

Sixth Sunday of Easter May 22, 2022 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist II

Prelude

"Prelude in C major, BWV 547"

by J. S. Bach

Opening Hymn

"All creatures of our God and King"

Hymn #400, verses 1-4

- All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us sing: Alleluia, alleluia!
 Bright burning sun with golden beams, pale silver moon that gently gleams, O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2. Great rushing winds and breezes soft, you clouds that ride the heavens aloft, O praise him, Alleluia!
 Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice, stars nightly shining, find a voice, O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3. Swift flowing water, pure and clear, make music for your Lord to hear, Alleluia, alleluia!

 Fire, so intense and fiercely bright, you give to us both warmth and light, O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4. Dear mother earth, you day by day unfold your blessings on our way, O praise him, Alleluia! All flowers and fruits that in you grow, let them his glory also show: O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ has risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.

The Gloria Hymn S280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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

Children will return during The Peace

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (16:9-15)

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in

purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

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

Psalm 67

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 675

Deus misereatur

May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth her increase; *
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

May God give us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

A Reading from the Book of Revelation (21:10, 22-22:5)

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

"Celtic Alleluia"

The Gospel

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John (John 5:1-9)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

"Celtic Alleluia"

Sermon The Rev. Matt Holcombe

Meditation "Creation Sings the Father's Song" by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend

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 IV

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 389

Leader Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for those caught in harm's way around the world, specifically those in Ukraine and Russia. We pray for the deployed and those serving in the military: Tyler, John, Logan, Corey, Garrett, Antoine, Daniel, Thomas, Rick, Ben, and Carson. Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

O God, the earth is thirsty for rain and we wait for you to refresh the land and all its creatures, the rivers and lakes, the crops and gardens. Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We pray for those with birthdays this week in our community: Diane D, Vicki L, Sarah Beth S, Mark W, Michael L, Jaan R, Sarah W, Ned B, Betty B, Bob C, Daniel D, Karlyn G, Charlotte M, and those with anniversaries: Steve & Cindy Carr, Jane & Mark Borchert, Terry & Net Bryan, Dave & Susan Futey, and Peggy & Stephen Toldy. The altar flowers this week are given in Thanksgiving for their anniversary by Dave & Susan Futey. Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; Tom, Laura, Lily, Jordan, Carolyn, Joy, Ron, Beverly, Cathleen, Kalob, Bob, Sue, Jeff, and those we pray for during our Wednesday healing service. Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

Prayers being offered at Wednesday Healing Service for: Gail, Miles, Nick, Des, Joseph, Amelia, Laura, Francine, Mason, Ray, Eyda, Dan, Charolette, Emily, Bob, Roger, Kelsey & Richard, Claudia, Cheryl, James, Carol, Ji-bril, John, Tracy, Donald, Tristan, Kitty, Leona, Venessa, Austen, Nicole, Jared, Millie, Renee, Anthony, Kayla & Kaelin.

If you would like to be added to Sunday prayers of the people or to the Wednesday healing service, please email Rev. Angela at angela@stmikeschurch.com or call 719-598-3244.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Barbara Kleinert, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

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.**

The Confession

(Please kneel in body or spirit)

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;)

- 1. Text the word GIVE to 719-223-3446 and follow the secure link.
- 2. Scan the QR code using your phone's camera.

Offertory "Beautiful Savior!" by Lloyd Larson

The Doxology Hymn #380, vs. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 361

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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 (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 he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

(Please kneel in body or spirit)

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

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,

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 364

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

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.

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 364

(All are welcome to receive communion at St. Michael's. Please come to the altar rail and place one hand in the other, like a manger or howl. Once you receive the bread, you may consume it, or wait for the wine. When the wine comes to you, you may dip your wafer into the wine and then consume and return to your pew. At this time we are only offering intinction. 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.)

Communion Hymns

"Spirit of God, unseen" (Skye Boat Song)

Voices Found #53

- 1. Spirit of God, unseen as the wind, gentle as is the dove: teach us the truth and help us believe, show us the Saviour's love!
- 2. You spoke to us long, long ago, gave us the written word; we read it still, needing its truth, through it God's voice is heard.

3. Without your help we fail our Lord, we cannot live his way; we need your power, we need your strength, following Christ each day.

- 1. The tree of life my soul hath seen, Laden with fruit, and always green: The trees of nature fruitless be Compared with Christ the apple tree.
- 2. His beauty doth all things excel: By faith I know, but ne'er can tell The glory which I now can see In Jesus Christ the apple tree.
- 3. For happiness I long have sought, And pleasure dearly I have bought: I missed of all: but now I see 'Tis found in Christ the apple tree.

"Shall we gather at the river?"

Shall we gather at the river,
 Where bright angel feet have trod;
 With its crystal tide forever
 Flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain:

Yes, we'll gather at the river, The beautiful, the beautiful river; Gather with the saints at the river That flows by the throne of God.

On the margin of the river,
 Washing up its silver spray,
 We will walk and walk and worship ever,
 All the happy golden day.
 Refrain

- 4. I'm weary with my former toil, Here I will sit and rest awhile: Under the shadow I will be Of Jesus Christ the apple tree.
- 5. This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, It keeps my dying faith alive; Which makes my soul in hast to be With Jesus Christ the apple tree.

LEVAS II #141

- 3. Ere we reach the shining river, Lay we ev'ry burden down; Grace our spirits will deliver, And provide a robe and crown. Refrain
- 4. Soon we'll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease, Soon our happy hearts will quiver With the melody of peace. *Refrain*

Post Communion Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

Final Blessing

Closing Hymn

"All things bright and beautiful"

Hymn #405

Refrain:

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

- 1. Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, he made their glowing colors, he made their tiny wings. Refrain
- 2. The purple-headed mountain, the river running by, the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky, *Refrain*

- 3. The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun, the ripe fruits in the garden, he made them every one. Refrain
- 4. He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well. Refrain

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude "Jubilant Dance on Our God Reigns" by David Blackwell

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