



ST. MICHAEL'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

March 22  
9 AM  
Lent 5

# Gospel Family Service



*(please stand)*

**WE GATHER**

**OPENING SONG**

**LORD I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH**

Lord, I lift Your name on high  
Lord, I love to sing Your praises  
I'm so glad You're in my life  
I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth  
To show the way  
From the earth to the cross  
My debt to pay  
From the cross to the grave  
From the grave to the sky  
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Priest: Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ. God's grace, mercy, and peace  
be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Let us pray:

**All: Loving God, whose word is life: Come to us with saving power to free our  
praise inspire our prayer and shape our lives. For the kingdom of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord, Savior, and Friend. Amen**

## SONG OF PRAISE

## This is My Desire

This is my desire To honor 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  
And every breath that I take  
Every moment I'm awake  
Lord, have Your ways in me

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*(please be seated)*

Priest: The Lord is here.

**All: God's Spirit is with us.**

Priest: Let us pray:

**All: Lord God, help us see Jesus and hear his voice, that we may love him in our hearts, think about him in our minds, and experience him in our lives. Amen.**

**THE PSALM FOR THE DAY**

**Psalm 51:10-17**

Create a pure heart in me, O God,

**and put a new and loyal spirit in me.**

Do not banish me from your presence;

**do not take your holy spirit away from me.**

Give me again the joy that comes from your salvation,

**and make me willing to obey you.**

Then I will teach sinners your commands,

**and they will turn back to you.**

Spare my life, O God, and save me,

**and I will gladly proclaim your righteousness.**

Help me to speak, Lord,

**and I will praise you.**

You do not want sacrifices, or I would offer them;

**you are not pleased with burnt offerings.**

My sacrifice is a humble spirit, O God;

**you will not reject a humble and repentant heart.**

## HOLY GOSPEL

John 11:1-45

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

A man named Lazarus, from the village of Bethany, became very sick. His sisters, Mary and Martha, sent a message to Jesus: “Lord, the one you love is sick.” When Jesus heard this, he said, “This illness will reveal God’s glory.” After two days, Jesus said to his disciples, “Let us go to Judea.” Then he told them plainly, “Our friend Lazarus has died. But let us go to him.” When Jesus arrived in Bethany, Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days.

Martha went out to meet him and said, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” Martha said, “I know he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live.” Then Mary came to Jesus and said the same thing: “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw Mary and the others weeping, he was deeply moved. He asked, “Where have you laid him?” They said, “Lord, come and see. Jesus began to weep. Then Jesus came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone in front of it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha said, “Lord, he has been dead four days.” Jesus replied, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone.

Jesus looked up and prayed to the Father. Then he cried out in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” And Lazarus came out of the tomb, still wrapped in burial cloths. Jesus said, “Unbind him, and let him go.” And many who saw what Jesus did believed in him.

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

## THE TALK

## THE ST. MICHAEL'S CREED

I believe in God the Father,  
who created me and all the world.  
I believe in God the Son, who saved me on the cross and loves me.  
I believe in God the Holy Spirit, who is in me and gives me life.  
I believe in one God, who lives forever and ever.

*(sit or kneel)*

## WE PRAY TOGETHER

Let us pray to the Lord of Love for His Church and the world:

Loving God, we thank you for our time together today: for all the people gathered here, and those gathered elsewhere.

**All: We hold them in our hearts, and we lift them to you, God.**

Gracious God, we pray for people in our neighborhood, our country, and around the world--for everyone who needs help, and for everyone who is hungry.

**All: We hold them in our hearts, and we lift them to you, God.**

Merciful God, we pray for the leaders and future leaders of our world--send us leaders with a heart for goodness and truth.

**All: We hold them in our hearts, and we lift them to you, God.**

Ever-present God, we pray for those especially on our hearts and minds today. Make your presence known to them, Lord.

**All: We hold them in our hearts, and we lift them to you, God.**

God, we pray for all of these things, and for everything we are thinking and feeling but haven't said out loud.

**All: We hold them in our hearts, and we lift them to you, God.**

Priest: Loving God, we thank you for always being with us. Open and transform our hearts so that we may fully love you and our neighbor as ourselves, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **WE FIND REST & RELEASE**

Priest: God our Father, we come to you in sorrow for turning away from you and ignoring your will for our lives.

Priest: We have wounded your love by behaving as we wish, without thinking of you or others.

**All: O God, heal us.**

Priest: We stumble in the darkness and fail you in what we think, say, and do.

**All: Light of the world transfigure us.**

Priest: We forget that we are your home by letting ourselves be drawn away from you by the temptations in the world about us.

