



ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Christ-Centered Community of Practice Awaking to the Abiding Presence of God

PRIDE SUNDAY

WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

After the Announcements, a period of silence is kept.

HYMN

The Hymnal 408



1 Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all cre -
2 What God's al - might - y power hath made, his gra - cious mer - cy
3 Let all who name Christ's ho - ly Name give God all praise and



a - tion, the God of power, the God of love, the God of
keep - eth; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade his watch - ful
glo - ry; let all who know his power pro - claim a - loud the



our sal - va - tion; with heal - ing balm my soul he fills, and
eye ne'er sleep - eth. With - in the king - dom of his might, lo!
won - drous sto - ry! Cast each false i - dol from its throne, the



ev - ery faith - less mur - mur stills: to God all praise and glo - ry.
All is just and all is right: to God all praise and glo - ry.
Lord is God, and he a - lone: to God all praise and glo - ry.

ACCLAMATION

Presider: In the name of God: Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life.

People: Amen.

Grace to you and peace
from God our Creator,
the love at our beginning
and without end,
in our midst and with us.
**God is with us,
here we find new life.**

SONG OF PRAISE

Lord, lis-ten to your child-ren pray - ing, Lord, send your
Spi-rit to this place, Lord, lis-ten to your child-ren pray - ing,
— Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE FIRST READING

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Following the lesson...

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 16

**1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,
my good above all other."**

**2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *
upon those who are noble among the people.**

**3 But those who run after other gods *
shall have their troubles multiplied.**

4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, *
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.

5 O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; *
it is you who uphold my lot.

6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

7 I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; *
my heart teaches me, night after night.

8 I have set the Lord always before me; *
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.

9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *
my body also shall rest in hope.

10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, *
nor let your holy one see the Pit.

11 You will show me the path of life; *
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

THE SECOND READING

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Following the Lesson...

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

HYMN

"Take o take"

Take, o take me as I am, Sum - mon out what I shall be;

Set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 9: 51-62

Preceding the Gospel...

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

Following the Gospel...

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Reverend Deacon Lars Hunter

After the sermon a period of silence is kept

WE PRAY FOR GOD'S CREATION, FOR THE WORLD, AND FOR THE CHURCH

The Leader bids us to pray for the sick and suffering, for those who have asked for our prayer, for those who rejoice in life events and for those who have died.

Intercessor: Lord, In your mercy.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

THE CONFESSION

**Almighty and merciful God,
we have sinned against you,
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with all our heart.
We have not loved others
as our Savior Christ loves us.
We are truly sorry.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on you, pardon you and set you free.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. **Amen.**

The Celebrant bids

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Following the Peace, the Celebrant recites a sentence from Holy Scripture; all prepare for the Holy Eucharist.

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION TOGETHER

OFFERATORY HYMN

The Hymnal 306

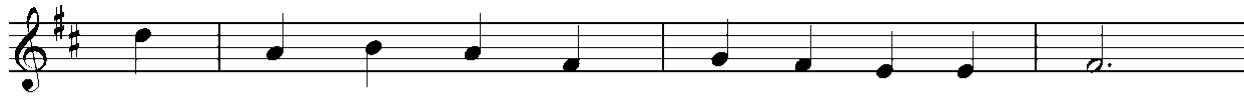
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1 Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest;
 2 We meet, as in that up - per room they met;
 3 One bo - dy we, one Bo - dy who par - take,
 4 One with each o - ther, Lord, for one in thee,



nay, let us be thy guests; the feast is thine;
 thou at the ta - ble, bless - ing, yet dost stand;
 one Church u - ni - ted in com - mun - ion blest;
 who art one Sa - vior and one liv - ing Head;



thy - self at thine own board make man - i - fest
 "This is my Bo - dy"; so thou giv - est yet:
 one Name we bear, one Bread of life we break,
 then o - pen thou our eyes, that we may see;



in thine own Sac - ra - ment of Bread and Wine.
 faith still re - ceives the cup as from thy hand.
 with all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.
 be known to us in break - ing of the Bread.

