



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

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*Worship with the Angels!*  
**10:15 a.m. on Sunday Mornings**  
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## The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Red Sea Crossing By: He Qi

**September 17, 2023**  
**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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**A BENEFIT CONCERT IN SUPPORT OF**  
*Dr. Aimee Matthews*



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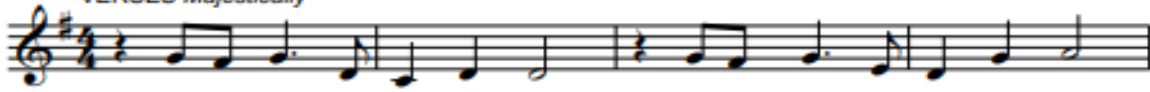
			
<b>JASON POOLER</b> Violin	<b>TAMRA GARRETT</b> Voice	<b>DR. WILLIAM HARRISON</b> Piano and Voice	<b>JOSEPH BUSH</b> Piano

**JOIN THE FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF LAWRENCE AND DR. AIMEE MATTHEWS FOR A NIGHT OF CAPTIVATING MUSICAL PERFORMANCES AS WE RAISE MONEY FOR AIMEE'S BREAST CANCER TREATMENTS. THERE IS NO COST TO ATTEND, BUT DONATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2023**  
**7 PM**

**LOCATION AND ADDRESS:**  
**SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**53720 N IRONWOOD RD, SOUTH BEND, IN 46635**  
**ATTIRE: DRESSY CASUAL**

VERSES *Majestically*



1.I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
 2.I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
 3.I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



1.All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I who  
 2.I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will  
 3.I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est



1.make the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.  
 2.break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
 3.bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



1.Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?\_\_\_\_  
 2.I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?\_\_\_\_  
 3.I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?\_\_\_\_

REFRAIN *a tempo*



Here I am, Lord.\_\_\_\_ Is it I, Lord?\_\_\_\_ I have heard you



call-ing in the night.\_\_\_\_ I will go, Lord,\_\_\_\_ if you



lead me.\_\_\_\_ I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.\_\_\_\_

Prelude & Entrance and Procession

Processional

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Hymnal 376

Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity

BCP 355

*The Celebrant:* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People:* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*Celebrant and people* 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*

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

God, because without you we are not able to please you,  
 mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct  
 and rule our hearts; 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:

Exodus 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

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

**Psalm 114**

**Music Follows**

1 Hallelujah!

When Israel came out of Egypt, \*  
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,

2 Judah became God's sanctuary \*  
and Israel his dominion.

3 The sea beheld it and fled; \*  
Jordan turned and went back.

4 The mountains skipped like rams, \*  
and the little hills like young sheep.

5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? \*  
O Jordan, that you turned back?

6 You mountains, that you skipped like rams? \*  
you little hills like young sheep?


**Dismissal**

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

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

**Postlude**

**This Week at Saint Michael's:**

<p><b><u>Sunday, September 17</u></b>            9:00 am Adult Forum with Special Guest Melies Kish &amp; Love Wins All            10:15 am Holy Eucharist            11:30 am Movie at Mike's "My Octopus"            3:00-5:00 pm Girl Scout Meeting</p>	
<p><b><u>Monday, September 18</u></b>            10:00 am AA Meeting            6:30 pm Vestry Meeting            7:00 pm South Bend Symphonic Choir Practice</p>	
<p><b><u>Tuesday, September 19</u></b>            7:00 pm River Bend Chorus            7:00 pm Movie's at Mike's Zoom "My Octopus"</p>	
<p><b><u>Wednesday, September 20</u></b>            11:15 am Midweek Eucharist &amp; Prayer            12:00 pm After Service Lunch</p>	
<p><b><u>Thursday, September 21</u></b></p>	
<p><b><u>Friday, September 22</u></b></p>	
<p><b><u>Saturday, September 23</u></b></p>	
<p><b><u>Sunday, September 24</u></b>            10:15 am Holy Eucharist            Church Hall Rental</p>	

the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.  
Grant that we who share these gifts  
may be filled with the Holy Spirit  
and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage  
of your daughters and sons,  
that with the Archangel Michael and all your saints,  
past, present, and yet to come,  
we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
to you be honor, glory, and praise,  
for ever and ever. AMEN

