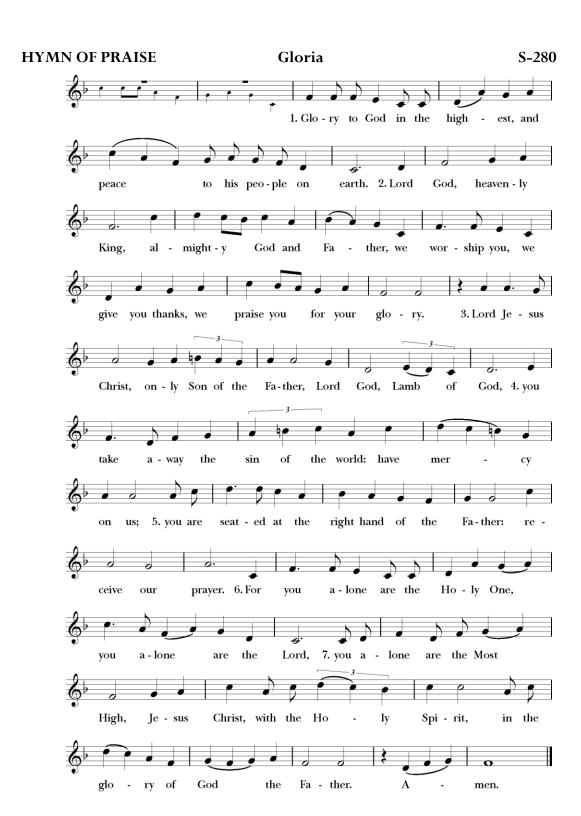
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear the teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ: you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

This is the first and great commandment.
And a second is like it:
You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.



COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

FIRST READING Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 145:8-15 (To be read responsively by half-verse)

- 8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, * slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 The LORD is loving to everyone * and his compassion is over all his works.
- 10 All your works praise you, O LORD, * and your faithful servants bless you.
- 11 They make known the glory of your kingdom * and speak of your power;
- 12 That the peoples may know of your power * and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; * your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- 14 The LORD is faithful in all his words * and merciful in all his deeds.
- 15 The LORD upholds all those who fall; *
 he lifts up those who are bowed down.

SECOND READING Romans 7:15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 10:40-42

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds." At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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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.
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon: Gracious Lord, you invite us to come to you as we are, not as we should be and find our rest in you. Therefore, with confidence, we come boldly to your throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

For the Church: that God will help us take up the yoke of Christ and follow him in speaking the truth lovingly, offering forgiveness to those who wrong us and praying for our enemies. O God of Grace

We trust in Your Mercy

For a fuller life in the Spirit: that God will free us from self-absorption and selfishness so that we may allow the Spirit to lead us into a more authentic and virtuous life.

O God of Grace

We trust in Your Mercy

For the grace surrender control: that we may let Jesus ease our burdens and journey side by side with him in every event in our lives.

O God of Grace

We trust in Your Mercy

For freedom from fear: that God will help us surrender our fear and anxiety into the hands of the One who loves us and strengthen our confidence that God will provide for us in every circumstance.

O God of Grace

We trust in Your Mercy

For all who are weary in body, mind or spirit: that the Spirit will restore strength to the physically exhausted, hope to those who are emotionally worn out, and energy to all who are exhausted through loving service of others.

O God of Grace

We trust in Your Mercy

For our nation's leaders: that God will give them wisdom in addressing current challenges, courage to work for the greater good, and openness to new approaches for the good of those whom they serve.

O God of Grace

We trust in Your Mercy

For an end to injustice and discrimination: that God will change the hearts and minds of those entrapped in judging people by externals, and help everyone to recognize the God-given dignity of each person.

O God of Grace

We trust in Your Mercy

For all who need healing, particularly those with Covid-19: that God's healing Spirit will ease their suffering, restore them to health, and guide all who are caring for them. We especially pray for {list}

O God of Grace

We trust in Your Mercy

With reverence and affection, we remember before you our beloved dead. Comfort all who grieve. Help us care for each other for Jesus' sake: forgiving, helping, or encouraging, as there is need. Give us grace to take up our cross and follow Jesus, knowing that he will lead us through danger, evil, and death, and will bring us home to you forever.

O God of Grace

We trust in Your Mercy

Priest: God of all that is, seen and unseen, save us from fear in our times of trial, and give light to our eyes to see the path to salvation. Guide us to be a welcoming reflection of Your love in all that we are and all that we do. We ask through Jesus, our Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit, Your Sacred Breath within us. **Amen.**

A PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Remain kneeling.

The Deacon then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Minister and People
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.

