# EASY PRINT – St. Michael and All Angels All Ages Service – September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Welcome** – Children from the Church School

Please rise in body or spirit and sing

Processional Hymn: #323 – "YE HOLY ANGELS BRIGHT"

Ye holy angels bright, who wait at God's right hand, or through the realms of light fly at your Lord's command, assist our song, or else the theme too high doth seem for mortal tongue.

Ye saints, who toil below, adore your heavenly King, and onward as ye go some joyful anthem sing; in God rejoice, and thus proclaim the holy name with sounding voice.

My soul, bear thou thy part, triumph in God above, and with a well—tuned heart sing thou the songs of love! Let all thy days till life shall end, whate'er God send, be filled with praise.

# **▼** The Gathering of the Community

Child: God has created all things, including us. Let us praise God!

People: Alleluia!

Child: God sent us his Son, Jesus –who is both messenger and message.

People: Alleluia!

Child: God, sent the Holy Spirit, who helps us follow Jesus.

People: Alleluia!

Child: We join all the angels in heaven as we worship God: Father, Son and

Holy Spirit.

People: Alleluia! Amen!

## The Collect of the Day

Please kneel or be seated

Leader: Loving God, you created angels to be your messengers of light and hope.

You send angels to remind us that you are there, especially when it is hard to see or feel you. Help us to be your messengers too, especially to those

who need help.

All: Amen.

# **▼** The Proclamation of the Word

Please be seated

Child: A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

Jacob was travelling alone and when night came, he decided to set up camp. He used a stone as a pillow. When he fell asleep, he had a dream. He saw a ladder stretching between the earth and heaven, and he saw angels climbing up and down on the ladder. Jacob realized that heaven was nearer than he'd imagined! Then God spoke to Jacob, saying: "I am the Lord. You grandfather Abraham knew me and so did your father Isaac. I will give to you and your children this land where you are lying. Your family will become so large and so spread out, it will be like the grains of sand covering the earth. Your family will be a blessing to everyone on earth. That is why I will remain with you, to protect you, until everything I have promised comes true!" Jacob woke up and said to himself: "This place is amazing! God lives here, in this very place and I didn't know it!"

Child: The word of the Lord. Genesis 28.10-17 (paraphrase)
People: **Thanks be to God.**A moment of silence is observed

#### Psalm 103.19-22:

Please remain seated

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The Lord has established his throne' in the heavens: and his king dom' rules over all.

Bless the Lord, O **you his** angels, 'you mighty ones who **do his** bidding: obedient to his **spoken** word. 'Bless the Lord, **all his** hosts,

his ministers who **do his** will. 'Bless the Lord, **all his** works: in all places of **his dom**inion. 'Bless the Lord, **O my** soul.

Glory be to the Father, and **to the** son, 'and to the **Holy** Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and **ever** shall  $\cdot$  be, 'world without end. **A**-men.

Gospel Acclamation: #715

Please stand & sing

The Congregation sings the "Alleluias". The Cantor sings the verse.

#### All: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Cantor: The Word of the Lord lasts forever. What is the Word that is living? It is brought to us, by Our Lord Jesus Christ!

All: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Gospel

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

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

People: People:

Glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

Child: When Jesus saw Nathaniel coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is a man who is trustworthy, who speaks the truth!" Nathaniel was surprised and asked, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you long before Philip called you. You were sitting under a fig tree" Nathaniel cried out, "Teacher, you must be the Son of God and the King that God has promised!" Jesus answered, "Do you think I am God's Son just because I saw you sitting under a fig tree? You will see me do far more incredible things than that! If you remain with me, you will look into heaven itself, just as Jacob did in his dream, with angels climbing up and coming down to me, the Messiah."

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

John 1.47-51 (paraphrased)

People:

Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

All: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Cantor: The Word is united to God; now through the Christ reconciling, God has trusted us with the news of redeeming love!

All: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Reflection** – *Fr. Daniel & the Children* 

Please be seated

## **Statement of Faith**

There are things that we, as a Church, believe in together, so we name them each week in worship.

We believe in one God, who made all that we can see and things we can't see.

We believe in Jesus Christ, who was God in human flesh.

We believe that he was born of Mary and lived among us, teaching us the ways of God and showing the power of God, through healing, forgiving and in miraculous signs.

