Fifth Sunday of Easter



Holy Eucharist (EOW)

April 28, 2024 - 10:00am

St. Michael's Episcopal Church



Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place

Welcome! We are so glad you have chosen to worship the Lord with us here at St. Michael's. Our hope and prayer for visitors and regular attendees is that you will encounter God, that you will find connection and community. If you are visiting, please sign the guest book in the Narthex.

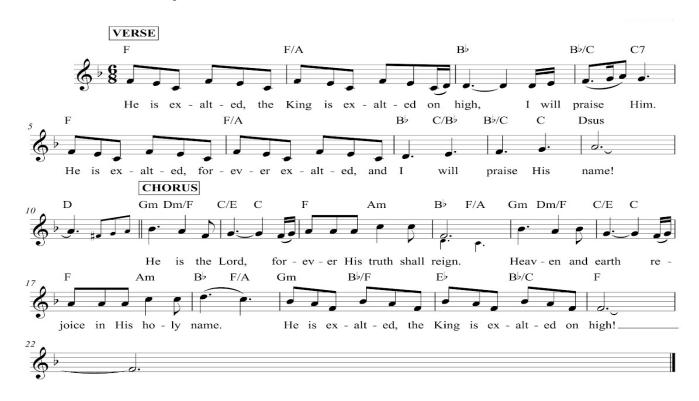
Check out the weekly and upcoming activities offered here at St. Michael's that are listed on the back pages of this bulletin. We welcome you to attend any and all events that interest you.

Following our service, you are invited for coffee and fellowship in the Narthex. This is an opportunity to meet and visit with the church community, our Youth Leaders, Fr. TJ Tetzlaff, and Steven Murphy, Director of Music.

If you need the services of Fr. TJ, please contact the church office 317-773-6157 or by email at Fr.TJ.stm@gmail.com.

Prelude Meditation on *Beach Spring*, by G. Martin **Steven Kent Murphy**

Processional Hymn



Opening Acclimation

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

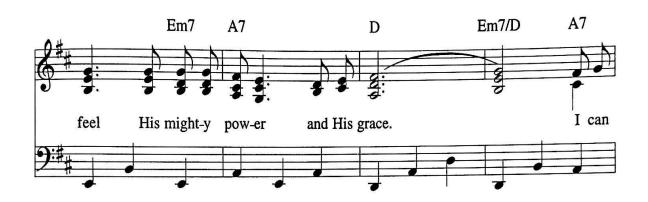
Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

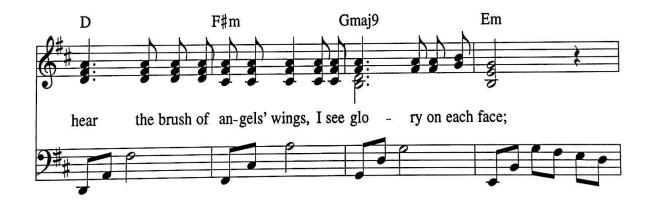
People Amen

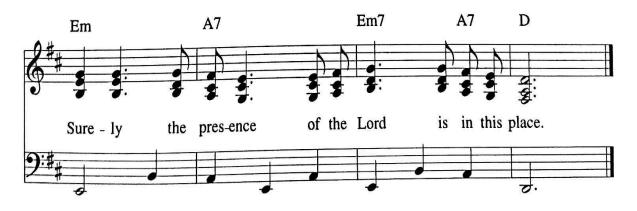
Song of Praise

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

People Amen

First Reading Acts 8:26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.
Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

The Word of the Lord **People Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22:24-30

- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
 I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: * "May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, * and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; * he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; * all who go down to the dust fall before him.

- 29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; * they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn * the saving deeds that he has done.

Second Reading

1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have

seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

The Word of the Lord **People Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn He Is Risen



Gospel John 15:1-8

All stand as they are able

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

The Word of the Lord **People Praise to you Lord God**

Homily

Fr. TJ Tetzlaff

Nicene Creed

All stand as they are able

All

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:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

Prayers of the People

Reader We are like the trees that grow beside the stream. The sunshine and the water feed us and strengthen us.

People O God, fill our hearts with love,

Reader Like the fruit on the tree, the fruit of the spirit must grow within us

People O God, fill our hearts with love,

Reader For our church, our nation, and the welfare of the world

People O God, fill our hearts with love,

Reader That kindness and goodness will create a world where no one goes hungry

People O God, fill our hearts with love,

Reader That we may practice our faith so that it may grow **People O God, fill our hearts with love,**

Reader That we may give love. Completely. Totally and without condition.

Leader O God, fill our hearts with love,

Reader That we will search for peace, in our own minds and in the world.

