

St. Michael's in the Hills Episcopal Church



Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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Welcome to St. Michael's in the Hills!

We are so glad you have joined us today!
Please take a minute to grab your name tag off the rack before the service.

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Children are welcome and encouraged to share in our worship.

Prelude: Meditation on "Veni Emmanuel"

John Sciveyner

Lighting of Advent Wreath

Celebrant: Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

People: **A light no darkness can overcome!**

Celebrant: Today we light the first candle in our wreath: the candle of Promise. We are reminded that God promised to send us His son, Jesus Christ.

People: **A child has been born for us, a son has been given to us; Authority rests on his shoulders; and he is named "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."**
(Isaiah 9:6)

Readers: Jesus, Child of God, release us from the barriers that keep us from hearing your voice. Slow us down in this season of promise so that we can calm our lives and find rest in you.

Jesus, Child of God, you are our comfort and our strength. You are the very hope of the world. Help us to hold fast to the promise that has been offered to us, and be open to the healing you offer this world.

This week, reflect on the significance of the promise that has been offered to you! O come, O come Emmanuel.

An Advent Litany

Cantor: God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,

People: 

Cantor: God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

People: **Have mercy on us.**

Cantor: God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful,

People: **Have mercy on us.**

Cantor: Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, One God,

People: **Have mercy on us.**

Cantor: 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.

People: 

Cantor: We have not loved you with all our heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.

People: Forgive us, O Lord.

Cantor: We have squandered the resources of your creation and been insensitive to the needs of generations yet to come.

People: Forgive us, O Lord.

Cantor: Forgive what we have been, amend what we are, direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways.

People: Forgive us, O Lord.

Cantor: Help us to prepare your way, opening our hearts to the transforming grace of your Word.

People:

Pre - pare us, O Lord.

The image shows a musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The melody consists of six notes: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), and A4 (quarter). The lyrics 'Pre - pare us, O Lord.' are written below the staff, with hyphens under 'Pre' and 'pare'.

Cantor: Lead us in the way of John the Baptist, that our hearts may be open to receive the gift of the One who is to come.

People: Prepare us, O Lord.

Cantor: Let us hear again the message of Gabriel and ponder anew the miracle of life.
Prepare us, O Lord.

Cantor: Like Mary, let us sing with joy as we give thanks for the coming of the Savior.

People: Prepare us, O Lord.

Cantor: Fill us, O Lord, with the desire to observe this holy season, so that we might come to the birth of your Son in joy and expectation.

People: Prepare us, O Lord.

Cantor: Your will is justice and respect for the dignity of all people.

People:

Re - mind us, O Lord.

The image shows a musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody consists of six notes: Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), and D4 (quarter). The lyrics 'Re - mind us, O Lord.' are written below the staff, with hyphens under 'Re' and 'mind'.

Cantor: Your will is empowering love, giving us courage to bear the burdens of life.

People: Remind us, O Lord.

Cantor: Your will is peace, comfort to the troubled conscience and hope for new beginnings.

People: Remind us, O Lord.

Cantor: In all our life, O Lord, enliven our hopes, inspire our dreams, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways.

People: 
 Musical notation for the phrase "Lord, hear our prayer." It is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The melody consists of four quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, and C5.

Cantor: Keep us expectant, O Lord, to see new possibilities for life and ministry through the eyes of your Son.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Cantor: Empower us to reach out in love to the forsaken, the destitute, and the oppressed.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Cantor: We pray for direction in our community of faith, for the ministry of laity and clergy, and all in authority in the nations of the world.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Cantor: We pray for all humanity, for peace, for good will among nations, and for your spirit of love in our hearts.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Cantor: We pray for all who are ill and those in trouble and adversity.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Cantor: We pray for those who have died and all who are the vessels of God's grace in every generation.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Cantor: Lord, have mercy.

People: 
 Musical notation for the phrase "Christ, have Mercy." It is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). The melody consists of four quarter notes: G3, F3, E3, and D3, followed by a double bar line.

Cantor: Lord, have mercy.

Cantor: Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: 
 Musical notation for the word "Amen." It is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody consists of two quarter notes: G3 and F3, followed by a double bar line.

First Lesson: Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Response: Psalm 25:1-9

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 **Let none who look to you be put to shame; ***
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 **Lead me in your truth and teach me, ***
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 **Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; ***
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 **He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.**
- 9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Second Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn (*See next page*)

Harmony

My Lord, what a morn-ing, My Lord, what a morn-ing, O

my Lord, what a morn-ing, When the stars be-gin to fall.

Fine

Unison

1. You'll hear the trum-pet sound, _____
 2. You'll hear the sin-ner mourn, _____ To wake the
 3. You'll hear the Chris-tian shout, _____

na-tions un-der-ground, _____ Look-ing to my God's right

hand, When the stars be-gin to fall. _____

D.C.

The Gospel: Luke 21:25-36

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves.

