

All Saints' Sunday

10:00 a.m.

November 5, 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.

<u>Prelude</u>: Variations on 'Sine Nomine' — Trio. Canon. Gigue. Chorale

Richard Proulx

Hymn 287, vss. 1-4

For all the saints, who from their labors rest

Sine Nomine



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.





Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

First Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdomand thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Response: Psalm 34:1-10, 22

1 I will bless the Lord at all times; * his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

2 I will glory in the Lord; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; * let us exalt his Name together.

4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me * and delivered me out of all my terror.

5 Look upon him and be radiant, * and let not your faces be ashamed.

6 I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me * and saved me from all my troubles.

7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, * and he will deliver them.

8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; * happy are they who trust in him!

9 Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, * for those who fear him lack nothing.

- 10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger, * but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.
- 22 The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, * and none will be punished who trust in him.

Second Lesson: 1John 3:1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Who are these like stars appearing

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. Sequence Hymn 286, vss. 1-2

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The Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn 286, vs. 3

The Sermon The Rev. Robert Gahler

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant: Let us renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once

renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in God's

holy Catholic Church.

Celebrant: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus

Christ?

People: I do.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: 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.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: 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.

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread,

and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and

return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of

every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new

birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins,

keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. 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 Tim,

Luke, and Winie. 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 Dick, Elmer, Letty, Gayle, Lillian, Didi, Lee, Nancy, Dick, Mary, Kit, Mike, Cris, David, Dan, 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, especially Ben Dansard, 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: Psalm 137: Al Naharot Bavel

Salomone Rossi (1570-1630)

(See page 15 for anthem translation.)

Doxology: Hymn 380, vs. 3

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Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

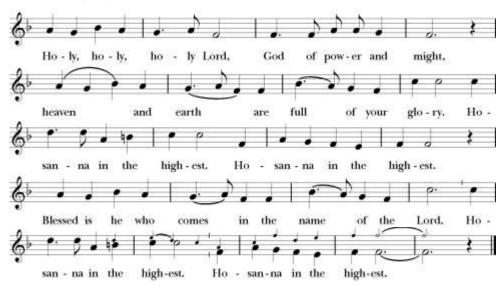
People: We lift them to the Lord.

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)



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)



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:

St. Michael's Bell Choir: Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

arr. Susan E. Geschke

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.



The Dismissal

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

Response: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Variation 5 on 'Sine Nomine'" — Fugato Richard Proulx



Psalm 137: Al Naharot Bavel

By the waters of Babylon, There we sat down and wept when we remembered Zion. On the willows there we hung up our lyres. For there our captors required of us songs, and out tormentors, mirth: 'Sing us one of the songs of Zion.' How Shall we sing the Lord's song in a foreign land? If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand wither. Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth if I don't remember you, Jerusalem, above my highest joy! Remember, O Lord, against the Edomites the day of Jerusalem how they said: 'Raze it, raze it! Down to its foundations!' Daughter of Babylon, you devastator! Happy shall he be who requites you with what you have done to us! Happy shall he be who takes your little ones, and dashes them against the rock!

Assisting with the Service

Celebrant: The Rev. Robert Gahler

Organist: Susan Barker

Altar Guild: Barb Malkoski, Susan Hendricks

Lectors: Jen DeBacker, Jillian Casey-DeBacker,

Mike Ward

Greeters: Sarah Schendel

Usher: Nancy Lehmann

Assisting on November 12

Celebrant: The Rev. Robert Gahler

Organist: Nancy Russell

Altar Guild: Jano Nolette, Sara Roberts

Lectors: Penny Cobau-Smith, Gretchen Rohm,

Al Stephens

Greeters: Becky Hauck

Usher: Mike Ward

Guests & Visitors:

We would love to hear from you!

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We're glad you visited St. Michael's!

