

# St. Michael's in the Hills Episcopal Church



Saint Michael and All Angels

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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: *Prelude on "Cwm Rhondda"*  
*Holy Spirit, Truth Divine*

John G. Barr (b. 1938)  
arr. Aaron David Miller (b. 1972)

Hymn 618

*Ye watchers and ye holy ones*

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

*Unison*

1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - a - phs, cher - u -  
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the  
 3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and  
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

*Harmony* *Unison*

bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry  
 ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou  
 pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye  
 ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To

out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'  
 bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the  
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the  
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

*Harmony*

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

*Unison*

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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 (WLP 900)*

*Rutter*

Glo-ry to God in the high-est,  
 and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,  
 heav'n-ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship  
 you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

(♩ = ♩ of preceding - same beat as before, not slower)

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther,  
 Fa-ther, Fa-ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right

hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For  
Fa - ther: re - ceive

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the  
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High.

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

### The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals: Mercifully grant that, as your holy angels always serve and worship you in heaven, so by your appointment they may help and defend us here on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### First Lesson: Genesis 28:10-17

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord **stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."** Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

### Response: Psalm 103:19-22

- 19 The Lord has set his throne in heaven, \*  
and his kingship has dominion over all.
- 20 Bless the Lord, you angels of his, you mighty ones who do his bidding, \*  
and hearken to the voice of his word.
- 21 Bless the Lord, all you his hosts, \*  
you ministers of his who do his will.
- 22 Bless the Lord, all you works of his,  
in all places of his dominion; \*  
bless the Lord, O my soul.

### Second Lesson: Revelation 12:7-12

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven.

The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were **thrown down with him. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, “Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!”**

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 220 (LEVAS), vss. 1-2

Negro Spiritual; arr. Horace Clarence Boyer (b. 1935)

1. We are climb - ing Ja - cob's lad - der,  
 2. Ev' - ry round goes high - er, high - er,  
 3. Sin - ner do you love your Je - sus?  
 4. If you love Him why not serve Him,

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The Gospel: John 1:47-51

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

*People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn 220 (LEVAS), vss. 3-4

The Sermon

The Rev. Nancy Kin

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, Mike, Margi, Diane, Cris, David, Dan, Arlene, Kerry and Henk. 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, especially John Malkoski, 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: *Hush! Somebody's Callin' My Name*

Brazeal W. Dennard

Doxology: Hymn 380, vs. 3

*Old 100th*

\*3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, 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 (S125)*

The image shows a musical score for the Sanctus and Benedictus. It consists of five 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 might,'. The second staff continues with 'heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -'. The third staff has 'san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.'. The fourth staff says 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -'. The fifth and final staff concludes with 'san - na in the high - est. 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:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* Therefore let us keep the feast.

### Fraction Anthem (*S166*)

Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy on  
us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy on us.  
Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

The image shows three staves of musical notation for a Fraction Anthem. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written on a five-line staff with a common time signature. The lyrics 'Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy on' are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics 'us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy on us.' The third staff concludes the piece with the lyrics 'Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.' The notation includes various note values, rests, and a double bar line at the end.

*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 410

*Praise, my soul, the King of heaven*

*Lauda anima*

*Unison or harmony*

1 Praise, my soul, the King of hea - ven; to his feet thy tri - bute bring;  
2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his peo - ple in dis - tress;  
3 Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;  
4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; ye be - hold him face to face;

The image shows musical notation for Hymn 410. It features a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notation is labeled 'Unison or harmony' and consists of a single melodic line with four-part harmony. The lyrics are written below the staff. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

ran-somed, healed, re-stored, for-giv-en, ev-er-more his prais-es sing:  
 praise him still the same as ev-er, slow to chide, and swift to bless:  
 in his hand he gen-tly bears us, res-cues us from all our foes.  
 sun and moon, bow down be-fore him, dwell-ers all in time and space.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Praise the ev-er-last-ing King.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Glo-rious in his faith-ful-ness.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Wide-ly yet his mer-cy flows.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

*Descant for use with unison singing*

4 An-gels, help us to a-dore him; ye be-hold him face to face;  
 sun and moon, bow down be-fore him, dwell-ers all in time and space.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

1 As Ja - cob with tra - vel was wea - ry one day,  
 2 The lad - der is long, it is strong and well - made,  
 3 Come, let us a - scend! All may climb it who will,  
 4 And when we ar - rive at the ha - ven of rest,

at night on a stone for a pil - low he lay;  
 has stood hun - dreds of years and is not yet de - cayed;  
 for the an - gels of Ja - cob are guard - ing it still;  
 we shall hear the glad words, "Come to me all the blest,

he saw in a vi - sion a lad - der so high,  
 man - y mil - lions have climbed it and reached Zi - on's hill,  
 and re - mem - ber, each step that by faith we pass o'er,  
 here are re - gions of light, here are man - sions of bliss."

that its foot was on earth and its top in the sky:  
 man - y mil - lions by faith now are climb - ing it still:  
 man - y pro - phets and mar - tyrs have trod it be - fore:  
 Who would not want to climb such a lad - der as this:

*Refrain*

Al - le - lu - ia to Je - sus, who died on the tree  
 and has raised up a lad - der of mer - cy for me.  
 and has raised up a lad - der of mer - cy for me.

### 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 625

*Ye holy angels bright*

*Darwall's 148th*

1 Ye ho - ly an - gels bright, who wait at God's right hand, or  
2 Ye bless - ed souls at rest, who ran this earth - ly race and  
3 Ye saints, who toil be - low, a - dore your heaven - ly King, and  
4 My soul, bear thou thy part, tri - umph in God a - bove: and

through the realms of light fly at your Lord's com - mand, as - sist our  
now, from sin re - leased, be - hold the Sa - vior's face, God's prais - es  
on - ward as ye go some joy - ful an - them sing; take what he  
with a well-tuned heart sing thou the songs of love! Let all thy

song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mor - tal tongue.  
sound, as in his sight with sweet de - light ye do a - bound.  
gives and praise him still, through good or ill, who ev - er lives!  
days till life shall end, what - e'er he send, be filled with praise.

The musical score consists of three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines.

The Dismissal

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

*Response:* Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *Postlude on "Sicilian Mariners"*

Alfred V. Fedak (b. 1953)

*Assisting with the Service*

Celebrant: The Rev. Nancy Kin  
Organist: Nancy Russell  
Altar Guild: Jaymie Fontana, Sue Pokorney  
Lectors: Sarah Schendel, Diane Braun,  
David Braun  
Greeters: Claudia Handwork  
Usher: Nancy Lehmann

*Assisting on October 1*

Officiant: Barb Reszko  
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Lectors: Carole Shirk, George Shirk,  
Joe Gerhardinger  
Greeters: Jano Nolette  
Usher: Mike Ward

**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!*

