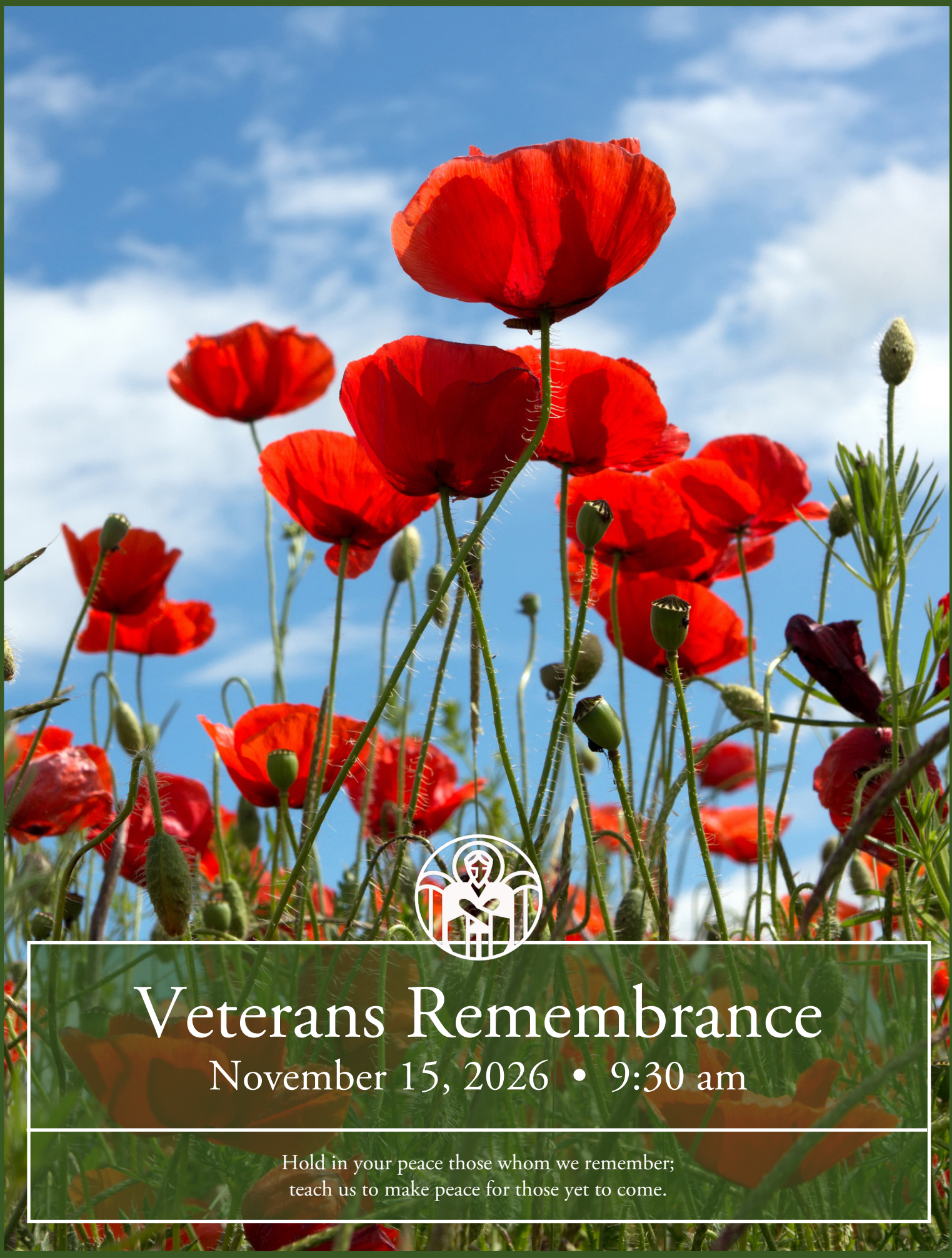


Veterans Remembrance

November 15, 2026 • 9:30 am

Hold in your peace those whom we remember;
teach us to make peace for those yet to come.

