



# ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, RIDGECREST

*Where All Souls Are Welcome*

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## HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

*Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 25.*

*October 27, 2024, 10 a.m.*

*Commitment Sunday, 2024 Stewardship Campaign.*

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please stand if you are able.*

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*All are welcome.*

1- Let us build a house where love can dwell  
and all can safely live. A place where  
saints and children tell how hearts learn to  
forgive.

Built of hopes and dreams and visions,  
rock of faith and vault of grace.

Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

**Refrain: All are welcome, all are welcome**

**All are welcome in this place.**

2- Let us build a house where prophets speak,  
and words are strong and true.

Where all God's children dare to seek  
to dream God's reign anew.

Here the cross shall stand as witness  
and a symbol of God's grace;

Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: **Refrain.**

3- Let us build a house where love is found  
in water, wine and wheat:

A banquet hall on holy ground,  
where peace and justice meet.

Here the love of God, through Jesus

Is revealed in time and space.

As we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

**Refrain.**

4- Let us build a house where hands will reach  
beyond the wood and stone.

To heal and strengthen, serve and teach,  
and live the Word they've known.

Here the outcast and the stranger

bears the image of God's face:

Let us bring an end to fear and danger: **Refrain.**

5- Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard.

And loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.

Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace.

Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter. **Refrain.**

### ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### 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.**

### GLORY TO GOD

*Hymn S 280 Gloria in excelsis*

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

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

3. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
4. you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
5. you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
6. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
7. 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**

*(BCP p. 234-235)*

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.  
*People*          **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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 Scripture readings.*

**THE FIRST READING**

**JOB 42:1-6, 10-17**

READER

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JOB.

Job answered the Lord: "I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted. 'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?' Therefore, I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know. 'Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me.' I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you; therefore, I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes." And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*          **Thanks be to God.**

**THE RESPONSE**

**PSALM 34:1-8**

READER

THE PSALM APPOINTED FOR TODAY IS A PORTION OF PSALM 34.

- <sup>1</sup> I will bless the Lord at all times; \*  
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- <sup>2</sup> **I will glory in the Lord; \***  
**let the humble hear and rejoice.**
- <sup>3</sup> Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; \*  
let us exalt his Name together.
- <sup>4</sup> **I sought the Lord, and he answered me \***  
**and delivered me out of all my terror.**
- <sup>5</sup> Look upon him and be radiant, \*  
and let not your faces be ashamed.
- <sup>6</sup> **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!**

**THE SECOND READING**

HEBREWS 7:23-28

READER

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO HEBREWS.

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently, he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as able for the Sequence Hymn and Gospel Proclamation.*

**SEQUENCE HYMN 213 LEVAS**

*Children of the Heavenly Father.*

1 Children of the heav'nly Father, Safely in His  
bosom gather;

Nestling bird nor star in heaven Such a refuge  
e'er was given.

2 God His own doth tend and nourish; In His  
holy courts they flourish.

From all evil things. He spares them; In His  
mighty arms He bears them.

3 Neither life nor death shall ever From the  
Lord His children sever;

Unto them His grace. He showeth, And their  
sorrows all He knoweth.

4 Praise the Lord in joyful numbers, Your  
protector never slumbers;

At the will of your defender Every person  
must surrender.

5 Though He giveth or He taketh, God His  
children ne'er forsaketh;

His the loving purpose solely To preserve  
them pure and holy.

**THE GOSPEL PROCLAMATION**

MARK 10:46-52

Deacon or Celebrant

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**THE HOMILY**

*Padre Jorge Pallares.*

*Please stand if you are able.*

## 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 III

DEACON OR EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, David, our Bishop, Anna, our Canon, Jorge, our Priest, Cathy, our Deacon, and for all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; especially for Joseph, our President, Gavin, our Governor, and Eric, our Mayor;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; especially for Saint Sherrian's Church in Kernville.

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; especially for the sick, for **Rita, Sandy, Bob, Dick, Meagan, Ariel, Kay, Jack, Roberto, Beverly, Logan, Julia, Patricia, Ronda, Steve and Mary; that they may be delivered from their distress and illness.**

Give to the departed eternal rest.; **especially for Diane.**

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others; for the special needs and concerns of this congregation: for Bishop's Committee members of Saint Michael's, for all its members and their ministries, for our Diocese in the searching of a New Diocesan Bishop, and for the teachers and students of Mesquite High School and Burroughs High School.

*Celebrant* Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask; Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*The Officiant says to the people:*

Let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People together, all kneeling*

**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.**

*The Priest alone stands and says:*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all our 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.**

### **THE PEACE**

*Celebrant* The peace of Lord be always with you.

