

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



SEPTEMBER 6, 2026 • 9:30 AM



*“Where two or three are gathered in my name,
I am there among them.”*

MATTHEW 18:20



ST. MICHAEL
— AND ALL ANGELS’ —
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Welcome to St Michael and All Angels'

We are delighted to have you with us today. This bulletin has been designed to help you worship with us. Please note that wherever it says “stand, sit, kneel” (Episcopalian Calisthenics!), these are only suggestions. In general, we Stand to Praise; Sit to Listen; and Kneel to Ask. You are welcome to do whatever you are able or find most comfortable.

We hope you will not find our silence before the liturgy to be a lack of hospitality. We merely have a custom of keeping the silence before the liturgy as a time of preparation and talking to God. There’s an old adage which says, “Before liturgy, talk to God. During liturgy, let God talk to you. After liturgy, talk to each other.” We will be very enthusiastic to talk with you—and each other—after the service.

Please remember St Michael’s in your prayers and we hope you will return to worship with us again!

Flowers for the Altar

Each Sunday, members of the congregation may sponsor altar flowers, chapel flowers, and the Aumbry Candle in thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life or in memory of loved ones. Call the church office at (949) 644-0463 or make your dedication via our website at <https://stmikescdm.org/altar-flowers/>

THE PRELUDE

THE INTROIT HYMN *(Please stand as able.)*

Hymnal 379

God is Love, let heaven adore him

Abbot's Leigh

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let
2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in
3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - joice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind-ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun-
ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are
guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall

da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through
break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that
nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so

all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.
Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

All And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Almighty God,

All whose love fulfills the law and whose Son is present wherever his people gather: deliver us from resentment, pride, and fear; bring into the light whatever divides us; and cleanse our hearts by your Holy Spirit, that we may speak the truth in love, seek one another in mercy, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW (St Michael's "Mission Statement")

Celebrant Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

THE GLORIA

Deutsche Mass - Gloria

Franz Schubert, adapt. by Richard Proulx

Glo-ry, glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his
peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and
Fa-ther. We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we

The Gloria continues on next page.

praise you for your glo - ry, we praise you for your glo - ry,

Lord, Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world, have

mer-cy on us, You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re-

ceive our pray'r, re - ceive our pray'r. For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord. You a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men. A - men.

Music: *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Schubert, 1797-1828; adapt. by Richard Proulx, © 1985, 1989, GIA Publications, Inc.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose Son has promised to be present wherever his people gather in his Name: give us courage to speak the truth, humility to listen, and love sufficient to seek those from whom we are estranged; that, being reconciled to one another, we may become signs of your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE SERMON (*Please be seated.*)

The Rev'd Shane Scott-Hamblen, ThD

THE FIRST READING: Exodus 12:1-14

Clyde Dodge

Reader A Reading from the book of Exodus.

¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. ⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. ¹⁰You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

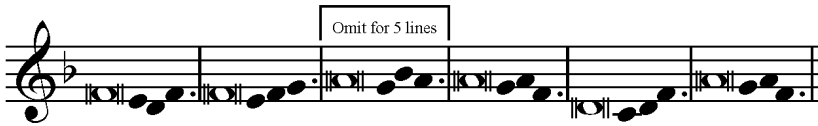
¹⁴This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM: Psalm 149 *(Please stand as able and join in singing.)*

Mode 6



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¹ Alleluia! Sing a new song to the LORD,
his praise in the assembly of the faithful.

² Let Israel rejoice in its Maker;
let Sion's children exult in their king.

³ Let them praise his name with dancing,
and make music with timbrel and harp.

⁴ For the LORD takes delight in his people;
he crowns the poor with salvation.

⁵ Let the faithful exult in glory,
and rejoice as they take their rest.

⁶ Let the praise of God be in their mouths
and a two-edged sword in their hand,

⁷ To deal out vengeance to the nations
and punishment upon the peoples;

⁸ to bind their kings in chains
and their nobles in fetters of iron;

⁹ to carry out the judgment decreed.

This is an honor for all his faithful. Alleluia!

