

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 27, 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 10:15 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.

Prelude		"I Come to the Garden Alone"		by John Barr
Opening Hymn		"Glorious things of thee are spoken"		Hymn 522
1.	Glorious things of thee are spoke Zion, city of our God; he whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode; on the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded thou may'st smile at all thy foes.	1	Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear for a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near. Thus deriving from their banner, light by night, and shade by day, safe they feed upon the manna which he gives them when they pray.	
2.	See! the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughter and all fear of want remove. Who can faint, when such a river ever will their thirst assuage? Grace which, like the Lord, the gi never fails from age to age.		Blest inhabitants of Zion, washed in the Redeemer's blood! Jesus, whom their souls rely on, makes them kings and priests to God. 'Tis his love his people raise over self to reign as kings: and as priests, his solemn praises each for a thank-offering brings.	

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

PeopleAlmighty 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.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; 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 (10:30 AM Service)

Children will return during The Peace

A Reading from Isaiah (51:1-6)

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope.⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; * before the gods I will sing your praise. I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, * because of your love and faithfulness; For you have glorified your Name * and your word above all things. When I called, you answered me; * you increased my strength within me. All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, * when they have heard the words of your mouth. They will sing of the ways of the Lord, * that great is the glory of the Lord. Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; * he perceives the haughty from afar. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; * you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me. The Lord will make good his purpose for me; * O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans (12:1-8)

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

"Nettleton Alleluia"

The Gospel

CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew (16:13-20)PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Sermon

"Nettleton Alleluia"

The Rev. Matt Holcombe

Meditation & Reflection (10:30 service) "Who You Say I Am"

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me? I was lost, but he brought me in. Oh, his love for me! Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed. I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

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

Hillsong Worship

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 People	For all people in their daily life and work; 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.
People	For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.
Leader People	For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.
Leader People	For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.
Leader: People	For the peace and unity of the Church of God; 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 his Church.
Leader	For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. For the sick and suffering, especially: Bill, Bobbie, Caleb, Chuck, Debra, G.G., Gonzalo, Jim, Jose, Judy, Kathy, Laura, Lyle, Mary, Peter, Randy, Sharon, Spence, Steve, and those we pray for during our Wednesday healing service.
	Prayers being offered at Wednesday Healing Service for: Alice, Arleene, Barbara, Britney, Cathleen, Charlotte, Cliff, Craig, Chris, Courtney, Danielle, Dennis B., Dennis G., Diana, Donald, Doug, Hunter, James, Jaxon, Jenny V., Jennie Y., Ji-bril, Jonathan, Judy, Kalob, Kelsey, Kristen, Laura J., Lauren, Layla, Leona, Lorraine, Marne, Mary Lou, Mathew, Mateo, Rebecca & Baby, Miles, Millie, Molly, Nancy, Peg, Peyton, Phil, Phyllis, Russell, Samantha., Sara, Sarah, Sharon, Sherry, Terri, Tripp, Valerie, Vern, Warren.
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: Marion M., Peg A., David D., Lindsay F., Justin M., Marne D., James K., Ryan K., Bobbi Meyers S., Terry M., Chase M., and those with anniversaries; Leeha & Kerry Wood, Rev. Matt & Alicia Holcombe, Pat & Pete Wilson and Carol & James Pierce. 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, 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 celebration of Rev. Matt and Alicia Holcombe's anniversary. 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)CelebrantThe Peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Announcements

Turkey & Greece Pilgrimage Blessing

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

"Christ Beside Me"

Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me – King of my heart; Christ within me, Christ below me, Christ above me – never to part. Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all around me - shield in the strife; Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting, Christ in my rising – light of my life.

