

Sunday, April 18th 2021

Third Sunday of Easter

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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. 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.

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.

DIVINE SERVICE SETTING ONE WITH COMMUNION

Prelude	Selected Music
Ringing of the Church Bell	Ushers
Welcome and Greeting	Pastor



1 With high de-light Let us u - nite In songs of great
 2 True God, He first From death has burst Forth in - to life,
 3 Let prais-es ring; Give thanks, and bring To Christ our Lord



ju - bi - la - tion. Ye pure in heart, All bear your part,
 all sub-du - ing. His en - e - my Doth van - quished lie;
 ad - o - ra - tion. His hon - or speed By word and deed



Sing Je - sus Christ, our sal - va - tion. To set us
 His death has been death's un - do - ing. "And yours shall
 To ev - 'ry land, ev - 'ry na - tion. So shall His



free For - ev - er, He Is ris'n and sends To all earth's
 be Like vic - to - ry O'er death and grave," Saith He, who
 love Give us a - bove, From mis - er - y And death set



ends Good news to save ev - 'ry na - tion.
 gave His life for us, life re - new - ing.
 free, All joy and full con - so - la - tion.

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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.

- 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

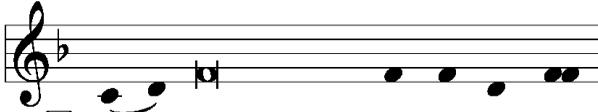
Read Together

Ps. 30:1-5; antiphon: Ps. 16:11b

In your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.
I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.
O Lord my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.
O Lord, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;
you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.
Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints,
and give thanks to his holy name.
For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.
Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.
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.*
In your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

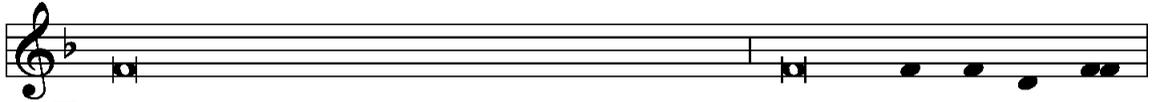
Kyrie



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



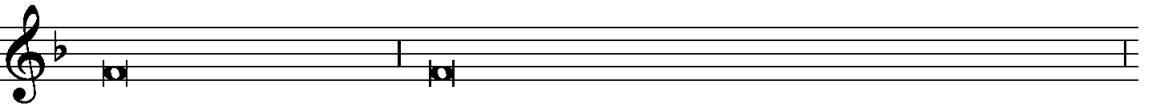
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



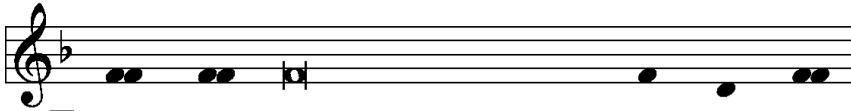
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Hymn of Praise

"This Is the Feast"

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



Refrain

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



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



1 — Wor-ty is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb ——— who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain



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



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

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world.
 Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death,
 perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives
 and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

¹Now Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. ²And a man lame from birth was being carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple that is called the Beautiful Gate to ask alms of those entering the temple. ³Seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked to receive alms. ⁴And Peter directed his gaze at him, as did John, and said, “Look at us.” ⁵And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. ⁶But Peter said, “I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!” ⁷And he took him by the right hand and raised him up, and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. ⁸And leaping up he stood and began to walk, and entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. ⁹And all the people saw him walking and praising God, ¹⁰and recognized him as the one who sat at the Beautiful Gate of the temple, asking for alms. And they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

¹¹While he clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon’s, astounded. ¹²And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: “Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk?

¹³“The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him.

¹⁴But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

¹⁷“And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, ²⁰that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, ²¹whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

- ¹Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!
You have given me relief when I was in distress.
Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!
- ²O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame?
How long will you love vain words and seek after lies?
- ³But know that the Lord has set apart the godly for himself;
the Lord hears when I call to him.
- ⁴Be angry, and do not sin;
ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent.
- ⁵Offer right sacrifices,
and put your trust in the Lord.
- ⁶There are many who say, "Who will show us some good?
Lift up the light of your face upon us, O Lord!"
- ⁷You have put more joy in my heart
than they have when their grain and wine abound.
- ⁸In peace I will both lie down and sleep;
for you alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Epistle Reading

1 John 3:1-7

¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

John 6:68



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

Holy Gospel Reading

Luke 24:36-49

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

³⁶As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, **“Peace to you!”** ³⁷But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. ³⁸And he said to them, **“Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.”** ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, **“Have you anything here to eat?”** ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate before them.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, **“These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.”** ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, **“Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”**

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Children's Message

Pastor

Hymn of the Day

"Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia"

LSB #466



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
2 For three long days the grave did its worst
3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear!
4 "Go spread the news: He's not in the grave;
5 Christ has a - ris - en; He sets us free;



Re - joice and praise Him, al - le - lu - ia.
Un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
You look for Je - sus who is not here.
He has a - ris - en this world to save.
Al - le - lu - ia, to Him prais - es be.