THE SECOND READING: Romans 13:8-14 *(Please be seated.)*

Pat Albers

Reader A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery

and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 18:15-20 (*Please stand as able.*)

Celebrant **+** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, ¹⁵“If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE CREED

Celebrant We believe

People **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.

THE INTERCESSIONS *(Please kneel as able or be seated.)*

Julie Jenkins

Celebrant Let us pray together, trusting that Christ is present wherever his people seek truth, mercy, and reconciliation.

Intervessor For the Church throughout the world: that we may speak the truth without cruelty, receive correction without resentment, and seek the restoration of those from whom we have become estranged.

God of mercy,

All **reconcile us in your love.**

Intervessor For this nation and all entrusted with public authority: that they may resist the seductions of fear and division, protect the vulnerable, and pursue justice with wisdom, honesty, and compassion.

God of mercy,

All **reconcile us in your love.**

Intervessor For peoples divided by warfare, occupation, prejudice, and ancient grievance; for all driven from their homes; and for those who continue the work of peace when reconciliation seems impossible.

God of mercy,

All **reconcile us in your love.**

Intervessor For Newport Beach and Orange County; for our schools, neighborhoods, civic leaders, and first responders; for those without adequate shelter, food, or companionship; and for all who labor quietly for the good of our common life.

God of mercy,

All **reconcile us in your love.**

Intervessor For those who are sick, anxious, exhausted, or in pain; for those awaiting diagnosis or treatment; especially ____, and for all who ache in body, mind, or spirit.

God of mercy,

All **reconcile us in your love.**

Intercessor For those who have died, especially _____; for those who mourn them; and for all whose lives and goodness are known to God alone: that they may rejoice forever in the presence of Christ.

God of mercy,

All **reconcile us in your love.**

Intercessor For what else shall we pray?

Intentions may be offered.

Celebrant Let us pray together.

All **Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.**

THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Let us confess the ways in which we have wounded one another, concealed the truth, or refused the costly work of reconciliation.

Silence is kept.

Merciful God,

All **we confess that we have sinned against you and against one another. We have spoken when we should have listened, remained silent when we should have spoken, nursed resentment, repeated injury, and preferred being right to being reconciled. Forgive what we have done, and what we have left undone. Give us courage to seek those we have wounded, grace to forgive those who have wounded us, and wisdom to walk together in the way of Christ. 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 *(Please stand as able.)*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People exchange signs of peace in the name of the Lord.

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. —1 Peter 4:8

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THE OFFERTORY

O come, ye servants of the Lord (Christopher Tye)

The Eucharistic Prayer *(Please stand as able.)*

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 God thanks and praise.**

It is truly right to praise you, faithful God, for you created us for communion with you and with one another. When your people cried out in bondage, you heard them; you marked their doors with the sign of deliverance and led them from slavery into freedom.

When we hid ourselves from you, you called us by name. When resentment divided us, you sent prophets to speak the truth. When sin held us captive, you did not abandon us to estrangement.

In the fullness of time you sent your Son, Jesus Christ. He sought the lost, welcomed the outcast, confronted the proud, and forgave those who wounded him. Wherever two or three gathered in his Name, he stood among them, opening a way from accusation to mercy, from division to peace, and from death to life.

Therefore, with angels and archangels, with all who have been reconciled in Christ, and with the whole creation, we proclaim your glory:

Deutsche Mass - Sanctus

Franz Schubert, adapt. by Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
 might. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of pow'r and might. Heav - en and earth are
 full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy indeed are you, almighty and merciful God. You created us for communion with you and with one another; and when our faults divided us, you did not abandon the work of your hands. You delivered your people from bondage, established your covenant, and sent prophets to call them back to justice, mercy, and peace.

In the fullness of time you sent your Son, Jesus Christ. He sought the lost, restored the outcast, spoke the truth in love, and reconciled all things through his cross and resurrection.

Therefore, most merciful Father, we humbly pray: receive our praise and thanksgiving, and accept the offering of our lives together with these gifts of bread and wine. Preserve your Church in unity and peace; purify us from pride, resentment, and fear; and make us steadfast in truth and abundant in mercy.

