



# ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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

**NOVEMBER 3, 2024**

**ALL SAINTS' DAY**

## **WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF CHRIST**

PRELUDE “Prelude in G” by Gustav Merkel

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*After the Announcements, a period of silence is kept. Please stand when you hear the music for the first hymn.*

HYMN

*The Hymnal 287, vs 1, 2, 4, 7, 8*

*hymn printed on next page*

1 For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who  
 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might:—  
 3 O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,—  
 4 O blest communion, fellowship divine!—

thee— by faith be-fore the world con-fessed, thy  
 thou, Lord, their Cap-tain in the well-fought fight;—  
 fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, and  
 We feeb-ly struggle, they in glory shine; yet

Name, O— Je-sus, be for-ev-er blessed.  
 thou, in the dark-ness drear, the one true Light.  
 win, with— them, the vic-tor's crown of gold.  
 all are— one in thee, for all are thine.

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

\*7 But lo! there breaks a yet more glo-rious day; the  
 \*8 From earth's wide bounds, from o-ccean's far-thest coast, through  
 saints tri-umph-ant rise in bright ar-ray; the  
 gates of pearl streams in the count-less host—  
 King of glo-ry pass-es on his way.  
 sing-ing to Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost,  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897). Music: *Sine Nomine*, Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958).

### ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God, Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### SONG OF PRAISE

I — will praise your name for — ev — — —  
 er, my — King and my God.

*sing twice*

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

A READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURE

*Isaiah 25:6-9*

*Following the lesson...*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 24

**1 The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, \*  
the world and all who dwell therein.**

**2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas \*  
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.**

**3 "Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? \*  
and who can stand in his holy place?"**

**4 "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, \*  
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,  
nor sworn by what is a fraud.**

**5 They shall receive a blessing from the Lord \*  
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."**

**6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, \*  
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.**

**7 Lift up your heads, O gates;  
lift them high, O everlasting doors; \*  
and the King of glory shall come in.**

**8 "Who is this King of glory?" \*  
"The Lord, strong and mighty,  
the Lord, mighty in battle."**

**9 Lift up your heads, O gates;  
lift them high, O everlasting doors; \*  
and the King of glory shall come in.**

**10 "Who is he, this King of glory?" \*  
"The Lord of hosts,  
he is the King of glory."**

THE EPISTLE

*Revelation 21:1-6a*

HYMN

*The Hymnal 293*

1 I sing a song of the saints of God, \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are

pa - tient and brave and true, who \_\_\_\_\_ toiled and \_\_\_\_\_ fought and \_\_\_\_\_  
 his love \_\_\_\_\_ made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for \_\_\_\_\_  
 hund-reds of thou-sands still, the \_\_\_\_\_ world is \_\_\_\_\_ bright with the

lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And \_\_\_\_\_  
 Je - sus' sake, the \_\_\_\_\_ whole of their good lives long. And \_\_\_\_\_  
 joy - ous saints who \_\_\_\_\_ love to do Je - sus' will. You can

one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -  
 one was a sold - ier, and one was a priest, and one was \_\_\_\_\_ slain  
 meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,

herd - ess on the \_\_\_\_\_ green: they were all of them saints of \_\_\_\_\_  
 by a fierce wild \_\_\_\_\_ beast; and there's not an - y rea - son -  
 or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of \_\_\_\_\_ God are just

God - and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.  
 no, not the least, why I should-n't be one too.  
 folk like \_\_\_\_\_ me, and I mean to be one too.

Words: Lesbia Scott (1898-1986), alt. Music: *Grand Isle*, John Henry Hopkins (1861-1945).

## THE GOSPEL

*John 11:32-44*

*Preceding the Gospel...*

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

*Following the Gospel...*

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

## SERMON

*The Reverend Mary Lindquist*

*After the sermon a period of silence is kept*

## 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:  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.  
who 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

## 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.*

*Intervenor:* Lord, in your mercy.

*People:* Hear our prayer.