People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Gayle Catinella

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 Peace and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Prayer

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Descant

3 Blest be the King whose com - ing is in the name of

1 Blest be the King whose com - ing is in the name of
 2 Blest be the King whose com - ing is in the name of
 3 Blest be the King whose com - ing is in the name of
 4 Blest be the King whose com - ing is in the name of

God! He on - ly to the hum - ble re - veals the face of

God! For him let doors be o - pened, no hearts a - gainst him
 God! By those who tru - ly lis - ten his voice is tru - ly
 God! He on - ly to the hum - ble re - veals the face of
 God! He of - fers to the bur - dened the rest and grace they

God. All power is his, all glo - ry! All

barred! Not robbed in roy - al splen - dor, in
 heard; pi - ty the proud and haugh - ty, who
 God. All power is his, all glo - ry! All
 need. Gen - tle is he and hum - ble! And

(Music continues on page 9...)

things are in his hand, all a - ges and all

power and pomp, comes he; but clad as are the
 have not learned to heed the Christ who is the
 things are in his hand, all a - ges and all
 light his yoke shall be, for he would have us

peo - ples, till time it - self shall end!

poor - est, such his hu - mil - i - ty!
 Prom - ise, who has a - tone - ment made.
 peo - ples, till time it - self shall end!
 bear it so he can make us free!

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord,
People: And of thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

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 because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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:



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r, of
pow'r_ and might. Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in_ the high - est. Blessed is he, is he who comes
in the name_ of_ the Lord. Ho - san - na
in the high - est, Ho - sa - 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.

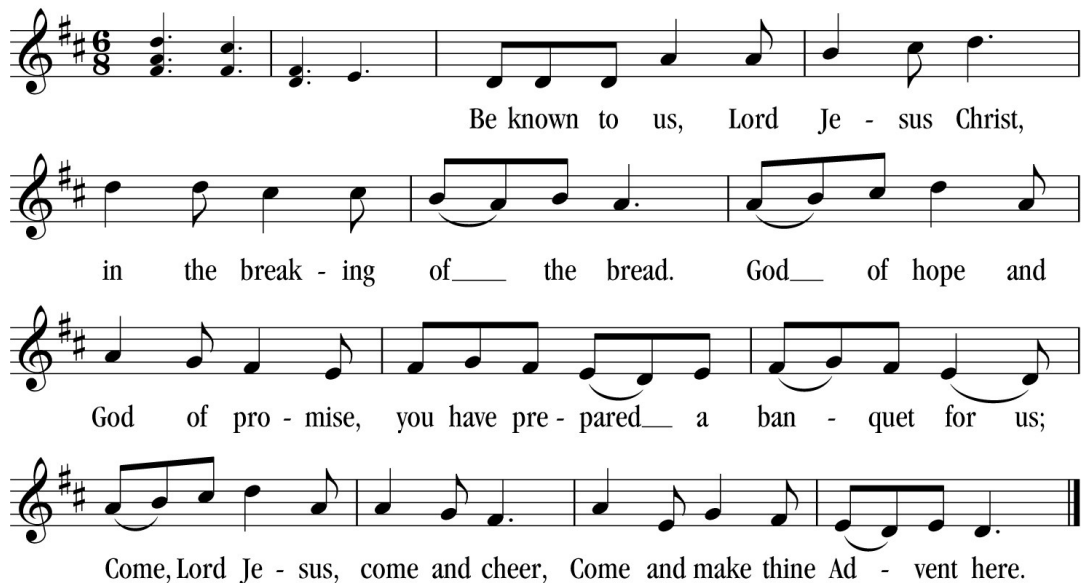
The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem: St. James Advent Service

arr. Richard Shephard



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus Christ,
in the break - ing of the bread. God of hope and
God of pro - mise, you have pre - pared a ban - quet for us;
Come, Lord Je - sus, come and cheer, Come and make thine Ad - vent here.

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: *Steal Away*

arr. Westley Art Hodges

Soloist: Joel Twitchell

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

People: O Lamb of God, in union with the faithful at every altar of your Church, my heart offers you praise and thanksgiving. I love you above all things, and I earnestly desire to receive you into my soul. And although I cannot receive you sacramentally, I invite you into my heart spiritually. May my soul be fed by this spiritual food, and may my heart know you more dearly in the breaking of this bread. Amen.

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.

Closing Hymn 672 (*See next page for music*)

The Dismissal

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

Response: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *Fughetta in B-Flat*

Georg Andreas Sorge (1703-1778)

1 O ve - ry God of ve - ry God, and
 2 Our hopes are weak, our fears are strong, thick
 3 And e - ven now, though dull and gray, the
 4 O guide us till our path is done, and
 5 We wait in faith, and turn our face to

1 ve - ry Light of Light, whose feet this earth's dark
 2 dark - ness blinds our eyes; cold is the night; thy
 3 east is bright - ening fast, and kin - dling to the
 4 we have reached the shore where thou, our ev - er -
 5 where the day - light springs, till thou shalt come our

1 val - ley trod that so it might be bright:
 2 peo - ple long that thou, their Sun, wouldst rise.
 3 per - fect day that nev - er shall be past.
 4 last - ing Sun, art shin - ing ev - er - more!
 5 gloom to chase, with heal - ing in thy wings.