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## **NOTES ABOUT TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE:**

Our service today will take place in the sanctuary. We ask that you only participate in the service in the sanctuary if you are free of any COVID-19 related symptoms and have not been exposed to anyone with COVID-19. All who participate in the sanctuary are asked to sanitize their hands upon entry, wear a mask for the entirety of the service, and leave at least six feet of lateral space in each pew between groups. Every other row has been marked off for increased distancing between groups.

For those who would prefer to continue to participate in the service from their vehicles, you are able to do so. Please park on the east side of the church building and you will be provided with a bulletin.

- By tuning your car radio to 93.1 FM, you will be able to hear the service taking place inside. Please participate fully in the congregational responses, singing, and prayers!
- In order to register your attendance with us today, please fill out the attendance sheet on the back cover of your bulletin. You will tear this page off and hand it in with the offering. An usher will come to collect the offering and attendance sheets from you during the final hymn.
- The Adult Bible Study will be broadcast over the FM transmitter on the same frequency used during the service. If you would like to listen in on the Bible Study but do not want to enter the sanctuary, you are welcome to do so from your vehicle.

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### **MISSION STATEMENT:**

Saint Michael's Lutheran Church exists to worship God, love one another, and serve all people according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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## **DIVINE SERVICE SETTING TWO WITH COMMUNION**

**Prelude**

Selected Music

**Ringing of the Church Bell**

Ushers

## Welcome and Greeting

### Opening Hymn

“As With Gladness Men of Old”

LSB #397



1 As with glad-ness men of old Did the guid-ing star be-hold;  
2 As with joy-ful steps they sped, Sav-ior, to Thy low-ly bed,  
3 As they of-fered gifts most rare At Thy cra-dle, rude and bare,  
4 Ho-ly Je-sus, ev-ry day Keep us in the nar-row way;  
5 In the heav'n-ly coun-try bright Need they no cre-at-ed light;



As with joy they hailed its light, Lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright;  
There to bend the knee be-fore Thee, whom heav'n and earth a-dore;  
So may we with ho-ly joy, Pure and free from sin's al-loy,  
And when earth-ly things are past, Bring our ran-somed souls at last  
Thou its light, its joy, its crown, Thou its sun which goes not down;



So, most gra-cious Lord, may we Ev-er-more be led by Thee.  
So may we with will-ing feet Ev-er seek Thy mer-cy seat.  
All our cost-liest trea-sures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heav'n-ly King.  
Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glo-ry hide.  
There for-ev-er may we sing Al-le-lu-ias to our King.

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### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*Matthew 28:19b; (18:20)*

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*1 John 1:8-9*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the **✝** Son and of the Holy Spirit.

*(John 20:19-23)*

**C** **Amen.**

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

**Introit**

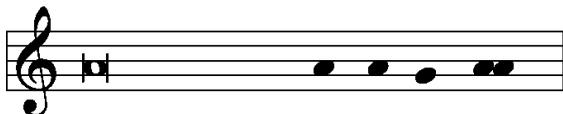
Read Together

*Ps. 45:6–8a; antiphon: Ps. 45:17*

I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations;  
therefore nations will praise you forever and ever.  
Your throne, O God, is forever and ever. The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter  
of uprightness;  
you have loved righteousness and hated wickedness.  
Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your  
companions;  
your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia.  
*Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.*  
I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations;  
therefore nations will praise you forever and ever.

# Kyrie

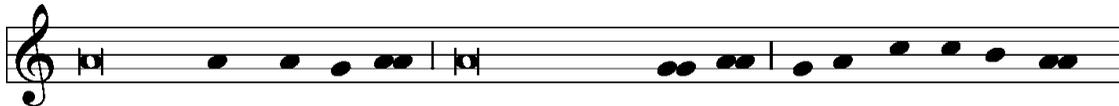
Mark 10:47



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



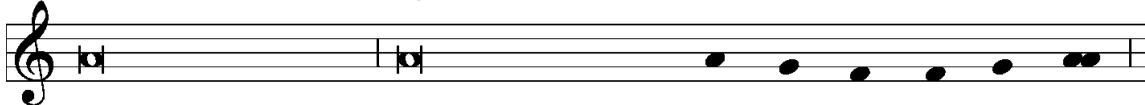
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni - ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



