



ST. MICHAEL'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

AUGUST 30
9 AM

Gospel Family Service



WE GATHER

(please stand)

OPENING SONG

VICTORY IS MINE

Victory is mine! Victory is mine!
Victory today is mine!
I told Satan to “Get thee behind!”
Victory today is mine

Joy is mine! Joy is mine!
Joy today is mine!
I told Satan to “Get thee behind!”
Joy today is mine

Peace is mine! Peace is mine!
peace today is mine!
I told Satan to “Get thee behind!”
peace today is mine

Oh oh oh
Tell me, who can stand before us
When we call on his great name
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus
We have the victory

Priest: Welcome! We're glad you're here. Let's begin by blessing the God who first blesses us.

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

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Let us pray:

God, you know us completely, every thought, hope, and secret. Nothing surprises you, and nothing stops you loving us. Make our hearts clean, so that we may truly love you and gladly praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

I GIVE YOU MY HEART

This is my desire
To honour You
Lord with all my heart
I worship You
All I have within me
I give You praise
All that I adore
Is in You

Lord I give You my heart
I give You my soul
I live for You alone
Every breath that I take
Every moment I'm awake
Lord have Your way in me

Celebrant: The Lord is here.

People: God's Spirit is with us.

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Lord Jesus, open our hearts to your presence, our minds to your truth, our hands to your service, and our lives to your love. For you are alive and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PSALM FOR THE DAY

Psalm 145

I will proclaim your greatness, my God and king;

I will thank you forever and ever.

Every day I will thank you;

I will praise you forever and ever.

The LORD is great and is to be highly praised;

his greatness is beyond understanding.

What you have done will be praised from one generation to the next;

they will proclaim your mighty acts.

They will speak of your glory and majesty,

and I will meditate on your wonderful deeds.

People will speak of your mighty deeds,

and I will proclaim your greatness.

They will tell about all your goodness

and sing about your kindness.

The LORD is loving and merciful,

slow to become angry and full of constant love.

He is good to everyone

and has compassion on all he made.

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

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

“For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

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

THE TALK

THE ST. MICHAEL'S CREED

Celebrant: Friends, let us stand and say together what we believe and what gives us hope:

We believe in God,
who created heaven and earth,
knows us by name,
and loves us with a love that never ends.

We believe in Jesus Christ,
God's Son, our Savior
who was born among us as one of us,
showed us the heart of God,
gave his life on the cross,
rose again in victory,
is with us always,
and will come again
to make all things new.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who moved over the waters at creation,
spoke through the prophets,
lives within us,
gives us faith,
fills us with hope,
and teaches us to love.

We believe we belong to God's family, the Church,
where we are welcomed in one baptism,
forgiven and nourished,
and learn to follow Jesus together.

We look for the day
when God will make all things new,
and we will live with him forever.
Amen.

WE PRAY TOGETHER

(sit or kneel)

We pray for our families, friends, neighbors, and everyone who needs hope, healing, or encouragement today.

Lord, teach us to love.

We pray for our leaders and for all who shape the future of our world. Give them wisdom, compassion, and courage to seek justice and peace.

Lord, teach us to love..

We pray for those who are hungry, lonely, afraid, or hurting. Show them your love, and help us become part of the answer to their prayers.

Lord, teach us to love.

We remember those we love who have died. Thank you that nothing, not even death, can separate us from your love.

Lord, teach us to love.

We remember those who are especially on our hearts today... *(pause)*

Lord, teach us to love.

Priest: Loving God, receive these prayers, and even the ones we cannot find words to say. Fill us with your Spirit, so that we may love you more deeply, love our neighbors more generously, and serve the world more faithfully. **Amen.**

WE FIND REST & RELEASE

Priest: Jesus invites us to come to him with open hearts. Let us confess our sins and receive his mercy.

(Silence)

**Loving God,
we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We have said things we should not have said,
done things we should not have done,
and left undone things we should have done.
We are truly sorry.
Forgive us, for Jesus' sake,
Renew us.
Lead us by your Holy Spirit,
so that we may follow Jesus
with joy and courage. Amen.**

(silence)

Priest: May God forgive you; Christ befriend you, and the Holy Spirit renew and change your life. Amen

THE PEACE

Priest: The peace of Christ be always with you.

All: And also, with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAY PRAYER:

Watch over this your child, O Lord.
Bless and guide (him/her) wherever (he/she) may be.
Strengthen and comfort (him/her) to do that
which is good and right.
May (he/she) feel the touch of Thy Divine Hand,
and receive the joy and power of the Holy Spirit,
that (he/she) may be blessed forever more,
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.**

HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERING

WE SHARE A MEAL TOGETHER

(sit or kneel)

Beloved, again and again, Jesus met people around a table. not to condemn them, but to welcome them, feed them, and remind them that they were deeply loved. So come to this table, not because you've earned a place here, but because Christ invites you. Come hungry for grace, for hope, and for the love of God that is freely given to all.

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 God thanks and praise.

It is truly right, and always our joy, to give you thanks, loving Father.

You created us in love, never stopped loving us when we wandered from you, and, in the fullness of time, sent your Son, Jesus Christ, to bring us home.

By his life, his death on the cross, and his glorious resurrection, he opened the way to forgiveness, new life, and the hope that nothing can ever separate us from your love.

On the night before he gave himself for us, Jesus took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, 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, saying,

"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."

Remembering his life, his death, his resurrection, and his promise to come again, we offer you our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Send your Holy Spirit upon this bread and this cup,
that they may be for us
the Body and Blood of Christ.

