

Seventh Sunday of Easter May 12, 2024 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist II

Prelude Pastorale on "I Come to the Garden Alone"

by John Barr

Opening Hymn

"At the Lamb's high feast we sing"

Hymn 174

- 1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King, who hath washed us in the tide flowing from his piercèd side; praise we him, whose love divine gives his sacred Blood for wine, gives his Body for the feast, Christ the victim, Christ the priest.
- 2. Where the Paschal blood is poured, death's dark angel sheathes his sword; Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, Paschal bread; with sincerity and love eat we manna from above.
- 3. Mighty victim from on high, hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie; thou hast conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light: now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall; thou hast opened paradise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.
- 4. Easter triumph, Easter joy, these alone do sin destroy. From sin's power do thou set free souls new-born, O Lord, in thee. Hymns of glory, songs of praise, Father, unto thee we raise: risen Lord, all praise to thee with the Spirit ever be.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity

People

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.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. 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. 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.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Children are invited to attend Children's Chapel at this time (10:30 AM Service)

Children will return during The Peace

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (1:15-17, 21-26)

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

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

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!

Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *

and they meditate on his law day and night.

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.

It is not so with the wicked; *

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *

nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, *

but the way of the wicked is doomed.

A Reading from the First Letter of John (5:9-13)

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Reader **People**

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

Gospel Acclamation

"Celtic Alleluia"

The Gospel

Celebrant

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John (17:6-19)

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have

given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

"Celtic Alleluia"

Sermon The Rev. Vicki Hesse

Meditation & Reflection

"Your Whole Life Long (A Mother's Prayer)"

by Twila Paris

I pray that you will grow up to be wise and good and true.

I pray that you will please to Lord in everything you do.

I pray that you will hear his voice and learn to sing his song.

I pray that you will follow him your whole life long.

The Nicene Creed

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 358

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.

The Prayers of the People Form VI

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 392

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Leader For all people in their daily life and work:

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;

People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble.

People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the truth.

Leader For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Kym, our Bishop, our Clergy; and for all bishops and other

ministers:

People For all who serve God in God's Church.

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. For the sick and suffering, especially Amy H., Art, Beverly, Gene, Laura, Mary Lou, Pam; for the victims of gun violence and war, and

those we pray for during our Wednesday Healing Service.

Abigail, Alice, Amy H., Amy L., Ann C., Anna C., Anna S., Art, Avigeya, Barbara, Becky, Bernie, Beverly, Bill & Ann, Bryan, Caleb, Charlie, Chris J., Chris O., Colleen, Debra, Diana, Don, Dottie, Emily, Eva, Gene, Gerry, Gretta, Hank, Hayden, Helen, Hunter, Jack, Jan L., Jan W., Jacque, Jibril, Jim, Joan, Joyce, Judy, Kathleen, Larry, Laura, Linda, Lisa, Lucian, Margaret, Mark, Mary, Mary Lou, Mateo, Michael, Miles, Millie, Nancy K., Nancy O., Nita, Oriana, Pam, Penny, Peyton, Rachel, Randy, Richard, Russell, Sharon, Br. Stephen Andrew, Steve E., Steve M., Steve P., Sue & John, Susan K., Susan S., Sydney, Tom, Tripp, Valerie, Virginia, Wolf, Zoe

To add or update a prayer request, use this form online: https://www.stmikeschurch.com/prayer-request or email Diane Dennison at diane@stmikeschurch.com or call 719-598-3244.

Leader For the deployed and those serving around the world: Alisha, Tyler, Richard, Dallas & Jason.

Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for those celebrating birthdays this

week: Patrick D., Shane W., Devin H., Jefferson H., Karon G., William M., Case P., Simon W., Ceci J., Rich R.; those with anniversaries: Linda Dameron & Leonard Himes, Jason & Mary Lett, Bill & Sharon Daughton, Debbie & Steve Leisenring, Robin & Simon Watson; and for those expecting: Kristin P., Hannah B., and Allison D. We will exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader We pray for all who have died, especially Ed Kley and Helen Leaver, that they may have a place in

your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

Celebrant The flowers on the altar this week are given in thanksgiving for all the mothers and mother figures

in our lives. On this Mother's Day, we give thanks to God for the gift of motherhood in all its diverse forms. Let us pray for all the mothers among us today; for our own mothers, those living and those who have passed away; for the mothers who loved us and for those who fell short of loving us fully; for all who hope to be mothers some day and for those whose hope to have children has been frustrating; for all mothers who have lost children; for all women and men who have mothered others in any way - those who have been our substitute mothers and we who have done so for those in need; for the earth that bore us and provides our sustenance. We

pray this all in the name of God. Amen.