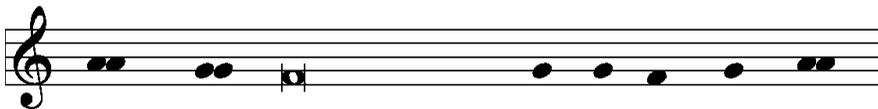
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

### Hymn of Praise

### *“This is the Feast”*

*Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9*



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:  
 Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.  
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,  
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

*2 Timothy 4:22*

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star You made known Your only-begotten Son to the Gentiles. Lead us, who know You by faith, to enjoy in heaven the fullness of

Your divine presence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

<sup>1</sup>Arise, shine, for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.  
<sup>2</sup>For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,  
and thick darkness the peoples;  
but the Lord will arise upon you,  
and his glory will be seen upon you.  
<sup>3</sup>And nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your rising.  
<sup>4</sup>Lift up your eyes all around, and see;  
they all gather together, they come to you;  
your sons shall come from afar,  
and your daughters shall be carried on the hip.  
<sup>5</sup>Then you shall see and be radiant;  
your heart shall thrill and exult,  
because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you,  
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.  
<sup>6</sup>A multitude of camels shall cover you,  
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;  
all those from Sheba shall come.  
They shall bring gold and frankincense,  
and shall bring good news, the praises of the Lord.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm

Psalm 72:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Give the king your justice, O God,  
and your righteousness to the royal son!  
<sup>2</sup>May he judge your people with righteousness,  
and your poor with justice!  
<sup>3</sup>Let the mountains bear prosperity for the people,

and the hills, in righteousness!  
4May he defend the cause of the poor of the people,  
give deliverance to the children of the needy,  
and crush the oppressor!  
5May they fear you while the sun endures,  
and as long as the moon, throughout all generations!  
6May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass,  
like showers that water the earth!  
7In his days may the righteous flourish,  
and peace abound, till the moon be no more!  
8May he have dominion from sea to sea,  
and from the River to the ends of the earth!  
9May desert tribes bow down before him  
and his enemies lick the dust!  
10May the kings of Tarshish and of the coastlands  
render him tribute;  
may the kings of Sheba and Seba  
bring gifts!  
11May all kings fall down before him,  
all nations serve him!

## **Epistle Reading**

Ephesians 3:1-12

1For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles—  
2assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God’s grace that was given to  
me for you, 3how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have  
written briefly. 4When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery  
of Christ, 5which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as  
it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. 6This  
mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and  
partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

7Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God’s grace, which  
was given me by the working of his power. 8To me, though I am the very least of all  
the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches  
of Christ, 9and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden  
for ages in God who created all things, 10so that through the church the manifold  
wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the  
heavenly places. 11This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in  
Christ Jesus our Lord, 12in whom we have boldness and access with confidence  
through our faith in him.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia and Verse

*John 6:68*



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup>saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” <sup>3</sup>When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; <sup>4</sup>and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. <sup>5</sup>They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

<sup>6</sup>“And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.”

<sup>7</sup>Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup>And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him.” <sup>9</sup>After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup>When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. <sup>11</sup>And going into the house they saw the child

with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. <sup>12</sup>And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

**Hymn of the Day** *“Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace”*

LSB #844



1 Lord of all na - tions, grant me grace  
 2 Break down the wall that would di - vide  
 3 For - give me, Lord, where I have erred  
 4 Give me Thy cour - age, Lord, to speak



To love all peo - ple, ev - 'ry race;  
 Thy chil - dren, Lord, on ev - 'ry side.  
 By love - less act and thought - less word.  
 When - ev - er strong op - press the weak.



And in each per - son may I see  
 My neigh - bor's good let me pur - sue;  
 Make me to see the wrong I do  
 Should I my - self the vic - tim be,



My kin - dred, loved, re - deemed by Thee.  
 Let Chris - tian love bind warm and true.  
 Will grieve my wound - ed Lord a - new.  
 Help me for - give, re - mem - b'ring Thee.

5 With Thine own love may I be filled  
And by Thy Holy Spirit willed,  
That all I touch, where'er I be,  
May be divinely touched by Thee.

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**Sermon**

*“The Mystery of the Gospel”  
Ephesians 3:1-12*

Rev. Nate Hill

**Nicene Creed**

**☩ I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and  
the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and**

**glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Church**

*(1 Timothy 2:1-4)*

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### *Important Information about Holy Communion Today*

Today, we will celebrate Holy Communion, where Jesus Christ offers us his true body and true blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins. This Sacrament is also an expression of the unity in faith, doctrine, and practice of those who receive it together.

