



To **Know, Live and Share** the **Love of Christ**

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

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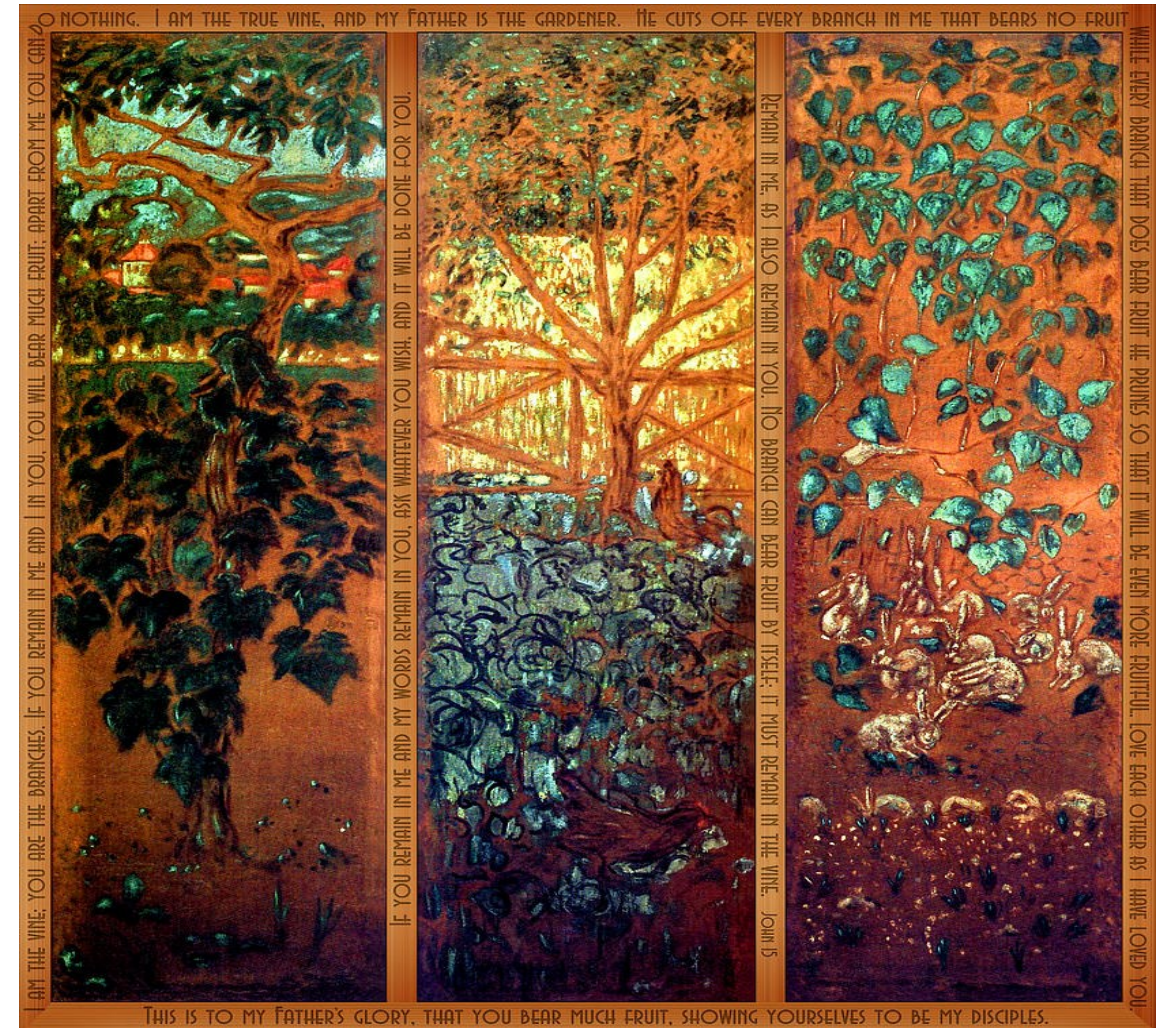
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April 28, 2024
10:15 a.m.

Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church
We are Called to
Know, Live and Share the Love of Christ

Welcome to Sunday Worship at Saint Michael's

We're glad you're here. Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are invited to participate during worship as much as you are comfortable. We hope this bulletin will help.

Books for Worship

Today's service begins on page 351 of the **Book of Common Prayer** also referred to as the **BCP**. This is our primary book for worship in the Episcopal Church. In this bulletin you will see page numbers that reference where to find things in the BCP that the priest is saying and also the responses from the congregation. Many responses are short enough that after a few weeks of worshipping in an Episcopal Church they become second nature. In your pew is a **Bible**. It contains the scripture readings that form the first half of our service. There's also a **Hymnal** in your pew. The **Hymnal** is called **The Hymnal 1982**

Music in Worship

Episcopalians like to sing and that's very true here at Saint Michael's. Much of our music is in the pew **Hymnal**; However, supplementary music will be found here in this bulletin. Please refer to the page numbers of the bulletin for those supplemental hymns.

Receiving Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. It is customary to receive the Bread in your hands and also to help the Chalice minister by guiding the Chalice with your hands. If you do not wish to receive Communion, you are invited to come forward for a blessing. Should you desire to receive gluten free Host, please indicate this to the server at the altar rail. To receive the Body of Christ the ushers will direct worshippers when to come toward.