Welcome to St. Michael & 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!

Visiting Us for the First Time?

Please speak with an usher and ask for a visitor card. We'd love to know how you found us, make you feel at home, and keep in touch for future events at St. Michael's. You may write a prayer request on the back of the card. And we will never spam you.

Take This Bulletin Home!

The bulletin you're holding is your handy roadmap to what's happening here over the next few months. Take one home, put it on the fridge, and let it remind you of all the good things coming up!

Flowers for the Altar

Each Sunday, members of the congregation may sponsor altar flowers, chapel flowers, and the sanctuary light 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

Please stand as able.

THE INTROIT HYMN

Hymnal 718 *God of our fathers, whose almighty hand* *National Hymn*



THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant God of holiness and peace,

All **before whom every heart lies open: cleanse our thoughts by your Holy Spirit, quiet the strife within us, and awaken us to your presence; that we may worship you in truth, and serve one another in love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.**

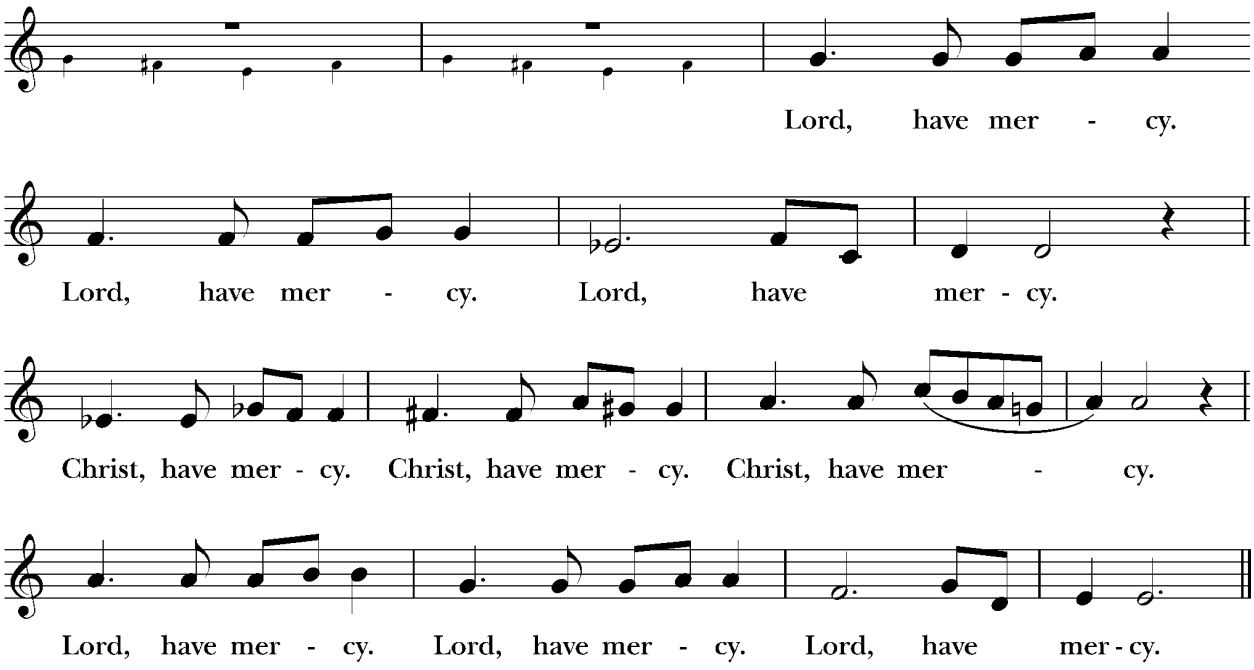
THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW (*St. Michael's "Mission Statement"*)

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 KYRIE

Hymnal S-98 *Lord, have mercy upon us.* *Mathias*



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

On this Day of Remembrance we come, O Lord, in gratitude for all who have died that we might live, for all who endured pain that we might know joy, for all who suffered imprisonment that we might know freedom. Turn our deep feeling now into determination, and our determination into deed, that as they died for peace, we may live for peace for the sake of the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