The Doxology

	(8:00 AM Service Spoken)	Hymn 380 vs. 3 (10:30AM Service Sung)
Celebrant People	All things come of thee O Lord. 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 B

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 367

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

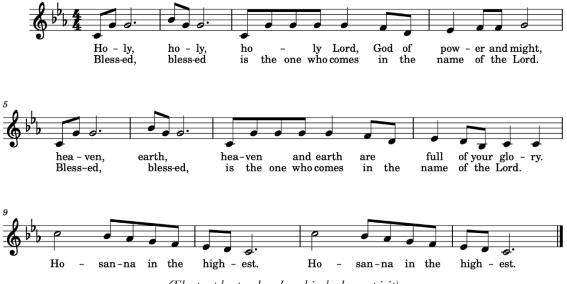
- *People* And also with you.
- *Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.
- *People* We lift them to the Lord.
- *Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- *People* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is 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:



Traditional Gaelic



(The people stand or kneel in body or spirit)

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

PeopleWe remember his death.We proclaim his resurrection.We await his coming in glory.

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Michael and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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, 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

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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.

Outside Service: The priests will come to you to serve communion, and gluten free is offered at the stone altar on the patio.

Communion Hymns

"Ubi Caritas"

Taizé

Live in charity and steadfast love, Live in charity; God will dwell with you. Ubi caritas et amor, Ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

"I come with joy to meet my Lord"

- 1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved, and free, in awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me.
- 2. I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed, the new community of love in Christ's communion bread.
- As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends. That love that made us makes us one, and strangers now are friends.

"Father, we thank thee who hast planted"

- Father, we thank thee who hast planted thy holy Name within our hearts. Knowledge and faith and life immortal Jesus thy Son to us imparts.
- Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy pleasure, didst give us food for all our days, giving in Christ the Bread eternal; thine is the power, be thine the praise.

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.

- 4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His presence, always near, is in such friendship better known: we see, and praise him here.
- 5. Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways, and as his people in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

Hymn 302

- 3. Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in mercy, save it from evil, guard it still, perfect it in thy love, unite it, cleansed and conformed unto thy will.
- 4. As grain, once scattered on the hillsides, was in this broken bread made one, so from all lands thy Church be gathered into thy kingdom by thy Son.

Post Communion Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

PeopleEternal 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 "T		"The eternal gifts of Christ the King"		Hymn 234
1.	The eternal gifts of Christ the apostles' glorious deed and all, with hearts of glad due hymns of thankful lov	s we sing, ness, raise	Theirs is the steadfast faith of saints, the hope that never yields nor faints; the perfect love of Christ they knows these lay the prince of this world low	
2.	The princes of the Church triumphant leaders in the f in heaven's hall a victor ba true lights that lighten even	ray, nd,	In them the Father's glory shone, in them the Spirit's will was done, the Son himself exults in them; joy fills the new Jerusalem. Alleluia.	

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, Alleluia!

Postlude

"Beach Spring"

by David Lasky

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Upcoming Events & New Announcements

Today:

Chalice Bearer Training - 9:15 AM in Sanctuary **Outdoor Worship** (10:30 AM) & **Parish Picnic** (11:45)

Last Summer Yoga & Lunch - Tuesday, August 29: Yoga 11:15AM /Lunch 12:00

Pilgrimage Picture Blog – August 30 – September 9

Youth Groups Start – August 30

40s & 50s Outing – Red Leg Brewing Company - Sunday, September 3, 12:00 – 2:00 PM

Welcome Back & Kickoff – Sunday, September 10

Youth Fundraiser & Silent Auction - September 15, 6:00 - 8:00 PM

St. John's Bible Docent Training – Saturday, September 16, 9:00 – 1:00 PM

Education for All Begins – September 17, 9:15 AM

5th Annual Golf Outing at Patty Jewett - Sunday, September 17. (Registration Deadline September 5)

Small Groups:

Being With – Beginning Monday, September 18, 7:00 – 8:30 PM. RSVP
Sacred Air: Climate & Energy – Beginning Tuesday, September 26, 6:30 – 8:30 PM. RSVP
Sacred Ground – Beginning Wednesday September 27, 6:30 – 8:30 PM. RSVP
Spirituality of Aging – Beginning October 5, 1:00 – 2:30 PM. RSVP
The Space Between Us – Beginning October 9, 6:00 – 8:00 PM. RSVP

SMASH - John Fielder's Photography Exhibit - Friday, September 22. RSVP

The Saint John's Bible Dedication Ceremony - Friday, September 29, 6:00 PM

Habitat Build – Saturday, September 30

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