If you are a confirmed member in good standing of this or another LCMS congregation, we welcome you to commune with us today. However, if you are uncertain about our beliefs and practices surrounding Holy Communion, we ask that you refrain from communing today. If you have questions, please let Pastor Nate know. he would be happy to meet with you to talk about the blessings of church membership and Holy Communion!

We also understand that at this time there may be some individuals who would normally receive Holy Communion with us but who may have health or other concerns that would keep them from communing today. We understand these concerns and are supportive of each individual's responsibility for their own health.

Communion will be distributed by Pastor Nate and two Elders. Those participating in the service from their vehicles will be served first. If you will be communing today, please roll your window all the way down as a sign for us to come to you. If you will not be Communing today, please crack your window about an inch as a sign for Pastor Nate to give you a verbal blessing. Following the outdoor distribution, those participating in the service in the sanctuary will come forward to receive communion in a continuous distribution style leaving physical space between each family group.

For those who are sensitive to alcohol, the cups in the center of the communion tray contain water with one drop of wine added.

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## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

### Preface



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al-so with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

*2 Timothy 4:22*

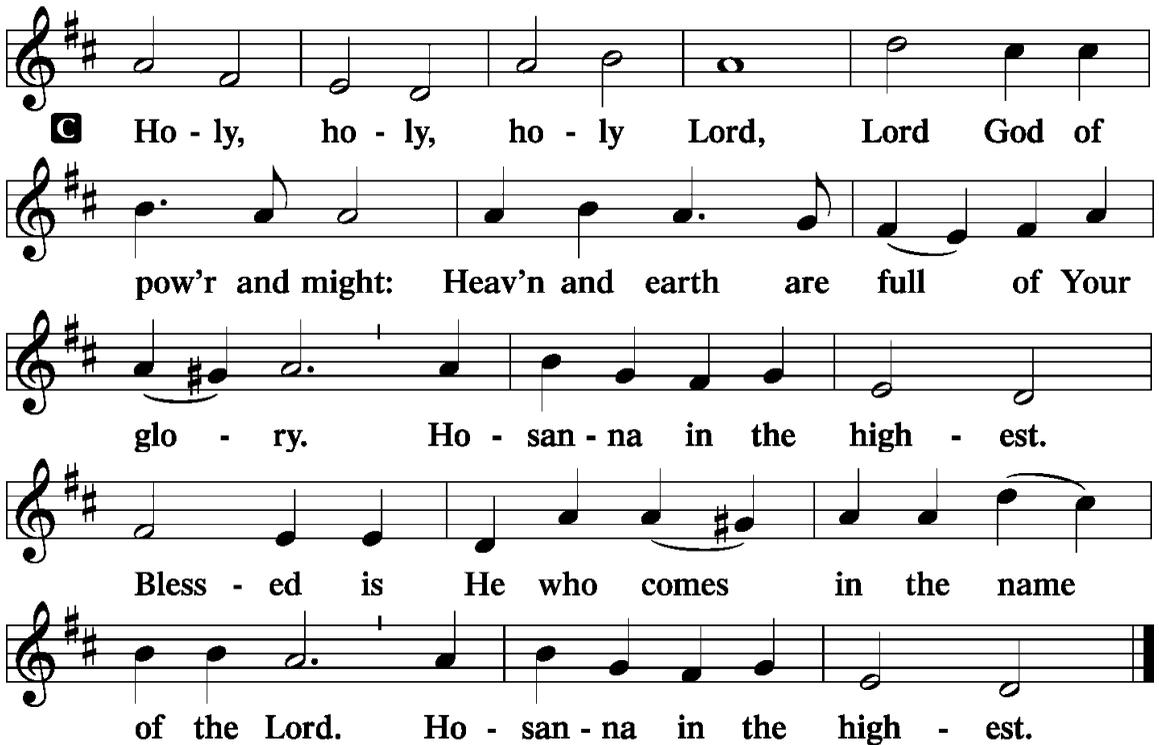
*(Colossians 3:1)*

*(Psalm 136)*

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name  
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## The Words of Our Lord

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”
- P** In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24  
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

## Proclamation of Christ

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.** *Revelation 22:20*
- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

