



The Sermon on the Mount

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 16, 2025 • 10 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II

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St. Michael's Episcopal Church

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Whether you are visiting with us for the first time today or if St. Michael's is your home, we welcome you and are glad you are joining us for worship. Wherever you might be in your spiritual journey, we invite you to continue to explore a deeper relationship with God and a stronger spiritual life.

Sunday Worship and Education Schedule

8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
9:00 a.m.	St. Michael's Jr. (LiFT) Sturtz House <i>(summer hours vary)</i>
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School Visit stmichaelsbarrington.org
6:30 p.m.	St. Michael's Sr. High (LiFT) Sturtz House <i>(as scheduled)</i>

Things to Remember

- When it is time for Holy Communion, walk up to the altar and stand or kneel at the altar rail.
- A digital version of this bulletin is available by visiting our website at www.stmichaelsbarrington.org/blog.

We also live-stream all services to Facebook and the parish website. This provides a way for everyone to worship with us, even if they are not comfortable returning in person. If you come up for communion, you will likely be seen in our online video by those worshipping at home.

Please visit our website at www.stmichaelsbarrington.org for more information and announcements.

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The Holy Eucharist

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, February 16, 2025 | 10:00 AM | Rite II

PRELUDE | Jerry Egger, Organ

The bell will ring three times, inviting the congregation to stand.

The Word of God

Please stand as able.

OPENING HYMN | HYMN 537 | Christ for the world we sing, *Moscow*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be God's reign, now and forever. Amen.**

COLLECT OF PURITY | BCP 355

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. **Amen.**

GLORIA

Refrain



Choir verses:

1. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
2. Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father.
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father receive our prayer.
3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen, amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues:

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING | Jeremiah 17:5-10

Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD,
whose trust is the LORD.

They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;

in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse--
who can understand it?

I the LORD test the mind
and search the heart,

to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 1 | *Beatus vir qui non abiit*

1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.

4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

THE SECOND READING | 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ--whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN | 462 The Lord will come and not be slow, *York*

THE GOSPEL | Luke 6:17-26

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: **Glorify to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON | The Rev. Jesse Perkins

Please stand and say together in unison.

THE NICENE CREED | Expanded Language

**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 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.
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 Form III | BCP 387

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Stephen, Interim Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Paula, our Bishop; Joseph, Archbishop of the Upper Nile Province, and Simon, Bishop of the Diocese of Renk, South Sudan; for Jesse, Jim, Betsy, Ralph, Tim, and Judy, our clergy; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for Donald, our President and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries: Marilyn Borkgren-Okonek, Penny Kazmier, James Pepper, Erica Krysiak, Suzanne Fleer, Connie Wolff, Darci Lorenzo, Sara Torbeck, and Kristy and Sean Harrington.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray for those who have requested our prayers:

Jim, Kate, Sarah, Marsha, Rick, Mark, Forest, Catherine, Jay, Denney, Richard, Olivia and family, Liam and family, Emma Rose, Nancy, Christine, Sharon, Andy, Caden, Dave, Brian, Barb and Steve, and Patty.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

We remember today:

Pat Chambers, John Chambers, Juanita Fisher, Jim Galasso, Michael Foort, Jan Rutkowski, Henry Parker, Agnes Sanford, and Terrence Willis.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People may add their own petitions.

Silence.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION | BCP 360

Deacon or Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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 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

Celebrant: The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

All may greet one another with the Peace of Christ.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.

The Holy Communion



THE OFFERTORY

Thank you for your gifts in support of the church's mission and ministries.

Offerings may also be made online at stmichaelsbarrington.org/give or by scanning the QR code.

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY | Laudamus Te, Natalie Sleeth, St. Michaels Children's Choir

DOXOLOGY | Hymn 380, Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow, Old 100th, Verse 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Prayer A | Expansive Language

Please stand as able.