OFFERING

Please consider an offering/pledge to St. Michael's to support our many ministries. At this time, we have an offering plate located at the back of the church to collect contributions. You may also contribute online on our website, www.stmichaelsvermont.org, clicking the "Give" and "Give Online" button on the top right hand corner. Our ministry at St. Michael's depends on your generosity.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

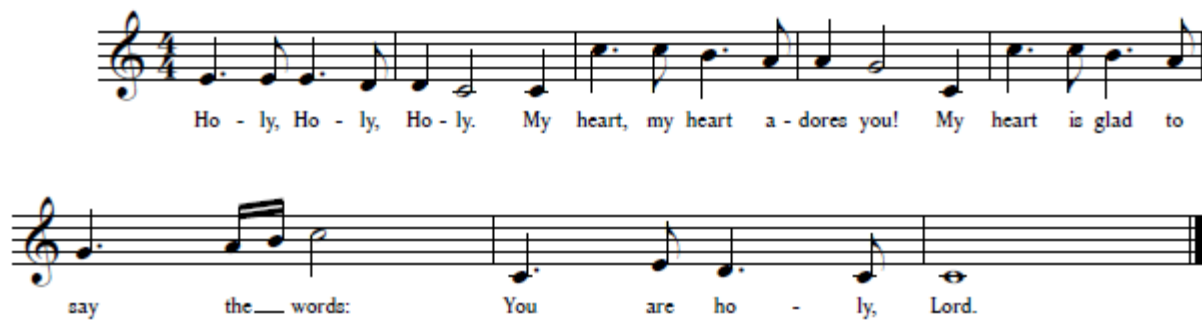
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant praises God for God's creation and love. Then all sing the Sanctus together:



The Presider recalls and makes present for all Jesus' life and last supper.

The Presider asks the Holy Spirit to consecrate the bread and the wine to be God's holy food.

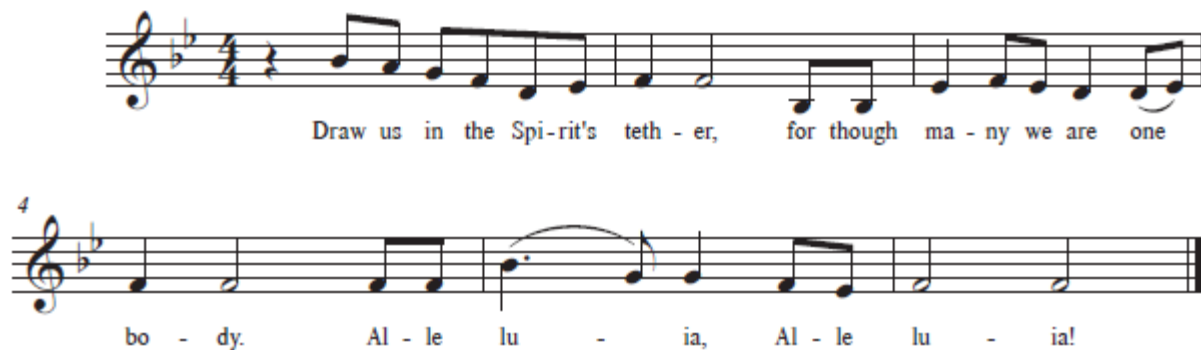
And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

**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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.



Celebrant: We who are many are one Body;

People: **For we all share one bread, one cup.**

(For those worshipping online, the Prayer of Spiritual Communion is below)

Dear God, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We love you above all things, and long for you in our souls. Since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into our hearts. As though you have already come, we embrace you and unite ourselves entirely to you; never permit us to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

At St. Michael's, we believe that God's love is unconditional. We welcome all people and we affirm the worth, dignity, and gifts of every person as a beloved child of God. In our celebration of the Eucharist, there is no one here who is ineligible or unwelcome; no

one who has too many doubts or too few beliefs. This is the table of a loving God set for all creation through the power of Jesus Christ. You, who are part of that creation, are welcome.