For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
He who gives life did death un - der - go;
See for your - selves the tomb is all bare;
Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done;
Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;



E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
And in its con - quest His might did show.
On - ly the grave cloths are ly - ing there."
E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."
He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

Refrain



Let us sing praise to Him with end - less joy;



Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

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Sermon

“The Leaping Man”
Acts 3:1-21

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

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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface



P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



C And al - so with you.

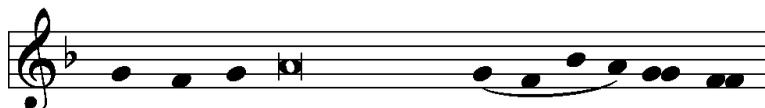


P Lift up your hearts.

(Colossian3:1)



C We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Psalm 136



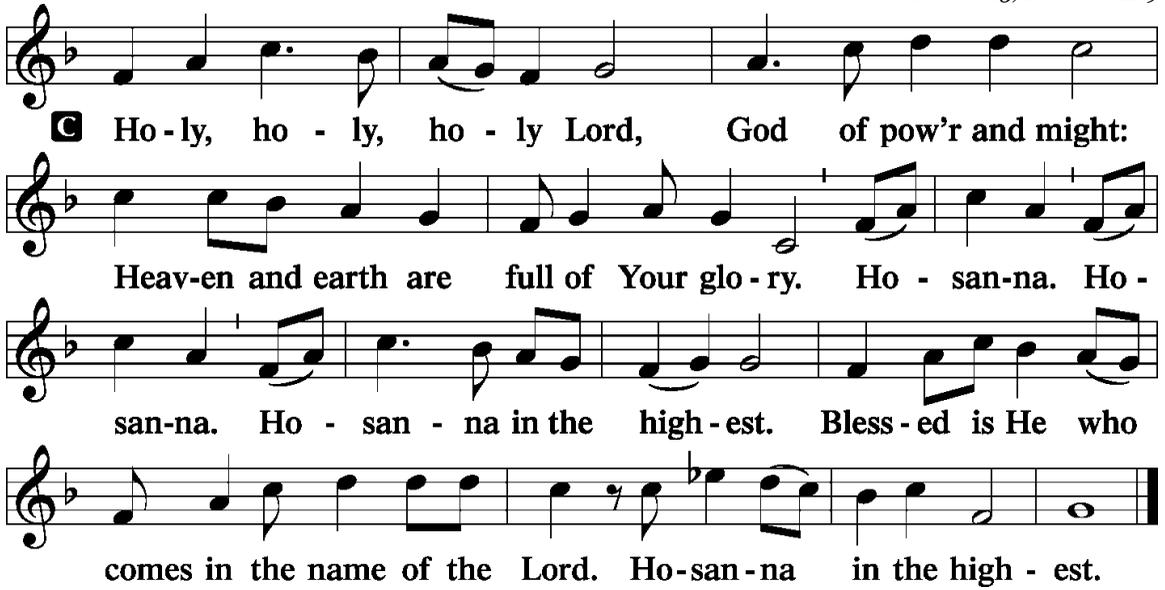
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection,

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, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. 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 Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

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

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."

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*

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.

Distribution Hymn "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"

LSB #618

1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and
 2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners
 3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
 4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my
 5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's
 wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
 may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
 have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
 soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -
 bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of
 lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:
 faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
 ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
 ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
 heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.

6 For us He rose from death again;
 For us He went on high to reign;
 For us He sent His Spirit here
 To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

7 All glory to our Lord and God
 For love so deep, so high, so broad;
 The Trinity whom we adore
 Forever and forevermore.

