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The Fifth Sunday in Lent



March 17, 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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LENTEN EVENTS

HOLY CHOW BREAKFAST:

February 11th-March 17th Meeting each Sunday at 8:30 am

ADULT FORM LENTEN SERIES:

February 11th-March 17th Meeting each Sunday at 9:00 am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

February 21st –March 27th Meeting each Wednesday at 12:00 noon

MAUNDY THURSDAY DINNER:

March 28th at 5:30 pm-Potluck (See Signup Sheet)

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE:

March 28th at 7:00 pm

ALL NIGHT VIGIL:

March 28th Right after Service in Chapel: See Sign-Up Sheet

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE:

March 29th 12:00 noon and 7:00 pm

EASTER VIGIL:

March 30th at 8:30 pm at the Cathedral

This Week at Saint Michael's:

Sunday, March 17

8:30 am Holy Chow Breakfast

9:00 am Adult Forum: Lenten Series

10:15 am Holy Eucharist

Monday, March 18

10:00 am AA Meeting

6:30 pm Vestry Meeting

7:00 pm South Bend Symphonic Choir Practice

Tuesday, March 19

7:00 pm River Bend Chorus

Wednesday, March 20

11:15 am Midweek Eucharist and Prayer 12:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Thursday, March 21

Friday, March 22

Saturday, March 23

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

8:30 am Holy Chow Breakfast

9:00 am Adult Forum: Lenten Series

10:15 am Holy Eucharist

3:00 pm Girl Scout Meeting

Prelude & Entrance and Procession

Processional In Silence

Presider: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures for ever.

DECALOGUE

Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

I. You shall have no other gods but me. Amen. Lord have mercy.

II. You shall not make for yourself any idol. Amen. Lord have mercy.

III. You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

IV. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. Amen. Lord have mercy.

V. Honor your father and your mother. Amen. Lord have mercy.

VI. You shall not commit murder. Amen. Lord have mercy.

VII. You shall not commit adultery. Amen. Lord have mercy.

VIII. You shall not steal. Amen. Lord have mercy.

IX. You shall not be a false witness. Amen. Lord have mercy.

X. You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor. Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:14, 16

Presider then says: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People:

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.

The Priest, stands and says: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

Priest: Lord, have mercy. People: **Christ, have mercy.**

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

Children's Chapel Prayer

People: Good morning, God

This is your day
I am your child

Please show me your way. Amen

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

Old Testament: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 51:1-13 Read Together

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; * in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness * and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my transgressions, * and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned * and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak * and upright in your judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, * a sinner from my mother's womb.

Salvator Mundi: Via Crucis

By Denise Levertov

Andi Zavor

BCP 219

Maybe He looked indeed

much as Rembrandt envisioned Him

in those small heads that seem in fact

portraits of more than a model.

A dark, still young, very intelligent face,

A soul-mirror gaze of deep understanding, unjudging.

That face, in extremis, would have clenched its teeth

In a grimace not shown in even the great crucifixions.

The burden of humanness (I begin to see) exacted from Him

That He taste also the humiliation of dread,

cold sweat of wanting to let the whole thing go,

like any mortal hero out of his depth,

like anyone who has taken herself back.

The painters, even the greatest, don't show how,

in the midnight Garden,

or staggering uphill under the weight of the Cross,

He went through with even the human longing to simply cease, to not be.

Not torture of body,

not the hideous betrayals humans commit

nor the faithless weakness of friends, and surely

not the anticipation of death (not then, in agony's grip)

was Incarnation's heaviest weight,

but this sickened desire to renege,

to step back from what He, Who was God,

had promised Himself, and had entered

time and flesh to enact.

Sublime acceptance, to be absolute, had to have welled

up from those depths where purpose

Drifted for mortal moments.



Face of Jesus Christ By U. Leive



HONORING

Father Mark Van Wassenhove & Family

START A NEW JOURNEY

Celebration is on Sunday April 7th, 2024 During and After the Service Food, Fun and Many Memories to Share

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The Sign of the Cross
By Jessica Powers

The lovers of Christ lift out their hands to the great gift of suffering.

For how could they seek to be warmed and clothed and delicately fed

to wallow in praise and to drink deep draughts of an undeserved affection,

have castle for home and a silken couch for bed, when He went forth, wounded and hated, and grudged of even a place to lay his head?

This is the badge of the friends of the Man of Sorrows: the mark of the cross, faint replica of His, become ubiquitous now; it spreads like a wild blossom on the mountains of time and in each of the crevices.

Oh, seek that land where it grows in rich abundance with its thorny stem and its scent like bitter wine, for wherever Christ walks He casts its seed and He scatters its purple petals.

It is the flower of His marked elect, and the fruit it bears is divine.

Choose it, my heart. It is a beautiful sign.



Golgotha By Romare Bearden

- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, * and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; * wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, * that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins * and blot out all my iniquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, * and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence * and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again * and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

Epistle: Hebrews 5:5-10

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek. *Reader:* The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel

The Gospel John 12:20-33

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to

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see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour?' No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Father Mark Van Wassenhove

Prayers of the People

Reader: Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear when we pray in the name of your Son.

