

Holy Eucharist

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# Welcome to St. Michael's in the Hills!

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Prelude: Chorale-Prelude on "St. Bernard" (Lord, As to Thy Dear Cross We Flee) Robert J. Powell (b. 1932)

Michael

Psalm 130

Emma Lou Diemer (b. 1927)

Out of the depths I cry to thee, O Lord! Lord, hear my voice! Let thy ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

Hymn 665

All my hope on God is founded

All God is found ed: he doth still 1 my hope on my 2 Mor - tal pride and earth ly glo гv. sword and crown be -3 God's great good ness e'er en dur - eth, deep his wis dom . \*4 Dai - ly doth the al might Giv boun - teous gifts . ÿ . er on 5 Still God sac - ri fice from earth to ė ter .... nal of . 1 through change and chance trust me he re ÷ new, 2 though with care and toil tray our trust; we 3 pass ing thought: splen dor. light, and life at 4 his de be stow; sire our soul de us 5 praise be done, high bove all prais a es guid - eth, ly true. God 1 on h good and on un 2 build them. tower tem ple fall dust. But God's and . to 3 tend him, beau eth of nought. . ty spring out Ev 4 ligh - teth, plea - sure leads us where we go. Love doth 5prais - ing the gift Christ, his Son. Christ doth for of 6 1 known. he a lone calls my heart to be his own. 2 power, hour by hour. is my tem ple and my tower. . 3 rmore from his store new-born worlds rise and a dore. 4 wait his mand. stand at his hand; joy doth on com 5one and shall fall. call all: ve who fol low not

## The Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant:* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins. *People:* His mercy endures for ever.

## The Collect for Purity

*Celebrant*: 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.

Trisagion (S 102)

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

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* 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.

### First Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know."

Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*: Thanks be to God.

Response: Psalm 130

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice; \* let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- 2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, \* O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; \* therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; \* in his word is my hope.
- 5 My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning, \* more than watchmen for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, \* for with the Lord there is mercy;
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption, \* and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

## Second Lesson: Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law— indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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



#### The Gospel: John 11:1-45

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

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?"

Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn 510, vss. 3-4

## The Sermon

The Rev. Gene Pearson

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 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 IV

*Leader:* Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy.

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader*: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

- *Leader.* Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy.
- People: Hear our prayer.
- *Leader*: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We pray for all those engaged in vocational discernment, especially Barb Reszko. We pray for those in harm's way, especially Michael, Ian, John, Scott, Tim, and all essential workers. Are there others you wish to name? [pause] Lord, in your mercy.
- *People:* Hear our prayer.
- *Leader*: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation, especially AI, Dick, Elmer, Letty, Carol, Gayle, Jackie, John, Lillian, Didi, Lee, Nancy, Richard, Dick, Mary, Kit, Donna, Reuben, Courtney, Phyllis, Bill, Mike and Chris. We also pray for all those infected with COVID-19 and their caregivers, and all those experiencing violence throughout the world. Are there others you wish to name? *[pause]*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Are there others you wish to remember? [pause] Lord, in your mercy.

- People: Hear our prayer.
- *Celebrant*: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

#### The Confession and Absolution

*Celebrant*: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

- *All:* God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.
- *Celebrant*: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

#### The Peace and Announcements

St. Michael's Bell Choir: Peace and Harmony

Kurt Meyer

## Offertory Prayer

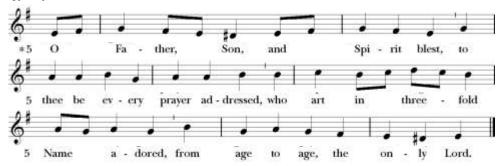
*Celebrant*: As we bring our offerings to You, we give back to You from the abundant blessings You have given us. May our gifts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord our God.

<u>Offertory</u>: *If I can Help Somebody* 

Alma Androzzo; arr. David L. Brunner

Doxology: Hymn 143, vs. 5

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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.
- *Celebrant*: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. 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:

Sanctus & Benedictus (S117)





Please kneel, as able.

*Celebrant*: 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:

*Celebrant and People:* Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

*Celebrant:* 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.

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

## The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant and 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.

