

Fifth Sunday of Easter May 7, 2023 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist II

Prelude "King's Weston" by David Lasky

## **Opening Hymn**

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!"

Hymn 460, vs. 1-4

- 1. Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
  his the scepter, his the throne;
  Alleluia! his the triumph,
  his the victory alone;
  Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion
  thunder like a mighty flood;
  Jesus out of every nation
  hath redeemed us by his blood.
- 2. Alleluia! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
  Alleluia! he is near us,
  faith believes, nor questions how:
  though the cloud from sight received him,
  when the forty days were o'er,
  shall our hearts forget his promise,
  "I am with you evermore"?
- 3. Alleluia! bread of Heaven,
  Thou on earth our food, our stay!
  Alleluia! here the sinful
  flee to thee from day to day:
  Intercessor, friend of sinners,
  earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
  where the songs of all the sinless
  sweep across the crystal sea.
- 4. Alleluia! King eternal, thee the Lord of lords we own:
  Alleluia! born of Mary, earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne: thou within the veil hast entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and Victim in the eucharistic feast.

### **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.

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

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of 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 Acts of the Apostles (7:55-60)

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

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

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; \* deliver me in your righteousness.

Incline your ear to me; \*

make haste to deliver me.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; \* for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.

Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, \*

for you are my tower of strength.

Into your hands I commend my spirit, \*

for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

My times are in your hand; \*

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*

and in your loving-kindness save me."

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 First Letter of Peter (2:2-10)

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner", and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Acclamation** 

"Celtic Alleluia"

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Cantor

"Even if you have to die, close to my word keep faithful: For your faithfulness I will give you the crown of life."

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### The Gospel

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John (14:1-14)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Gospel Acclamation** 

"Celtic Alleluia"

#### Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Sermon The Rev. Matt Holcombe

Meditation & Reflection (10:30 AM)

"The Lord is My Salvation"

Getty Music

The grace of God has reached for me, and pulled me from the raging sea.

And I am safe on this solid ground: the Lord is my salvation.

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;

*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, Matt, Angela, Vicki, Joanne, Winnie, Gary,

and Judi our Clergy; and for all bishops and other ministers;

*People* For all who serve God in his Church.

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

Lanny, Al, Bob, Gayle, Tommie, Kevin, Laura, Doug, Hunter, Hayden, Drew, Angela, and those

we pray for during our Wednesday healing service.

Prayers being offered at Wednesday Healing Service for: Allison, Ann, Ben, Beth, Bob K., Brennan, Barbara, Britney, Bryan, Caitlin, Claudia, Carl, Carol, Cassie, Cathleen, Charles, Charles P., Charlotte, Chris, Courtney, Dan, Daniel, Danielle, Des, Diane, Donald, Doug, Gail, Garrett, Gerry, Ginny, Hannah, Hayes, Jane, Jenny Y., Ji-bril, Jonathan, JoAnn, Kalob, Karl, Kim, Kristen, Landon, Leah, Leona, Liam, Lilace, Linda, Marilyn, Marvin, Mary, Mary Lou, Mateo, Michelle, Miles, Millie, Molly, Nancy, Pamela, Peg, Peyton, Phyllis, Rayetta, Robert, Ron F., Ron H., Ross, Russell, Ruth, Ryan, Samantha H., Samantha R., Sarah, Sherry, Sue, Taffy, Tammy, Taylor, Terri, Tracy, Trip, Tristen, Trudy, Valerie

Leader For the deployed and those serving around the world: Tyler, Garrett, Antoine, Daniel, Thomas,

Ben, Carson, 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 or those celebrating birthdays this

week: Jane B., Ethan B., Jennifer S., Phil R., Katherine T., Owen C., Roger H., Betsi F., Joshua N., Patrick D., and those with anniversaries; Linda Dameron & Leonard Himes and Jason & Mary Lett.

We exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader We pray for those who have died, especially Tyler Nesbit, son of Carl Nesbit, and Vanessa Speer,

friend of Micki Rice and Wolfgang Hoot, 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 And the flowers on the altar this week are given in thanksgiving for her three children and six

grandchildren by Karlyn Greenway.

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

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### **Announcements**

Senior Sendoff (10:30 service)

**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 (8:00 AM) "The Lord is My Salvation" (10:30 AM) "How Can I Keep from Singing?"

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### The Doxology

(8:00 AM Service Spoken) Hymn 380 vs. 3 (10:30AM Service Sung)

Celebrant All things come of thee O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

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. Amen.

# 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** (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 forever. **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 this time we are only offering intinction/dipping of the bread into the wine. Please come to the altar rail 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 wine. When the wine comes to you, you may dip your wafer into the wine and then consume and return to your pew. 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 front) of the altar rail and let the clergy know if you would like to receive a gluten free host and wine. The ceramic chalice is for gluten free hosts only.

### **Communion Hymns**

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Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:

such a joy as none can move;

such a love as none can part;

such a heart as joys in love.

### "Open Our Eyes"

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

### "Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life"

Hymn 487

- 1. Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all strife; such a life as killeth death.
- 2. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in length; such a strength as makes his guest.
- "Jesus, name above all names"

Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord. Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, living Word.

#### 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.

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

### 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**

"Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness"

Hymn 492

- 1. Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness, wake your noblest, sweetest strain, with the praises of your Savior let his house resound again; him let all your music honor, and your songs exalt his reign.
- 2. Sing how he came forth from heaven, bowed himself to Bethlehem's cave, stooped to wear the servant's vesture, bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed within the gates of darkness, thence his banished ones to save.
- 3. So, he tasted death for mortals, he, of humankind the head, sinless one, among the sinful, Prince of life, among the dead; thus he wrought the full redemption, and the captor captive led.
- 4. Now on high, yet ever with us, from his Father's throne the Son rules and guides the world he ransomed, till the appointed work be done, till he see, renewed and perfect, all things gathered into one.

#### **Dismissal**

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Postlude** My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness "Kingsfold" by Aaron David Miller

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

# Sunday Forum – Meet our Interim Assisting Priest, Rev. Vicki Hesse

Sunday, May 7, 9:15 AM

### Parenting Small Group in Conference Room

Sunday, May 7, 9:15 AM

### Episcopal Essentials in Chapel

April 30 – June 11, 9:15-10:00 AM. RSVP

### Spring Parish Survey

Due by Monday, May 15. Paper copies are in Gathering Space.

#### Illuminating Our Faith Fundraiser

Contributions may be made online at www.stmikeschurch.com/bible.

### 40's & 50's Group Trivia Night

May 9, 7:00 PM at Good Company Bar. RSVP

### **Outdoor Parish Workday**

Saturday, May 13, 8:30 – 11:30 AM

### Mother's Day!

Sunday, May 14

### **Ascension Day Evensong**

Thursday, May 18, 7:00 PM

#### 20's & 30's Theology on Tap

May 19, 5:30 PM, Red Leg Brewing Company

#### Newcomer's Class

Sunday, May 21, 9:15 AM

### Pentecost (wear red) & Cookout Sunday Picnic

Sunday, May 28th, 10:30 (Outdoor Service)

### **Indoor Church Cleanup**

Wednesday, May 31, 2:00 – 6:00 PM

### SMASH – St. Michael's Active Senior Happening

## Colorado History Museum - Guided Tour of the Sand Creek Massacre Exhibit

Thursday, June 1, 11:00 AM - Carpooling from church at 9:00 AM. Space is limited so RSVP ASAP.

#### **Evening Vacation Bible School**

June 27 – June 29, 5:00 PM-7:30 PM. RSVP

RSVP to www.stmikeschurch.com/signup

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