THE SERMON *The Rev'd Shane Scott-Hamblen, ThD*

THE FIRST READING: Judges 4:1-7 *Jackie Dodd*

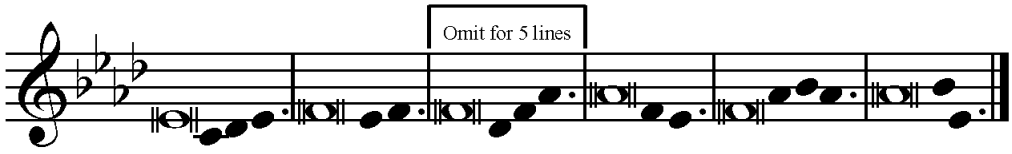
Reader A Reading from the book of Judges.

1 The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, after Ehud died. 2 So the
LORD sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the
commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. 3 Then the Israelites
cried out to the LORD for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had
oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.
4 At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. 5 She used
to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of
Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. 6 She sent and summoned Barak
son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The LORD, the God of
Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from
the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. 7 I will draw out Sisera, the general of
Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will
give him into your hand.' "

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able and join in singing.

THE PSALM: Psalm 123 *Mode 8*



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1 To you I lift up my eyes,
O you who are enthroned in the heavens!
2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,
as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes look to the LORD our God,
until he has mercy upon us.

3 Have mercy upon us, O LORD,
have mercy upon us,
for we have had more than enough of contempt.
4 Our soul has had more than its fill
of the scorn of those who are at ease,
of the contempt of the proud.

Please be seated.

THE SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 *Corinne Stover*

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

1 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have
anything written to you. 2 For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will
come like a thief in the night. 3 When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden
destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and
there will be no escape! 4 But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise
you like a thief; 5 for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the
night or of darkness. 6 So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and
be sober; 7 for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night.
8 But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and
love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. 9 For God has destined us not for wrath but
for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for us, so that whether
we are awake or asleep we may live with him. 11 Therefore encourage one another and
build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able.

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30

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

14 Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven will be as when a man, going on a journey,
summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them;15 to one he gave five talents, to
another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. 16 The
one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made
five more talents. 17 In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more
talents. 18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the
ground and hid his master's money. 19 After a long time the master of those slaves came
and settled accounts with them. 20 Then the one who had received the five talents came
forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents;
see, I have made five more talents.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and
trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of
many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 22 And the one with the two talents also
came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two
more talents.' 23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have
been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the
joy of your master.' 24 Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward,
saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and
gathering where you did not scatter seed; 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent
in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' 26 But his master replied, 'You wicked and
lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did
not scatter? 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my
return I would have received what was my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from
him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 29 For to all those who have, more will be
given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what
they have will be taken away. 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer
darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

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

Please kneel as able or be seated.

THE INTERCESSIONS *Melinda Rader*

Intercessor God of peace, we remember with gratitude all who served in the armed forces, and all whose lives were ended or altered by war. May our

remembrance bear fruit in justice, and our gratitude become a commitment to peace.

Lord, in your mercy:

All **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Guide your Church to bear faithful witness to Christ: to stand beside the oppressed, to speak truth without hatred, and to seek reconciliation without abandoning justice.

Lord, in your mercy:

All **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Give wisdom and restraint to those who govern, and courage to those who make peace. Protect civilians, captives, and refugees; turn the hearts of those who profit from violence, and bring an end to war.

Lord, in your mercy:

All **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Watch over those serving in the armed forces, and all who enter danger to protect or rescue others. Sustain their families through separation and uncertainty, and bring them safely home.

Lord, in your mercy:

All **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Draw near to veterans who carry wounds seen and unseen, to those haunted by memory, and to those who find themselves strangers at home. Give them understanding companions, skilled care, and a community in which they belong.

