



# *Christmas Eve*

**The Nativity of Jesus Christ**

December 24, 2022

4:00 PM

St. Michael's Episcopal Church  
Colorado Springs, Colorado

## ORDER OF SERVICE

*Thank you for silencing your cell phone. The Nursery is open for childcare during this service for ages 5 and under.*

### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

*(Please remain seated)*

#### “The snow lay on the ground”

Hymn 110

1. The snow lay on the ground,  
the stars shone bright,  
when Christ our Lord was born  
On Christmas night.  
Venite adoremus Dominum.  
Venite adoremus Dominum.

***Refrain: Venite adoremus Dominum.  
Venite adoremus Dominum.***

2. 'Twas Mary, daughter pure  
of holy Anne,  
that brought into this world  
the God made man.  
She laid him in a stall  
at Bethlehem;  
the ass and oxen shared  
the roof with them. ***Refrain***

3. Saint Joseph, too, was by  
to tend the child;  
to guard him, and protect  
his mother mild;  
the angels hovered round,  
and sang this song,  
Venite adoremus  
Dominum. ***Refrain***
4. And thus that manger poor  
became a throne;  
for he whom Mary bore  
was God the Son.  
O come, then, let us join  
the heavenly host,  
to praise the Father, Son,  
and Holy Ghost. ***Refrain***

#### “Angels we have heard on high”

Hymn 96

1. Angels we have heard on high,  
singing sweetly through the night,  
and the mountains in reply  
echoing their brave delight.  
*Gloria in excelsis Deo.*  
*Gloria in excelsis Deo.*
2. Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why these songs of happy cheer?  
What great brightness did you see?  
What glad tidings did you hear?  
*Gloria in excelsis Deo.*  
*Gloria in excelsis Deo.*

3. Come to Bethlehem and see  
him whose birth the angels sing;  
come, adore on bended knee  
Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.  
*Gloria in excelsis Deo.*  
*Gloria in excelsis Deo.*
4. See him in a manger laid  
whom the angels praise above;  
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,  
while we raise our hearts in love.  
*Gloria in excelsis Deo*  
*Gloria in excelsis Deo.*

**“It came upon the midnight clear”**

**Hymn 89**

1. It came upon the midnight clear,  
that glorious song of old,  
from angels bending near the earth  
to touch their harps of gold:  
“Peace on the earth, good will to men,  
from heaven’s all-gracious King.”  
The world in solemn stillness lay  
to hear the angels sing.
2. Still through the cloven skies they come  
with peaceful wings unfurled,  
and still their heavenly music floats  
o’er all the weary world;  
above its sad and lowly plains  
they bend on hovering wing,  
and ever o’er its Babel-sounds  
the blessed angels sing.
3. Yet with the woes of sin and strife  
the world has suffered long;  
beneath the heavenly hymn have rolled  
two thousand years of wrong;  
and warring humankind hears not  
the tidings which they bring;  
O hush the noise and cease your strife  
and hear the angels sing!
4. For lo! the days are hastening on,  
by prophets seen of old,  
when with the ever-circling years  
shall come the time foretold,  
when peace shall over all the earth  
its ancient splendors fling,  
and all the world give back the song  
which now the angels sing.

**“Go Tell It On The Mountain”**

*Cherub Choir*

**Welcome**

The Rev. Matt Holcombe

Opening Hymn

(Please stand as able)

“O come all ye faithful”

Hymn 83, v. 1-5

1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O  
 2 God from God, Light from Light e - ter - nal,  
 3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,  
 \*4 See how the shep - herds, sum - moned to his cra - dle,  
 \*5 Child, for us sin - ners poor and in the man - ger,

1 come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;  
 2 lo! he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb;  
 3 sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove;  
 4 leav - ing their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;  
 5 we would em - brace thee, with love and awe;

1 come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;  
 2 on - ly - be - got - ten Son of the Fa - ther;  
 3 glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est;  
 4 we too will thith - er bend our joy - ful foot - steps;  
 5 who would not love thee, lov - ing us so dear - ly?