He gave his life on the cross, without striking back with anger or hatred.

He died and rose again, showing that God is more powerful even than death.

He sent his Holy Spirit to be with us, to guide us and strengthen us.

He has brought many different people together through baptism, into one Church,

Including those who have died, but have gone before us into eternal life. We believe that God forgives our sins and will raise us with Jesus, even after death.

We believe that Jesus will come again to this world.

## The Prayers of the People

Please kneel or be seated

Child: Holy God, you have told us the names of some of your angels. We pray to you, thinking about their names, and how you call us also to serve you in this world.

Child: Uriel means "God is my light." Help our church to be a light in the world, sharing the Good News of Jesus and helping others as Jesus did. God of the Angels:

All: **Hear our prayer.** 

Child: Gabriel means "God is my strength". Help us to trust you, Lord Jesus. Teach us to pray whenever we need guidance, or comfort or help. You are the one we can always turn to when we need strength. God of the Angels:

All: **Hear our prayer.** 

Child: Raphael means "God is my Healer". We pray for those who are sick and those who have asked us to pray for them. Please God, heal those who are sick and help those who are caring for them. Let us name before God those we want to pray for. *(moment of silence)* God of the Angels:

All: **Hear our prayer.** 

Child: Michael means "Who is like God?" Only Jesus has ever been exactly as God wants us to be. Yet even though we aren't always good, God blesses us. Let us give thanks to God for loving us so much and giving us the things we need. God of the Angels:

All: We thank you for everything!

### **Confession and Absolution**

Please kneel or be seated

Kate: We remember that God is forgiving and merciful. Jesus told us that God

was like a shepherd who searches for his lost sheep and like a Father waiting for his wandering child to come home. Let us return home to God.

Kate: Forgiving Father, Loving Shepherd

All: we admit we have not always done what you want us to do. We sometimes do things you have told us not to do. We are not always as

kind and caring towards others as you are towards us. We are very sorry and we will try to do better. Help us to live as Jesus lived and

love as Jesus loved.

Priest: God who is all powerful, forgive you all your sins and give you the help

of the Holy Spirit to live the ways of heaven, here on earth.

People: Amen.

The Peace Please rise in body or spirit

Priest & Children: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you!

Offertory Hymn: (Tune # 10) #272 – "CHRIST, THE FAIR GLORY ..." All sing

Christ, the fair glory of the holy angels, maker of all things, ruler of all nations, grant of thy mercy unto us thy servants steps up to heaven.

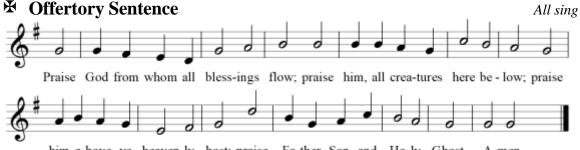
Send thine archangel Michael to our succour; peacemaker blessed, may he banish from us striving and hatred, so that for the peaceful all things may prosper.

Send thine archangel Gabriel, the mighty; herald of heaven, may he, from us mortals, drive every evil, watching o'er the temples where thou art worshipped.

May the blest Mother of our God and Saviour, may the celestial company of angels, may the assembly of the saints in heaven, help us to praise thee.

The ministry of the church depends on the generosity of it's members.

The Children will present the offering and gather around the altar with Fr. Daniel



him a-bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

## **▼** The Celebration of the Eucharist

Priest: God of glory, as you have appointed angels to minister in your presence, so may all our worship bring your worthy praise. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## All: Amen.



Priest: Jesus came to show us how we can love you, Father, by loving one another. He came to forgive and heal us of sin, which separates us from God and each other. He promised to send the Holy Spirit, to give us light and show us the way to be your children.

Priest: The night before he died, Jesus showed us how much you love us. When he was at supper with his friends, he took bread and gave you thanks and praise. Then he broke the bread and he shared it with his friends saying: Take this, all of you, and eat it; this is my body given for you. Do this to remember me.

#### (Children will elevate the bread)

Priest: When supper was ended, Jesus took the cup that was filled with wine. He thanked you, gave it to his friends, and said: Drink from this, all of you, this is the cup of my blood, shed for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this to remember me.