Lord, in your mercy:

All **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Comfort the sick, the lonely, and all who have lost hope. Make us attentive to suffering, and ready to help. We pray for those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts.

A moment of silence is observed.

Lord, in your mercy:

All **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Receive into your peace all who have died, those we shall name today, and those whom no one remembers. Hold them in your everlasting love, and comfort all who grieve.

Lord, in your mercy:

All **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For what else shall we pray?

The congregation is invited to offer intentions aloud or in silence.

Celebrant Let us pray together.

All **God of mercy, receive our prayers, and make us faithful in the work they ask of us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE NECROLOGY

Jerry Alston, Leader (U.S. Army)
Bill Bailey (U.S. Navy)
Donald Bailey (U.S. Marine Corps)
J.G. Harry Bubb, Lieutenant (U.S. Navy)
Curtis W. Bunting, Captain (U.S. Navy)
Mark Fairman Bunting, Captain (U.S. Navy)
John de Lorimier, Captain (U.S. Army Air Corps)
Clyde A. Dodge, Jr., Lieutenant Commander (U.S. Navy)
Thomas James Dunlap, Colonel (U.S. Air Force)
John Dupuy, Soldier (U.S. Army)
Jerry Eastmark, Specialist (U.S. Army)
Edwin Evans, Commander (U.S. Navy)
Norman Ewers, Colonel (U.S. Marine Corps)
Norman Harris, Captain (U.S. Army)
Thomas E. Harrison, III, Sailor (U.S. Navy)
James Russell Hughes, Major (U.S. Marine Corps)
Rev. Hugo Leinberger, Chaplain (U.S. Navy)
Ruth Leinberger, Lieutenant Commander (U.S. Navy)
Robert M. Loeb, Lieutenant Colonel (U.S. Army)
Dan MacGregor (U.S. Navy)
Frederick C. Maddox, (U.S. Coast Guard)
Mark Mansfield (Canadian Military)
Larry L. Meyer (U.S. Air Force)
John Elmer Pehrson, Jr., Private First Class (U.S. Army)
Donald Reilly, Major (U.S. Marine Corps)
Joe David Sanders, Soldier (U.S. Marine Corps)
Milton Schultz, Rear Admiral (U.S. Navy)
Charles Rochat Scott, Captain (U.S. Air Force)
Michael Gregory Scott, Airman (U.S. Air Force)
Charles R. Spence, SSgt.
Charles A. Spence, SSgt.
Allan Taylor Stover, Private First Class (U.S. Army)
William Anthony Weathers, Medic (U.S. Army)
Richard Anton Zevnik, Second Lieutenant (U.S. Army Air Corps)

Please observe a solemn silence.

'Taps' is played for their rest and 'Reveille' is played for their resurrection.

Celebrant They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them.

THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God, whose mercy is greater than our fear.

Silence.

All **Merciful God, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word, and deed. We have cherished resentments, turned away from suffering, and left undone the work of peace. Forgive us, and free us from the fear that closes our hearts. Give us courage to seek reconciliation, and grace to use your gifts for the good of others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant With gratitude for those who gave of themselves, let us offer our gifts and our lives to Christ, that the peace we pray for may take flesh in us.

Please be seated.

THE OFFERTORY

O vos omnes (Henrique Carlos Corrêa)

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Please stand as able.