*Refrain*

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -

dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

## Opening Acclamation of the Nativity

*Celebrant:* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People:* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**  
*Celebrant:* The Word became flesh and dwelt among us;  
*People:* **And we beheld his glory.**

## Blessing of the Crèche

Almighty God, you sent your only Son to take our human nature upon him; Bless, we pray, this crèche, that it may be a sign of his humble birth; and grant that we who joyfully behold his appearing may be strengthened to greet him when he comes again in glory; even the same Jesus Christ our Lord and Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

## Gloria

### “The first Nowell”

*(Sung by all)*

Hymn 109, v. 1-2

The first Nowell the angel did say  
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
in fields as they lay, keeping their sheep,  
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star  
shining in the east beyond them far,  
and to the earth it gave great light,  
and so it continued both day and night.  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
born is the King of Israel.

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.  
*People:* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant:* Let us pray.  
O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light:  
Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him  
perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in  
glory everlasting. **Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

## Old Testament Reading

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah (9:2-7)

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness-- on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

Reader:           The Word of the Lord.

**People:           Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 97

*(Said responsively by half verse)*

1. The Lord is King; let the earth rejoice; \*  
**let the multitude of the isles be glad.**
2. Clouds and darkness are round about him, \*  
**righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.**
3. A fire goes before him \*  
**and burns up his enemies on every side.**
4. His lightnings light up the world; \*  
**the earth sees it and is afraid.**
5. The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, \*  
**at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.**
6. The heavens declare his righteousness, \*  
**and all the peoples see his glory.**
7. Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! \*  
**Bow down before him, all you gods.**
8. Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, \*  
**because of your judgments, O Lord.**
9. For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth; \*  
**you are exalted far above all gods.**
10. The Lord loves those who hate evil; \*  
**he preserves the lives of his saints and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**
11. Light has sprung up for the righteous, \*  
**and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.**
12. Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, \*  
**and give thanks to his holy Name.**

**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.**

## Epistle Reading

A reading from the Book of Titus (2:11-14)

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

## Sequence Hymn

*(Please stand as able)*

### “Hark! the herald angels sing”

*(Sung by all)*

**Hymn 87, v. 1-2**

1. Hark! the herald angels sing  
glory to the newborn King!  
Peace on earth and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!  
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,  
join the triumph of the skies;  
with the angelic host proclaim  
Christ is born in Bethlehem!  
*Hark! the herald angels sing  
glory to the newborn King!*
2. Christ, by highest heaven adored;  
Christ, the everlasting Lord;  
late in time behold him come,  
offspring of the Virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;  
hail the incarnate Deity.  
Pleased as man with us to dwell;  
Jesus, our Emmanuel!  
*Hark! the herald angels sing  
glory to the newborn King!*

## The Gospel

**Deacon:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (2:1-14)

**People:** **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

**Deacon:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**People:** **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

3. Mild he lays his glory by,  
born that we no more may die,  
born to raise us from the earth,  
born to give us second birth.  
Risen with healing in his wings,  
light and life to all he brings,  
hail, the Sun of Righteousness!  
hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!  
*Hark! the herald angels sing  
glory to the newborn King!*

**Sermon**

The Reverend Matt Holcombe

**Meditation**

*(Please remain seated)*

**“Still, Still, Still”**

*Austrian Carol*

**The Nicene Creed**

*(Please stand as able)*

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.**

### **Christmas Prayers of the People**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray to God, who came among us in the birth of Jesus:

*Leader:* Gracious God, as a star rose, and drew people from great distances to Bethlehem that they might greet the Christ-child; Draw us, your Church – that we might be the Church and People you call us to be.

Lord, in your mercy,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* As Gentiles streamed to Jesus' Light, and Kings to the brightness of his rising; draw our nation, our President, and all in authority, to His brightness.

