

St. Michael's in the Hills Episcopal Church



Morning Prayer

10:00 am

September 3, 2023

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Welcome to St. Michael's in the Hills!

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Prelude: "Sonata in G"

L. Von Beethoven (1770-1827)

Hymn 401

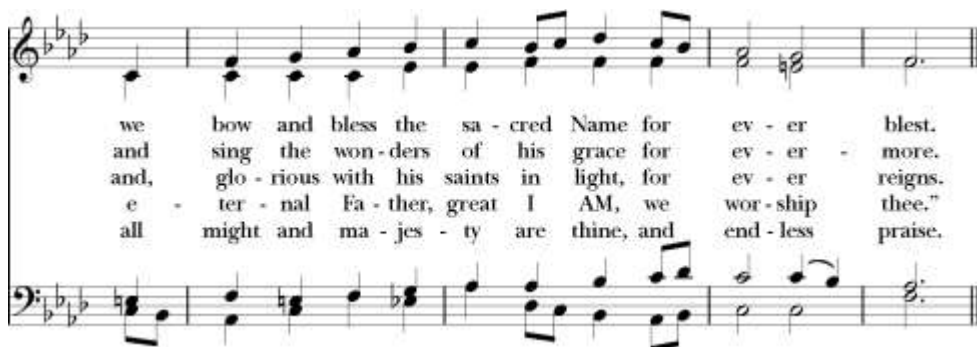
The God of Abraham praise

Leoni

1 The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;
2 He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend;
3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right - eous - ness,
4 The God who reigns on high the great arch - an - gels sing,
5 The whole tri - um - phant host give thanks to God on high;

1 An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love;
2 we shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend:
3 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;
4 and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," cry, "Al - might - y King!
5 "Hail, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!" they ev - er cry;

1 the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed;
2 we shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore,
3 on Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,
4 Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:
5 hail, A - braham's Lord di - vine! With heaven our songs we raise;



we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.
 and sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.
 and, glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.
 e - ter - nal Fa - ther, great I AM, we wor - ship thee."
 all might and ma - jes - ty are thine, and end - less praise.

Preparation

Officiant: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

— *Philippians 1:2*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: 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.*

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

Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Invitatory Psalm (S35)

1. Come, let us sing to the
Lord; — let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal -
va - tion. — 2. Let us come be - fore his pres - ence with thanks - giv - ing —
— and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. — 3. For the
Lord is a great God, — and a great King a - bove all
gods. — 4. In his hand are the cav - erns of the earth, —
— and the heights of the hills are his al - so. — 5. The
sea is his, for he made it, — and his hands have
mold - ed the dry land. — 6. Come, let us bow down, and bend the
knee, — and kneel be - fore the Lord our Ma - ker. — 7. For
he is our God, — and we are the peo - ple of his
pas - ture — and the sheep of his hand. —
— Oh, that to - day you would heark - en to his voice! —

Response: Psalm 26:1-8

- 1 Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity; *
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.
- 2 Test me, O Lord, and try me; *
examine my heart and my mind.
- 3 For your love is before my eyes; *
I have walked faithfully with you.
- 4 I have not sat with the worthless, *
nor do I consort with the deceitful.
- 5 I have hated the company of evildoers; *
I will not sit down with the wicked.
- 6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, *
that I may go in procession round your altar,
- 7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving *
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
- 8 Lord, I love the house in which you dwell *
and the place where your glory abides.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

First Lesson: Jeremiah 15:15-21

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail.

Therefore, thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el, who comes to set us free;
He from the house of Da - vid a child of grace has given;
On pri - son - ers of dark - ness the sun be - gins to rise,

he vis - its and re - deems us, he grants us lib - er - ty.
a Sa - vior comes a - mong us to raise us up to heaven.
the dawn - ing of for - give - ness up - on the sin - ner's eyes.

