

# St. Michael's in the Hills Episcopal Church



Holy Eucharist

10:00 a.m.

August 6, 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: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*  
*Andante*  
*Beautiful Savior*

arr. John Carter (b. 1930)  
Edvard Grieg (1843-1907)  
arr. Dale Wood (1934-2003)

Hymn 7 Christ, whose glory fills the skies

Ratisbon

1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,  
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;  
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!

Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:  
joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,  
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;

Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.  
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.  
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

## 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:* O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### First Lesson: Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

Response: Psalm 99:5-9

- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God  
and fall down before his footstool; \*  
he is the Holy One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,  
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \*  
they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*  
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; \*  
you were a God who forgave them,  
yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God  
and worship him upon his holy hill; \*  
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

Second Lesson: 2 Peter 1:13-21

I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to refresh your memory, since I know that my death will come soon, as indeed our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the **Majestic Glory**, saying, “**This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.**” We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

O Zi - on, tune thy voice, and raise thy hands on  
 He gilds thy morn - ing face with beams that can - not  
 In hon - or to his Name re - flect that sa - cred  
 There on his ho - ly hill a bright - er sun shall

high; tell all the earth thy joys, and boast sal -  
 fade; his all - re - splen - dent grace he pours a -  
 light; and loud that grace pro - claim, which makes thy  
 rise, and with his ra - diance fill those fair - er

va - tion nigh. Cheer - ful in God, a -  
 round thy head; the na - tions round thy  
 dark - ness bright; pur - sue his praise, till  
 pur - er skies; while round his throne ten

rise and shine, while rays di - vine stream all a - broad.  
 form shall view, with lus - ter new di - vine - ly crowned.  
 sov - ereign love in worlds a - bove the glo - ry raise.  
 thou - sand stars in no - bler spheres his in - fluence own.

The Gospel: Luke 9:28-36

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

*People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving **him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”** —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered **the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!”** When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn 543, vss. 3-4

The Sermon

The Rev. John Hagan

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

—prepared by Cathy Ammlung of CORE ministries

*Leader:* Let us pray that the light of Christ may shine upon the Church, the world, and all people according to their need. [*A brief silence*]

Holy Lord, Holy and Mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us! In the transfiguration of Jesus, we see your glory. And we see what a human being, immersed **in you, will look like.** Thank you for this “vision.” Thank you for showing us that Jesus truly is all in all. Thank you for his suffering and death, which transfigures our own. Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader:* **Transfigure your Church. Make it a lamp, radiating your Son’s light and life. Make it a place where mortals may eat and drink in your presence, and live. Make it a place where all may come, and be fashioned into the very image and likeness of Christ.** Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader:* Transfigure this congregation: its people and programs; its decisions and vision; its worship, service, and fellowship. Make our every word and actions like crystal, through **which Jesus’ love shines** clearly to everyone we meet. Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader:* Transfigure the suffering in our hearts, by uniting it to the death and resurrection of Jesus. Give us grace to speak truth and offer forgiveness to both friends and adversaries. Transfigure our ministries that all we say and do points to Christ and his strong love. Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader:* **Transfigure this world, so that the sacrifices of those who stand in harm’s way to protect us may not be in vain.** Let their actions shine with valor and honor; and grant them healing when they fall, and joy when they return home. Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader:* Transfigure our world; its people; and leaders. Enlighten minds to seek your truth, and purify hearts to delight in doing your will. Turn us from being rivals of one another, and of our own good. Transfigure us into your faithful pilgrims, sisters and brothers to one another, wise stewards of creation, and lovers of the Beloved. Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader:* Transfigure the lives of all who sit in the shadows of suffering and sorrow – especially: Al, Dick, Elmer, Letty, Carol, Gayle, Jackie, John, Lillian, Didi, Lee, Nancy, Dick, Mary, Kit, Mike, Margi, Wilma and Diane. Grant that Christ, may rise upon them with healing in his touch. Let sorrow be turned to joy; fear into hope; and despair into faith in love. Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader:* Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, we entrust our beloved departed into your care, knowing that you have transfigured their death into life, their brokenness into holiness, and their limits into joy. We humbly ask you to transfigure each of us into the likeness of Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Celebrant:* All these things, grant to us, O Lord, for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. 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: *Come unto Him from Messiah'*

G.F. Handel

Grace Wipfli, soloist

\*3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise  
 him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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 through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down [on this day] from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. 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)*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*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:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*Agnus Dei (S163)*

The image shows a musical score for the Agnus Dei (S163). It consists of four staves of music in G major and 3/4 time. The lyrics are: "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 score includes various musical notations such as treble clefs, notes, rests, and dynamic markings like *fz* and *f*. There are also triplet markings over some notes.