Lord, in your mercy,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* As angels sang 'glorias' to you and proclaimed peace on earth, and goodwill among all peoples; bring us your peace and protect those who strive for justice around the world.

Lord, in your mercy,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* As shepherds were drawn away from their flocks by night; draw those who do not know you yet, and continue to draw us closer to the Babe the shepherds sought.

Lord, in your mercy,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* As Jesus was born in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn; be especially present with those who have no place to lay their head, those who are vulnerable, those who are hungry, and those who are sick.

Lord, in your mercy,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* As the Holy Family gathered together in Bethlehem, and traveled together to far-off lands; bless all families and those who are traveling.

Lord, in your mercy,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* As your Son came to proclaim the forgiveness of sins, and the gift of life eternal; give to the departed eternal rest and let light perpetual shine on them.

Lord, in your mercy,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant:* O Lord our God, may the light and hope of this season reassure our hearts and strengthen us to do your will so that we may be your hands and feet in the world. All this we pray in the name of your Son our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*Celebrant:* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People:* **And also with you.**

## Announcements

To make a special Christmas offering please use the envelope in your pew and place in the Offertory plate when you come forward for Communion. You may also make an online contribution by selecting from the below:

- Use your smartphone to scan the giving QR code and follow the prompts.
- Text the word “GIVE” to 719-3344556. We will send you a text message with a secure link that will direct you to our online giving portal.
- Visit [www.stmikeschurch.com/giving](http://www.stmikeschurch.com/giving) and select “Give Now” on the webpage.



## Offertory Anthem

“Carol of the Bells”

*Ukrainian Carol*

## Doxology

*(Sung by all)*

**Hymn 381, v.4**

God the Father, Light Creator, to thee laud and honor be;  
To thee, Light of Light begotten, praise be sung eternally;  
Holy Spirit, Light-Revealer, glory, glory be to thee;  
Mortals, angels, now and ever praise the Holy Trinity!

## The Great Thanksgiving Prayer A

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 right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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:

“O come, all ye faithful”

*(Sung by all)*

**Hymn 89, v. 6**

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning.  
Jesus, to thee be glory given;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord.

*(You may kneel or remain standing)*

*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.

*(Joyfully proclaiming)* **AMEN.**

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

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*(Please be seated until an usher releases your pew.)*

## Holy Communion

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please use the method of intinction (dipping wafer into wine) to receive Communion. Gluten free wafers are available - please proceed to the far-left side of the altar rail when you come forward.*

## Communion Hymns

### “What child is this”

Hymn 115

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest,  
on Mary’s lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,  
while shepherds watch are keeping?

***Refrain:* This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.**

2. Why lies he in such mean estate  
where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here  
the silent Word is pleading. ***Refrain***
3. So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh,  
come, peasant, king, to own him;  
the King of kings salvation brings,  
let loving hearts enthrone him. ***Refrain***

### “O little town of Bethlehem”

Hymn 78

1. O little town of Bethlehem,  
how still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
the silent stars go by;  
yet in thy dark streets shineth  
the everlasting Light;  
the hopes and fears of all the years  
are met in thee tonight.
2. For Christ is born of Mary;  
and gathered all above,  
while mortals sleep, the angels keep  
their watch of wondering love.  
O morning stars, together  
proclaim the holy birth!  
and praises sing to God the King,  
and peace to men on earth.

3. How silently, how silently,  
the wondrous gift is given!  
So God imparts to human hearts  
the blessings of his heaven.  
No ear may hear his coming,  
but in this world of sin,  
where meek souls will receive him, still  
the dear Christ enters in.
  
4. Where children pure and happy  
pray to the blessèd Child,  
where misery cries out to thee,  
Son of the mother mild;  
where charity stands watching  
and faith holds wide the door,  
the dark night wakes, the glory breaks,  
and Christmas comes once more.
  
5. O holy Child of Bethlehem,  
descend to us, we pray;  
cast out our sin and enter in,  
be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
the great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us,  
our Lord Emmanuel!

