



Ascension Day
May 21, 2023 • 10:00 AM Rite II

St. Michael's Episcopal Church

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St. Michael's Welcomes You!

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

- Masks are optional while in the building.
- When it is time for Holy Communion, walk up to the altar and stand or kneel at the altar rail.
- A phone-friendly version of this bulletin is available by visiting our website at stmichaelsbarrington.org.

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 stmichaelsbarrington.org for more information and announcements.



The Holy Eucharist

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PRELUDE | Festival Day, *Dale Wood*, St. Michael's Bell Choir

The Word of God

OPENING HYMN | Hymn 213 Come away to the skies, *Middlebury*

Please stand as able.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

People: **Christ is Risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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.**

SONG OF PRAISE | **Blue Hymnal** S236 Canticle 13, Glory to You, *John Rutter*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING | Acts 1:1-11

Please be seated.

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 47 | Omnes gentes, plaudite



God has gone up, has gone up with a shout, the



Lord with the sound of the ram's horn.

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¹Clap your hands, all you peoples;
shout to God with a cry of joy.

²For the LORD Most High is to be feared;
he is the great King over all the earth. *Antiphon*

³He subdues the peoples under us,
and the nations under our feet.

⁴He chooses our inheritance for us,
the pride of Jacob whom he loves. *Antiphon*

⁶Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.

⁷For God is King of all the earth;
sing praises with all your skill. *Antiphon*

⁸God reigns over the nations;
God sits upon his holy throne.

⁹The nobles of the peoples have gathered together
with the people of the God of Abraham.

¹⁰The rulers of the earth belong to God,
and he is highly exalted. *Antiphon*

THE SECOND READING | Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN | Ride on King Jesus, spiritual, *arr. Dr. Hezekiah Brinson, Jr.*

Ride on, King— Je - sus, No man can - a hin - der me.

Je - sus, ride on, no man — can - a 1.
Ride on, King— Je - sus, ride on, no man can - a hin - der me.

2. Fine
hin - der me. 1. King Je - sus rides a milk - white horse, No man works like
2. I know that my re - deem - er lives,

D.C.
Him, 1. De riv - er Jor - d'n He did cross no man works like Him. Oh
2. And of His bless - ing free - ly gives,

THE GOSPEL | Luke 24:44-53

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "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, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON | The Rev. Jim Swarthout

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand. Said in unison.

**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 Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Paula, our Bishop; Archbishop Joseph and Bishop-elect Simon of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; for Jesse, Betsy, Al, 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 Joe, 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:
Debbie Garcia, Rachel Duncan, Laurie Bateman, John O’Riordan, Trevor Chan, Ava Warner, Kristy Harrington, Melissa and David Buckley, Laurie and James Bateman, and Kerry and Ray Kean.
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:
Earl, the Duncan family, Cayden, Juliana, the Vanderent family, Roberta, Sadie, Barb, Cliff, Sharon, Allison, Maelyn and Conner, Cindy, Art, Ann, Dave, Phyllis, Cameron, Maribeth, Pat, Ruth, Brian, Ted, Barb and Steve, Patty, and Amy.
Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

We remember today:
Evelyn Hatcher, Marilee Manske, Reginald Foort, Arthur Lutz, John Claiborne III, Norton Penney, Richard L. Smith, Helen Kidder, Josephine Cooper, William McLean III, Nancy Race, Leona “Lee” Buckley, Mary Anderson, and Theodore Nicholas Vanderent.
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 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.

Prayer and Thank You for Music Ministry

The Holy Communion

THE OFFERTORY

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MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY | Jubilate Deo, *John Lee*

Translation:

Sing joyfully to God, all the earth, serve ye the Lord with gladness: come in before His presence with exceeding great joy: for the Lord He is God.

THE 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 B | Expansive Language

Please stand as able.

