

Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost Celebration Sunday November 19, 2023 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist II

We are glad you have chosen to join us today as we worship God together. Thank you for silencing your cell phone and wearing a name tag. Single use name tags are available on the welcome table in the Gathering Space, along with name tag request forms. If this is your first time visiting, you have a prayer request, or you would like to get more connected, please fill out a pew card and place it in the offertory plate or the black box on the welcome table in the Gathering Space. Our Nursery, located on the lower level, is open today from 7:45 AM - 12:00 PM for children 5 and under. The Bible we are using to proclaim the Gospel is The Saint John's Bible, Heritage Edition, and you can learn more about the Bible at stmikeschurch.com/bible. We hope you have a blessed day and week ahead.

**Special Guests** Amy Mushall and J. Chang-Tablada

#### Prelude

### **Opening Hymn**

"All hail the power of Jesus' name"

Hymn 450

- 1. All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!
- 2. Crown him, ye martyrs of our God, who from his altar call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!
- 3. Hail him, the Heir of David's line, whom David Lord did call, the God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all!

- 4. Ye heirs of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
- 5. Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall, go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!
- Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

### **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

People

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.

Benedictus es, Domine

Glory to you, most Holy Lord God; \*
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \*
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \*
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \*
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you, beholding the depths; \*
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

### The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

# Children are invited to attend Children's Chapel at this time (10:30 AM Service)

Children will return during The Peace

# A Reading from the Book of Judges (4:1-7)

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. 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. 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.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. 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. 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. 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.

To you I lift up my eyes, \*
to you enthroned in the heavens.
As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, \*
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
So our eyes look to the Lord our God, \*
until he show us his mercy.
Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, \*
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, \*
and of the derision of the proud.

# A Reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians (5:1-11)

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. 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! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. 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. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. 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.

**Gospel Acclamation** 

"Celtic Alleluia"

My Heart Sings Out 20

#### The Gospel

Celebrant

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew (25:14-30)

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. 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.' 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.' 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.' 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.' 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; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' 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? 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. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 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. 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.

Gospel Acclamation "Celtic Alleluia" My Heart Sings Out 20

Sermon The Rev. Matt Holcombe

Meditation & Reflection (both services)

"You will be found"

Natalie Grant

Even when the dark comes crashing through, when you need a friend to carry you, and when you're broken on the ground, you will be found.

So let the sun come streaming in, 'cuz you'll reach up and you'll rise again, lift your head and look around; you will be found.

### The Nicene Creed

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 358

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.

# The Prayers of the People Form VI

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 392

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world; and especially for the victims and their families

suffering gun violence, and those at war;

People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

*People* For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the truth.

Leader: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Kym, our Bishop, our Clergy; and for all bishops and other

ministers;

People For all who serve God in the Church.

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. For the sick and suffering, especially:

Carol, Carolyn, Charles, Darlene, Dave, Debbie, G.G., Gerry, Hugh, Jaan, Jared, Jim P., Joe, Karen, Laura, Linda, Mark, Marne, Noah, Peg, Roe, Steve, Wolf, Zoee, and those we pray for

during our Wednesday Healing Service.

Prayers being offered at Wednesday Healing Service for:

Alice, Arlene, Autume, Barbara B., Barbara M., Bobbie, Bryce, Caleb, Carol, Cathleen, Chelsea, Cheryl, Chris, Christopher C., Christopher W., Courtney, Craig, Danielle, Darek, Dave, Debra G., Dennis B., Derik, Diana, Diane A., Edd, Ethel, Greg, Hunter, Ian, Jan, Ji-bril, Joe, Jonathan, Judy, Kalob, Kaelin, Kristen, Landon, Laura D., Laura J., Leona, Marlene, Marne, Mateo, Megan, Michael, Micki, Miles, Millie, Molly, Nancy, Natalie, Oriana, Peg, Peter, Peyton, Phil, Randy, Rich, Ross, Russell, Sara W., Sarah R., Scott, Sharon D., Sharon G., Sherry W., Spence, Steve, Sue, Ted, Terri, Tripp, Valerie, Wolf, Zoee.

To add or update a prayer request, use this form online: https://www.stmikeschurch.com/prayer-request or email Diane Dennison at diane@stmikeschurch.com or call 719-598-3244.

Leader For the deployed and those serving around the world: Tyler, Anton, Thomas, Dallas, Brian,

Alexander & Jason. Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for those celebrating birthdays this

week: Patti H., Wanda B., Patty H., Linda K., Emily K., Diane V., Maurice G., Liz V., Daryl H., Christa D., Brandy M., Kristen P., Lee R.; and those with anniversaries: Diane & John Wilhite, Cliff & Wanda Berthelot, Jaan & Terry Raamot; and for those expecting: Kate D., Roxy S., and

Kristin P. We will exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader We pray for all who have died, especially Sharon Brown, niece of Margaret Miller and Catherine

Dailey, sister of Rick Couch; and we remember the victims of the Club Q shooting on this first

anniversary, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom; Lord, let your

loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

Leader The flowers on the altar are given in thanksgiving of Marty Swartwout's 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday by her

daughter, Mary Beth Shively.