The Eucharistic Prayer



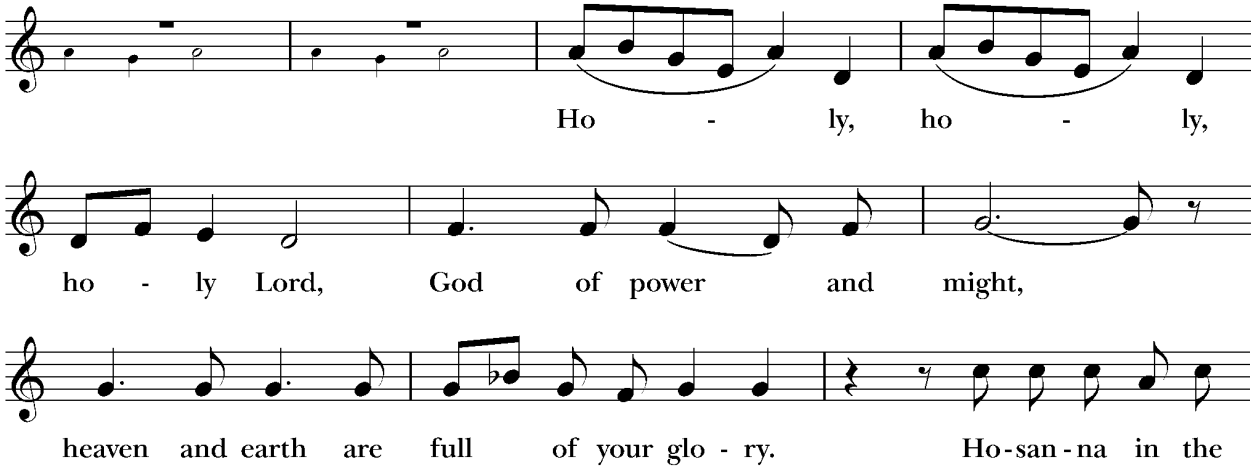
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

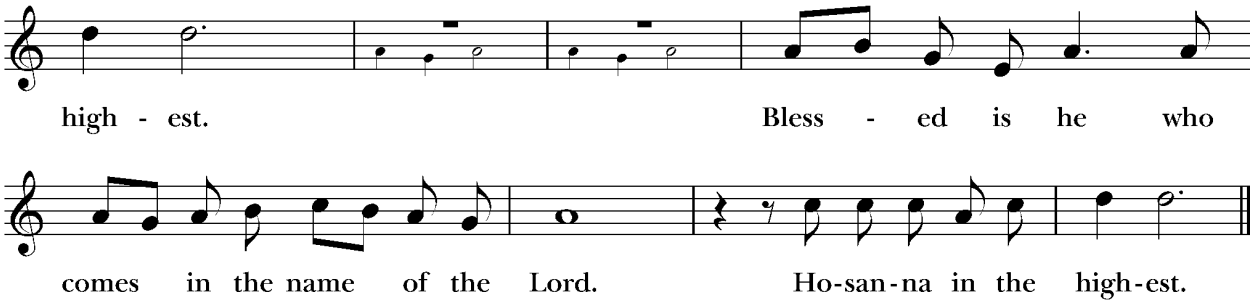
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

Hymnal S-128 *Holy, holy, holy Lord* *Mathias*



The Sanctus continues on next page.



Holy Father, creator of all, you made us in your image, and called us to live in love. When we turned against one another, you did not abandon us. Through your prophets you summoned us to justice, and promised a day when the nations would learn war no more.

In Jesus Christ your Son, you came among us as a servant, bearing our griefs and gathering the outcast. He loved his enemies, prayed for those who wounded him, and offered himself upon the cross for the life of the world. You raised him from the dead, and in him have called us out of darkness into your marvelous light.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

"Take, eat: this is my Body, which is broken for you."

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command:

All **We recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.**

Father, as we remember Christ, we offer you these gifts of bread and wine, and with them our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and that we, nourished by his life, may become one body in him.

Clothe us with faith and love, and sustain us in the hope of salvation. Give us courage to defend the vulnerable, patience to heal what is broken, and perseverance to build a just and lasting peace.

Remember in your mercy all who have died in war, those whose service we honor, and those whose names are known to you alone. Heal the wounds the living carry, comfort all who mourn, and gather the departed into your peace.

Bring us, with St. Michael, St. Mary, and all your saints, to that day when hatred shall cease, every tear be wiped away, and all your children dwell together in your light.