**“Away in a manger”**

*Mueller*

1. Away in a manger, no crib for a bed  
the little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head;  
The stars in the bright sky look down where he lay,  
the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.
  
2. The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,  
but little Lord Jesus no crying He makes;  
I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky,  
and stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.
  
3. Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay  
close by me forever, and love me, I pray;  
bless all the dear children in thy tender care,  
and fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

*(Please kneel as able)*

“Silent night, holy night”

Hymn 111

Si - lent night, ho - ly night, all is calm,  
Si - lent night, ho - ly night, shep - herds quake  
Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God,

all is bright round yon vir - gin mo - ther and child.  
at the sight, glo - ries stream from hea - ven a - far,  
love's pure light ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face,

Ho - ly in - fant, so ten - der and mild, sleep in hea - ven - ly  
heaven - ly hosts— sing al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the Sa - vior, is  
with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy

peace. Sleep in hea - ven - ly peace.  
born! Christ, the Sa - vior, is born!  
birth. Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.

Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### Christmas Blessing

*Celebrant:* May the babe of Bethlehem bring you Peace.  
May the child of Nazareth bring you Joy.  
May the man of Galilee bring you Strength.  
May the Christ of Calvary bring you Courage.  
May the risen Jesus bring you Hope.  
May the ascended Christ bring you a foretaste of the heavenly glory.  
And may the Blessing of + God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit  
be with you and remain with you, forever and ever. **Amen +**

“Joy to the world”

(Sung by all)

Hymn 100

1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re -  
 2 Joy to the world! the Sa - vior reigns; let us our  
 \*3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -  
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the

ceive her King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room, and  
 songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains, re -  
 fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow far  
 na - tions prove the glo - ries of his right - eous - ness, and

heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture  
 peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing  
 as the curse is found, far as the curse is  
 won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his

1 and heaven and na - ture sing, and  
 2 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re -  
 3 far as the curse is found, far  
 4 and won - ders of his love, and

sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.  
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.  
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heaven and na - ture sing,  
 peat the sound - ing joy,  
 as the curse is found,  
 won - ders of his love,



## Dismissal

*Deacon:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!  
*People:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## Organ Postlude

*“Sing We Now of Christmas”*

*Arr. Diane Bisch*

## Thank you for joining us ...

Thank you for joining us as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. If you are new or looking for a community of faithful, friendly, and passionate people of all ages we hope you'll join us in 2023 for worship, fellowship, formation, or outreach initiatives. To stay connected and learn more about St. Michael's, visit [www.stmikeschurch.com/welcome](http://www.stmikeschurch.com/welcome). We are glad you are here!

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Jennie Wandfluh, Events Coordinator  
Christina Baranowski, Elly Thatcher & Jessica Frank, Nursery Staff

### **St. Michael's Vestry:**

Kristy Callihan, Senior Warden  
Jim Marquart, Junior Warden

Class of 2023: Marcy Capell (2023), Amy de Lourenco (2023), Dean Logemann (2023), Sue Caruthers (2024), Andy Laffely (2024), Elena Zarecky (2024), Russ Howell (2025) Linda Page (2025), & Rachel Stoller (2025).

Aprel Mitchell, Clerk  
Chris Couch, Treasurer

A special thank you to our Altar Guild, Flower Guild, Worship & AVL Volunteers, and Musicians.