### CONFESSION

*Celebrant:* Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence may be kept.*

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 Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

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

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

ANTHEM (non-choral): "Psalm 23" by Michael Joncas. Christopher Wesolowski, tenor

*All stand to sing*

OFFERTORY HYMN

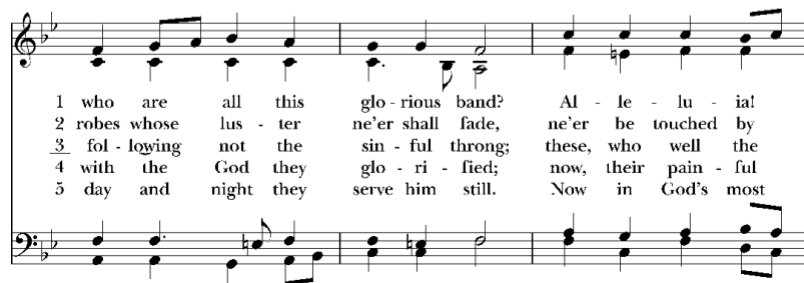
*The Hymnal 286*



1 Who are these like stars ap - pear - ing, these, be - fore God's  
2 Who are these of daz - zling bright-ness, these in God's own  
3 These are they who have con - tend - ed for their Sa - vior's  
4 These are they whose hearts were riv - en, sore with woe and  
5 These, like priests, have watched and wait - ed, of - fering up to



1 throne who stand? Each a gold - en crown is wear - ing;  
2 truth ar - rayed, clad in robes of pur - est white - ness,  
3 hon - or long, wres - tling on till life was end - ed,  
4 an - guish tried, who in prayer full oft have striv - en  
5 Christ their will, soul and bo - dy con - se - crat - ed,



1 who are all this glo - rious band? Al - le - lu - ial  
2 robes whose lus - ter ne'er shall fade, ne'er be touched by  
3 fol - lowing not the sin - ful throng; these, who well the  
4 with the God they glo - ri - fied; now, their pain - ful  
5 day and night they serve him still. Now in God's most



1 hark, they sing, prais - ing loud their heaven - ly King.  
2 time's rude hand? Whence comes all this glo - rious band?  
3 fight sus - tained, tri - umph by the Lamb have gained.  
4 con - flict o'er, God has bid them weep no more.  
5 ho - ly place, blest they stand be - fore his face.

Words: Theobald Heinrich Schenck (1656-1727); tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), alt. Music: *Zeuch mich, zeuch mich*, melody from *Geistreiches Gesang-buch*, 1698; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

OFFERING

*During the hymn, ushers pass the offering plates. Representatives from the parish bring the people's offerings of food bread and wine for the Eucharist, and money for mission and ministry to the Altar. You may also make a donation online at*

[www.stmichaelsvermont.org](http://www.stmichaelsvermont.org) under "Give" & "Give Online." Our ministry at St. Michael's depends on your generosity. Please consider making a donation or a pledge.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 him thanks and praise.**

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

## SANCTUS

*The Hymnal S114*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of  
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -  
- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth  
— in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healey Willan (1880-1968). By permission of Oxford University Press.

*The Celebrant recalls (and makes present for all) Jesus' life and last supper.*

Therefore, according to his command, O God:

*Celebrant and People*

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

*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.

## BREAD IS BROKEN

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*Sing only verse 1*

All who hun - ger gath - er — glad - ly; — ho - ly — man - na  
 All who hun - ger, nev - er — stran - gers, seek - er, — be a  
 All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er, — Je - sus — Christ is  
 is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and — wan - d'ring.  
 wel - come guest. Come from rest - less - ness and — roam - ing. —  
 liv - ing bread. Come from lone - li - ness and — long - ing. —  
 Here in — truth we will be fed. You that yearn for  
 Here, in — joy we keep the feast. We that once were  
 Here, in — peace we have been fed. Blest are those who  
 days of — full - ness, all a - round us is our — food.  
 lost and — scat - tered in com - mun - ion's love have stood.  
 from this — ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.  
 Taste and — see the grace e - ter - nal. —  
 Taste and — see the grace e - ter - nal. —  
 Taste and — see the grace e - ter - nal. —  
 Taste and — see that God is good.  
 Taste and — see that God is good.  
 Taste and — see that God is good.

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*Celebrant:* Come all who hunger, come all who thirst, come eat and drink.