And as we receive them,
**may we be filled with your love,
renewed by your grace,
and made one with Christ and one another.**

All this we ask in the name of Jesus, our Savior and our Friend. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

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

JESUS' FAMILY PRAYER

(all pray together)

**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.**

WE BECOME ONE

Priest: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

WE GO

(sit)

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim and demonstrate your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

DIMISSION

Go in peace to love God, love others, and serve the world.

Thanks be to God

CLOSING SONG

The Blessing

The Lord Bless you and keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His face towards you
And give you peace

A....men, A..men A.....men
A...men A...men A.....men

The Lord Bless you and keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His face towards you
And give you peace



JOIN US!

ACOLYTE

Informational Meeting

 **SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH 4-5 PM**
YOUTH ROOM (FORDHAM HALL)

 **CALLING ALL YOUNGER PARISHIONERS!**
Whether you are all in on acolyting or curious with questions, this is the meeting for you!

 *We are so excited*
to welcome our younger parishioners to serve in this important way!

 Please fill out this form through the QR code or e-mail your interest to Deirdre at daeckian@gmail.com.
Parents and guardians are requested to attend with their young people.
Thank you!

 **SCAN TO Sign Up!**



 **SERVING WITH LIGHT.**  **LEADING WITH FAITH.**  **GROWING TOGETHER.**

GOSPEL SUNDAY BRUNCH: Who Will You Invite?

On **Sunday, October 18**, we're doing something special at our 9:00 a.m. Gospel Family Service.

We're having brunch. But here's the important part: **The brunch really isn't for us.** It's for the person who isn't here yet.

The Gospel Family Service was created with a very particular mission: to reach families in College Park who may not currently have a church home—or who may not be sure church is for them at all. We believe St. Michael's is a wonderful community filled with love, joy, grace, and some pretty amazing people.

More importantly, we believe that through this community, people can encounter the welcome and love of God. But before they can experience it, somebody has to invite them. And that somebody is us. Research has consistently shown just how powerful a personal invitation can be. One study found that 82% of unchurched people said they would be likely to attend church if invited by someone they know.

Not because they saw an advertisement.

Not because they drove past our sign.

But because someone they trusted said, "Come with me."

That is what Gospel Sunday Brunch is all about.

WHO? You—and someone you know who doesn't have a church home. Think about your neighbors. The family down the street. Someone from your child's school. A coworker. A friend at the gym. The couple you regularly see at the coffee shop.

WHAT? Come together for our joyful, relaxed Gospel Family Service, followed immediately by a delicious brunch where we can eat, laugh, meet one another, and simply enjoy being together.

WHEN? Sunday, October 18. 9:00 a.m. Gospel Family Service. Brunch immediately following.

WHERE? Right here at St. Michael's—the church you already know and love.

WHY? Because Jesus never intended the Church to exist only for the people already inside it. There are people all around us who are hungry for community. Hungry for meaning. Hungry to know that they are welcome, that they matter, and that they are loved. And sometimes the distance between someone who feels disconnected from church and someone discovering a community of faith is surprisingly small. **Sometimes it is one invitation.**

So, between now and October 18, I'm asking every one of us to think of **one person or one family** we could invite. Don't make it complicated. Don't make it weird. You don't need a sales pitch. Just say: ***"Our church is doing something really fun on October 18. Come to church with me, and then let's have brunch together. I think you'd really like it."***

That's it. We'll provide the worship. We'll provide the music. We'll provide the brunch. We'll provide the welcome.

You provide the invitation. Because this isn't really about filling a room. **It's about opening a door.** And you never know what God might do when you simply invite someone to walk through it. **Who will you invite?**

In Christ's Love,





Upcoming events

AUG-SEP 2026

SUN
AUG **30**

Acolyte Informational Meeting

4 PM – 5 PM

Youth Room, Fordham Hall

SUN
SEP **13**

Sunday School Kick Off Breakfast

9:45 AM

Playground

SAT
SEP **19**

Garden and Grounds Guild Work Day

9 AM-12 PM

SAT
SEP **26**

Celebration of Life for Wayne Forrest Mosher

11 AM

Church, reception to follow in Quigley Hall

SUN
SEP **27**

St. Michael's Day – Super "Sundae" Celebration

Immediately following the 10:15 AM service

Quigley Hall

For more info on upcoming events, check out our
E-Messenger at stmichaelschurch.com or scan the QR code.





LISTENING
with the *Heart*

God is always present.
The invitation is to become more aware.



BEGINNING
OCTOBER 8TH,
6 WEEK SERIES



A JOURNEY OF PRESENCE,
REFLECTION & HOPE
You are welcome here.



SERIES CENTERED AROUND
GUIDED EXAMEN

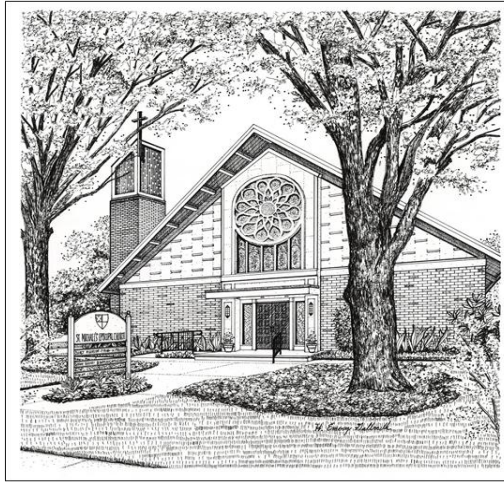
*We journey together. We listen with the heart.
We awaken to God's presence.*



Contact Heather at the Church Office
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with any questions.

LISTEN • NOTICE • RECEIVE • RESPOND • HOPE

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YOU ARE HERE

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