For Jesus loved his own to the end. On the night in which he was betrayed, he gathered at table with friends who would deny him, desert him, and misunderstand him; yet he withheld neither his love nor himself.

He took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you."

After supper, he took the cup; and when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them, saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; It is poured for you and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we remember his life among us, his death upon the cross, his resurrection from the grave, and his promise to make all things new.

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

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine. Make them for us the Body and Blood of Christ, and make us one body in him: truthful without cruelty, merciful without evasion, patient in conflict, and steadfast in love.

Where fellowship has been broken, make us ministers of reconciliation. Where wrong has been concealed, bring it into the light. Where shame has isolated your children, restore them to dignity. Where we have mistaken victory for faithfulness, teach us again the way of the cross.

Deliver your people from every bondage, and teach us to owe no one anything except love. Gather your Church from every nation and language into the communion of all your saints. Bring us at last to the table of your kingdom, where every wound is healed, every division overcome, and all creation rejoices in your eternal peace.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. *Amen.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

All 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, forever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

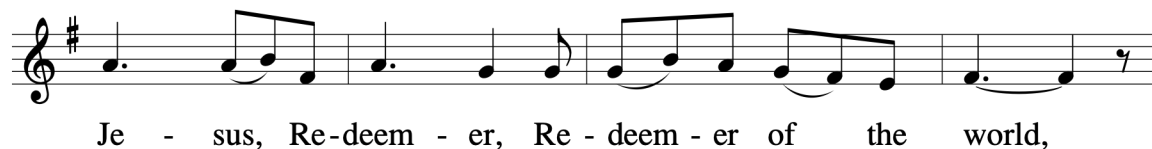
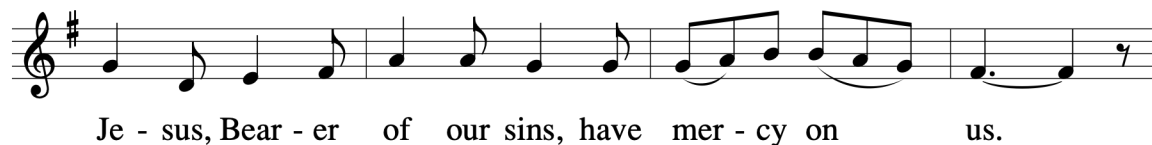
People therefore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE AGNUS DEI

Deutsche Messe – Lamb of God

Franz Schubert, adapt. by Richard Proulx



Everyone is welcome to receive Christ's Body and Blood in our Church. If you do not wish to receive either the bread or the wine, please cross your arms and a short blessing will be said. You are also welcome to intinct the bread into the chalice if you prefer not to drink directly from the chalice. (Though, to be honest, it is fortified with extra alcohol to kill germs. If you don't drink it, the priest must, and then the announcements can get a bit entertaining after Mass.)

Gluten-free wafers are also available upon request.

Congregants worshipping on YouTube or Zoom may say the following:

THE SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

Laudate Dominum (W.A. Mozart)

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *(Please kneel or sit as able.)*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Faithful God,

All **you have gathered us at one altar, and nourished us with the Body and Blood of Christ. Send us now as ministers of reconciliation: give us courage to speak the truth, humility to receive it, and love strong enough to seek one another across every division; that where fellowship has been broken, Christ may be present among us and make us one; in whose holy Name we pray. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Please be seated.)*

THE BENEDICTION *(Please stand as able.)*

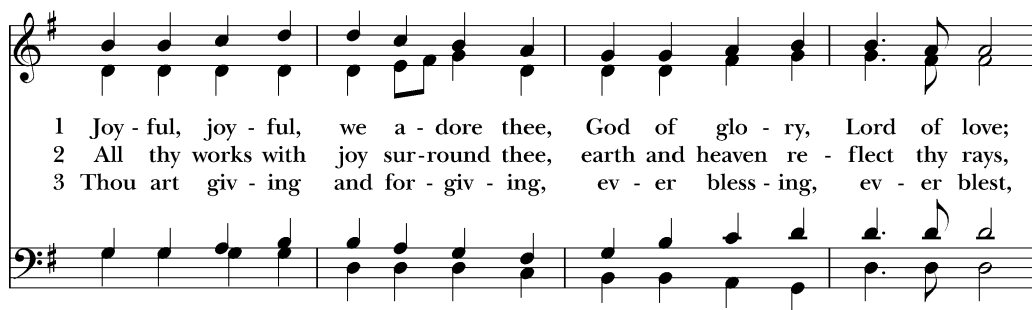
May Christ, who stands among those gathered in his Name, give you courage to speak the truth, humility to listen, grace to forgive, and love strong enough to seek reconciliation; and the blessing of God Almighty, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

