

# Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church



**Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 9, 2021**  
**Holy Communion**

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***Due to Covid-19 restrictions, please refrain from singing. You are welcome to hum along with music.***

Please rise in body or spirit and hum along to the music

## Opening Hymn

## We Plow the Fields, and Scatter verses 1-3

1 We plow the fields, and scat - ter the good seed on the land,  
2 He on - ly is the Ma - ker of all things near and far;  
3 We thank thee, then, O Fa - ther, for all things bright and good,

but it is fed and wa - tered by God's al - might - y hand;  
he paints the way - side flow - er, he lights the eve - ning star;  
the seed - time and the har - vest, our life, our health, our food:

he sends the snow in win - ter, the warmth to swell the grain,  
the winds and waves o - bey him, by him the birds are fed;  
the gifts we have to of - fer are what thy love im - parts,

the breez - es and the sun - shine, and soft re - fresh - ing rain.  
much more to us, his chil - dren, he gives our dai - ly bread.  
but chief - ly thou de - sir - est our hum - ble thank - ful hearts.

*Refrain*  
All good gifts a - round us are sent from heaven a - bove;  
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love.

## Opening Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!***

## **The Collect for Purity**

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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**

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***Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.***

***Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.***

***Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.***

***For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.***

## **The Collect of the Day**

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*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*Officiant* Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your

promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated for*

## **The Lessons**

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### **The First Reading**

**Acts 10:44-48**

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

### **Psalm 98**

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1 Sing to the LORD a new song, \*  
**for he has done marvelous things.**

2 With his right hand and his holy arm \*  
**has he won for himself the victory.**

3 The LORD has made known his victory; \*  
**his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.**

4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, \*  
**and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**

5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; \*  
**lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**

6 Sing to the LORD with the harp, \*  
**with the harp and the voice of song.**

7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn \*  
**shout with joy before the King, the LORD.**

8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, \*  
**the lands and those who dwell therein.**

9 Let the rivers clap their hands, \*  
**and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,  
when he comes to judge the earth.**

10 In righteousness shall he judge the world \*  
**and the peoples with equity.**

## **The Second Reading**

**1 John 5:1-6**

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

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The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

## **The Gospel Reading**

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John 15:9-17  
***Glory to you, Lord Christ***

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his

love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

The Gospel of the Lord. ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

*Please be seated for*

## **The Sermon**

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*Please rise in body or spirit for the*

## **Nicene Creed**

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**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**

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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; **Hear our prayer.**

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; **Hear our prayer.**

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; **Hear our prayer.**

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.

Lord, in your mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

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. We pray especially today for those on our parish prayer list: Dennis DiLiberto, Fr. Chuck Wheeler & Gail, Don, Shirley and Keith Szen, Janet & Nancy Casagrande, Bobby and Shirley Gardinier, Patricia Jarosz, Shawna Lang, Ron Weekley, and Nancy Gould.

Lord, in your mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

We give thanks to God for those celebrating their Birthdays this week especially Mark Bidell who celebrates his birthday today.

Lord, in your mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

*The officiant adds a concluding prayer.*

*Please kneel if able for the*

### **Confession of Sin**

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Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

***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.***

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

*Please rise in body or spirit for*

### **The Peace**

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The peace of the Lord be always with you.

***And also with you.***

*Please be seated for any Announcements*

### **Invitation to Communion**

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

Feel free to hum along with the

## Offertory Hymn

## All Creature of our God and King verses 1,5,7



1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us  
5 All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your  
7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing  
5 part, O — sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that  
7 ness, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,  
5 pain and sor - row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:  
7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

### *Refrain*



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



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

## The Great Thanksgiving

### Eucharistic Prayer IV (Scottish Liturgy)

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Officiant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Officiant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being. Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world. You are unceasingly at work, from chaos bringing order and filling emptiness with life.

Christ, raised from the dead, proclaims the dawn of hope. He lives in us that we may walk in light.

Your Spirit is fire in us, your breath is power to purge our sin and warm our hearts to love.