Gluten-free wafers are available. Please indicate that preference to the liturgical minister.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

**God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

BLESSING

HYMN

"All are welcome"

Hymn is printed on the next page



Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly live. A__



place where saints and chil - dren tell how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and



vi - sions, Rock of faith and vault of grace; Here the love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:



All are wel - come, All are wel - come, All are wel - come in this place.

v. 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 as symbol of God's grace,
Here as one, we claim the faith of Jesus,
REFRAIN: All are welcome.....

v. 3 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: All are welcome.....

DISMISSAL

Participants Today

Lars Hunter, Deacon; **Greg Lesch**, lay assistant and reader; **Wylene Wood**, reader; **Margery McCrum**, intercessor; **Liz & Ian Harrison**, ushers. **Rebecca Olmstead**, **Zadie Olmstead** and **Charlene Kemp**, Altar Guild.

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- **WELCOME TO VISITORS!** All are welcome at this table. If you have any questions about the liturgy, location of the bathrooms, or anything else, please ask one of the ushers or greeters. Thank you for joining us today.
- **GLUTEN FREE WAFERS AND GRAPE JUICE** are available for Communion at both 8:00 am and 10:15 services. Please make yourselves known to the priest when you come up for Communion.
- **CHILDREN ARE WELCOME HERE!** There are clipboards with paper and crayons, as well as activity bags with coloring books at the back of the Sanctuary for children who are interested in coloring or drawing during the service. Feel free to come in and out of the worship area as needed with your children! Please ask an usher if you need assistance.
- **NURSERY CARE IS AVAILABLE** for young children during the service. Please ask the ushers for directions.

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKDAY WORSHIP

Morning Prayer, 8-8:30 am, Monday-Friday, on Zoom

Centering Prayer, 11:30-11:55 am, Wednesday in the Chapel

Eucharist with the Saints, 12 noon-12:30, Wednesday in the Chapel

Contemplative Worship, 5:30-6:00 pm, Thursday in the Chapel, in-person and on Zoom

Centering Prayer, 8 am, Saturday in the Chapel

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO: *Carolyn Taylor-Olson*, Monday; *Judy Hueber* and *Oren Hesselbach*, Tuesday; *Vince Johnson*, Wednesday; *Craig Hammond* and *Adwoa Wilson*, Thursday; *Whitney Nichols*, *Kevin McElhinney* and *Michael Fedoruk*, Saturday.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO: *Ron Bell & Gwen Mousin*, Tuesday; *Kevin McElhinney & Carol Beninati*, Wednesday and *Phillip & Cherolyn Stimmel*, Friday.

JUNE: A MONTH OF SPECIAL SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS: This June we have special services and celebrations scheduled for every Sunday!

- **Today June 26 -- Pride Sunday:** Today, we welcome Lars Hunter, a parishioner from St. Mary's in the Mountains in Wilmington, Vermont, who was recently ordained deacon, will be our preacher and deacon for Pride Sunday. Lars, the Bereavement Program Coordinator at Brattleboro Area Hospice, has been active in the Diocese of Vermont for many years. We are so pleased that he is able to help us in our celebration of Pride Sunday.
- **June 26: Newcomers' Lunch:** Following the 10:15 am service on June 26, all people who are new to St. Michael's in the last few years are invited to a simple lunch in the Undercroft. This is our chance to welcome you and introduce you to one another and to St. Michael's Vestry. Please RSVP to mary@stmichaelsvermont.org or by signing up in the Common Room by June 20.

THE LITURGY – Much of our liturgy today is adapted from the New Zealand Book of Common Prayer.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FRIDAYS IN JULY: Beginning this Friday, July 1, the Church office will be closed on Friday. The office will usually be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in July from 8 until 1.

JULY GUARDIAN: The July issue of The Guardian will feature extensive information about the Building Hope project. We expect that you will have it by the end of this week.