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

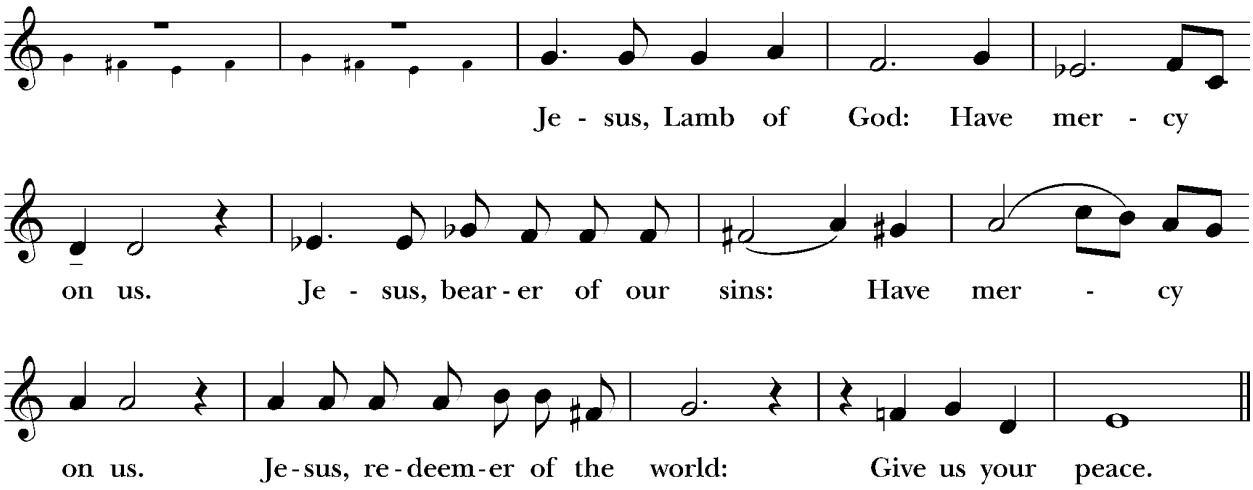
Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People **Though we are many, we are One Body, because we all share in one bread.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE AGNUS DEI

Hymnal S-165 *Jesus, Lamb of God* *Mathias*



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 worshiping 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 MUSIC

Drop, drop, slow tears (Orlando Gibbons)

Please kneel or sit as able.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *written by Fr. Bede Jarrett*

Celebrant Let us pray.

We seem to give them back to you, O God, who gave them to us. Yet as you did not lose them in giving, so we do not lose them by their return. Not as the world gives, do you give, O lover of souls. What you give, you never take away, for what is yours is ours also if we are yours. And life is eternal and love is immortal, and death is only an horizon, and an horizon is nothing save the limit of our sight. Lift us up, strong Son of God, that we may see further; cleanse our eyes that we may see more clearly; draw us closer to yourself that we may know ourselves to be nearer to all our loved ones who are with you. And while you prepare a place for us, prepare us also for that happy place, that where you are we may be also for evermore. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

All **Go forth upon your journey, Christian soul!**
Go from this world!
Go in the name of God the Omnipotent Father who created you!
Go in the name of Jesus Christ, Our Lord, Son of the living God, who bled for you!
Go in the name of the Holy Spirit, who has been poured out on you!
And may your place today be found in peace.
And may your dwelling be the Holy Mount of Sion,
through the same, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as able.

THE BENEDICTION

May the Lord support us all the day long of this troublous life, till the shades lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in His mercy, may He give us a safe lodging and a holy rest, and peace at the last. And the blessing of God Almighty, ✚ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace.
People **And Rise in Glory!**
Celebrant Let us go in peace to love and serve our Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