Celebrant Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords

with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us

for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Please kneel in body or spirit)

### The Confession

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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)

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### Announcements

Digital Offering (To make a one-time contribution to St. Michael's or to pay your pledge online;)

Text the word GIVE to 719-223-3446, and follow the secure link.

Scan the QR code using your phone's camera. 2.

> "Grateful" by Tom Tomaszek, arr. Sarah Hart

# The Doxology

Offertory

(8:00 AM Service Spoken) Hymn 400 vs. 7 (10:30AM Service Sung)

All things come of thee O Lord. Celebrant Let all things their creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, People And of thine own have we given thee.

> O praise him, Alleluia! Praise God the Father, praise the Son, And praise the Spirit, Three in One: O praise him, O praise him,

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

# The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 361

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.

Celebrant It is a right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father

Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. (Here a Proper Preface is said)

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 (10:30 AM sung) S129

> Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

(You may remain standing or kneel)

#### Celebrant

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:

### People

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

#### Celebrant

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.** 

#### Celebrant

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

### The Lord's Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 364

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.

# The Breaking of the Bread

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 364

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
 People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.
 Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to receive communion at St. Michael's. At the altar rail, you may kneel or stand, and place one hand in the other, like a manger or bowl. Once you receive the bread, you may consume it, or wait for the cup. When the wine comes to you, you may dip (intinct) your wafer into the wine and then consume it and return to your pew. If you would like to sip from the common cup, please assist the chalice bearers by guiding the chalice to your lips with one hand. If you would like to receive a blessing only, simply cross your arms in an x form across your chest and a priest will offer you a blessing.

**Celiac friendly:** Please come to the left side (as you face the altar) and let the clergy know if you would like to receive a gluten free host and wine.

# **Communion Hymns**

# "Let us break bread together on our knees"

Hymn 325

- 1. Let us break bread together on our knees; when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.
- 2. Let us drink wine together on our knees; when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.
- 3. Let us praise God together on our knees; when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

### "I am the bread of life"

Hymn 335

- 1. I am the bread of life; they who come to me shall not hunger; they who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father draw them.
  - Refrain:

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them up on the last day.

2. The Bread that I will give is my Flesh for the life of the world, and they who eat of this bread, they shall live for ever.

Refrain

- 3. Unless you eat of the Flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his Blood, you shall not have life within you. Refrain
- 4. I am the resurrection,
  I am the life.
  They who believe in me,
  even if they die,
  they shall live for ever.
  Refrain
- 5. Yes, Lord, we believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God who has come into the world. *Refrain*

# Lay Eucharistic Visitor Sending

When present, Eucharistic Visitors are commissioned to carry the Consecrated Gifts of Holy Communion to those who are unable, due to illness or impairment, to join us for Sunday services.

Celebrant: In the name of God and this community, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

(Please kneel in body or spirit)

# Post Communion Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

People

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 of Pledges and Commitments

# Final Blessing

Closing Hymn "People of God" VF 109

 People of God, gather together, come, let us sing on this glorious day. Shouting abroad praise to the Maker, come and with body and soul let us pray.

> Refrain: Come, let us join in the heavenly dance, praising in joyous celebration.

 Hearing God's word, heeding the message, come and rejoice as we answer the call.
 With one accord, made in God's image, come in community, welcoming all.
 Refrain

- 3. Bearing your gifts, enter God's presence; come, let us share in the heavenly feast.

  Mending all rifts, healing divisions, come and from sorrows and hurts be released.

  Refrain
- 4. Women and men, harmony blending, come, swell the chorus in loving accord. Raising again thanks never ending, come to the God who is Wisdom and Word. Refrain

### Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

### Postlude

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### **Upcoming Events & New Announcements:**

Today, Sunday, November 19, 2023:
Celebration Sunday
Newcomers Class - 9:15 AM
Family Sunday School - 9:15 AM
BeYou! - 6:00 - 8:00 PM
Vestry Person of the Day - Andrew Laffely

**Light Build Days for Light Festival** – Select Days through December 2

**Church Office Closed** – Wednesday, November 22, & Thursday, November 23 (Healing Service at noon on Wednesday will still take place.)

Thanksgiving Day Potluck – Thursday, November 23, 2:00 PM RSVP

**Adopt-a-Nativity** – Sunday, November 26, 9:15 AM (Intergenerational)

Advent Festival – Sunday, December 3, 9:15 AM (Intergenerational)

"Elf" at the Fine Arts Center – Wednesday, December 6 (\$30 per ticket) RSVP

Youth Group Christmas Party – Wednesday, December 6, 6:00 – 8:00 PM RSVP

Advent Retreat – Saturday, December 9, 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM RSVP

**Christmas Light Festival** – December 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Sense-ational Journey to Bethlehem – Sunday, December 10, 9:15 AM (Intergenerational)

Blue Christmas Service – December 14, 7:00 PM

Christmas Pageant - Sunday, December 17, 10:30 AM

Shine Bright Show with J. Chang-Tablada – Saturday, December 23, 6:30 PM

Christmas Eve Services – Sunday, December 24, 2023
Family Service, 4:00 PM
Traditional Service, 7:00 PM
Midnight Service, 11:00 PM

Christmas Day Service – Monday, December 25, 10:00 AM

A Service for a New Year – Sunday, December 31, 10:00 AM

RSVP to www.stmikeschurch.com/signup