



ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021

Please center yourself in reverent silence and allow the offering of music to prepare you for worship. Fellowship after the service is welcomed and encouraged.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Prelude



Hymn

1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heav'n, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art.
Visit us with thy salvation;
enter ev'ry trembling heart.

2 Come, Almighty, to deliver,
let us all thy life receive.
Suddenly return, and never,
nevermore they temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,

Love Divine

serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

3 Finish, then, thy new creation;
true and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee.
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love and praise.

Celebrant
People
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People

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!
There is one Body and one Spirit;
There is one hope in God's call to us;
One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
One God and Father of all.

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Glory to God

Gloria in Excelsis

***Glory to God in the highest,
 and peace to his people on earth.
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 almighty God and Father,
 we worship you, we give you thanks,
 we praise you for your glory.
 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
 Lord God, Lamb of God,
 you take away the sin of the world:
 have mercy on us;
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
 receive our prayer.
 For you alone are the Holy One,
 you alone are the Lord,
 you alone are the Most High,
 Jesus Christ,
 with the Holy Spirit,
 in the glory of God the Father. Amen.***

THE COLLECT FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Celebrant Let us pray.

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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.**

THE LESSONS
ABOUT TODAY'S READINGS

Today's readings reveal what it means to live in and through Jesus. In Acts, Philip explains to the Ethiopian eunuch the good news of Jesus. The author of 1 John reveals that true faith becomes visible through the obedience of active love. In today's gospel, Jesus explains that, like branches connected to a vine, we abide with him and experience great fruitfulness.

THE FIRST LESSON

A READING FROM ACTS

Acts 8:26-40

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 22:24-30

Recited responsively by whole verse

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.

THE SECOND LESSON

A READING FROM 1 JOHN

1 John 4:7-21

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 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

Baptized in Water

1 Baptized in water,
Sealed by the Spirit,
Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:
Heirs of salvation,
Trusting His promise,
Faithfully now God's praise we sing.
2 Baptized in water,
Sealed by the Spirit,
Dead in the tomb with Christ our King:

One with His rising,
freed and forgiven,
Thankfully now God's praise we sing.
3 Baptized in water,
Sealed by the Spirit,
Marked with the sign of Christ our King:
Born of one Father,
We are His children,
Joyfully now God's praise we sing.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:1-8

Celebrant 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."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

THE SERMON

Father Seth

THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents

I present Madeline Bel Klumpp to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

When all have been presented the Celebrant asks the parents and godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children

- Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?
 Answer I renounce them.
- Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?
 Answer I renounce them.
- Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?
 Answer I renounce them.
- Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?
 Answer I do.
- Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?
 Answer I do.
- Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?
 Answer I do.

After all have been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in their life in Christ?
 People **We will.**

The Celebrant then says these or similar words

Let us join with Madeline who is committing herself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

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

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

Let us now pray for Madeline who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever.

Amen.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water.

Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.

Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE BAPTISM

Each candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

Madeline Bel Klumpp, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon *this* your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised *her* to the new life of grace. Sustain *her*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give *her* an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Then the Priest marks the sign of the cross on the forehead using Chrism and saying

Madeline Bel Klumpp, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

Amen.

When all have been baptized, the Celebrant says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

THE PEACE

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Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome to all in-person and online visitors! Please email: mail@stmichaelslc.com to be added to our weekly email list and to learn more about St. Michael's.
- Please check-in on Facebook and share the service.
- Volunteer and Community Service Opportunities:
 - "Lay Weeders" to weed and plant flower beds at the church
 - Provide a baked good or breakfast item for a Teachers Appreciation meal at College Oaks Elementary on May 5th
- Men's group meets Wednesdays at 8:00 am at George Heard's house: 905 W LaGrange Street
- Fr. Seth has additional gift cards for those in need. Please see him after the service.
- Eucharist is now available in both kinds (bread and wine). You may receive the wine by intinction (dipping) only. To intinct, please take your host to the chalice bearer where you will intinct (dip) your host yourself into the chalice being very careful not to allow your fingers to touch the wine or chalice. Intinction is optional. If you wish to only receive communion in one kind (host/bread), this is perfectly acceptable. If your young child wishes to receive in both kinds, please intinct for your child. Please use the hand sanitizer available in the Commons prior to receiving the Holy Eucharist.
- It's not too late to make a pledge for 2021 or to make a gift to the rebuilding fund! Pledge Results:
 - 2021 Pledges 66 totaling \$334,014.69
 - 2020 Pledges 92 totaling \$389,618.10
 - Year to year difference of -26 pledges totaling -\$55,603.41 from last year

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Eucharistic Prayer A

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 him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

***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
 THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION**

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

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.

Let us pray.

***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.***

THE BLESSING

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. ***Amen.***

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. ***Amen.***

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. ***Amen.***

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. ***Amen***

Hymn

Joyful Joyful

1 Joyful, joyful, we adore You,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before You,
Praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!
2 All Your works with joy surround thee,
Earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around thee,
Center of unbroken praise;

Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in thee!
3 Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,
All who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant
People

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Hardtner Klumpp on the baptism of their daughter, Madeline Bel!

About Holy Baptism: Holy Baptism is full initiation by water and the Holy Spirit into Christ's Body the Church. The bond which God establishes in Baptism is indissoluble.

What is Holy Baptism? Holy Baptism is the sacrament by which God adopts us as his children and makes us members of Christ's Body, the Church, and inheritors of the kingdom of God.

What is the outward and visible sign in Baptism? The outward and visible sign in Baptism is water, in which the person is baptized in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

What is the inward and spiritual grace in Baptism? The inward and spiritual grace in Baptism is union with Christ in his death and resurrection, birth into God's family the Church, forgiveness of sins, and new life in the Holy Spirit.

What is required of us at Baptism? It is required that we renounce Satan, repent of our sins, and accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior.

Why then are infants baptized? Infants are baptized so that they can share citizenship in the Covenant, membership in Christ, and redemption by God.

How are the promises for infants made and carried out? Promises are made for them by their parents and sponsors, who guarantee that the infants will be brought up within the Church, to know Christ and be able to follow him.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

The Very Rev. D. Seth Donald, Celebrant and Preacher

Martha Briley, Lay Eucharistic Minister

Laurie Riquelmy, Lector

Susan Arrington, Pianist

Heather Ritchie, Violinist

Lisa Sober, Soloist

David Ritchie, Videographer

Patti Smith, Harriet Green and Sara Bass, Altar Guild

Madeline Bel Klumpp, The Newly Baptized

Hardtner and Julie Klumpp, Parents

Gregory Walter Klumpp, Pamela Stacy Fear and Margaret Leigh Boyer, Godparents

Expenses necessary for hurricane repair and reconstruction make your offering even more critical:

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EPISCOPAL CHURCH

2021 Stewardship: Repairers of the Breach

*Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations; you will be called
Repairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets with Dwellings. Isaiah 58:12*

St. Michael's needs you.

Pledge for 2021 expenses and to rebuild our church.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

In 2021, I/We commit to pledge: \$ _____

One Time Gifts

\$ _____ **Donation to the Rebuilding Fund**

\$ _____ **Donation to the Recovery House**

_____ **I would like to learn more about planned giving through a will or trust**

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