The musical notation is written on four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff is for the Celebrant and the second for the People. The third staff is for the Celebrant and the fourth for the People. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Celebrant *People*
Our God be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, 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, *Peter Crisafulli*

The People Stand or Kneel:

Ho - ly, ho - ly,

ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry; Ho - san - na in the

Blessed is the

high - est. Bless - ed is

one

he who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Celebrant: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

The Celebrant lays a hand upon the bread.

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 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 given 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, according to his command, O Father,:

Celebrant and People

**We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.



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.

ANTHEM | Alleluia, Christ our Passover, *Peter Crisafulli*



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THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

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

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.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION | Hymn 221 O Lord Most High, Eternal King, *Gonfalon Royal*

COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS *(as needed)*

Please stand as able.

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.**

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Kneel or stand.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Said by the Celebrant & People:

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

The Celebrant blesses the people.

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Please stand as able.

CLOSING HYMN | Hymn 214 Hail the day that sees him rise, *Llanfair*

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE | Organist

Thank you for your service and ministry, Adult Choir and Bell Choir!

Adult Choir

Tina Summerfield

Kathy Galliher

Marisa Boynton

Kay Richards

Edie Davis

Paulette Forrest

Jon Galliher

Doug Torbeck

BJ Seagrist

Jim Tammi

8am Sean Harrington

Bell Choir

Ben Deichmann

Joel Deichmann

Eddie Taylor

Jill Anderson

Katie Anderson

Mikey Anderson

Niahm Thomasson

Katy Perkins

Gaius Perkins

Kim McLean

Sandy Borth

Edie Davis

Kathy Galliher

Marisa Boynton

Doug Torbeck

Parent volunteers:

Brant Deichmann

Craig Anderson

Lindsay and Kevin Taylor

What's in *The Sword* this week?

CALENDAR AND EVENTS

- **May 20-21** | Outreach Food Drive, Saturday 10-12, Sunday before services and 11am -1pm.
- **May 28** | Join us for Pentecost Sunday, wear red and enjoy the ladybug release, great music, food, and ice cream truck after the 10:00 AM service.
- **July 15** | Ribfest
- **July 24-27** | Vacation Bible School

WEEKLY EVENTS

- **Sundays 10:00am** | In Person Sunday School
- **Tuesdays 9:30am – 11:00am** | Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study
- **Fridays at 5:45 AM** | Men's Fellowship meets in the Community Room

MONTHLY EVENTS

- **Last Tuesday of Every Month** | Prayer Shawl Meets in the Library at 6pm
- **Third Wednesday of Every Month** | Book Club meets in the Library at 7pm

Those for whom prayers have been requested:

Earl, the Duncan family, Cayden, Juliana, the Vanderent family, Roberta, Sadie, Barb, Cliff, Sharon, Allison, Maelyn, and Conner, Cindy, Art, Ann, Dave, Phyllis, Cameron, Maribeth, Pat, Ruth, Brian, Ted, Barb and Steve, Patty, and Amy.

Birthdays

5/21 Debbie Garcia
5/25 Rachel Duncan
5/26 Laurie Bateman
5/26 John O'Riordan
5/27 Trevor Chan
5/27 Ava Warner
5/27 Kristy Harrington

Anniversaries

5/23 Melissa and David
Buckley
5/24 Laurie and James
Bateman
5/26 Kerry and Ray Kean

Remembrances

5/21 Evelyn Hatcher
5/21 Marilee Manske
5/22 Reginald Foort
5/22 Arthur Lutz
5/22 John Claiborne III
5/23 Norton Penney
5/23 Richard L. Smith
5/23 Helen Kidder
5/23 Josephine Cooper
5/23 William McLean III
5/25 Nancy Race
5/25 Leona "Lee" Buckley
5/26 Mary Anderson
Theodore Nicholas Vanderent

AT TODAY'S WORSHIP

Preaching and Presiding: The Rev. Jim Swarthout
Deacon: The Rev. Tim Murray

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