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Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia, Alleluia.
People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Postlude

This Coming Week at Saint Michael's:

<p><u>Sunday, April 28</u> 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 3:00 pm Girl Scout Meeting</p>
<p><u>Monday, April 29</u> 10:00 am AA Meeting 6:30am South Bend Genealogical Society Meeting 7:00 pm South Bend Symphonic Choir Practice</p>
<p><u>Tuesday, April 30</u> 7:00 pm River Bend Chorus</p>
<p><u>Wednesday, May 1</u> 11:15 am Midweek Prayer 12:00 pm After Service Lunch</p>
<p><u>Thursday, May 2</u></p>
<p><u>Friday, May 3</u></p>
<p><u>Saturday, May 4</u></p>
<p><u>Sunday, May 5</u> 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 12:15 pm SOS Planning Meeting</p>

The Lord's Prayer

People and Celebrant: 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.

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept
Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us,
People: **Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia**

BCP 364

Fraction Anthem

Refer to Music in Pews

Communion Invitation:

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymns

Let Us Break Bread Together

Hymnal 325

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.
Celebrant and 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.

BCP 365

Concluding Easter Blessing on the People of God

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Prelude

Entrance and Procession

Processional

The Church's One Foundation

Hymnal 525

Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity

BCP 355

The Celebrant says: Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Celebrant: 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: Though Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Gloria

Glory to God in the Highest

Hymnal S280

Found in the front section of the blue hymnal # S280

Collect of the Fifth Sunday of Easter

BCP 225

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.**
Please be seated

Children's Chapel Prayer

Laura Knoppers

People: **Good morning, God**
This is your day, I am your child, Please show me your way. Amen

Old Testament:

Acts 8:26-40

Proclaimer: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,

so he does not open his mouth.
In his humiliation justice was denied him.
Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth.”

The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22:24-30

Read Together

- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

Epistle:

1 John 4:7-21

Proclaimer: A reading from the First Epistle of John

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we

sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Hymnal S124

Then the Celebrant continues

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,

Celebrant and People:

**We Proclaim Your Death, O Lord,
And Profess Your Resurrection
Until You Come Again**

The Celebrant continues

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 [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**

Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

A sign of peace is exchanged among the people.

Announcements

Lynne Switalski, Sr. Warden

Prayers for Birthdays

Praying in Unison

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) as *they* begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their lives*; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Prayer for Travelers

Praying in Unison

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Prayers for Anniversaries

Praying in Unison

O gracious and ever living God, look mercifully on these couples who come to renew the promises they have made to each other. Grant them your blessing, and assist them with your grace, that with true fidelity and steadfast love they may honor and keep their promises and vows; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Offertory

The offertory begins as the Celebrant offers a passage from the Bible inviting the offering of sacrifice to the Lord. You may be seated but please stand as the offerings come forward.

Offertory Anthem

Alleluia No.1

Alleluia Book Page 82

The Great Thanksgiving

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 our thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the

might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel

Gospel Hymn

Alleluia

Refer to Music in Pews

The Gospel

John 15:1-8

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Rev. Jen Fulton

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Prayers of the People

Reader: Let us pray for the Church and for the World

Reader: Shine in your church, O God; embolden us, in a dark world, to speak truthfully and to act with the courage of love. This day and always,

People: Christ, be our Light.

Reader: Shine on your world, O God; heal the warring of nations and the wounding of the earth to give us peace at last. This day and always,

People: Christ, be our Light.

Reader: Shine for your people, O God; make us one human family who clothe each other with mercy and feed each other with justice. This day and always,

People: Christ, be our Light.

Reader: Shine in our hearts, O God; help us to reach to the heavens and deep in our souls to seek you, to find you, and to know you. This day and always,

People: Christ, be our Light.

Reader: Shine in the saints and departed, O God; teach us to follow their lead to outrageous faith and eternal love. This day and always,

People: Christ, be our Light.

Reader: Shine for the afflicted, O God; remind them of your deep compassion and how you tenderly bear all our sorrows. This day and always,

People: Christ, be our Light.

Let us offer the prayers of the Church.

Reader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially those on our hearts at Saint Michael's.

Thanksgivings:

Reader: We give thanks for the all guests and pilgrims worshipping with us today, in person and online.

Reader: We give thanks for the Birthdays this week,

Dinah Hawkins

Anita Thomas

Sheila Davis

Reader: Also, this week we give thanks for the Anniversaries of,

Rick & Lynne Switalski

Jim & Gill Kruse-Snyder

Reader: Let us name our Thanksgivings today before God.

A little silence.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessions:

Reader: We pray for guidance and strength, and for those in sickness and distress, especially for those committed to our prayers at St. Michael's,

**Ren Singleton
Barb Wilson
Susan Slack
Anita Thomas
Michael Thomas
Victoria
Chuck & Devon
John Seehafer
Joyce Frost**

**Marvin Curtis
Grandma Ma
Charlene Bollman
Joel Blunk
Larry Willoughby
Phil & June Bays
Mike & Cindy
Larry Howe
Tony & Beryl Cockram**

**Jim Piechorowski
Jack Mueller
Dr. Bill Kamanda
Brielle Sia Kamanda
Sonja Smith
Cericola Family
Marcy Cortes
Steve Maggi**

Reader: and for those needs and intercessions we now name, for ourselves and for others.

A little silence.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

For our Beloved who have Died:

Reader: We pray for those who have died, remembering especially this week,

**Jack Hickey
John E. Hargreaves**

**Mary Jane Willoughby
Lucille Rhodes**

Margaret Tracy

Reader: And for those we now name,
Silence.

Reader: May our beloved in Christ rest in peace and rise in glory.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer

Celebrant: O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that we, who have been raised with him, may abide in his presence and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise for ever and ever. **Amen.**