As children of your redeeming purpose, freed by him who burst from the tomb and opened the gate of life, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please kneel if able*

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all, for by the cross eternal life is ours and death is swallowed up in victory. In the first light of Easter, glory broke from the tomb and changed the women's sorrow into joy. From the Garden the mystery dawned that he whom they had loved and lost is with us now in every place for ever.

Making himself known in the breaking of the bread, speaking peace to the fearful disciples, welcoming weary fishermen on the shore, he renewed the promise of his presence and of new birth in the Spirit who sets the seal of freedom on your sons and daughters.

Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's release, the night in which slaves walked free, at supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you."

After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is

poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command. We recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom. Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and with them ourselves a single, holy living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptized into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, St. Michael, the apostles, and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. **AMEN.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

***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**

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*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## An Act of Spiritual Communion

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory.

Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life in the life to come. Amen.

*You may be seated; feel free to hum along with the music*

**Communion Hymn Earth and all stars, loud rushing planets** Verses all

*While those present receive Communion, please pray this at home.*



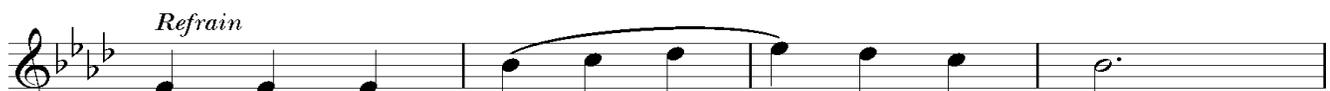
1 Earth and all stars, loud rush - ing plan - ets, sing to the  
2 Hail, wind, and rain, loud blow - ing snow - storms, sing to the  
3 Trum - pet and pipes, loud clash - ing cym - bals, sing to the  
6 Know - ledge and truth, loud sound - ing wis - dom, sing to the



1 Lord \_\_\_\_\_ a new song! O vic - to - ry,  
2 Lord \_\_\_\_\_ a new song! Flow - ers and trees,  
3 Lord \_\_\_\_\_ a new song! Harp, lute, and lyre,  
6 Lord \_\_\_\_\_ a new song! Daugh - ter and son,



1 loud shout - ing ar - my, sing to the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ a new song!  
2 loud rus - tling dry leaves, sing to the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ a new song!  
3 loud hum - ming cel - los, sing to the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ a new song!  
6 loud pray - ing mem - bers, sing to the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ a new song!



*Refrain*  
He hath done mar - vel - ous things.



I, too, will praise him with a new song!

*Please kneel if able*

## **Post-Communion Prayer**

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Let us pray.

***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.***

## **Blessing**

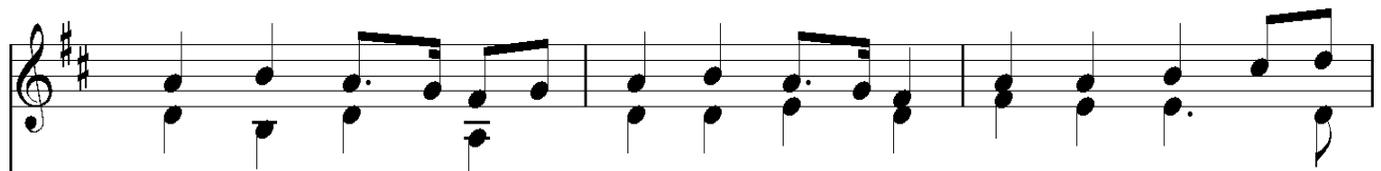
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The people respond     ***Amen.***

*Please stand for*

## The Closing Hymn

## Lord, dismiss us with Thy Blessing verses 1-3



1 Lord, dis - miss us with thy bless - ing; fill our hearts with  
2 Thanks we give and a - dor - a - tion for thy Gos - pel's  
3 so that when thy love shall call us, Sa - vior, from the



joy and peace; let us each, thy love pos - sess - ing,  
joy - ful sound: may the fruits of thy sal - va - tion  
world a - way, fear of death shall not ap - pall us,



tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace: O re - fresh us,  
in our hearts and lives a - bound: ev - er faith - ful,  
glad thy sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.  
ev - er faith - ful to thy truth may we be found;  
may we ev - er reign with thee in end - less day.

## Dismissal

Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

***Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.***

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