

ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH - THE 2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

HOLY COMMUNION – 19 JANUARY 2025

WELCOME! THE SERVICE ORDER OUTLINES OUR WORSHIP. HYMNS CAN BE FOUND IN THE BLUE HYMNAL.

READINGS: ISAIAH 62:1-5; PSALM 36:5-10; 1 CORINTHIANS 12:1-11; JOHN 2:1-11

WE WELCOME THE REV. MATTHEW LUKENS AS OUR CELEBRANT AND PREACHER.

OUR READERS: BRIAN PAYTON AND FRAN TWIDDY

Organ: The Mountains Shall Sing – Dale Wood 1934-2003

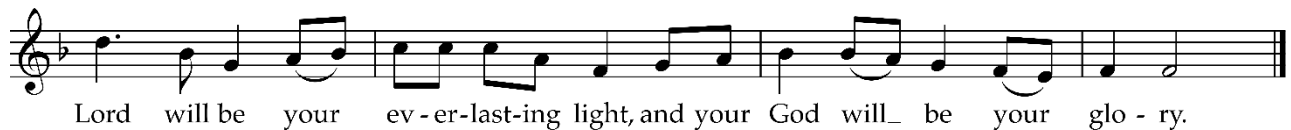
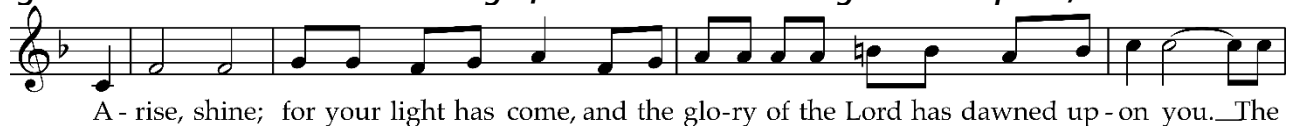
Hymn 7, Christ, Whose Glory Fills The Skies -- *Ratisbon*

The Word Of God

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Song of Praise – From *The Third Song of Isaiah* The choir sings this antiphon, and then all sing:



Choir: They will call you, The City of the Lord, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel. Violence will no more be heard in your land, ruin or destruction within your borders. You will call your walls, Salvation, and all your portals, Praise. The sun will no more be your light by day; by night you will not need the brightness of the moon. The Lord will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory. **All repeat antiphon.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

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The people are seated.

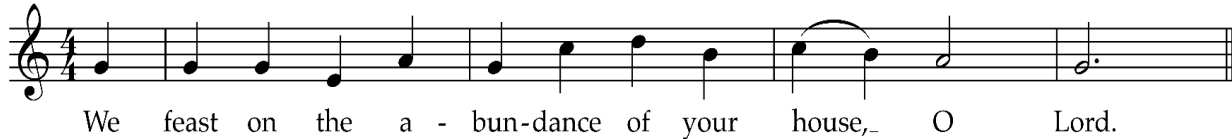
A Reading From The Prophet Isaiah

In our Hebrew scripture lesson, the prophet continues to look forward to the full restoration of Jerusalem, hoping that the city may one day be a source of joy, as a bride is to her bridegroom.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

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

Psalm 36. This Psalm exults in the boundless love of God. God is the fountain of life, and in God's light we see light. The cantor sings the refrain; all repeat, and sing as directed by R.



Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds. Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save both man and beast, O Lord. **R.** How priceless is your love, O God! Your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings. They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights. **R.** For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, and your favor to those who are true of heart. **R.**

A Reading From Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians

In this reading, Paul commends spiritual gifts, but instructs the Corinthians in their proper use in the service of Jesus' lordship. All are to be used for the common good.

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

All stand. The cantor sings "alleluia"; all repeat, and sing again after the verse.



V. Jesus revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him. R. Alleluia (3x)

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to John. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the third day of Jesus' calling his disciples, there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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

Sermon – The Rev. Matthew Lukens, Chaplain to the University of Michigan

What do we believe?

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. *(continued)* 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

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 all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.
We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; **That our works may find favor in your sight.**
Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; **That they may be delivered from their distress.**
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.

In our diocesan cycle of prayer, we remember the clergy and people of St. Luke's, Allen Park and St. Stephen's, Wyandotte. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we remember the clergy and people of The Church of the Province of the West Indies. In our parish cycle of prayer, we remember: Ed, Christopher, Karen, Raymond, Donald, Lynn, Tom, Lori. And I ask you to offer the names of others you wish to pray for this morning. (pause).

We pray also for the forgiveness of our sins.
Have mercy upon us; **Have mercy upon us, most merciful God, in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown things done and left undone, and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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.**

May God's peace be with you always. **And also with you.**
The people may greet each other without making physical contact.

Holy Communion

All are invited to receive Communion. The bread is placed in the palm of your right hand. You may dip the bread in the wine or sip the wine from the chalice. Instead of Communion and to receive a blessing, kindly keep your hands folded.

Anthem: Sing, My Soul, His Wondrous Love; text – Hymn #467; Music - Arlen Clark, b. 1954

After the anthem, the people stand at the presentation of the gifts.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

After all have received, please stand and pray together:

God of glory; You nourish us with bread from heaven and wine from the fruit of the earth. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, that through us your light may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The blessing of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with, now and always. **Amen.**

Let us go forth to spread the light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 135, Songs Of Thankfulness And Praise, Jesus, Lord To Thee We Raise - Salzburg

Organ: Postlude On The Hymn Tune *Salzburg* – Gerald Near b. 1942

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Our Mission: We share the light of Christ by loving and serving our neighbors in the world.

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