Celebrant: God 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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a proper preface is said.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS | Holy Holy Holy from *Missa Pacem*, L. Randolph Babin

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of
hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name, who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The People Stand or Kneel:

Celebrant: Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had give thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many 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: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Celebrant and People:

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

FRACTION ANTHEM | Lamb of God from *Missa Pacem*, L. Randolph Babin

Lamb of God

Cantor or choir: Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
Prince of Peace,
God of Love,
Bread of Life,

All: world, have mer - cy on us. *Repeat as needed*

Last time *Cantor or choir:* us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the

All: world, have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

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 come forward to the altar rail for Communion or a Blessing.

Please come forward to receive Communion, receiving the Bread while standing or kneeling at the altar rail. While receiving both the Bread and the Wine is tradition, receiving the Bread alone constitutes full participation in this Holy Communion, and includes all benefits of the Sacrament. (Gluten free Bread available upon request).

To also receive the Wine, you may remain at the altar rail to drink from the chalice; please do not dip or intinct the Bread into the Wine as fingers will contaminate the cup.

If you would like a blessing instead, cross your arms and the priest will bless you. If a person desires to receive the Sacrament, but, by reason of extreme sickness or physical disability [or pandemic], is unable to eat and drink the Bread and Wine, the Celebrant is to assure that person that all the benefits of Communion are received, even though the Sacrament is not received with the mouth. (BCP 457)

MUSIC AT COMMUNION | WLP 811 Be not afraid, Bob Dufford

COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS (as needed)

Celebrant: In Christ's name and on behalf of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People: **We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup.**

Please kneel or stand as able.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Said by the Celebrant & People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

EPIPHANY BLESSING

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN | HYMN 493 O for a thousand tongues to sing, *Azmon*

DISMISSAL

Deacon or Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE | Jerry Egger, Organ

What's in *The Sword* this week? (scan to sign up for the newsletter)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALENDAR AND EVENTS

- **February 23 11:15am-Noon** | "Transcending Trauma" adult study with Deacon Tim, Library and following Sundays through Lent.
- **March 9 6:00pm** | Choral Evensong
- **March 15 8:30am** | **"Come and See,"** A Silent Retreat with Deacon Laurie Michaels

WEEKLY EVENTS

- **Sundays 10:00am** | In Person Sunday School
- **Sundays 9:00am** | LIFT meets at the Sturtz house beginning
- **Tuesdays 9:30-11am** | Women's Bible Study/ Sturtz House
- **Tuesdays 7:00-8:30pm** | Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study via Zoom
- **Fridays at 6:00 AM** | Men's Fellowship meets in the Community Room

MONTHLY EVENTS

- **Second Friday of Every Month** | Prayer Shawl meets in the Library at 1pm.
- **Last Tuesday of Every Month** | Prayer Shawl meets in the Library at 6:30pm
- **Third Wednesday of Every Month** | Book Club meets in the Library at 7pm

Those for whom prayers have been requested:

Jim, Kate, Mark, Sarah, Marsha, Rick, Forest, Catherine, Jay, Denney, Richard, Olivia and family, Liam and family, Emma Rose, Nancy, Christine, Sharon, Andy, Caden, Dave, Brian, Barb and Steve, and Patty.

Birthdays		Anniversaries	Remembrances	
2/17	Marilyn Borkgren-Okonek	2/22 Kristy and Sean Harrington	2/16	Juanita Fisher
2/18	Penny Kazmier		2/16	Jim Galasso
2/19	James Pepper		2/16	Michael Foort
2/21	Erica Krysiak		2/16	Jan Rutkowski
2/22	Suzanne Fleer		2/18	Henry Parker
2/22	Darci Lorenzo		2/21	Agnes Sanford
2/22	Connie Wolff		2/21	Terrence Willis
2/22	Sara Torbeck			Pat Chambers
				John Chambers

AT TODAY'S WORSHIP

Presiding: The Rev. Jesse Perkins

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Deacon: The Rev. Tim Murray

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