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

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Cassidi Reese, Senior Warden.*

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

*Celebrant* Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

*People may remain seated or standing. during the preparation. Please stand as able for the Eucharistic Prayer.*

### **OFFERTORY HYMN 304** *I come with joy to meet my Lord.*

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| <p><b>1</b> I come with joy to meet my Lord,<br/>forgiven, loved, and free,<br/>in awe and wonder to recall<br/>his life laid down for me.</p> <p><b>2</b> I come with Christians far and near<br/>to find, as all are fed,<br/>the new community of love<br/>in Christ's communion bread.</p> | <p><b>3</b> As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,<br/>each proud division ends.<br/>That love that made us makes us one,<br/>and strangers now are friends.</p> <p><b>4</b> And thus with joy we meet our Lord.<br/>His presence, always near,<br/>is in such friendship better known:<br/>we see, and praise him here.</p> <p><b>5.</b> Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways,<br/>and as his people in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.</p> |
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### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A**

*(BCP p. 361-363)*

*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 God thanks and praise.**

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

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image and called us to new life in 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:

**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.**

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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**

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

*People and Clergy pray together:*

**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**

*Anthem at the Breaking of Bread*

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

*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**

*In the Episcopal Church all baptized people are welcome to our Lord's Table to receive the Communion.*

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

*Instrumental.*

*Please stand if you are able.*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

*Celebrant* 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.**

## **THE BLESSING**

*(Enriching Our Worship)*

God's Blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always. **Amen.**

## **COMMISSIONING HYMN 439**

*What wondrous love is this.*

1. What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss

to lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,  
to lay aside his crown for my soul.

2. To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,  
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing.

To God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will  
sing,

while millions join the theme I will sing.

3. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.

And when from death I'm free I'll sing and joyful be,  
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on.

## **DISMISSAL**

*Deacon or Celebrant*  
*People*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **OUR MISSION**

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

## **CHURCH PRAYER LIST**

We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop and David our Bishop. We also pray for Joseph our President, Gavin our Governor, and Eric our Mayor. *Please remember in your prayers Rita, Sandy, Bob, Dick, Meagan, Ariel, Kay, Jack, Roberto, Beverly, Logan, Julia, Patricia, Ronda, Steve, Mary, the teachers and students at Mesquite High School & Burroughs High School.*

## **PLEASE GIVE**

Mail your pledges and offerings to: St. Michael's Episcopal Church,  
200 W. Drummond Ave., Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Contribute to the church online at: <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z9KQ/home>

## NEWS AND EVENTS

**Weekly Services:** Services in English: Sundays at 10 am and Wednesday Evenings at 6 pm  
Services in Spanish: Sundays at 12 Noon.

### **Food Ministry Dates:**

- The Thrift Store Co-Op is normally open every Wednesday, 10 am-1 pm.
- Monday, November 18 (Third Monday of the Month) - CAPK Senior Box Day, 10:30-11:30 am
- Tuesday, October 29, Food Pantry is open 9-11 am

**Today, Octobre 27 is Alms Sunday:** On the last Sunday of the month, all undesignated loose cash is deposited into the Parish Discretionary Fund to help those most in need in the community, Ridgecrest and Inyokern. Please help us!

**“Altar del Dia de los Muertos;” “Day of the Dead Altar:”** We will place it in the Lobby of the Church on Friday, November 1 at 6:00 pm. We invite you to participate in the setting up bringing pictures of your loved ones who have passed away. You also are invited to bring any food or drink that they had delighted in life. In ancient cultures and in so many current, the peoples pay honor to their ancestors by remembering and keeping them always in their minds, hearts and prayers. We will offer our prayers on Sunday, November 3, at our Worship of “All Saints and Faithfull Departed,” as every year.

### **Nov 3, 2024 - Daylight Saving Time Ends:**

Sunday, November 3, 2024, 2:00:00 am clocks are turned backward 1 hour to Sunday, November 3, 2024, 1:00:00 am local standard time instead.

**Thanksgiving** is just around the corner and our food pantry will once again be giving away turkeys. If you would like to donate a turkey, please keep it under 12-15 lbs. Most of our clients are small families or have small ovens. Keep your eye out for the sales that our grocery stores will be offering for good deals such as buy one get second free or discounted and some do free or discounted with \$100 grocery purchase. We need to have your donations in by November 15<sup>th</sup>, so we know how many more we need to purchase. You can also give money to help us purchase both turkeys and all the other food needed for a family Thanksgiving dinner. Please contact Stephanie with any questions you may have.

**Next Bishop’s Committee Meeting:** Wednesday, November 20 at 6:00 pm., after our Evening Prayer with Communion.

**Thanksgiving Service:** Wednesday, November 27 at 6:00 pm., in our Evening Prayer with Communion we will celebrate Thanksgiving Day.

**Christ the King Sunday Worship:** The last Sunday of the current Liturgical Cycle will be on November 24, 2024. The Liturgical New Year will begin on Sunday, December 1, 2024, with the 1<sup>st</sup>, Sunday of Advent, Cycle C.