*Celebrant:* This is Christ's table. It is a table of welcome. So come, those of you who have great faith, and those of you who wish you had more. Come, those of you who have tried to follow Jesus, and those of you who have fallen short. Come, those of you who depend on this meal for your lives, and those of you for whom it is a new. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

## Communion Music:

Hymn 133

*O Light of Light, Love given birth*

Elmhurst

1 O Light of Light, Love giv - en birth; Je - sus, Re -  
2 Two pro - phets, who had faith to see, with your e -  
3 May all who seek to praise a - right through pur - er

deem - er of the earth: more bright than day your face did  
lect found com - pan - y; the heavens a - bove your glo - ry  
lives show forth your light. To you, the King of glo - ry,

1-2  
show, your rai - ment whit - er than the snow.  
named, your Fa - ther's voice his Son pro - claimed.  
now all

*Final Ending*  
faith - ful hearts a - dor - ing bow.

## Prayer after Communion

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*All:* Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils yet unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

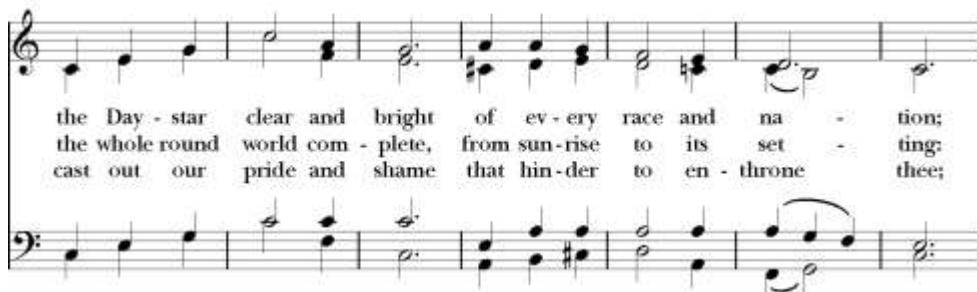
—*St. Alban's Episcopal Church/Lutheran Church*

## The Blessing

*Celebrant:* Life is short, And we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who journey with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind, strive to waken hope. And the blessing of God, the Creator who made us, the Savior who loves us, and the Spirit who travels with us, be with you now and forever. AMEN. —*Henri Frederic Amiel (1821-1881)*



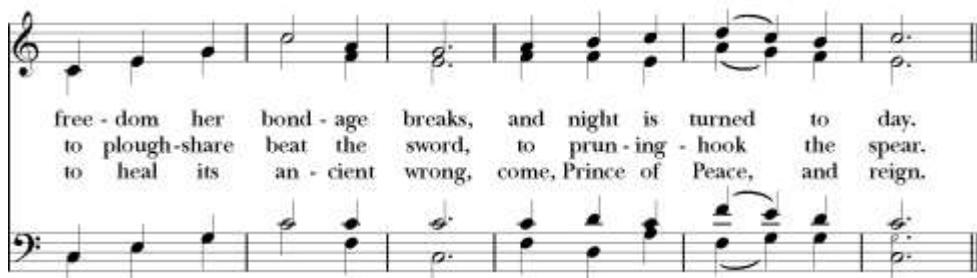
1 Christ is the world's true Light, its Cap-tain of sal - va - tion,  
 2 In Christ all rac - es meet, their an-cient feuds for - get - ting,  
 3 One Lord, in one great Name u - nite us all who own thee;



the Day - star clear and bright of ev - ery race and na - tion;  
 the whole round world com - plete, from sun-rise to its set - ting;  
 cast out our pride and shame that hin - der to en - throne thee;



new life, new hope a - wakes, for all who own his sway;  
 when Christ is throned as Lord all shall for - sake their fear,  
 the world has wait - ed long, has tra - vailed long in pain;



free - dom her bond - age breaks, and night is turned to day.  
 to plough-share beat the sword, to prun - ing - hook the spear.  
 to heal its an - cient wrong, come, Prince of Peace, and reign.

The Dismissal

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

*Response:* Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

arr. Carter

*Assisting with the Service*

Celebrant: The Rev. John Hagan  
Organist: Nancy Russell  
Altar Guild: Sara Roberts, Sue Pokorney  
Lectors: Jen DeBacker, Jillian Casey-DeBacker, Julia Burtscher  
Greeters: Jano Nolette  
Ushers: Joe Gerhardinger

*Assisting on August 13*

Officiant: Scott Hendricks  
Organist: Susan Barker  
Altar Guild: Sue Merce  
Lectors: Judy Cattran, Debbie Carlisle, Mike Ward  
Greeters: Claudia Handwork  
Ushers: Mark Keleher

**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!*

