



ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, RIDGECREST

Where All Souls Are Welcome

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HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

First Sunday in Lent ~ February 26, 2023, 10 a.m.

The Rev. Jorge Pallares, Priest in Charge of St. Michael's, *Presider and Preacher*

The Rev. Cathy Kline, Parish Deacon at St. Michael's

READER	CRUCIFER	ALTAR GUILD	PIANIST
Dave Waller	Cassidi Reese	Renée Westa-Lusk	Stephanie McManis

Please stand as able for the Opening Hymn

Opening Hymn

Blue Hymnal 525

The Church's one foundation

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| 1 The Church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation
by water and the word:
from heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died. | 4 Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war
she waits the consummation
of peace for evermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blessed,
and the great Church victorious
shall be the Church at rest. |
| 2 Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation,
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy Name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with every grace endued. | 5 Yet she on earth hath union
with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee. |
| 3 Though with a scornful wonder
men see her sore oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed;
yet saints their watch are keeping,
their cry goes up, "How long?"
and soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song. | |

THE GREAT LITANY

This morning we begin our Lenten experience with "The Great Litany." Through the prayers of The Great Litany, the Church "sweeps up the whole world in its great and loving arms and offers it up to God to be blessed and sanctified."

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,	Have mercy on us.
Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,	Have mercy on us.
Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,	Have mercy on us.
Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God,	Have mercy on us.
From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred and malice; and from all evil intent,	Savior deliver us.
From sloth, worldliness and love of money; from hardness of heart and contempt for your word and your laws,	Savior deliver us.
From sins of body and mind; from deceits of the world, flesh and the devil,	Savior deliver us.
From famine and disaster; from violence, murder, and dying unprepared,	Savior deliver us.
In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of our death and at the day of judgment,	Savior deliver us.
By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood and obedience; by your baptism, fasting and temptation,	Savior deliver us.
By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power; by the preaching of your reign,	Savior deliver us.
By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial,	Savior deliver us.
By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension; and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,	Savior deliver us.
Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.	Hear us, O Christ.
Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it that unity which is your will.	Hear us, O Christ.
Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world, and to make disciples of all the nations.	Hear us, O Christ.
Enlighten your bishops, priests and deacons with knowledge and understanding, that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word.	Hear us, O Christ.
Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit.	Hear us, O Christ.
Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived.	Hear us, O Christ.
Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.	Hear us, O Christ.

Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice.	Hear us, O Christ.
Give your wisdom and strength to the President of the United States, the Governor of this state, and the Mayor of this city that in all things they may do your will, for your glory and the common good.	Hear us, O Christ.
Give to the Congress of the United States, the members of the President's Cabinet, those who serve in our state legislature, and all others in authority the grace to walk always in the ways of truth.	Hear us, O Christ.
Bless the justices of the Supreme Court and all those who administer the law, that they may act with integrity and do justice for all your people.	Hear us, O Christ.
Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all.	Hear us, O Christ.
Bless and keep all your people,	Hear us, O Christ.
Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed.	Hear us, O Christ.
Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril.	Hear us, O Christ.
Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.	Hear us, O Christ.
Guard and protect all children who are in danger.	Hear us, O Christ.
Shower your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble.	Hear us, O Christ.
Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.	Hear us, O Christ.
Hear us as we remember those who have died and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory.	Hear us, O Christ.
Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.	
Holy God,	
Holy and Mighty,	
Holy Immortal One,	
Have mercy on us.	
THE COLLECT OF THE DAY	FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
<i>Presider</i> God be with you.	<i>(BCP p. 218)</i>
<i>People</i> And also with you.	
<i>Presider</i> Let us pray.	
Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.	
Amen.	

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING

GENESIS 2:15-17; 3:1-7

DAVE WALLER

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

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

THE RESPONSE

PSALM 32

DAVE WALLER

THE PSALM APPOINTED IS PSALM 32.

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!

**Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.

**For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.

**I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**

Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

**You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.

**Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."**

Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.

**Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**

THE SECOND READING

ROMANS 5:12-19

DAVE WALLER

A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS.

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

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

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

Sequence Hymn*Blue Hymnal 707**Take my life, and let it be*

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| <p>1 Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.</p> | <p>2 Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.
Take my will, and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.</p> |
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THE GOSPEL PROCLAMATION

MATTHEW 4:1-11

THE REV. DEACON CATHY KLINE

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

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

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down

and worship me.” Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’” Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

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

THE SERMON

THE REV. JORGE PALLARES
Priest in Charge

A period of silence and personal reflection follows the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand as able

(BCP pp. 358-359)

The Nicene Creed is on page 358 in the Red Book of Common Prayer.

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please stand as able for the Offertory Hymn

Offertory Hymn

Blue Hymnal 376

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

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| <p>1 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.</p> <p>2 All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
blooming meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.</p> | <p>3 Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
well-spring of the joy of living,
ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother:
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.</p> |
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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING EUCHARISTIC PRAYER C

(BCP p. 369-372)

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.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

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

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption,
and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba, and the Virgin Mary; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

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.

All are welcome at God's table.

Please come up to the altar rail. Gluten free wafers are available.

Returning to your pew after receiving communion; you may kneel and/or be seated.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand as able

(BCP p. 366)

After communion, the Presider says,

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 forever. Amen.**

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

(BOS p. 11)

Bow down before the Lord.

The people may kneel.

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice forever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Blue Hymnal 490

I want to walk as a child of the light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.

3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ.

I want to follow Jesus.

I want to be with Jesus.

God set the stars to give light to the world.

When we have run with patience the race,
we shall know the joy of Jesus.

The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain

In him there is no darkness at all.

The night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God.

Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

2 I want to see the brightness of God.

I want to look at Jesus.

Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
and show me the way to the Father.

Refrain

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

This concludes our service. Please join us in the Parish Hall for Coffee Hour.