The Priest stands and says

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

Peace

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

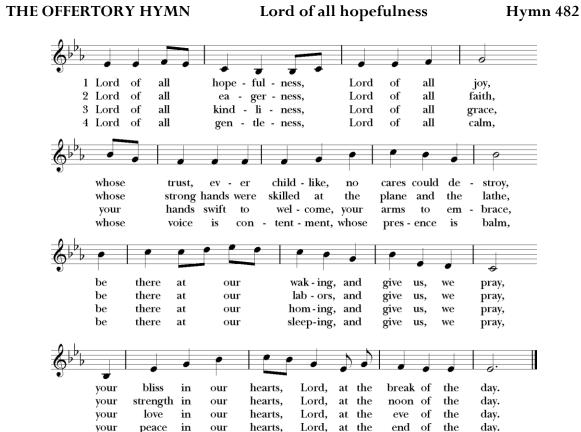
People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2



GREAT THANKSGIVING (PRAYER A)

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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 him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS



(you may kneel)

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

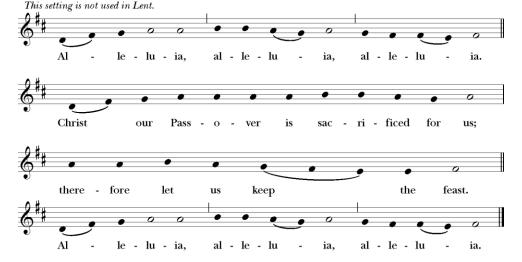
All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Celebrant then continues And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People
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

A period of silence is kept.



The Celebrant says

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.

Let us pray:

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that they may always be united to you. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally with my community, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me. May I live and die in your love. Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray. (you may kneel)

Celebrant and People

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*.

Blessing

The priest blesses the people.



Words: Katherine Lee Bates (1859-1929), alt. Music: Materna, Samuel Augustus Ward (1848-1903)

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

The Star Spangled Banner

Mary McDonald

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*For more information regarding announcements or to Register for any weekly Zoom Gathering <u>CLICK HERE.</u>

Flowers

The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of our daughter, Marci Basden, by Dick and Lavelle Basden.

THIS WEEK-- ZOOM: NOONDAY PRAYER AND COMPLINE

Wednesdays at 12PM and 8PM we'll gather via ZOOM from our homes for Noonday Prayer and Compline. This is opportunity to connect with one another and spend a few minutes midweek in prayer. You can easily follow along in your Prayer Book or with the Book of Common Prayer online (bcponline.org) listed under DAILY OFFICES.

To participate, register through the weekly *Staying Strong...Together* email (sent on Mondays) or through the E-messenger. For any questions regarding registration, feel free to contact Ashleigh in the Church office.

USHERS

We are looking for a few good Ushers to help during our Sunday morning services. We have detailed instructions on placing bulletins, seating, cleaning and encouraging adherence to safety protocols. If you are interested, please email Mike@stmichaelschurch.com for additional information.

ST. MICHAEL'S PRAYER LIST

Those who have commended themselves to our prayers:

Allen, Amanda, Angie, Ann P., Ann R., Alden, Arel, Barbara, Benny, Bill C., Bill H., Bill T., Brayden, Brittney, Cindy, Connor, Dave, Deirdre, Don, DuSablon Family, Ellen, George M., Greg, Harriet, Holden, Jedediah, Jerry, Jim, Kellie, Kristina, Lavelle, Lisa L., Lisa R., Mark, Mary, Marystantpn, Nayim, Peter, Robert, Shaun, Theresa, Therese, Walter.

Those serving in the armed forces and in harm's way:

Bradley H., Chad S., Jonah H., Will M., Kenneth K., Ben V, Nick R., Carolyn H.

This Week's Birthdays:

5: Jackson Brownlee, Randy Fiebrandt, Mary Simms, Kate Wollam 6: Trudi Bissinger, Doug Blackmore 8: James Ferraro 9: David Evans Jr, Melanie Ferraro, Amy London – Tauriello 10: Kobe Eichelberger, Kailey Scott 11: Abby Ann Telan, Allison Turnbull

This Week's Anniversaries:

6: Jon & Niki Nash 9: Kenneth & Cheryl James 10: Emery & Jenny Galbraith

Clergy and Ministerial Staff

The Rev. Rick Luoni, Rector
The Rev. Greg Favazza, Assisting Priest
The Rev. Carter A. Smith, Deacon
The Rev. Happy Gafford, Deacon
Andrew J. Walker, Director of Music
Ella Eagen, Assistant Director of Music
Tiffany Stieger, Director of Children's Ministry
Melanie Olivier, Director of Preschool

BIRTHDAY PRAYER

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) *N*. as *they* begin(s) another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* life (lives); through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

O God, we ask that you pour your grace and mercies on this (these) couple/s. Guide them with your wisdom, protect them with your love, fill their home with your presence, and may they grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ all the days of their life. *Amen*.

Thank You for Worshiping with Us Today



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