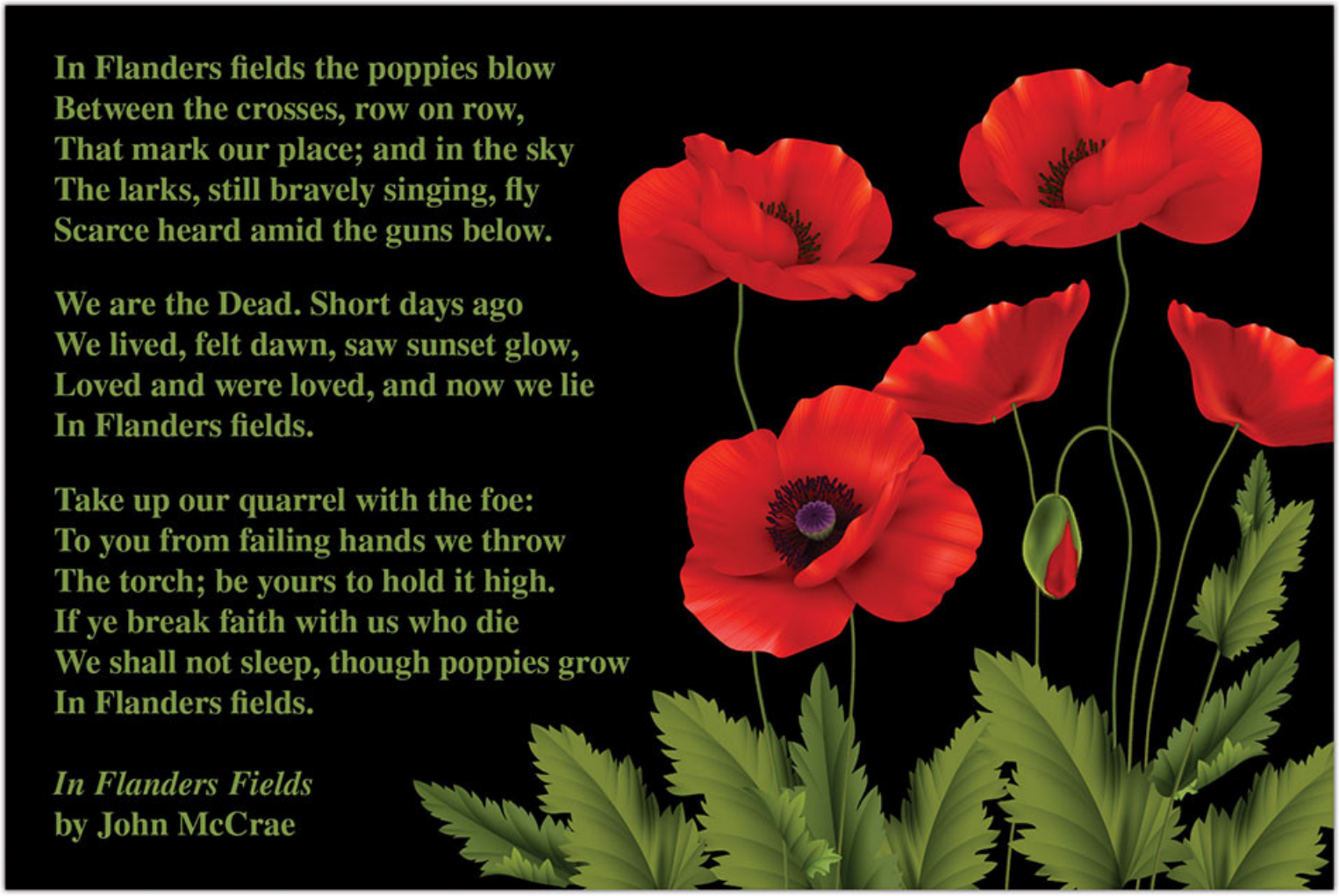
I vow to thee, my country

Text by
Cecil Spring-Rice

Melody by Gustav Holst
arr. Paul Anthony Hayward
(2011)



This piece may be readily printed, copied and performed without charge.