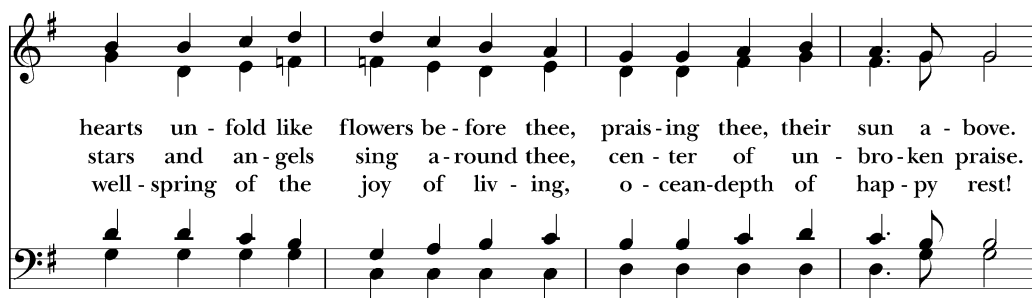
Hymnal 379

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

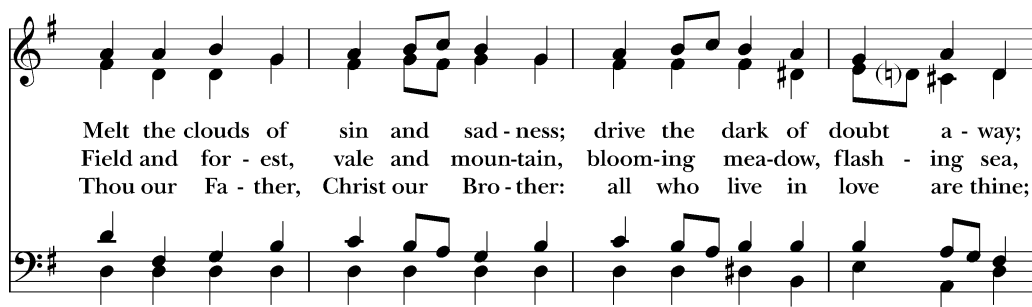
Hymn to Joy



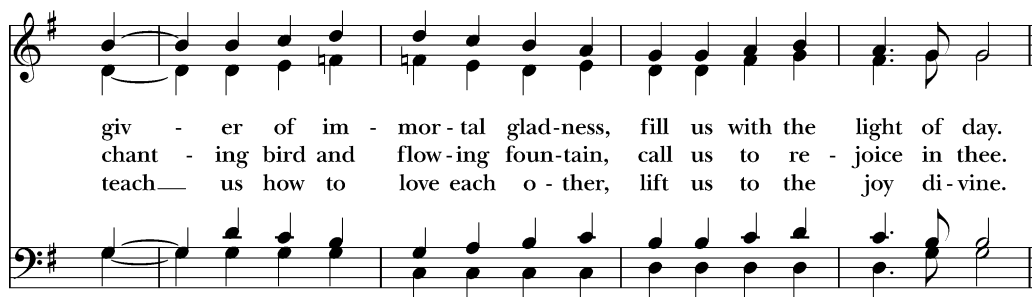
1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;



giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach— us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go in peace to love and serve Our Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

Today's Worship Team

Celebrant and Preacher	The Rev'd Shane Scott-Hamblen, ThD
Choirmaster	Lukas Hasler
Lay Eucharistic Minister: Host	Tom Weller
Lay Eucharistic Minister: Chalice	Clyde Dodge, Julie Jenkins
Acolyte	Tom Weller
Altar Guild	Cathy Dunlap
Flower Guild	TBA
Ushers	Don Sheetz, Jim Palda
We Serve Coffee Team	Beth Bianchi, Anette Johnson
Livestream Host	Clyde Dodge

Godly Play (ages 3-11) — 9:30 am in the Yellow Room

The Holy Bible. Storyteller: Elizabeth Henry & Marjie Blevins.