The Confession

(Please kneel in body or spirit)

Deacon 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.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,

strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

(Please stand)

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Digital Offering (To make a one-time contribution to St. Michael's or to pay your pledge online;)

1. Text the word GIVE to 719-223-3446, and follow the secure link.

2. Scan the QR code using your phone's camera.



Offertory "Lead Me, Lord" by John D. Becker

The Doxology (8:00 Spoken)

Celebrant All things come of thee O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

(10:30 Sung) Hymn 380, vs. 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.

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 361

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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 God thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is a right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere 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 (10:30 AM sung) S129

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(You may remain standing or kneel)

Celebrant

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all.

He 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 Lord 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 he 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 your Son Jesus Christ. By him and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

Celebrant

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

The Lord's Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 364

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 Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 364

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.

All are welcome to receive communion at St. Michael's. At the altar rail, you may kneel or stand, and place one hand in the other, like a manger or bowl. Once you receive the bread, you may consume it, or wait for the cup. When the wine comes to you, you may dip (intinct) your wafer into the wine and then consume it and return to your pew. If you would like to sip from the common cup, please assist the chalice bearers by guiding the chalice to your lips with one hand. If you would like to receive a blessing only, simply cross your arms in an x form across your chest and a priest will offer you a blessing.

Celiac friendly: Please come to the left side (as you face the altar) and let the clergy know if you would like to receive a gluten free host and wine.

Communion Hymns

"A Beautiful Land" (The Choir)

by Benjamin David Knoedler

Julian of Norwich

"Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth"

- 1. Mothering God, you gave me birth in the bright morning of this world. Creator, source of every breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun.
- 2. Mothering Christ, you took my form, offering me your food of light, grain of life, and grape of love, your very body for my peace.
- 3. Mothering Spirit, nurturing one, in arms of patience hold me close, so that in faith I root and grow until I flower, until I know.

"Blessed Assurance"

VF 119

- Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
 O what a foretaste of glory divine!
 Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his spirit, washed in his blood.
 - This is my story, this is my song, praising my savior all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my savior all the day long.

- 2. Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain*
- 3. Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my savior am happy and blest; watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. Refrain

(Please kneel in body or spirit)

Post Communion Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son 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 Lord. Amen.

Final Blessing

Closing Hymn

"The strife is o'er, the battle won"

Hymn 208

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 1. The strife is o'er, the battle done, the victory of life is won; the song of triumph has begun.
 Alleluia!
- 2. The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their legions hath dispersed: let shout of holy joy outburst.
 Alleluia!
- 3. The three sad days are quickly sped, he rises glorious from the dead: all glory to our risen Head!
 Alleluia!

- 4. He closed the yawning gates of hell, the bars from heaven's high portals fell; let hymns of praise his triumphs tell! Alleluia!
- 5. Lord! by the stripes which wounded thee, from death's dread sting thy servants free, that we may live and sing to thee.
 Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

Postlude "Alleluia Toccata" by Fenton Groden

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Upcoming Events & New Announcements

Join us Every Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM * Worship Services 9:15 – 10:10 AM Education for All Ages

7:45 – 11:45 AM Nursery is open for children 5 and under. Coffee Hour & Fellowship after both services.

Today, Sunday, May 12

Sunday Forum: Women in the Bible – 9:15 AM *
Sunday Stillness – Lectio Divina – 10:00 – 10:25 AM (Prayer Room)
Newcomer Class: Let's Get Connected – 9:15 AM
Vestry Person of the Day – Veronica Belanger

Summer Archangel Deadline – Wednesday, May 15

Habitat for Humanity Apostles Build – Saturday, May 18, 12:45-4:00 PM (RSVP)

Sunday – May 19 Pentecost – (wear red!)

Sunday Forum - Unpacking Pentecost *
Last Sunday of Education for the Program Year
Sunday Stillness - Sacred Chant - 10:00 - 10:25 AM (Prayer Room)
Summer Faith Bags
Butterfly Release

Outdoor Worship (10:30) & Parish Picnic – Sundays, May 26, June 30, July28, August 25

* Live Streamed RSVP – Sign up online at www.stmikeschurch.com/signup

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