**Director of Music:** Amalia Dobbins

**Organist:** Daniel Foster

**Vocalists:** Lily DiSilverio & Cherub Choir

**Instrumentalists:** Sofia Dickerman, Ellen Dickerman, Ethan Cowell, & Regina Winters

We are grateful for those who have contributed 2022 Christmas Poinsettias

## **In Memory of...**

**Andrew Blaskowsky** – Given by Steve & Leeann Blaskowsky  
**Carl Blaskowsky** – Given by Steve & Leeann Blaskowsky  
**Cynthia Sue Blaskowsky-Hicks** – Given by Steve & Leeann Blaskowsky  
**Neal Botsch** – Given by Stephanie, Mike, Sydney & Kaylee Aul  
**Linda Bryan** – Given by Ned & Terry Bryan  
**Christopher Burdekin** – Given by Edwina Burdekin  
**Max & Betty Carr** – Given by Steve & Cindy Carr  
**Dottie & Bob Chandler, My Parents** – Given by Robert Chandler  
**Joyce Cody** – Given by Matt & Cindy Cody  
**John & Dorothy Creely** – Given by Allan & Sally Creely  
**William Dak** – Given by Sharon Dak  
**Mary Daughton** – Given by Bill & Sharon Daughton  
**Bob & Betty Davidson** – Given by Allan & Sally Creely  
**Bill Deverell** – Given by Marne Deverell and the Deverell Family  
**Barbara Donald** – Given by Kaelin Donald & Warren Primeau  
**George Donald** - Given by Kaelin Donald & Warren Primeau  
**William Dussing** – Given by Hilary Dussing  
**Barbara Fasterling** – Given by Charles Fasterling  
**Tony Geanopulos** – Given by The Geanopulos & Callihan Family  
**George Greenway** – Given by Karlyn Greenway  
**Gary & Barbara Heitzmann** – Given by Steve & Leeann Blaskowsky  
**Roger Hill** – Given by Jan Hill & Family  
**Dr. Sheila Hollander** – Given by Anthony & Janice Thorpe  
**Joseph Hopper** – Given by Rey & Kelly  
**Bruce Hutchison** – Given by The Hutchison Family  
**John & Dorothy Judge** – Given by Ed & Jan Smith  
**The Rev. Melissa Kean** – Given by Bob & Linda Kean  
**The Rev. Ann Nelson** – Given by Edwina Burdekin  
**Cathy Kelleher** - Given by Kaelin Donald & Warren Primeau  
**Kylie Kelleher** – Given by Kaelin Donald & Warren Primeau  
**Ray Kelleher** – Given by Kaelin Donald & Warren Primeau  
**Gary Kulbitski** – Given by Lee Kulbitski  
**Jim Lew** – Given by Alison Lew  
**Mary Lou Lively** - Given by Charles Fasterling  
**Loved Ones** – Given by Jody Thome  
**Sean MacDonald** - Given by Chad, Rachel, Thomas & Devin Stoller  
**Ralph & Mildred Mapes** – Given by Mike & Charlotte Mapes  
**William J. Neil** – Given by Sue & Tom Neill  
**Judy Neill** - Given by Sue & Tom Neill  
**CW3 Scott A.M. Oswell** – Given by Barry & Nancy Oswell  
**Elsie Estelle Snyder Parker** – Given by Chad, Rachel, Thomas & Devin Stoller  
**Eric Peter Phaneuf** – Given by Gael Phaneuf

**Steve Pierce** – Given by Carol & Jim Pierce  
**Donna Pivonka** – Given by Dan & Shawna Shepherd  
**Charles Primeau** - Given by Kaelin Donald & Warren Primeau  
**Esther Primeau** - Given by Kaelin Donald & Warren Primeau  
**Dot, Ace, Mary Lou & Harry** – Given by Phil & Claire Rische  
**Skip Robertson** – Given by Debbie, Wendy & Mason  
**Lee Shaffer & Cathy Freimuth** – Given by Steve & Cindy Carr  
**Donald & Marguerite Smith** – Given by Ed & Jan Smith  
**H. Bradley Smith, Father & Grandfather** - Given by Leslie & Emily Darling  
**Dorothy Snyder** – Given by Chad, Rachel, Thomas & Devin Stoller  
**Charles Snyder** - Given by Chad, Rachel, Thomas & Devin Stoller  
**William Stoller** - Given by Chad, Rachel, Thomas & Devin Stoller  
**Tommy & Mardelle Thornhill** – Given by Chris & Ama Couch  
**Rosemary Thorpe** – Given by Anthony & Janice Thorpe  
**Alley & Edward Timmons** – Given by Chris & Ama Couch  
**Mary Thompson** – Given by Nancy Jones  
**Bill “Big Daddy” Troha** – Given by Wax & Wendy  
**Sibyl Walters** – Given by Doug & Debbie Swanson  
**Uncle Steve** – Given by The Spencer Family  
**Mary Ann Weddington, My Mother** – Given by Gwen Weddington  
**Karen Whalen** - Given by Sue & Tom Neill

