

St. Michael's in the Hills Episcopal Church



Holy Eucharist

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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: *O Holy Spirit, Enter In*

Sigfried Karg-Elert

Hymn 51

We the Lord's people, heart and voice uniting

Decatur Place



1 We the Lord's peo - ple, heart and voice u - nit - ing, praise him who
2 This is the Lord's house, home of all his peo - ple, school for the
3 This is the Lord's day, day of God's own mak - ing, day of cre -
4 In the Lord's ser - vice bread and wine are of - fered, that Christ may



called us out of sin and dark - ness in - to his own light,
faith - ful, ref - uge for the sin - ner, rest for the pil - grim,
a - tion, day of re - sur - rec - tion, day of the Spi - rit,
take them, bless them, break, and give them to all his peo - ple,



that he might a - noint us a roy - al priest-hood.
ha - ven for the wea - ry; all find a wel - come.
sign of hea - ven's ban - quet, day for re - joic - ing.
his own life im - par - ting, food ev - er - last - ing.

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

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Lesson: Isaiah 25:1-9

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt.

Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Response: Psalm 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Second Lesson: Philippians 4:1-9

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 481, vss. 1-2

Rejoice, the Lord is King

Gospel



1 Re - joice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a - dore! Mor -
2 The Lord the Sa - vior reigns, the God of truth and love: when
3 His king - dom can - not fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven; the
4 Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord the Judge shall come, and

Refrain
tals, give thanks and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more.
he had purged our stains, he took his seat a - bove. Lift
keys of death and hell to Christ the Lord are given. Lift
take his ser - vants up to their e - ter - nal home.

1-3
up your heart! lift up your voice! Re-joice! a - gain I say, re -

Final Ending
joice! up your heart! lift up your voice! Re-joice! a -
gain I say, re - joice!

The Gospel: *Matthew 22:1-14*

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn 481, 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 experiencing transition, especially St John's Episcopal Church in Youngstown, and the Rev Gayle Catinella, our new priest. **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, Henk and Diane. 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/Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

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: *I've Got a Robe*

Raymond Wise

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 heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy 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 G major, 4/4 time. 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 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.

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 317

This is the hour of banquet and of song

Morestead

1 This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;
 2 Too soon we rise; we go our sev - eral ways;
 3 Feast af - ter feast thus comes and pass - es by,
 this is the heaven - ly ta - ble spread for me;
 the feast, though not the love, is past and gone,
 yet, pass - ing, points to the glad feast a - bove,
 here let me feast, and feast - ing, still pro - long
 the Bread and Wine con - sumed: yet all our days
 giv - ing us fore - taste of the fes - tal joy,
 the brief, bright hour of fel - low - ship with thee.
 thou still art here with us— our Shield and Sun.
 the Lamb's great mar - riage feast of bliss and love.



1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a
 2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a
 3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a

way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all
 light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in
 joy as none can move; such a love as none can
 strife; such a life as kill eth death.
 length; such a strength as makes his guest.
 part; such a heart as joys in love.

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.

1 Sa - vior, a - gain to thy dear Name we raise
 *2 Grant us thy peace up - on our home - ward way;
 3 Grant us thy peace through - out our earth - ly life;
 4 thy peace in life, the balm of ev - ery pain;

with one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;
 with thee be - gan, with thee shall end the day;
 peace to thy Church from er - ror and from strife;
 thy peace in death, the hope to rise a - gain;

guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
 from harm and dan - ger keep thy chil - dren free,
 peace to our land, the fruit of truth and love;
 then, when thy voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

that in this house have called up - on thy Name.
 for dark and light are both a - like to thee.
 peace in each heart, thy Spi - rit from a - bove;
 call us, O Lord, to thine e - ter - nal peace.

The Dismissal

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

Response: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *Now Thank We All Our God*

Sigfried Karg-Elert

Assisting with the Service

Celebrant: The Rev. Nancy Kin
Organist: Susan Barker
Altar Guild: Debbie Carlisle, Penny Cobau-Smith
Lectors: Larry Nichols, Carol Nichols,
Laura Randall
Greeters: Carol Nichols
Usher: Kyle Randall

Assisting on October 22

Celebrant: The Rev. John Hagan
Organist: Nancy Russell
Altar Guild: Sue Merce, Sara Roberts
Lectors: Debbie Carlisle, Judy Cattran,
Julia Burtscher
Greeters: Tom Hauck
Usher: Al Stephens

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!

