



# ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

### FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY: THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 9, 2022, 10 AM

CLERGY	READER	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR GUILD
<b>Presider:</b> The Rev. Paul Clark	Aimee Bryan	Alana Spurling	Nani Banks
<b>Deacon:</b> The Rev. Cathy Kline			

### THE WORD OF GOD

*Please stand as able for the Opening Hymn*

**OPENING HYMN**                      SONGS OF THANKFULNESS AND PRAISE                      *Hymnal #135*

*The service starts on p. 355 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

THE REV. PAUL CLARK

*Presider*                      Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People*                      **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

*(BCP p. 355)*

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

*(BCP p. 356)*

**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

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY *(BCP p. 234)*

*Presider*                      God be with you.  
*People*                      **And also with you.**  
*Presider*                      Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*



## THE LESSONS

### THE FIRST READING

ISAIAH 43:1-7

AIMEE BRYAN

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH:

Now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

### THE RESPONSE

PSALM 29

LEADER: AIMEE BRYAN

*Remaining seated, the Reader and the People say the Psalm responsively by whole verse.*

- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, \*  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 **Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; \*  
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; \*  
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 **The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; \*  
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.**
- 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; \*  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 **He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; \*  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 **The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe \*  
and strips the forests bare.**



- 9 And in the temple of the LORD \*  
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 **The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.**
- 11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; \*  
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

## **THE SECOND READING**

ACTS 8:14-17

AIMEE BRYAN

A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES:

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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## **SEQUENCE MUSIC**

*Please stand as able for the Gospel Reading.*

### **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

LUKE 3:15-17, 21-22

THE REV. DEACON CATHY KLINE

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

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

*Please be seated.*

## **HOMILY**

THE REV. PAUL CLARK

*A period of silence and personal reflection follows the sermon.*



**THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS** *(Please stand as able)* *(BCP pp. 292)*

*Presider* Dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, to 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 his holy catholic Church.

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*People* **I do.**

*Presider* Do you believe in God the Father?

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

*Presider* 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.**

*Presider* 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.**

*Presider* 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.**

*Presider* 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.**

*Presider* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* I will, with God's help.

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

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* 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.**

*Presider* 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.

*People* **Amen.**



## THE PEACE

*Presider*            The peace of Christ be always with you.  
*People*                **And also with you.**

*Please stay in your pew. Waving, bowing and peace signs are appropriate. Please be seated.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

RICHARD HENDRICKS

**St. Michael's Zoom Evening Prayer, Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.**

Zoom ID: 928 461 1047, Password: StMichael

**Visitation by Bishop David and Canon Anna, Sunday, January 16 at 10 a.m.**

Please mail your offerings to the church (at the mailing address above)  
or give to the church online using tithe.ly (<https://tithe.ly/give?c=2212452>).

For pastoral care: call 760-608-0396 or email [stmichaelsridgecrest@mail.com](mailto:stmichaelsridgecrest@mail.com)

*Birthday Prayer – Prayer 50 or 51, BCP p. 830      Anniversary Prayer – BCP top of p. 431*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**OFFERTORY INVITATION**            EPHESIANS 5:2

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

*Please stand as able for the Offertory Hymn*

**OFFERTORY HYMN**            THE SINLESS ONE TO JORDAN CAME            *Hymnal #120*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**    EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B            *(BCP p. 367)*

*Please stand as able.*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you,  
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our  
hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the  
company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**SANCTUS**            *(BCP p. 371)*

**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.**



*The Presider continues*

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,

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

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 St. Michael and 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 forever. **AMEN.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*(BCP p. 364)*

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

(BCP p. 364)

*The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

*Presider* 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.

### **WHEREVER YOU ARE IN YOUR SPIRITUAL JOURNEY, YOU ARE WELCOME AT GOD'S TABLE.**

*Please come up to the altar rail for communion.*

*The Bread is given to the people using these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

*The response is* **Amen.**

*Gluten free wafers are available upon request, please ask the minister during Communion.*

## COMMUNION MUSIC

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

(BCP p. 365)

*The people may stand or kneel.*

*Presider* Let us pray.

Eternal God, **heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### EPIPHANY BLESSING

(BOS p. 10)

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. **Amen.**

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth. **Amen.**

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

### CLOSING HYMN

HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

Hymnal #637

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*~Please join us in the Parish Hall for Coffee Hour. ~*



*If you are new to St. Michael's, please sign our guest book and we'll be in touch.*



## **OUR MISSION**

The people of St. Michael's welcome all those who seek a deeper understanding of God's love for ALL His children. Our congregation is "intentionally inclusive," welcoming all persons without regard to age, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or physical or developmental disability.

*This service conforms to The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two, which begins on page 355 of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Scripture readings are appointed by the Revised Common Lectionary (Episcopal) and are excerpted from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, copyright 1989 by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Church of Christ in the USA.. Psalm texts are taken from the BCP. Other liturgical elements may include materials compiled from publications including Enriching Our Worship (EOW) and the 2018 Book of Occasional Services (BOS).*