### **In Thanksgiving for ...**

**Bryson Carton** - Given by Kaelin Donald & Warren Primeau  
**Children & Grandchildren** – Given by Marilyn Wright  
**Chris, Meggie, Ella & Emma Kean** – Given by Bob & Linda Kean  
**Deegan Carton** - Given by Kaelin Donald & Warren Primeau  
**Erin Kelleher** - Given by Kaelin Donald & Warren Primeau  
**Families** – Given by Ann & Rick Couch  
**Family** – Given by Aprel Mitchell  
**Family** – Given by Betty Bullard  
**Family** – Given by Bob & Gerry Forster  
**Family** – Given by Marion & Jim Moore  
**Family** – Given by Nita Huelf  
**Family & Friends** – Given by Jack & Carolyn Braley  
**Family & Friends** – Given by Micki Rice & Wolfgang Hoot  
**Family, Friends and Grandchildren; Kierra, Kyle, Lyla, Riley & Evan** – by Vicki & Dean Logemann  
**Family, Friends and St. Michael's** – Given by Lee Rasi  
**Grandchildren; Joselyn, Carter, Cameron & James** – Given by Roger & LuAnn Hanson  
**Marne Deverell** – Given by Bill, Deb, Jenny, Helen & John  
**My Birthday** - Given by Patricia Nielsen  
**The Glory of God** – Given by Linda Dameron  
**The Life of Ken Wright** – Given by Marilyn Wright  
**The Love of Family & Friends** – Given by Linda & Rich Page

**Christmas Day**

Sunday, December 25

10:00 AM Christmas Day Holy Eucharist & Livestreamed

**Last Day of Giving for 2022: December 29**

**New Year's Day**

Sunday, January 1, 2023

10:00 AM Lessons & Carols, Nursery, & Livestreamed

**Epiphany 1**

Sunday, January 8

*Regular Sunday Schedule Resumes*

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist

9:15 AM Education for All

10:30 Holy Eucharist & Livestreamed

*(Nursery Available 7:45 AM – 11:45 AM & Coffee Hour Fellowship after morning services.)*

**CPR & AED Training**

Sunday, January 15, 12:00 PM

**Youth Ski Trip**

January 28-29

**Annual Parish Meeting**

Sunday, January 29, 9:15 – 10:15 AM

**Valentine Pasta Potluck**

Tuesday, February 14, 5:30 – 7:00 PM

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**

Tuesday, February 21, 6:00 PM

**Ash Wednesday**

Wednesday, February 22

7:00 – 9:00 AM Ashes to Go in Church Parking Lot

12:00 PM & 7:00 PM Imposition of Ashes & Eucharist

**Royal Gorge Philharmonic “Simply Gorge-ous Concert”**

**featuring Organ Soloist, Daniel Foster**

Saturday, February 25, 4:00 PM at St. Michael's *(Advanced ticket purchase required)*

**Join one of our newly forming small groups to grow & deepen your faith in 2023**

Register: [www.stmikeschurch.com/signup](http://www.stmikeschurch.com/signup)

**Light for your Journey: Thursdays 6:30 – 8:00 PM Beginning January 12 (6-weeks)**

**“Sacred Water” Creation Care: Tuesdays 6:00 – 8:00 PM Beginning February 7 (10-weeks)**

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