

# St. Michael's in the Hills Episcopal Church



Holy Eucharist

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June 18, 2023

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

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Children are welcome and encouraged to share in our worship.

Prelude: *Allegretto in A*

W. A. Mozart (1756-1791)

Hymn 391, vss. 1-3

*Before the Lord's eternal throne*

*Winchester New*



1 Be - fore the Lord's e - ter - nal throne, ye  
2 His sov - ereign Power with - out our aid formed  
3 We are his peo - ple, we his care, our

1 na - tions, bow with sa - cred joy; know that the Lord is  
2 us of clay and gave us breath; and when like wan - dering  
3 souls, and all our mor - tal frame; what last - ing hon - or

1 God a - lone; he can cre - ate, and he des - troy.  
2 sheep we strayed, he saved us from the power of death.  
3 shall we rear, al - might - y Ma - ker, to thy Name?

## The Opening Acclamation

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

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

## 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.

*Gloria in excelsis (S280)*

*Powell*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most



*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

### The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### First Lesson: Genesis 18:1-15

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, **he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground.** He said, “My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, “Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.” Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, “Where is your wife Sarah?” And he said, “There, in the tent.” Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?” The Lord said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh, and say, ‘Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?’ Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.” But Sarah denied, saying, “I did not laugh”; for she was afraid. He said, “Oh yes, you did laugh.”

The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

Response: Psalm 116:1, 10-17

- 1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, \*  
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.
- 10 How shall I repay the Lord \*  
for all the good things he has done for me?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation \*  
and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \*  
in the presence of all his people.
- 13 Precious in the sight of the Lord \*  
is the death of his servants.
- 14 O Lord, I am your servant; \*  
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \*  
in the presence of all his people,
- 17 In the courts of the Lord'S house, \*  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.  
Hallelujah!

Second Lesson: Romans 5:1-8

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.



1 Hail, thou once de - spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, thou Gal - i -  
 2 Pas - chal Lamb, by God ap - point - ed, all our sins on  
 3 Je - sus, hail! en - throned in glo - ry, there for ev - er  
 \*4 Wor - ship, hon - or, power, and bless - ing thou art wor - thy  
 le - an King! Thou didst suf - fer to re - lease us;  
 thee were laid: by al - might - y love a - noint - ed,  
 to a - bide; all the heaven - ly hosts a - dore thee,  
 to re - ceive; high - est prais - es, with - out ceas - ing,  
 thou didst free sal - va - tion bring. Hail, thou u - ni - ver - sal  
 thou hast full a - tone - ment made. All thy peo - ple are for -  
 seat - ed at thy Fa - ther's side. There for sin - ners thou art  
 right it is for us to give. Help, ye bright an - gel - ic  
 Sa - vior, bear - er of our sin and shame! By thy mer - it  
 giv - en through the vir - tue of thy blood: o - pened is the  
 plead - ing; there thou dost our place pre - pare; ev - er for us  
 spi - rits, all your no - blest an - thems raise; help to sing our  
 we find fa - vor: life is giv - en through thy Name  
 gate of hea - ven, re - con - ciled are we with God.  
 in - ter - ced - ing, till in glo - ry we ap - pear.  
 Sa - vior's mer - its, help to chant Em - man - uel's praise!

The Gospel: *Matthew 9:35-10:8(9-23)*

*Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax

collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

**These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions:** “Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. [Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

**“See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”]**

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn 495, vss. 3-4

The Sermon

The Rev. Robert Gahler

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, and Tim.** 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 Al, Dick, Elmer, Letty, Carol, Gayle, Jackie, John, Lillian, Didi, Lee, Nancy, Dick, Mary, Kit, Donna, Bill, Mike, Chris, and Margi. We also pray for 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

## The Holy Communion

### 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.

Offertory: *Goodness of God*

Cece Winans (b. 1964)

*performed by Nicole Wilson*

Doxology: Hymn 380, vs. 3

*Old 100th*

The musical score is written for a piano accompaniment, consisting of a treble clef and a bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are: "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." The score is divided into three systems, each with a treble and bass line. The first system starts with a treble clef and a bass clef, with the lyrics "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise". The second system continues with the lyrics "him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye". The third system concludes with the lyrics "heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." The score ends with a double bar line.

## 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 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. 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 (S129)*

The image shows a musical score for the Sanctus and Benedictus. It consists of four staves of music in a single system, all in treble clef. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and'. The second staff continues with 'might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -'. The third staff continues with 'san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who'. The fourth staff concludes with 'comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' There are triplets indicated by a '3' over a group of three notes in several places.

*Celebrant:* 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,

*Celebrant and People:* We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

*Celebrant:* 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.

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)*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The musical score is written on four staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are placed below the notes. The second and third staves continue the melody with lyrics. The fourth staff concludes the piece with a double bar line. There are triplets indicated by a '3' over a group of notes in the second, third, and fourth staves.

*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.

Communion Music:

Hymn 321

*My God, thy table now is spread*

*Rockingham*

1 My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with  
2 O let thy ta - ble hon - ored be, and fur - nished  
3 Drawn by thy quick - ening grace, O Lord, in coun - tless  
4 Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the  
love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren  
well with joy - ful guests; and may each soul sal -  
num - bers let them come and gath - er from their  
world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall

The musical score is written on two systems, each with a treble and bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The lyrics are placed between the staves. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn. The second system contains the remaining lines. The music is a simple, hymn-like melody.

thith - er led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know.  
 va - tion see, that here its sa - cred pledg - es tastes.  
 Fa - ther's board the Bread that lives be - yond the tomb.  
 all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

Hymn 416

*For the beauty of the earth*

*Lucerna Laudoniae*

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,  
 2 For the beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,  
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,  
 4 For the joy of hu-man love, bro-ther, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
 5 For the Church which ev - er - more lift - eth ho - ly hands a - bove,

1 for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,  
 2 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,  
 3 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight,  
 4 friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,  
 5 of - fer - ing up on ev - ery shore thy pure sac - ri - fice of love,

*Refrain*

Christ our God, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

## 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.

Hymn 541, vss. 1-3

*Come, labor on*

*Ora Labora*



1 Come, la - bor on. Who dares stand i - die  
2 Come, la - bor on. The en - e - my is  
3 Come, la - bor on. A - way with gloom - y

1 on the har - vest plain, while all a - round us  
2 watch - ing night and day, to sow the tares, to  
3 doubts and faith - less fear! No arm so weak but

1 waves the gold - en grain? And to each ser - vant  
2 snatch the seed a - way; while we in sleep our  
3 may do ser - vice here: by feeb - lest a - gents

1 does the Mas - ter say, "Go work to - day."  
2 du - ty have for - got, he slum - bered not.  
3 may our God ful - fill his right - eous will.

The Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*Response:* Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *Allegro in A*

W. A. Mozart

*Assisting with the Service*

Celebrant: The Rev. Robert Gahler  
Organist: Susan Barker  
Altar Guild: Barb Malkoski, Jano Nolette  
Lectors: Susan Hendricks, Sarah Schendel,  
Scott Hendricks  
Greeters: Becky & Tom Hauck  
Ushers: Nancy Lehmann

*Assisting on June 25*

Celebrant: The Rev. Nancy Kin  
Organist: Nancy Russell  
Altar Guild: Nancy Lehmann, Kay Gerhardinger  
Lectors: Sarah Schendel, Diane Braun,  
David Braun  
Greeters: Jano Nolette  
Ushers: Joe Gerhardinger

**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!*