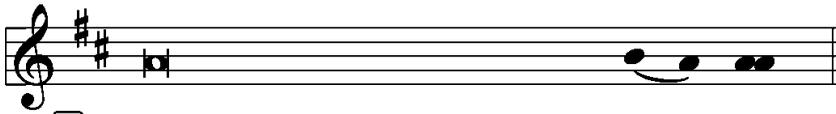
## Lord's Prayer

**C 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  
forever and ever. Amen.**

*Matthew 6:9-13*

# Pax Domini

John 20:19



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

# Agnus Dei

John 1:29



**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.



1 A - rise and shine in splen - dor; Let night to day sur -  
 2 See earth in dark - ness ly - ing, The hea - then na - tions  
 3 The world's re - mot - est rac - es, Up - on whose wea - ry  
 4 Lift up your eyes in won - der— See, na - tions gath - er



ren - der. Your light is draw - ing near. A - bove, the  
 dy - ing In hope - less gloom and night. To you the  
 fac - es The sun looks from the sky, Shall run with  
 yon - der From sin to be set free. The world has



day is beam - ing, In match - less beau - ty  
 Lord of heav - en— Your life, your hope— has  
 zeal un - tir - ing, With joy Your light de -  
 heard Your sto - ry; Her sons come to Your



gleam - ing; The glo - ry of the Lord is here.  
 giv - en Great glo - ry, hon - or, and de - light.  
 sir - ing That breaks up - on them from on high.  
 glo - ry; Her daugh - ters haste Your light to see.

5 Your heart will leap for gladness  
 When from the realms of sadness  
 They come from near and far.  
 Your eyes will wake from slumber  
 As people without number  
 Rejoice to see the Morning Star.

**Distribution Hymn** *“The People That in Darkness Sat”*

LSB #412



1 The peo - ple that in dark - ness sat A glo - rious  
2 To hail Thee, Sun of Righ - teous - ness, The gath - 'ring  
3 To us a Child of hope is born, To us a  
4 His name shall be the Prince of Peace, The Ev - er -



light have seen; The light has shined on them who long In  
na - tions come; They joy as when the reap - ers bear Their  
Son is giv'n, And on His shoul - der ev - er rests All  
last - ing Lord, The Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - or, The



shades of death have been, In shades of death have been.  
har - vest trea - sures home, Their har - vest trea - sures home.  
pow'r in earth and heav'n, All pow'r in earth and heav'n.  
God by all a - dored, The God by all a - dored.

- 5 His righteous government and pow'r      6 Lord Jesus, reign in us, we pray,  
    Shall over all extend;                      And make us Thine alone,  
On judgment and on justice based,        Who with the Father ever art  
    His reign shall have no end,              And Holy Spirit, one,  
    His reign shall have no end.              And Holy Spirit, one.

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**Distribution Hymn** *“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”*

LSB #575



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'  
2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on  
3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me  
4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I



blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my  
His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and  
in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly  
then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -



own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.  
ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!

*Refrain*



On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

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### Post-Communion Canticle "Thank the Lord"



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev - 'ry-one what



He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -



joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re - calls His prom - is -



es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -

giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Post Communion Collect**

**P** Let us pray.  
 O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** A - men.

**Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine on you  
 and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C** A - men.

**Announcements**

Pastor

*Those participating in the service from their vehicles will have an usher approach their vehicle during the closing hymn to collect the offering and attendance sheet.*



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,  
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Proph - et, Priest, and King su - preme;  
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;  
 4 Sun and moon shall dark - ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;  
 5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,  
 And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God - head man - i - fest;  
 Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might;  
 Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo - rious sign;  
 Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:  
 Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
 Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill;  
 All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear;  
 That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 Thou by all wilt be con - fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

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**Postlude**

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*The offering will be collected today as you exit the church building. Please consider transitioning to making your regular tithe or offering online at [www.stmichaelswinchester.org/give](http://www.stmichaelswinchester.org/give)*



*Please also fill out the attendance register on the back page of your bulletin, tear it off and place it into the offering basket.*

*If you will be joining us for the Adult Bible Study in the Sanctuary, please remain in your seat.*

*The Adult Bible Study will be broadcast over the FM transmitter on the same frequency used during the service. If you would like to listen in on the Bible Study but do not want to enter the sanctuary, you are welcome to do so from your vehicle.*