Contact: Marjie Blevins (blevinsmarjie@gmail.com)

Parish Prayer List

Ann, Barbara, Bonny, Carrie, Corinne, Dennis and Susan, Gregg, Griffin, Joni, Josephine, Lynn, Lynne, Margie, Marlo, Nick, Peggy, Richard, Ruth, Theo, Tom

Prayer requests remain on the list for three weeks unless otherwise requested.

To submit a name to the prayer list contact Beth Bianchi, Stacie Tibbetts, or The Rev'd Dr. Shane Scott-Hamblen.

This Week at St Michael's

Sunday, September 6

9:30 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
11:00 am Choir Rehearsal

Monday, September 7

The church office will be closed for Labor Day.

Tuesday, September 8

8:30 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
9:15 am Coffee & Conversation
10:00 am Lectionary Study
6:00 pm Tuesday Night at Mike's

Wednesday, September 9

3:30 pm Coffee & Conversation
5:00 pm Vestry Meeting

Thursday, September 10

8:30 am Men's Fellowship

Friday, September 11

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry

Sunday, September 13

9:30 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
11:00 am Adult Christian Ed
Commission Meeting
11:00 am Choir Rehearsal

Weekly Finance Update

Sunday, August 30

Weekly Pledge Income	\$1,981
Weekly Other Income	\$1,837
Weekly Budgeted Exp	\$13,921
Net Income(Loss)	(\$10,103)

Attendance

	Sunday Worship	Children and Youth
August 9	52	3
August 16	60	3
August 23	66	0
August 30	70	3

Altar Flowers

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St. Michael's Website

Announcements

Rector's Discretionary Fund

Did you know: St Michael's has a small discretionary fund available for parishioners in need? Contact Fr Shane if you need confidential emergency assistance, or wish to contribute.

St. Michael's Choir welcomes Sean Stanton as Bass Section Leader and Assistant Choirmaster.

Sean Stanton is a singer, educator, conductor, and clinician who serves as Director of Vocal Studies at Chapman University. Sean has appeared with leading American opera companies, including Central City Opera, Opera San Antonio, Opera Southwest, Opera North, Opera on the James, and Opera Steamboat. Performance highlights include a Los Angeles NATS Chapter-sponsored recital of Schubert's *Winterreise*, J. S. Bach's *Ich habe genug* (BWV 82) with the St. Paul's Chamber Orchestra in Philadelphia, and a featured appearance in *An Evening with Willa Cather* as part of the Library Foundation of Los Angeles' ALOUD series. He was also a 2025 and 2026 Artist with Berkshire Choral International. Continue reading on our website at <https://stmikescdm.org/news/>

Reflection on the Season of Creation

September has a particular energy in the life of a congregation. After the quieter rhythms of summer, people return from vacations, choirs gather again, committees rediscover their calendars, and parish halls fill with sign-up sheets and ministry fairs. There is something wonderfully familiar about it all: the sense that we are coming home to one another and taking our places again in the shared life of the church.

We are a household: a community in which every person has gifts to offer, every person has something to receive, and all of us share responsibility for tending the life God has entrusted to us. So as another program year begins, perhaps the best stewardship question is not simply, "What will I sign up for?" but something deeper: What has God entrusted to my care this year? A ministry? A relationship? A community need? A corner of Creation?

Whatever the answer, September offers us a chance to come home again: to God's household, to one another, and to the joyful work of tending what we have been given.

*J. Davey Gerhard, Executive Director
TENS, The Episcopal Network for Stewardship*

Living Generously | Matthew 18:15–20

Jesus' teaching about conflict reminds us that a congregation is something entrusted to our care. Relationships don't remain healthy by accident; they require honesty, courage, patience, forgiveness, and the willingness to remain in conversation when walking away would be easier.

