



ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Twentieth Sunday
after Pentecost

October 10, 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 8

Morning Has Broken

1 Morning has broken
Like the first morning,
Blackbird has spoken
Like the first bird.
Praise for the singing!
Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing
Fresh from the Word!

2 Sweet the rain's new fall
Sunlit from Heaven,
Like the first dewfall
On the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness

Of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness
Where his feet pass.

3 Mine is the sunlight,
Mine is the morning,
Born of the one light
Eden saw play.
Praise with elation,
Praise every morning,
God's re-creation
Of the new day!



THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant
People

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

BCP 355

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

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 LITURGY OF THE WORD
THE COLLECT FOR THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

BCP 234

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS
ABOUT TODAY'S READINGS

Today's readings encourage us to work for justice, to release our attachment to things and to trust Jesus to form us into a people of compassion. Amos decries Israel's unjust treatment of the poor and oppressed. The author of Hebrews points out that only through Jesus will any of this be fully accomplished—as our apostle and high priest, he builds us into “God's house.” In today's gospel, Jesus advises a wealthy man who seeks God to obey God's commandments and to detach from his possessions and focus fully on God. With God all things are possible!

THE FIRST LESSON
A READING FROM AMOS

Amos 5:6-7,10-15

Seek the Lord and live,
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,
and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore, because you trample on the poor
and take from them levies of grain,

you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not live in them;

you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions,
and how great are your sins—

you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;

and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.

Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;

it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

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

PSALM 90:12-17

12 So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

**13 Return, O Lord; how long will you
tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.**

14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the
morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our
life.

Recited responsively by whole verse

**15 Make us glad by the measure of the days
that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered
adversity.**

16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.

**17 May the graciousness of the Lord our
God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands; prosper
our handiwork.**

THE SECOND LESSON

A READING FROM HEBREWS

Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN 707

Take My Life

1 Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

2 Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
Take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.
Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:17-31

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

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

THE SERMON

Mother Petroula

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 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.***

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM III

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Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

We pray for the rebuilding of St. Michael's: that God may abundantly bless our church, that we may bless others.

We pray for all medical personnel as they deal with the resurgence of Covid and its effects upon the healthcare system.

We pray for protection during this current hurricane season.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation: Cammie Shaddock, Marilyn Lowe, Monet Brashear, John Daigle, Remola Barton, David Crowe, William, Wendy Pelloquin, Mark Reddin, the Knowels family, Tracy Barbe, and Butch Babineaux.

For our military, especially: Amanda Ake, Trevor Alexander, Ryan Ayres, David Doyle, Emmanuel Ebhoomhan, Edie Abigail Moon, Glenn Richard and Keegan Schuller.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church in West Africa.

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for Ascension in Lafayette and St. Barnabas in Lafayette.

In the Congregation's cycle of prayer, we pray for Janet Meaux Ware.

We give thanks to those parishioners celebrating their birthday this week: Maggie Brown, Mitzi George, Sam Dent and Jeanette Pickett.

THE COLLECT AT THE PRAYERS

BCP 395

Celebrant

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

***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 you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

BCP 360

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome! 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.
- Masks are required and physical distance maintained for all in-door gatherings.
- Past homilies are recorded on St. Michael's YouTube channel.
- Men's group meets Wednesdays at 8:00 am at The Canterbury House.
- The 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 prior to receiving the Holy Eucharist. If you would like to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest to indicate your preference. Please pass the peace from a distance.
- Starting October 17th we will have 2 morning services at 8 am and 10:30 am.
- Starting October 20th we will have Noon Eucharist every week on Wednesdays.
- St. Michael's is on a mission to wipe out our area's medical debt. More information in the weekly email!
- ALTAR FLOWERS: Each Sunday we have two arrangements, each arrangement is a suggested donation of \$50, up to two families may sign-up per Sunday. Please click the link to sign up <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B4DA8AC29AAF94-thealtar>
- CHOIR PRACTICE: On Wednesday's at 6:30 p.m. at the church.
- NURSERY WORKERS: We are currently looking for nursery workers; either volunteers or paid nursery workers for our Sunday morning service(s). If you are interested or know someone who would be great for the job please call the church office 337-477-1881.
- OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: We still need: Stuffed Animals, Dolls; Cars, Trucks; Caps, Shirts; Balls; Combs, Hair Accessories. Save the Dates: Sun., Nov. 7 - Sun., Nov. 14 & Sun., Nov. 21. For more info, see Oct. HERALD, Bulletins, and/or samaritanspurse.org/occ.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP 361

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

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*Celebrant
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 THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

*Celebrant
People*

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, alleluia
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.

Communion Hymn 660

1 O Master, let me walk with thee
In lowly paths of service free;
Tell me thy secret, help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.

2 Help me the slow of heart to move
By some clear, winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay,
And guide them in the homeward way.

O Master, Let Me Walk

3 Teach me thy patience; still with thee
In closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
In trust that triumphs over wrong.

4 In hope that sends a shining ray
Far down the future's broad'ning way,
In peace that only thou canst give,
With thee, O Master, let me live.

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.***

THE BLESSING

May almighty God make you faithful to His calling, cheerful in His service, and fruitful for His kingdom, and the blessing of God almighty: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn 655

O Jesus, I have Promised

1 O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end: be thou for ever near me, my Master and my friend; I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side, nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

2 O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still, above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will; O speak to reassure me, to hasten or

control; O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

3 O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee, that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be; and, Jesus I have promised to serve thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, my Master and my friend.

THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant
People*

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

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

*The Rev. Petroula Ruehlen, Celebrant and Preacher
Mary Jones and Jeff Schweitzer, Lay Eucharistic Ministers*

Clara Heard, Lector

Susan Arrington, Pianist

Heather Ritchie, Violinist

Lisa Sober, Soloist

David Ritchie, Videographer

Tommy Schweitzer, Megan Rowzie and KK Bennersheidt, Altar Guild

ALTAR FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In Thanksgiving of the Anniversary of David and Brenda Donald by their children.

*Expenses necessary for hurricane repair and reconstruction make your offering even more critical:
<https://www.stmichaelslc.com/donate.html> The church relies on your generosity.*