(Children will elevate the wine)

Priest: And so, we share this bread and wine, to remember who Jesus is, to remember that we are his friends and to remember that he asked his friends to love one another.

Priest: And now, let us sing together the prayer Jesus taught his disciples to pray: a prayer we sing every Sunday together:



Priest: The bread of angels has become the bread of humans. People: Let us draw near and take the Body of the Lord

# **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

Priest: If you are joining us from home, join us in this act of Eucharist by

offering with me this prayer for Spiritual Communion.

The following is said by the Priest and those worshipping with us online.

Online: Lord Jesus, I am not worthy to receive you, but you, in your mercy have

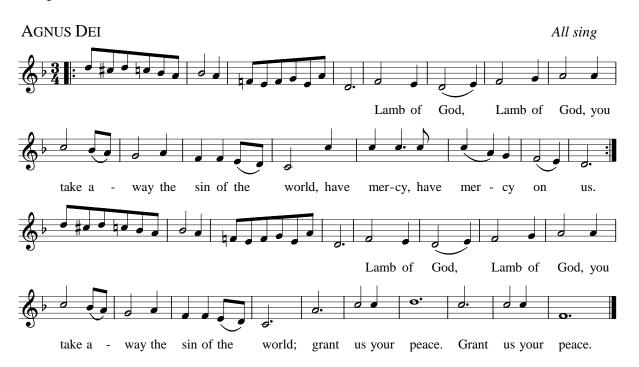
called me into communion with you. May your word nourish and sustain me until I am able to receive you as bread and wine. I ask this in your holy

name.

All: Amen.

Priest: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.



#### The Communion

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.

Please come forward to the Altar rail and stand or kneel as you prefer.

Indicate to the priest if you would like to have him intinct the wafer for you.

Communion Hymn: #328 – "Lo God Is Here"

All sing

Lo, God is here! Let us adore and own how awesome is this place; Let all with in us feel God's power and bow before the hidden face. Redeeming Lord, your grace we prove, serve you with awe, with reverence love.

Lo, God is here! Both day and night united choirs of angels sing; to God, enthroned above all height, heaven's host their noblest praises bring; disdain not, Lord, our meaner song, who praise you with a stammering tongue.

Being of beings, may our praise your courts with grateful fragrance fill; still may we stand before your face, still hear and do your sovereign will; to you may all our thoughts arise, ceaseless, accepted sacrifice.

Communion Hymn: # 325 – "ANGEL VOICES EVER SINGING" *All sing* 

Angel-voices, ever singing, round thy throne of light, angel-harps, forever ringing, rest not day nor night; thousands only live to bless thee, and confess thee, Lord of might!

Yea, we know that thou rejoices o'er each work of thine; thou didst ears and hands and voices for thy praise design; artist's craft and music's measure for thy pleasure all combine.

In thy house, great God, we offer of thine own to thee; and for thine acceptance proffer, in humility, hearts and minds and hands and voices, in our choicest psalmody. Honour, glory, might, and merit, thine shall ever be, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, blessed Trinity!

Of the best that thou hast given, earth and heaven render thee.

# Children's Hymn

Chatter with the angels soon in the morning, Chatter with the angels in that land!
Chatter with the angels soon in the morning, Chatter with the angels, join that band!
I hope to join that band
And chatter with the angels all day long!
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# **Prayer after Communion**

Priest: Eternal God, you have fed us with the bread of angels. May we who come

under their protection, like them give you continual service and praise;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Please rise in body or spirit

Priest: Glory to God,

All: whose power working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or

imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church

and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

# The Blessing

"AMAZING GRACE" sung and accompanied on the Violin

## **Announcements**

Please rise in body or spirit & sing

Closing Hymn: #320—"YE WATCHERS AND YE HOLY ONES"

Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, raise the glad strain: alleluia! Cry out, dominions, princedoms, powers, virtues, archangels, angels' choirs: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O higher than the cherubim, more glorious than the seraphim, lead their praises: alleluia! Thou bearer of the eternal Word, most gracious, magnify the Lord: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O friends, in gladness let us sing supernal anthems echoing: alleluia, alleluia! To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three—in—One, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

#### **Dismissal**

Priest: Go to God's people, as God's messengers of grace.

People: Thanks be to God.

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