People O God, fill our hearts with love,

Celebrant

O Lord, your word is a lamp for our feet. In darkness and in light, in trouble an in joy. Help us, heavenly creator, to trust

your love, to serve your purpose, and to praise your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you. **People And also with you.**

The people share a sign of peace with one another

Announcements

Offertory Sentence

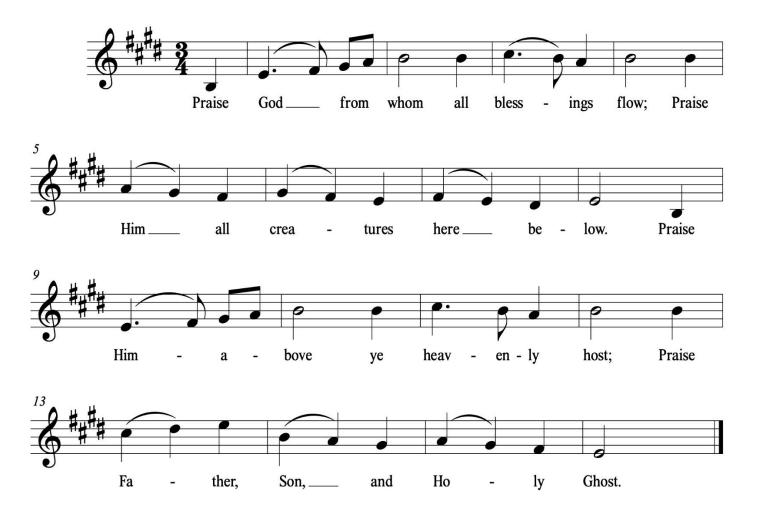
Celebrant Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, and offering and a sacrifice for God.

Offertory

There Is A Redeemer



Doxology Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow



Holy Eucharist (E.O.W.)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

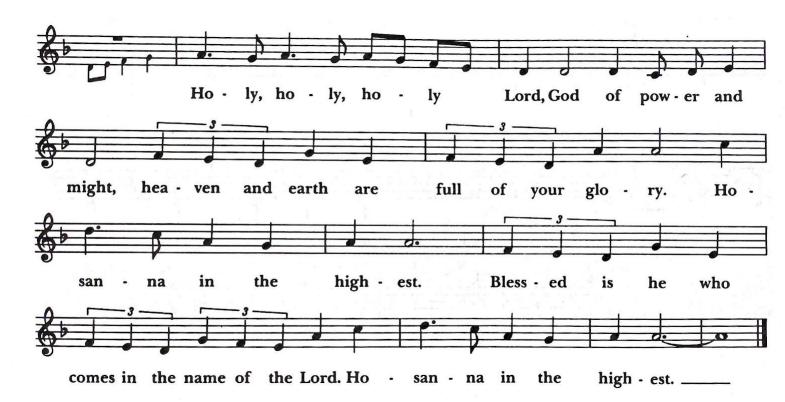
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed

death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus



Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself

freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen!**

The Lord's Prayer

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

All

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Celebrant

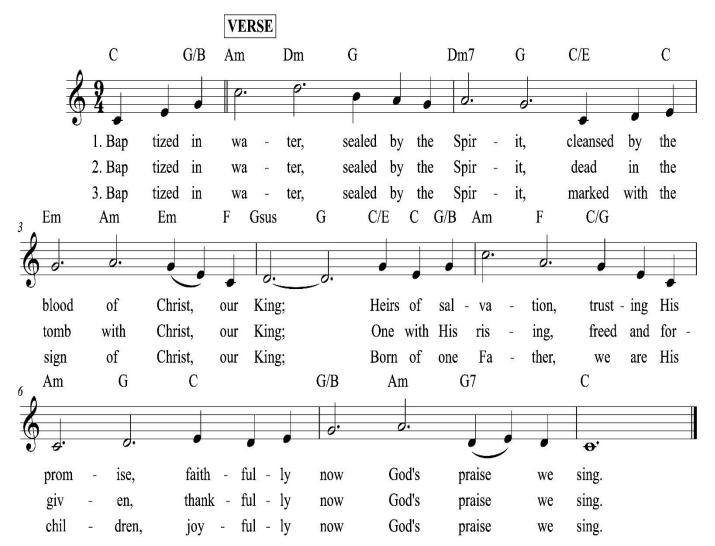
The Gifts of God for the People of God. [Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.]

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

If you prefer not to receive you may come forward and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing.

Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

Communion Hymn Baptized In Water



Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen

The Blessing

May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

People Amen!