## BREAD AND WINE ARE SHARED

*Invitation to Receive the Sacrament of 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 and grape juice are available. If you would like either, please indicate that preference to the liturgical minister. Receive the Bread in your open palm followed by the Common Cup, taking the cup by its base and guiding it to your lips. You may also receive the Bread only, with arms folded over your chest afterwards. Or if you wish to come to the Altar for a blessing only, please fold your arms over your chest. ‘*

*Following Communion, the congregation stands to say the final prayer:*

#### POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

**Eternal God,  
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.**

## **WE ARE SENT AND GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD**

BLESSING

HYMN

*The Hymnal 232*

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1 By all your saints still striv - ing, for all your saints at rest,  
 2 *(Insert the stanza appropriate to the day)*  
 3 Then let us praise the Fa - ther and wor-ship God the Son



your ho - ly Name, O Je - sus, for ev - er - more be blessed.  
 and sing to God the Spi - rit, e - ter-nal Three in One,



You rose, our King vic - tor - ious, that they might wear the crown  
 till all the ran - somed num - ber who stand be - fore the throne



and ev - er shine in splen - dor re - flect-ed from your throne.  
 a - scribe all power and glo - ry and praise to God a - lone.

Words: Horatio Bolton Nelson (1823-1913); ver. *Hymnal 1982*. Copyright © The Church Pension Fund. Music: *Nyländ*, Finnish folk melody; adapt. and harm. David Evans (1874-1948).

*Verse 2:* Apostles, prophets, martyrs, and all the noble throng  
 who wear the spotless raiment and raise the ceaseless song:  
 for them and those whose witness is only known to you –  
 by walking in their footsteps we give you praise anew.

*Children are invited to process out with the liturgical party and say the dismissal.*

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE “Nimrod” by Edward Elgar

## Participants Today

**The Reverend Lars Hunter**, deacon; **Greg Lesch**, lay assistant; **Jenny Karstad** and **Joyce Vining Morgan**, readers and element bearers; **Carol Hesselbach**, intercessor; **Craig Irvine** and **Ricky Davidson**, chalicers; **Brian Morgan** and , ushers; **Anne Black**, healing minister; **The Taggart Family and Youth Group**, coffee hour hosts; **Kiersten McKenney**, **John Byrnes** and **Sue Dyer**, Altar Guild.

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.

- **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.
- **CARE IS AVAILABLE** for 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 and in-person Tues-Thursday in the Chapel  
 Breakfast with the Psalms, 8:30 – 10 am, The Works, Main St., Brattleboro  
 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:** *Rich Melanson*, Today; *Tian Ragle*, Monday; *Kierstan Landin* and *Oliver Ridgway*, Tuesday; *Louise Moody*, *Miles Ackerman-Hovis* and *Jesse Ackerman-Hovis*, Friday, *Ruth Tilghman*, Saturday.

**ALL SAINTS' DAY CELEBRATED TODAY!** During our services today, we will remember those saints who have gone before us and loved ones who have died, as well as recognize ourselves as those 'saints' who have been called to follow Jesus with our whole selves.

- If you have brought a picture of a loved one who has died whose life you want to give thanks for today, please put the picture on the table in front of the altar before the service begins.
- Because this is a major feast day, we will have incense at the 10:15 am service.

**ADULT FORUM:** The Adult Forums are held each Sunday morning from 9 – 10 in the Meeting Room.

- **Today, November 3: "The Day of the Dead"** -- Parishioner Evangelina (Vangie) Holvino will share her experience learning about and adopting the Mexican tradition of the Day of the Dead. This annual celebration on Nov 2 helps her intentionally remember and honor her ancestors and other loved-ones who have died. Come to reflect on this and other traditions you may know about, which serve similar purposes all over the world. *Note: To get into the spirit of this day, Vangie suggests you watch the award-winning animated movie **Coco**, streaming now on Disney.*

### **SPECIAL COFFEE HOUR YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER FOR GROUNDWORKS, TODAY:**

The Youth Group today will be offering homemade baked goods for Coffee Hour by donation so they can purchase Christmas gifts for kids connected to Groundworks. While there will be other food at Coffee Hour that day, the Youth Group will have a monopoly on the baked goods! Purchases of the baked goods today will be in cash.

**TAIZE SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE, TODAY AT 4 PM:** Our candlelit service at St. Michael's, part of our celebration of All Saints' Day, features simple harmonious chants, short readings, poems and prayers, periods of silence, and the lighting of candles as we remember those whom we love but see no more.