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Distribution Hymn “*Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness*”

LSB #636



1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, Leave the
 2 Has - ten as a bride to meet Him, And with
 3 He who craves a pre - cious trea - sure Nei - ther
 4 Now in faith I hum - bly pon - der O - ver



gloom-y haunts of sad - ness, Come in - to the day-light's
 lov - ing rev - 'rence greet Him. For with words of life im -
 cost nor pain will mea - sure; But the price - less gifts of
 this sur - pass - ing won - der That the bread of life is



splen - dor, There with joy your prais - es ren - der.
 mor - tal He is knock - ing at your por - tal.
 heav - en God to us has free - ly giv - en.
 bound-less Though the souls it feeds are count - less:



Bless the One whose grace un-bound - ed This a - maz - ing
 O - pen wide the gates be - fore Him, Say - ing, as you
 Though the wealth of earth were prof - fered, None could buy the
 With the choic - est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to



ban - quet found - ed; He, though heav'n - ly, high, and
 there a - dore Him: Grant, Lord, that I now re -
 gifts here of - fered: Christ's true bod - y, for you
 us is giv - en. Oh, most glo - rious con - so -



ho - ly, Deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
 ceive You, That I nev - er - more will leave You.
 riv - en, And His blood, for you once giv - en.
 la - tion, Pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion!

5 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure,
 Truest friend, and dearest treasure,
 Peace beyond all understanding,
 Joy into all life expanding:
 Humbly now, I bow before You;
 Love incarnate, I adore You;
 Worthily let me receive You
 And, so favored, never leave You.

7 Lord, by love and mercy driven,
 You once left Your throne in heaven
 On the cross for me to languish
 And to die in bitter anguish,
 To forego all joy and gladness
 And to shed Your blood in sadness.
 By this blood redeemed and living,
 Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.

6 Jesus, sun of life, my splendor,
 Jesus, friend of friends, most tender,
 Jesus, joy of my desiring,
 Fount of life, my soul inspiring:
 At Your feet I cry, my maker,
 Let me be a fit partaker
 Of this blessed food from heaven,
 For our good, Your glory, given.

8 Jesus, bread of life, I pray You,
 Let me gladly here obey You.
 By Your love I am invited,
 Be Your love with love requited;
 By this Supper let me measure,
 Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
 Through the gift of grace You give me
 As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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Post-Communion Canticle



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek 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.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



G 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.



G A - men.

Announcements

Pastor



1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap -
 2 Je - sus lives! To Him the throne High a - bove all things is
 3 Je - sus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Je - sus
 4 Je - sus lives! I know full well Noth - ing me from Him shall



pall me; Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done!
 giv - en. I shall go where He is gone,
 liv - ing, Pure in heart and act a - bide,
 sev - er. Nei - ther death nor pow'rs of hell



From the grave will Christ re - call me. Bright - er
 Live and reign with Him in heav - en. God is
 Praise to Him and glo - ry giv - ing. All I
 Part me now from Christ for - ev - er. God will



scenes will then com - mence; This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 faith - ful; doubt - ings, hence! This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 need God will dis - pense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 be my sure de - fense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.

5 Jesus lives! And now is death
 But the gate of life immortal;
 This shall calm my trembling breath
 When I pass its gloomy portal.
 Faith shall cry, as fails each sense:
 Jesus is my confidence!

Offering

Ushers

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



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

PRAYERS AT SAINT MICHAEL'S

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

- Marie Ashutabi
- Briana Beasley
- Kristina Bertrand
- Megan Hart Burch
- Sherry Cook
- James Durham
- Charlene Franke
- RC Franke
- Marian Fritsche
- Sam Gibbs
- Kathy Griffin
- Anna Jakobeit
- Delores Karisch
- Gladys Karisch
- Morgan Ray Karisch
- Evelyn Kasper
- Thelma Kieschnik
- Bea Kilian
- Marie Kilian
- Audrey Koenning
- Delton Koenning
- Maclyn Lehmann
- Rose Lehmann
- Kevin Margeson
- Leann McClain
- Roy Medack
- Jodi Miller
- James Nawara
- Lillian Pietsch
- Michelle Smith
- Barbara Spence
- Amy Wagner
- Sandy Zoch

SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES:

- Christopher Brand – US Navy – Great Lakes, Illinois
- Jose Chavira – US Army Reserve National Guard – Kuwait
- 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
- Seth Lopez – US Army Reserve National Guard – Kuwait
- Ryan Spray – US Air Force – San Antonio, Texas
- Byron Taylor – US Army – Fort Knox, Kentucky
- Erik Vallejo – US Army Reserve National Guard – Kuwait

MISSIONARIES:

- Julie Aftab – People of the Book Lutheran Outreach – Houston, TX
- John & Jenn Wolf – LCMS Missionaries – Kenya

ALTAR FLOWERS THIS MORNING: are given to the glory of God by Raymond and Marie Schulz in honor of their 70th wedding anniversary.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MICHAEL'S:

Sunday, April 18th

- 9:00am – Worship Service w/ Communion – *Sanctuary and Parking Lot*
- 10:15am – Bible Study/ Sunday School – *Education Building*
- 11:15am – Lay Reader Training – *Sanctuary*
- 1:00pm – Confirmation – *Education Building*
- 4:00pm – 4-H Meeting – *Education Building*