Recessional Hymn I Saw the Light



The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia! Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude Petite Toccata (Kimball) Murphy

THIS WEEK'S CHURCH CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Office Hours: 9a – 12p (may vary) Monday – Thursday

YOUTH SUNDAY - The Fifth Sunday of Easter, April 28

We will celebrate our Youth with their participation in our morning services.

8a Holy Eucharist Rite I – Sanctuary

9:15a Choir Practice – Sanctuary

10a Holy Eucharist Rite II – Sanctuary

11a Coffee and Fellowship – Narthex Kitchen

Monday, April 29

9:30a Morning Prayer with Fr. TJ (online)

Tuesday, April 30

9:30a Morning Prayer with Fr. TJ (online)

Wednesday, May 1

9:30a Morning Prayer with Fr. TJ (online)

Thursday, May 2

6:30p Choir Practice – Sanctuary

Friday, May 3

Church office closed

Saturday, May 4

The Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 5

8a Holy Eucharist Rite I - Sanctuary

9:15a Choir Practice – Sanctuary

10a Holy Eucharist Rite II – Sanctuary

11a Coffee and Fellowship in the Narthex

Following our 10a Eucharist. We will observe Rogation Day with a Blessing of our gardens.

Strawberry Festival Planning Meeting – Narthex/Craine Hall

Announcements for our Church Community

Garage Sale!!

Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make the garage sale such a success! We made \$503.50. Job well done!!!

- Jan Carney

Spring is here, it's time for planting!

Each summer, we grow and harvest produce for the White River Christian Church Food Pantry. We would love to have your help. You could be responsible for one of the raised bed gardens or just help plant, weed, or harvest. Please contact Jeanie Farmer or Al Geisler to get involved.



Saturday, June 15, 2024 10a – 5p On the Town Square We need many volunteers to help make this a successful day! Here's how you can help:

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR STRAWBERRU TICKETS IN THE NARTHEX THIS MORNING!

Review the sign up list in the Narthex and sign up for open spots for the Strawberry Festival. We need about (10) more shortcake bakers and we're very light on the 1st time slot (10a – 12:30p) for servers. We would like people to stay for 1-2 shifts if possible to make sure we have any position covered. All hands on deck if possible!

Attend the next Strawberry Festival Planning meeting in May May 4 following our 10a service. For more information contact Laurie Schoening at mschoe1034@aol.com.

Diocesan News:

The Edge Neighborhood Spring Meeting May 14 @ 7pm

Clergy, convention delegates/alternates, and all other Edge neighborhood members are invited to attend the **spring meeting on Tuesday, May 14 at 7pm**. The meeting will be located at <u>St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Noblesville</u> and hosted by the Edge neighborhood co-conveners: <u>Steve Lawson</u> and <u>Rev. T.J. Tetzlaff</u>.

Churches in our Diocese who are participants in this Edge Neighborhood are:

Campus Ministry, Episcopal-Lutheran/Ball State, Muncie, Holy Family, Fishers, St. Christopher's, Carmel, St. James, New Castle, St. Michaels, Noblesville, St. Paul's, Richmond, Trinity, Anderson.

Any who are interested in St. Michael's Community are welcome to attend.

TODAY'S SERVERS

Rector Music Director Altar Guild (8a),(10a) Chalice Bearer (8a)	Steven Kent MurphySara Wood; Carol Motluck			
Lector, Chalice Bearer, Acolyte (10a)	Claire Barns, Wiles, Devan Veatch			
Youth LeaderS				
1st Lesson: Maddox Whaley, Psalm: Liam Barns, 2nd Reading: JD Keith				
Greeters and Ushers (10a)	Donna and Jeff Padgett			
Coffee and Fellowship	in the Narthex Kitchen			
Altar Flowers	are given to the glory of the Risen Christ			

There are many opportunities to serve at St. Michael's. Please help by signing up for Coffee Hour, Lector, Usher/Greeter, Flower donations on the signup in the Narthex.

Take a look in the Narthex where Information is available on these St. Michael's OUTEACH MINISTRIES!



Family Promise
White River Food Bank
POP Tab Collection

Mission Statement of St. Michael's Church

By being Disciples of Christ, we invite others to be disciples of Christ through daily prayer, weekly worship, regular Bible study, having a spiritual friend, giving to the church and outside the church.

The Vision Statement of St. Michael's Church

St. Michael's will be an active and growing parish family which serves God, our community, and the world by being disciples of Christ.

Minutes of the latest Vestry Meeting are available for all to read on the Bulletin Board in the Narthex. The Monthly Church Schedule, new visitor's info, noteworthy news on our members,

the Diocese, and the city of Noblesville are posted. The information is updated by the Vestry, Fr. TJ, and Donna Padgett.

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