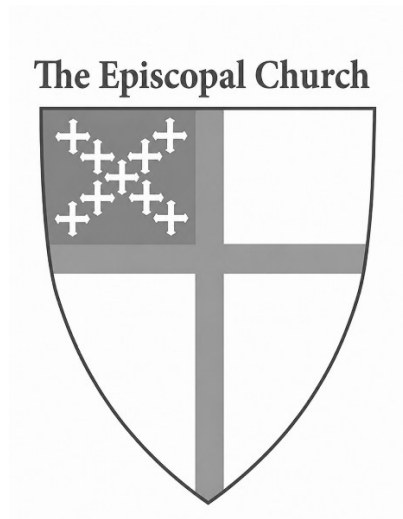


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The Liturgical Season Following Pentecost





Welcome to St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church. Whether this is your first time here or you are a long-time member, or somewhere in between, we are blessed to have you in worship with us today. St. Michael and All Angels church is a member of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas. Our liturgy (the structure of our worship) is taken from the Episcopal Church's Book of Common Prayer. In this bulletin, all the people's responses are found in bold print. The Scripture readings for today are found on the bulletin insert. If you have any questions about worship, don't hesitate to ask a person sitting near you. We want you to feel at home and experience God's loving presence in our worship. On the insert, you will also find information about various events that you are invited to participate in at St. Michael and All Angels.

When the Holy Eucharist is celebrated, all who are baptized, regardless of age or denomination, are welcome to receive communion at the Lord's table. If you are not baptized or prefer not to receive, you may come forward for a blessing. To indicate that you would like to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. Please know that there is real wine in the cup; you do not have to receive both bread and wine in order to participate in communion.

We come seeking to become more and more followers of Jesus. We come seeking to be changed by our encounter with Jesus in Word and Sacrament—as we hear and respond to Scripture and gather around the Lord's Table. We have different backgrounds, different journeys, and stand in different places in life. We are young, old, and everything in between. But we see Christ in one another, and we walk together, praying for and encouraging each other.

We trust that God loves all creation. It was love that motivated God the Father to send his Son to live and die as one of us. It was God's love that Jesus offered His disciples to guide their lives and relationships. It was God's love that the saints proclaimed with their lives and their deaths, and that later Christian mystics found at the heart of everything. And it is love that motivates our worship, and sends us out into our city and our world as witnesses and workers.

The Word of God

Opening Hymn

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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.**

Songs of Praise

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant prays The Collect (the prayer of the day)

The First Reading

Found on the Bulletin Insert

After the Scripture reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Found on the Bulletin Insert

The Second Reading

Found on the Bulletin Insert

After the Scripture reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

A Song in Response

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to_____.

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

The Gospel Reading

Found on the Bulletin Insert

After the Gospel reading

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

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 worshipped 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 VI

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader For this community, the nation, and world;

People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;
People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Andy, Jeff, Kai, Hector, and Brian,
our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;
People For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions

Leader Hear us, Lord;
People For your mercy is great.

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;
People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People Who put their trust in you.

Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

Almighty God have mercy on you (us), forgive you (us) all your (our) sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you (us) in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you (us) in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

The Offertory

When the gifts are carried to the altar, we stand and sing the Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

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 (God) thanks and praise.**

Celebrant continues

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

Here a Proper Preface is said by the Celebrant

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
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory, full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

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,

**We remember his death.
We proclaim his resurrection.
We await his coming in glory.**

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 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.**

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking and Sharing of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Songs

After Communion the Celebrant says

Celebrant Let us pray.

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, Closing Song, and Dismissal