Monday, April 19th

- 7:00pm – Church Council – *Education Building*

Tuesday, April 20th

- 11:00am – LWML – *Education Building*
- 7:00pm – WACA Book Club – *Zilss Hall*

Wednesday, April 21st

- 9:30am – Bible Class – *Education Building*

Sunday, April 25th

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

Sunday School: The Sunday School studies will study the life of Samuel today. The learn how God calls His people to repentance through preachers such as Samuel; that He might forgive us for the sake of Christ. Parents might ask, “*How did God use Samuel to speak to His people? How does God use our pastor to speak His Word today?*”

Beautification Watering: For the week beginning of April 19th Kelly Franke will be in charge of watering. If you notice that something needs to be watered, please contact the person of the week that is monitoring. If the week does not work for you, please work it out with someone else.

Pictorial Directory: It is time again for a new pictorial directory! Saint Michael's has added some new friendly faces to our membership family, and it would be nice for us all to get to know each other. Our Board of Missions will be taking pictures on Sundays starting today before Church and after Bible Study/ Sunday School for the next few weeks. If a Sunday does not work for you contact Amanda in the church office to set up a time during the week.

Mother's Day BBQ Chickens: We will sell Mother's Day chickens on Sunday May 9th from 10:30am to 12 noon. Pre-order form is available in the Narthex of the Church. Chickens will sell for \$10.00 and BBQ Sauce for \$2.00. We will be taking orders until May 2nd.

Movie Night @ the Park: The Board of Missions and Board of Education will be hosting a Movie Night @ SMLC Park on Saturday, May 22nd at 6pm, and everyone is welcome! Grab your favorite comfy seating, and come join us for a family-friendly movie at the park. Hot dogs and popcorn will be provided, and adults can bring their own beverages. Invite your neighbors and bring friends! To help us plan for numbers, you can RSVP to the Facebook event (@smlcwinchestertx) or to the church office at 979-242-3444 or secretary@stmichaelswinchester.org.

Casserole Crew: The Board of Missions would like to start a Casserole Crew, and we are looking for some good cooks to volunteer. We would like to keep 5-10 frozen casseroles and desserts, in assorted sizes, on hand at church so that when someone is in need, we can provide them with a home-cooked meal. This will be a tangible way to show our care for people in our congregation and community when they may be struggling with hunger, facing grief, celebrating a newborn, or just going through a hard time. Email Candice Hill at candicemarie624@hotmail.com if you would like to be on the list of cooks in the Casserole Crew.

Beautification Watering: The Beautification Committee needs people to help with the watering of the shrubs and flowers by the church and Ed Building. If we can get three helpers, each of us only has to volunteer for a week each 3 months. If interested, please call Margaret Atkins at 512-751-5298.

Full Scholarships to Camp Lone Star Available: Saint Michael's has full scholarships available for children of our church members to attend a week of camp this summer at Camp Lone Star. For more information, contact Pastor Nate. Please visit <http://www.lomt.com/summercamp.html> to look at the summer schedule and activities.

Bike MS: Texas 150 Team Winchester: This year Amanda Hart and Tom Atkins will be riding in the TX 150 bike ride on May 1st. If you would like to donate, please contact Amanda (979-540-0600) or Tom (512-750-3345).

Turkey and Dressing Dinner: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Fedor will be having a turkey and dressing dinner on Sunday, April 18th. All plates are to go for \$10. Drive thru begins at 10:30am at the Holy Trinity Parish Hall at FM 1624 and CR 309. Proceeds go towards Church and Parish Hall projects.

Masks Now Optional as All Saint Michael's Worship Services and Events: Beginning immediately, Saint Michael's will no longer require the use of masks at our worship services and other activities. Based upon the decline in cases of COVID-19 paired with the universal eligibility of all adults in Texas to access a COVID-19 vaccine, the Board of Elders has decided that now is an appropriate time to make the use of masks optional for those participating in church events.

We appreciate the flexibility of the congregation over the past year as we have all adjusted to making changes for the sake of the health of our neighbors.

At this point, the only change to our procedures for our worship services and other events is that mask use is now optional rather than mandatory. We will continue to provide ample hand sanitizer and masks for those who wish to use them and will continue to spread out from one another in church services and meetings as space allows. We will also at this time continue to offer the option of participating in worship services from your vehicle in the parking lot.

Additionally, to address any concerns that some may have about being in the presence of unmasked people, the church will be making available high quality N95 masks at our church events for those who wish to use them.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Pastor Nate by email or phone.

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

DATE: April 18, 2021

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