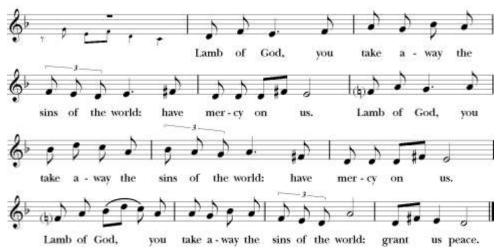
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* Therefore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei (S163)



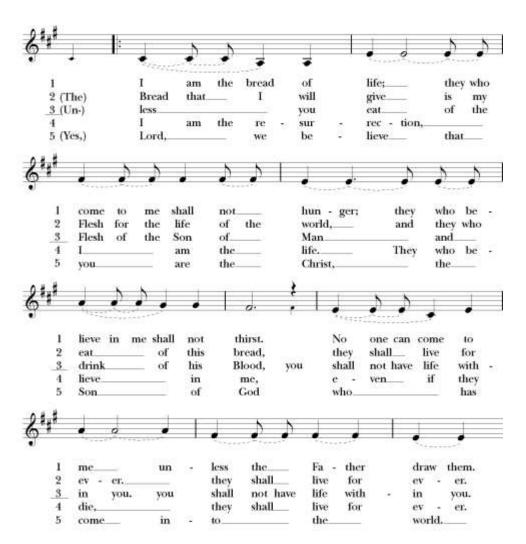
*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

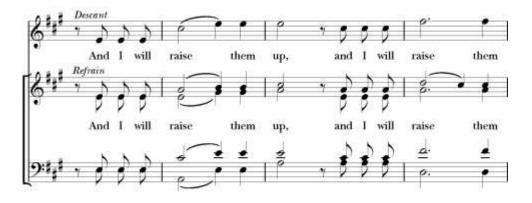
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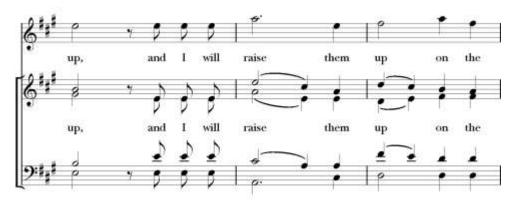
Hymn 335

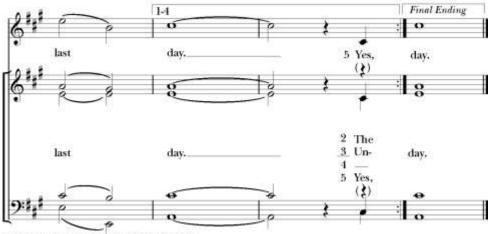
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I Am the Bread of Life

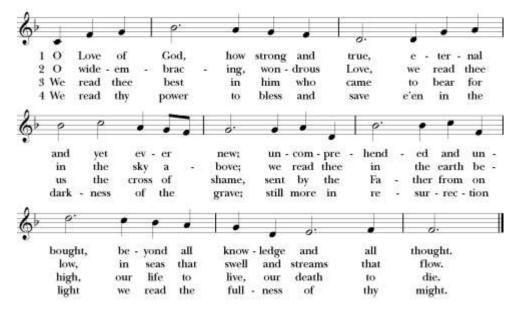








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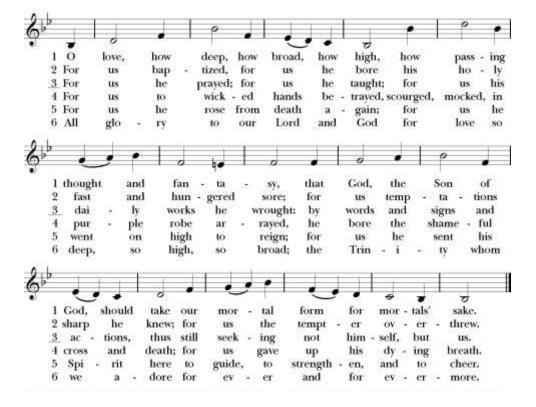
#### Prayer after Communion

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: 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

*Celebrant:* The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.



#### The Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. *Response:* Thanks be to God.

<u>Postlude</u>: Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier (Dearest Jesus, We Are Here) Carl Kuntze (1817-1883)

# Assisting with the Service

Celebrant:	The Rev. Gene Pearson
Altar Guild:	Sara Roberts, Susan Hendricks
Lectors:	Sarah Schendel, Diane Braun, David Braun
Greeters:	Laurel & Cheryl Volk
Ushers:	Ron Volk, Joe Gerhardinger

## Assisting on April 2

Celebrant:	The Rev. Nancy Kin
Altar Guild:	Kay Gerhardinger, Barb Malkoski
Lectors:	Carole Shirk, George Shirk, Laura Randall
Greeters:	Sarah Schendel, Donna Wipfli
Ushers:	Mike Ward, Kyle Randall

# **Guests & Visitors:**

We would love to hear from you! Scan the QR code and fill out our visitor card online, or reach for a pew card available in each row and place your completed card in the offering plate.

We're glad you visited St. Michael's!