At the beginning of a new program year, Matthew 18 offers a useful reminder that stewardship is about more than what we give to the church—it is also about how we tend the community we have been given. The question for a congregation might be: What practices help us become a household where truth can be spoken, reconciliation can be sought, and people can remain in relationship even when things are difficult?



**ST. MICHAEL
& ALL ANGELS**

Join the Reader & Chalice Team

Training with Fr. Shane

 **Sunday, Sept 13** |  Shortly after the service

We are looking for more parishioners to join our Reader & Chalice team. Serving as a reader or chalice bearer is a rewarding and necessary ministry of worship, welcome, and service.

All are welcome.

Sunday, September 27: United Thank Offering (UTO) Ingathering

As we prepare for the Feast of Saint Michael and All Angels on September 27, we invite you to return your United Thank Offering (UTO) Blue Box or make your UTO donation. Every gift, no matter the size, is a tangible expression of gratitude for God's blessings and helps support innovative mission and ministry projects throughout The Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion. Thank you for sharing your blessings and helping bring hope to communities near and far.

Sunday, September 27: St Michael's Day “Mass for Troubled Times”

For the Feast of St Michael and All Angels, our Sunday morning liturgy will feature *Missa in Angustiis* (“Nelson Mass”) by Joseph Haydn. Composed in 1798 during a time of political uncertainty in Europe, Haydn’s *Missa in Angustiis* (“Mass for Troubled Times”) reflects both tension and hope. The work later became associated with Battle of the Nile and the victory of British Admiral Horatio Nelson, from which it gained its popular name, the Nelson Mass. Widely regarded as one of Haydn’s greatest sacred works, the Mass is notable for its dramatic intensity, powerful choral writing, and brilliant interplay between soloists and orchestra.

Sunday, November 8: A Service of Remembrance and Hope for All Souls' Sunday

On All Souls’ Sunday, the St Michael’s Choir, orchestra, and organ will present *Lux Aeterna* by Morton Lauridsen. Composed in 1997, *Lux Aeterna* is one of Lauridsen’s best-known works and has become a cornerstone of the modern choral repertoire. Lauridsen selected texts from the Latin liturgy that focus on the themes of light, rest, and eternal peace. Written in memory of his mother, the work draws inspiration from the Gregorian chant tradition while combining it with Lauridsen’s distinctive contemporary harmonic language.

Godly Play: Going Bongos for Jesus!

St Michael’s is getting a brand-new beat! Thanks to Dr. Robert Weathers, our children will learn to play the bongos on **the last Sunday of every month**. It's a joyful, creative way to make music, have fun, and explore faith together—and, as St. Thomas Aquinas reminds us, eutrapelia, or wholesome play and recreation, is an important part of a healthy spiritual life. For more information, contact the church office!

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Office Hours:

Monday	9:00 am to Noon
Tuesday	9:00 am to Noon
Wednesday	9:00 am to Noon
Thursday	9:00 am to Noon
Friday	Closed

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Jim Headley, *Growth and Membership*

Elizabeth Henry, *Hospitality and Godly Play*

Jamie Mead, *Building Project / Real Estate*

Doug Neff, *Treasurer*

Tom Nicholson, *Building Project / Real Estate*

Adult Christian Education and Small Discussion Groups

Tuesday Night at Mike's

Tuesdays at 6:00 pm on Zoom

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83452513125>

Meeting ID: 834 2976 3754 / Passcode: none

Contact: [Beth Bianchi](#)

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Fridays at 10:00 am

Please join us as we knit or crochet and pray!

Contact: Julie Jenkins at 949-244-7103

Men's Fellowship

Thursdays at 8:30 am in Michael's Room

Currently reading *Days of Awe and Wonder:*

How to Be a Christian in the Twenty-first Century

by Marcus J. Borg.

Contact: Kim Montgomery

Sunday Worship Livestream

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@smaacdm/>

Zoom: <https://bit.ly/stmikessunday2023>

Meeting ID: 912 3096 9532

Passcode: cdm080100!

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