In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.
Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.
In Flanders Fields
by John McCrae

Today's Worship Team

Celebrant and Preacher	The Rev'd Shane Scott-Hamblen, ThD
Choirmaster	Lukas Hasler
Trumpet	Cyrus Alva
Lay Eucharistic Minister: Host	Colette Spence
Lay Eucharistic Minister: Chalice	Jackie Dodd, Melinda Rader
Acolyte	Colette Spence
Altar Guild	Jim Palda
Flower Guild	Gail Haghjoo
Ushers	Richard Delorimier, Ali Haghjoo
We Serve Coffee Team	Elizabeth Henry, Clyde Dodge, Michael Strong
Livestream Host	Kim Montgomery

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

Story of the Prophet Daniel. Storyteller: Kristy Kiper, Jan Cannan.

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.

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This Week at St. Michael's

Sunday, November 15
Veterans Remembrance Sunday
9:30 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
11:00 am Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 17
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, November 18
3:30 pm Coffee & Conversation

Thursday, November 19
8:30 am Men's Fellowship

Friday, November 20
10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry

Sunday, November 22
Last Sunday after Pentecost (Christ the King)
9:30 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
11:00 am Choir Rehearsal
11:00 am Sunday Conversations

Weekly Finance Update

Sunday, November 8

Weekly Pledge Income	$6,781
Weekly Other Income	$14,895
Weekly Budgeted Exp	$13,921
Net Income(Loss)	$7,755

Attendance

	Sunday Worship	Children and Youth
October 18	55	2
October 25	57	4
November 1	64	1
November 8	122	3

Altar Flowers

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Save the Date

Mark your calendars for these coming events at St. Michael's:

- **Advent Choral Evensong** - December 13 at 4:00 pm
- **Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist** - Thursday, December 24 at 5:00 pm
- **Christmas Morning Holy Eucharist** - Friday, December 25 at 9:30 am

Announcements

Christmas Eve Hospitality Volunteers Needed

Can you lend a hand after our 5:00 pm Christmas Eve service? We're looking for at least two volunteers to help serve refreshments and clean up afterward. The Hospitality Team will have everything prepared and ready to go—we just need a few helping hands to make it happen! Your help will allow everyone to enjoy fellowship while still getting home to celebrate with their families. Thank you for sharing a little Christmas spirit! For more info, contact Elizabeth Henry <eevanshenry@yahoo.com> or Gail Haghjoo <gail.haghjoo@gmail.com>

TODAY: Sunday, November 15
Sunday Conversations Forum
Behind the Purple Curtain: The Uncollared Insider



Bishops, power, personalities, and the peculiar workings of the Episcopal Church.

What does it take to become a bishop? Who really makes the decisions in the Episcopal Church? And how does someone without a clerical collar find himself helping shape its leadership? Join Thomas Diaz for an engaging and occasionally humorous look behind the scenes of Episcopal Church leadership. With a background in theological formation, pastoral ministry, and counseling psychology, Thomas brings a distinctive perspective shaped by years of parish, diocesan, and churchwide service. He currently serves as Chair of the Diocese of Los Angeles Deputation to the 2027 General Convention and Chair of the Bishop's Commission on LGBTQ+ Ministry. He has also co-chaired the diocesan Bishop Search Committee and served on the churchwide Joint Nominating Committee for the Election of the Presiding Bishop. Drawing on these experiences, Thomas will explore the fascinating intersection of faith, institutional power, human relationships, and the sometimes surprising realities of how the Episcopal Church actually works—all from the perspective of someone who has spent considerable time at the table without ever wearing a collar.

Living Generously | Matthew 25:14–30

The most revealing words in the parable of the talents come from the third servant: "I was afraid." He buries what has been entrusted to him, protecting it from loss but preventing it from accomplishing anything. By the standards of institutional preservation, he's succeeded: nothing lost, nothing changed, nothing risked.

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$100,000	$250/month	$417/month	$583/month	$833/month
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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
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 *Ludwig Wittgenstein: Philosophy in the Age of Airplanes* by Anthony Gottlieb.
Contact: Kim Montgomery

Sunday Worship Livestream
YouTube:
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Zoom: https://bit.ly/stmikessunday2023
Meeting ID: 912 3096 9532
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