



St. Michael's
Episcopal Church
COLORADO SPRINGS

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Welcome & Introduction

Prelude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Hans Friedrich Micheelsen

Opening Hymn

“Guide me, O thou great Jehovah”

Hymn #690

1. Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand;
bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.
2. Open now the crystal fountain,
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through;
strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.
3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side;
songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg 80

Officiant Lord, Open our lips.

***People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

**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.**

Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

***People* And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

A Reading from the First Book of Kings (19:4-8)

Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

Here ends the reading.

Psalm 34:1-8

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 627

Benedicam Dominum

**I will bless the Lord at all times; * his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
I will glory in the Lord; * let the humble hear and rejoice.
Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; * let us exalt his Name together.
I sought the Lord, and he answered me * and delivered me out of all my terror.
Look upon him and be radiant, * and let not your faces be ashamed.
I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me * and saved me from all my troubles.
The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, * and he will deliver them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good; * happy are they who trust in him!**

***People* 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 Letter of Paul to the Ephesians (4:25-5:2)

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Here ends the reading.

Canticle 9: The First Song of Isaiah (Isaiah 12:2-6)

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 86

Ecce, Deus

**Surely, it is God who saves me; * I will trust in him and not be afraid.
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, * and he will be my Saviour.
Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing * from the springs of salvation.
And on that day you shall say, * Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;
Make his deeds known among the peoples; * see that they remember that his Name is exalted.
Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, * and this is known in all the world.
Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, * for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.**

People **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 John's Gospel (John 6:35, 41-51)

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

Here ends the reading.

Sermon The Rev. Matt Holcombe

Meditation "Walk with Me, Lord"
 St. Michael's Virtual Choir

Douglas E. Wagner

Time of Reflection

The Apostles Creed

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 96

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Officiant The lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Officiant Let us pray

**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 Prayers of the People Form VI

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, and Kym, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
***People* For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader And we pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.
Silence

Leader We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit: Ji-bril, Laura, Miles, Cheryl, Gael, Cindy, John, Linda, James, Steve, Nancy, Tom J., Naomi, Rose, Katie, Judy, Roger, Hank, Gail, Kelsey, Leona, Bobbi S., Bob K., Tracy, Donald, Tristan, Jo, Keith, Kitty, Jan L, Kathy, Alice, Terry, Mary, Marge W., & Andrew.

We pray for the deployed and those serving in the military: Garrett, Zachariah, and Lawrence.
Pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: James P., Ed S., Ann-Noel, Stephen T., Rebecca, Aviana, and Ruth M. We also give thanks for the anniversaries this week of: Linda & Rich Page, Suzi & Randy Rowe, Jim & Terry Marquart, and Liz & Kenny Tompkins.

We pray for those who have died. May we remember with thanksgiving those we no longer see.
Grant us the mercy and grace to weep with those who weep and comfort those who mourn.

The Digital Peace.

(You are encouraged to use your cell phone to exchange the peace via text message)

Officiant The peace of the Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Digital Offering

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

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Announcements

Concluding Prayers

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 101

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

Prayer of St. Chrysostom

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 102

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord
to make our common supplication to you;
and you have promised through your well-beloved Son
that when two or three are gathered together in his Name
you will be in the midst of them:
Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us;
granting us in this world knowledge of your truth,
and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Final Blessing

1. A mighty fortress is our God,
a bulwark never failing;
our helper he amid the flood
of mortal ills prevailing:
for still our ancient foe
doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and power are great,
and, armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.
2. Did we in our own strength confide,
our striving would be losing;
were not the right man on our side,
the man of God’s own choosing:
dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Sabaoth his Name,
from age to age the same,
and he must win the battle.
3. And though this world, with devils filled,
should threaten to undo us;
we will not fear, for God hath willed
his truth to triumph through us;
the prince of darkness grim,
we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure,
for lo! his doom is sure,
one little word shall fell him
4. That word above all earthly powers,
no thanks to them, abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours
through him who with us sideth:
let goods and kindred go,
this mortal life also;
the body they may kill:
God’s truth abideth still,
his kingdom is for ever.

Postlude

Improvisation in A minor

Camille Saint-Saëns

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