The pro - phets spoke of mer - cy, of free - dom and re - lease;
Be - fore him goes his her - ald, fore - run - ner in the way,
He guides the feet of pil - grims a - long the paths of peace.

God shall ful - fill his pro - mise and bring his peo - ple peace.
the pro - phet of sal - va - tion, the har - bin - ger of Day.
O bless our God and Sa - vior with songs that ne - ver cease.

Second Lesson: *Romans 12:9-21*

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are.

Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Canticle 7 (vs. 1-3): *We Praise Thee*

Te Deum laudamus

1. We give thee praise, O God, Ac - know - ledge thee as Lord;
 2. Lord God of Sa - ba - oth, Thrice ho - ly Lord on high,
 3. Fa - ther of ma - jes - ty, Thy true and on - ly Son,

And all the earth doth wor - ship thee, Fa - ther, with one ac - cord.
 Thou fill - est both the hea - ven and earth with glor - ious ma - jes - ty.
 Al - so the Ho - ly Ghost, one God, the Church gives praise as one.

To thee all an - gels cry, The Heavens and Powers there - in;
 The good - ly fell - ow - ship, Pro - phets, mar - tyrs, praise thee;
 Thou art the King, O Christ, Who came to set us free,

The cry goes up from Che - ru - bim and six-winged Ser - a - phim.
 A - pos - tles glo - rious, no - ble band, Praise thee e - ter - na - ly.
 And of the Vir - gin thou wast born in great hu - mi - li - ty.

Third Lesson: *Matthew 16:21-28*

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?"

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

Barb Reszko

The Apostles' Creed

Intercessor and People together:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

Intercessor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Intercessor: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

Intercessor 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.

Suffrages A

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. And grant us your salvation.

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. Let your people sing with joy.

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. For only in you can we live in safety.

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

R. Your saving health among all nations.

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

For the Sick:

We lift to God all who have asked our prayers, especially Al, Dick, Elmer, Letty, Carol, Gayle, Jackie, John, Lillian, Didi, Lee, Nancy, Dick, Mary, Kit, Mike, Margi, Wilma, Diane, Cris, David, Dan, Arlene, and Kerry. We also pray for all those experiencing violence throughout the world. Are there others you wish to name? *[pause]*

For those in harm's way:

We lift to God those in harm's way, especially Michael, Ian, John, Scott and Tim. Are there others you wish to name? *[pause]*

In thanksgiving:

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

For those who have died:

We pray for all who have died, those who are dying and those who mourn. Are there any you wish to remember? *[pause]*

Peace & Announcements

Offertory Prayer:

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: *Ave Verum Corpus*

W. A. Mozart

Kenneth Brown, soloist

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People:

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Hymn 610

Lord, whose love through humble service

Blaenhafren

1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man
2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the hun - gry cry for
3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing
4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we

need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's
bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we
light, in its height and depth and great - ness, dawns up - on our
go, to the child, the youth, the a - ged love in liv - ing

per - fect deed, we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship
mourn our dead, As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion
quick - ened sight, mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens
deeds to show; hope and health, good will and com - fort,

not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se - crat - ing
healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your
your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring us to
coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser - vants,

to your pur - pose ev - ery gift that you im - part.
Spi - rit kin - dles still to save and make us whole.
tire - less striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.
Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

The Dismissal

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Officiant: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Postlude: "Sonata in G"

L. Von Beethoven

Assisting with the Service

Officiant: Barb Reszko
Organist: Susan Barker
Altar Guild: Jano Nolette
Lectors: Debbie Carlisle, Bill Jenks, Mike Ward
Greeter: Sarah Schendel
Usher: Joe Gerhardinger

Assisting on September 10

Celebrant: The Rev. Dan Knaup
Organist: Nancy Russell
Altar Guild: Charlotte Halloran, Kay Gerhardinger
Lectors: Gretchen Rohm, Joe Myers, Diane Braun
Greeter: Donna Wipfli
Usher: 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!