### The Lords Prayer

BCP 364

### The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

*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 Prayer of St. Francis*

Alleluia Book Page 78

### 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 Blessing

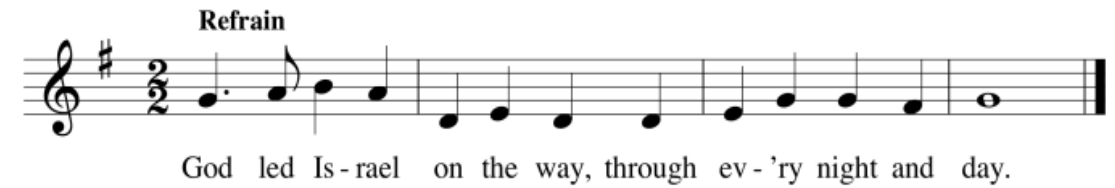
### Recessional Hymn

*Now Thank We All Our God*

Hymnal 397

7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, \*  
at the presence of the God of Jacob,

8 Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water \*  
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.



### Epistle:

**Romans 14:1-12**

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,  
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God

*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

**Matthew 18:21-35**

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

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

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

*Priest:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Homily

**Fr. Mark**

## The Nicene Creed

**BCP 358**

## 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.**

to renew your promise of salvation.  
Then, in the fullness of time,  
you sent your eternal Word,  
made mortal flesh in Jesus.

Born into the human family,  
and dwelling among us,  
he revealed your glory.  
Giving himself freely to death on the cross,  
he triumphed over evil,  
opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us,  
Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread,  
and when he had given thanks to you,  
he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:  
“Take, eat:  
This is my Body which is given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all  
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**

Remembering his death and resurrection,  
we now present to you from your creation  
this bread and this wine.  
By your Holy Spirit may they be for us

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is truly right, and good and joyful,  
to give you thanks, all-holy God,  
source of life and fountain of mercy.  
You have filled us and all creation with your blessing  
and fed us with your constant love;  
you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ  
and knit us into one body.  
Through your Spirit you replenish us  
and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels  
and with the faithful of every generation,  
we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord**

**Hymnal S124**

Blessed are you, gracious God,  
creator of the universe and giver of life.  
You formed us in your own image  
and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care  
that we might be your faithful stewards  
and show forth your bountiful grace.  
But we failed to honor your image  
in one another and in ourselves;  
we would not see your goodness in the world around us;  
and so we violated your creation,  
abused one another,  
and rejected your love.  
Yet you never ceased to care for us,  
and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah  
you called us into covenant with you.  
You delivered us from slavery,  
sustained us in the wilderness,  
and raised up prophets

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:  
(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,

**Joan Haizlip  
Larissa Tungate**

**Larry Putt  
Arryngton Ladd**

We also give thanks for the Anniversary this week of,

**Dan & Lynn Pfeifer**

Let us name our Thanksgivings today before God.  
Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

We 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  
Barb Wilson  
Susan Slack  
Anita Thomas  
Michael Thomas  
David Hixon  
Victoria  
Chuck & Devon  
John Seehafer**

**Joyce Frost  
Marvin Curtis  
Grandma Ma  
Charlene Bollman  
Joel Blunk  
Larry Willoughby  
Darlene Hammon  
Aimee Mitchell-Matthews  
& Family**

**Kristen Holt  
Lorraine Anderson  
Red Kurz  
Larry Putt  
Claire Van Wassenhove  
Charlie & Ann Gruenig  
Phil & June Bays  
Mike & Cindy**

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,

**Douglas Hall  
Audra Woodcox  
Helen Houghtby  
Doris McCullum**

**Dorothy Townsley  
Craig Shuck  
Karen Foster**

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 we search for a new rector.**  
**Give us patience in your timing and help us recognize the rector that is right for**  
**St. Michael and All Angels Parish.**  
**Hear our prayer.**

Confession of Sins

BCP 360

## 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

**Chris Dunlap, 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

*Here I Am Lord*

**Music on Page 14**

*Celebrant and people:* **All things come of Thee,  
O Lord and of Thine own have we given thee.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

**Eucharistic Prayer 1**

*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.**