Therefore in confidence and trust we pray for the Church: (Particular intercessions/thanksgivings may be offered.)

Father, enliven the Church for its mission

That we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.

Breathe fresh life into your people.

Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.

We pray for the world:

(Particular intercessions/thanksgivings may be offered.)

Creator of all, lead us and every people into ways of justice and peace.

That we may respect one another in freedom and truth.

Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

Teach us to care creatively for its resources.

We pray for the community:

A period of silence is kept

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore, let us keep the peace.

Fraction Anthem

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God, holy food for God's holy people.

Communion Hymns

The Old Rugged Cross

Alleluia Book Page 136

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.

Concluding Lenten Blessing

Celebrant: Bow down before the Lord.

Grant, Almighty God, that we your people may recognize our weakness and put our whole trust in your strength, so that we may rejoice forever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

And may the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Be with us and remain with us forever.

People: Amen.

Recessional Hymn

Lead Oh King Eternal

Hymnal 555

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Celebrant: Therefore, with saints and martyrs, apostles and prophets, with all the redeemed, joyfully we praise you and sing:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Hymnal S124

Celebrant: All glory to you, Giver of life sufficient and full for all creation. Accept our praises, living God, for Jesus Christ, the one perfect offering for the world, who in the night that he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:

Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; 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, to forgive sin.

Do this as often as you drink it to remember me.

Therefore, God of all creation, in the suffering and death of Jesus our redeemer, we meet you in your glory. We lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your name. Here and now, with this bread and wine, we celebrate your great acts of liberation, ever present and living in Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come.

People: Amen! Come Lord Jesus.

Celebrant: May Christ ascended in majesty be our new and living way, our access to you, Father, and source of all new life. In Christ we offer ourselves to do your will.

Empower our celebration with your Holy Spirit, feed us with your life, fire us with your love, confront us with your justice, and make us one in the body of Christ with all who share your gifts of love.

Celebrant and People:

Through Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Creator God.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread BCP 364

(Particular intercessions/thanksgivings may be offered.)

God of truth, inspire with your wisdom

those whose decisions affect the lives of others

That all may act with integrity and courage.

Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours.

May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.

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

We give thanks for the Birthdays this week of,

Amy Hixon

We also give thanks for the Anniversary this week of,

Father Mark & Kim Van Wassenhove

Let us name our Thanksgivings today before God.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.We now pray for our own needs and those of others:

This week we especially pray for those on our hearts at Saint Michael's,

Ren Singleton Grandma Ma **Barb Wilson** Charlene Bollman Susan Slack Joel Blunk **Anita Thomas** Larry Willoughby Claire Van Wassenhove Michael Thomas Victoria Phil & June Bays Chuck & Devon Mike & Cindy John Seehafer Larry Howe **Joyce Frost** Tony & Beryl Cockram **Marvin Curtis** Michael Griffith & Family

Jim Piechorowski
Jack Mueller
Dr. Bill Kamanda
Brielle Sia Kamanda
Sonja Smith
Clara Furlang

God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.

May they know the power of your healing love.

Make us willing agents of your compassion.

Strengthen us as we share in making people whole.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We remember those who have died and those who mourn: (Particular intercessions/thanksgivings may be offered.)

We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone. This week we especially remember,

Lucy Walter The Rev. Jack Bliven Cortney Larsen Shannon North Susan Ryan Welsh Merle Philipson

Father, into your hands we commend them.

Give comfort to those who mourn.

Bring them peace in their time of loss.

We praise you for all your saints

who have entered your eternal glory.

May their example inspire and encourage us.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Leader: God of all time and places, we join our voices and pray in this time of transition:

Dear Lord,

You know our many needs better than we know ourselves. You are the map that gives us direction and the peace that makes us strong. In your gentleness, guide us, strengthen us, and stretch us, as our new rector makes her way to us. Give us patience in your timing, help us recognize and appreciate the new and unique gifts that our new rector will bring to us. Bless her and her family in this time of transition and give us hands and hearts that will welcome them in the time ahead. Hear our prayer.

Peace

A sign of peace is exchanged among the people.

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

People: And also with you.

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

Swing Low Sweet Chariot

Alleluia Book Page 156

Celebrant and people: All things come of Thee,

O Lord and of Thine own have we given thee. Amen

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Spirit of God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift your hearts to heaven People: **where Christ in glory reigns.** Celebrant: Let us give thanks to God.

People: It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right indeed to give you thanks most loving God, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, the first born from the dead, the pioneer of our salvation, who is with us always and one of us, and yet from the heart of God.

For with your whole created universe, we praise you for your unfailing gift of life. We thank you that you make us human and stay with us even when we turn from you to sin.

People: God's love is shown to us: while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Celebrant: In that love, dear God, righteous and strong to save, you came among us in Jesus Christ, our crucified and living Lord. You make all things new. In Christ's suffering and cross you reveal your glory and reconcile all peoples to yourself, their true and living God.

In your mercy you are now our God. Through Christ you gather us, new-born in your Spirit, a people after your own heart. We entrust ourselves to you, for you alone do justice to all people, living and departed.

People: Now is the acceptable time, now is the day of salvation.