Taize gets its name from the monastic community in the French village of Taize, which was founded in 1940 and served as a shelter for political refugees fleeing persecution during World War II. Thousands of pilgrims still travel to the ecumenical, monastic community of Taize yearly to attend teachings on trust, peace and reconciliation.

This service will also be available on livestream. The links to the livestream and to the bulletin for the service are on the Church website and in the eNews of today and Thursday.

**TOGETHER IN GRATITUDE: STEWARDSHIP SEASON 2025:** Many thanks to all who have turned in pledges for 2025. On Sunday, November 10, we will hear from parishioner, Elizabeth Freese for the stewardship reflection and celebrate Commitment Sunday, giving thanks for all the ways you are pledging to give and be of service to St. Michael's in the coming year.

Please try to get your pledges in by November 10! Don't forget, you can also pledge online through St. Michael's website. Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity!

**SOAKING PRAYER ON ELECTION DAY AT ST. MICHAEL'S:** From 4 -7:15 pm on Election Day, November 5, the Healing Prayer Team at St. Michael's will offer three Soaking Prayer sessions in the sanctuary to support and strengthen our connection to God during this challenging time in our country. Consider soaking with God to bring calm into your interior.

### **What is Soaking Prayer?**

Soaking Prayer is a Christian prayer practice of resting and relaxing in the presence of God. While soothing music plays in a softly lit room, participants are invited to sit or recline (bring a pillow) and become quiet and still, so quiet and still that an openness can be created for Father/Mother God and the Holy Spirit to be present with you. Prayer ministers slowly and prayerfully walk throughout the room, occasionally offering a reflective verse or thought to encourage resting and listening for the love of God.

Each session will last 30 minutes:

**Session One:** Arrive at 4:00 for a brief orientation in the Common Room before silently entering the sanctuary.

**Session Two:** Arrive at 5:15 for a brief orientation in the Common Room before silently entering the sanctuary.

**Session Three:** Arrive at 6:30 for a brief orientation in the Common Room before silently entering the sanctuary.

### **WOULD YOU LIKE TO SING WITH THE CHOIR FOR LESSONS & CAROLS?**

**REHEARSALS BEGIN NOV. 19:** This year's Advent Lessons and Carols service is coming up on **Sunday Dec. 8 at 4 pm**. The choir always welcomes extra singers for this service. If you'd like to join in singing with the choir for this service, we ask you to please commit to coming to the three rehearsals we will have on **Tuesday evenings at 6:30-8:30 pm on Nov. 19, 26, and Dec. 3**. We will be singing anthems by Chilcott, Brahms, Howells, Ireland, and Gorecki (this last one sung in

Polish!)

Email Keane at [keane@stmichaelsvermont.org](mailto:keane@stmichaelsvermont.org) with any questions.

**CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THIS YEAR'S ST. NICHOLAS DAY FAIR ON DEC. 1!** Please help us with this fun and festive event to start the Advent Season! We need volunteers to:

- Help with craft tables-- either supervising a craft we already have OR bring your own idea/supplies for something you would like to do!
- Bring contributions for the buffet table (finger sandwiches, fruit, cheese, baked goods, cookies, snacks, etc).
- Be part of the clean-up crew
- Donate items from our WISH LIST: gallon-sized ziplock bags; florist's wire; a jar of inexpensive peanut butter; LARGE pine cones

Thank you!! A sign-up sheet is in the Common Room OR you can email Lydia Taggert and Janice Paran at [lydiafin1@gmail.com](mailto:lydiafin1@gmail.com)

**ALL KIDS AND TEENS SIGN UP FOR THE CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT ON DECEMBER 1 AT THE ST. NICHOLAS FAIR!** Calling toddlers, children, and teens! Join St. Michael's Christmas Eve pageant and help bring the Nativity to life for our parish! We've been doing our own Vermont Nativity for many years now and will continue to do so, this year with some new twists!

On Sunday December 1, we'll be at a table in the Undercroft at the St. Nicholas Fair where you can sign up, hear how you can be involved, and get more information about the pageant plan. If you can't make it to that day, no worries: kids can sign up by email--info to follow soon. For more information, contact Annie Landenberger, 802-348-7156, [verbatimvt@gmail.com](mailto:verbatimvt@gmail.com)