**All: Spirit of God, dwell in us.**

(silence)

**All: Merciful God, take all these our burdens into your life. We lay them down in faith for healing, forgiveness, re-creation and release through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

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, Jesus often met people at tables— not to judge them, but to welcome them. To break bread. To remind them they belonged. To show them the Father’s love.

So come to this table— not because you’ve earned it, not because you’ve got it all together, but because you’re hungry... hungry for grace, for peace, for the embrace of a Father who has been waiting for you all along.

This is the table where shame has no seat, where striving ends, and love is poured out like wine. Come. Let yourself be fed. Let yourself be known. Let yourself be fathered by God. The table is ready. And so is the Father’s love.

### **The Priest says:**

Loving God, we remember that on the night before he died, Jesus sat at a table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, “This is my Body, given for you. Do this to remember me.”

Then he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it, saying, “This is my Blood, poured out for you and for all, for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, remember me.”

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. Amen.

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

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.**

## 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

## DIMISSION

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**



# Egg My Yard!

A St. Michael's Preschool Fundraiser

Let our "BUNNIES" do all the work!

Order a select amount of candy and toy filled eggs to be hidden in your yard.

\*Allergy Specific Eggs Are Available By Request



The night before Easter our bunnies will hide the eggs in your yard. On Easter morning, you get to sit back and enjoy the hunt!

## BASIC EGG PACKAGE

50 Easter Eggs with a note from the Easter Bunny!

\$50

## DELUXE EGG PACKAGE

100 Easter Eggs with a note from the Easter Bunny!

\$80

## PREMIUM EGG PACKAGE

150 Easter Eggs with a note from the Easter Bunny!

\$125

SCAN ME



**Place your order by March 31st!**

All proceeds from the "EGG MY YARD" Fundraiser will directly benefit St. Michael's Preschool. Thank you so much for your support!





# HERE'S THE DEAL

*You are  
invited to*

**SMP  
ROYALE!**

**APRIL 17TH, 2026 6-9PM**

**QUIGLEY HALL**

CASINO  
BAR  
LITE BITES  
AUCTION  
RAFFLE  
LIVE MUSIC



1 TICKET: \$55  
COUPLES: \$100  
STAFF: \$15  
(ADULTS ONLY)

We are gearing up for our annual St. Michael's Preschool Fundraiser. Come out & support our mission of "Growing little hearts and minds in God's Love" with a fun adult evening out!

We are looking for event sponsors! If you, or someone you know, would like to sponsor our event it is a great way for a business to get recognition or sponsor as a family.

We also need items for our silent auction. Chef's dinner, condo stay, amusement park tickets, gift cards, & other product donations would be greatly appreciated!

If you have any questions or need a copy of our 501(c)(3) please email [SMPreschoolevents@gmail.com](mailto:SMPreschoolevents@gmail.com) for a copy or reach out to Briget Pope @ 407.341.6129



SPRING FUNDRAISER  
**SMP ROYALE EVENT**  
**SPONSORSHIPS**

FRIDAY APRIL 17, 2026 6-9PM  
 2499 N. WESTMORELAND DR.

**\$1000**

**HIGH ROLLER**

- 6 event tickets
- 12 drink tickets
- \$150 casino chips
- Recognition as a premier sponsor on event signage, gaming table, school newsletter, auction site, and social media

**3 Sponsorships available**

TABLE SPONSORSHIP INCLUDED

**\$500**

**JACKPOT**

- 4 event tickets
- 8 drink tickets
- \$100 casino chips
- Recognition on event signage, gaming table, and social media

**3 Sponsorships available**

TABLE SPONSORSHIP INCLUDED

**\$300**

**FULL HOUSE**

- 2 event tickets
- 4 drink tickets
- \$60 casino chips
- Recognition on event signage and social media

**6 Sponsorships available**

**EVENT TICKETS**

INDIVIDUAL TICKET (1 ADULT)  
 \$55

- 1 event ticket
- 1 drink ticket
- \$20 in casino chips

STAFF TICKET  
 \$15

- 1 event ticket
- 1 drink ticket
- \$20 in casino chips

COUPLES TICKET (2 ADULTS)  
 \$100

- 2 event tickets
- 2 drink tickets
- \$40 in casino chips

TO PURCHASE SPONSORSHIP & EVENT TICKETS



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# Making Palm Crosses

As we wrap up Lent, everyone is cordially invited to join our awesome Youth for the annual palm cross-making extravaganza for Palm Sunday! Swing by the conference room on Saturday, 3/28, from 11am-2pm.

We'll have some tasty finger foods and snacks to munch on while we craft these leafy masterpieces!



Thank you for worshipping with us today!



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YOU ARE HERE

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