## **PRAYERS AT SAINT MICHAEL'S**

### **MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:**

- Marie Ashutabi
- Megan Hart Burch
- Sherry Cook
- Charlene Franke
- RC Franke
- Marian Fritsche
- Kathy Griffin
- Larry Griffin
- Tracy Griffin
- Anna Jakobeit
- Delores Karisch
- Morgan Ray Karisch
- Thelma Kieschnik
- Bea Kilian
- Marie Kilian
- Audrey Koenning
- Rose Lehmann
- Kevin Margeson
- Leann McClain
- Mark McClain
- Roy Medack
- Jodi Miller
- James Nawara
- Lillian Pietsch
- Barbara Spence
- Geneva Suttle
- Amy Wagner
- Sandy Zoch
- Thelma Zoch

### **SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES:**

- Christopher Brand – US Navy – Great Lakes, Illinois
- Warren Evans – US Army – Fort Wainwright, Alaska
- Kevin Gonzalez – US Marines – San Francisco, California
- Jake Hagood – US Army – Fort Hood, Texas
- Damien Hernandez – US Marines – San Diego, California
- Ryan Spray – US Air Force – San Antonio, Texas
- Byron Taylor – US Army – Fort Knox, Kentucky

### **MISSIONARIES:**

- Julie Aftab – People of the Book Lutheran Outreach – Houston, TX

## **THIS WEEK AT SAINT MICHAEL'S:**

### **Sunday, December January 3<sup>rd</sup> (*Installation of Officers and Board Members*)**

- 9:00am – Worship Service with Communion – *Sanctuary and Parking Lot*
- 10:15am – Adult Bible Study – *Sanctuary*
- 10:15am – Children's Sunday School – *Education Building*
- 1:00pm – Confirmation – *Education Building*
- 4:00pm – All Boards Meeting and Training – *Saint Michael's Park*
- 5:00pm – Board of Elders – *Saint Michael's Park*
- 5:00pm – Christmas Tree Clean Up – *Sanctuary*

### **Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup>**

- 7:00pm – WACA – *Zilss Hall*

### **Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>**

- 9:00am – Bible Class – *Education Building*

### **Sunday, December January 10<sup>th</sup>**

- 9:00am – Worship Service – *Sanctuary and Parking Lot*
- 10:15am – Adult Bible Study – *Sanctuary*
- 10:15am – Children's Sunday School – *Education Building*
- 1:00pm – Confirmation – *Education Building*

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**Offering Envelopes:** The 2021 offering envelopes are now available at the back of the church. Please be sure to pick yours up.

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**Sunday School:** In Sunday School today, the children will learn the account of “The Passover.” This true story, about the night when the angel of death passed over the homes of God’s people who had painted their doors with the blood of a lamb, foreshadow Christ, God’s Son, who became the Lamb whose blood was shed for us. Jesus is our Passover Lamb, and thus we will never die—we have the gift of eternal life. *Ask your children, “Who gives us the faith to believe that Jesus is our Savior?”*

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**Flower Chart:** The 2021 flower chart is in the back of the narthex, please feel free to sign up. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Amanda Behrens in the church office and she will help you.

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**Poinsettias:** If you ordered a Christmas Poinsettia please be sure to take them up today.

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**All Boards Meeting and Training:** Our annual All Boards Meeting and Training will take place today at 4:00 pm at Saint Michael's Park. All board members and officers should plan on attending this meeting. At the meeting we will go over everyone's duties and responsibilities and will also set calendar items for the year.

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**Historic Church Window Preservation Project:** Work to repair and preserve our historic church windows has been completed! The total cost of the project was \$63,159. To help defray the costs of this important project, we are asking members of the congregation to consider making a generous donation to help cover the cost. A contribution of any amount would be greatly appreciated, but the following contribution amounts will be acknowledged on a commemorative plaque in honor or memory of the person or thing of your choice:

- \$3,500 – The amount equal to the cost of preserving one window
- \$1,750 – The amount equal to half the cost of preserving of one window
- \$875 – The amount equal to a quarter of the cost of preserving one window

Contributions will be accepted until February 1st and can be made by writing "Church Window Project" in the memo line of a check written to Saint Michael's. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Marceil Prestridge at 832-567-8636.

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**SAINT MICHAEL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION**

**DATE:** January 3, 2021

<b>NAME(S) AND CONTACT INFORMATION*</b>		<b>MEMBER</b>	<b>VISITOR</b>	<b>DESIRES A CALL</b>	<b>COMMUNING TODAY?</b>
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**\*NOTE: VISITORS, PLEASE PROVIDE ALL CONTACT INFORMATION; MEMBERS, UPDATED INFORMATION ONLY**