

St. Michael the Archangel Episcopal Church



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost Morning Prayer—New Zealand Prayerbook

OPENING HYMN (#551)

1 Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with less - er things, give
2 Rise up, ye saints of God! His king - dom tar - ries long: Lord,
3 Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod; and

heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.
bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.
quick-ened by the Spi - rit's power, rise up, ye saints of God!

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Officiant The Lord is near to all who call on him in truth. He fulfils the desire of all that fear him, hears their cry, and saves them.

Great is the Lord and worthy of all praise.

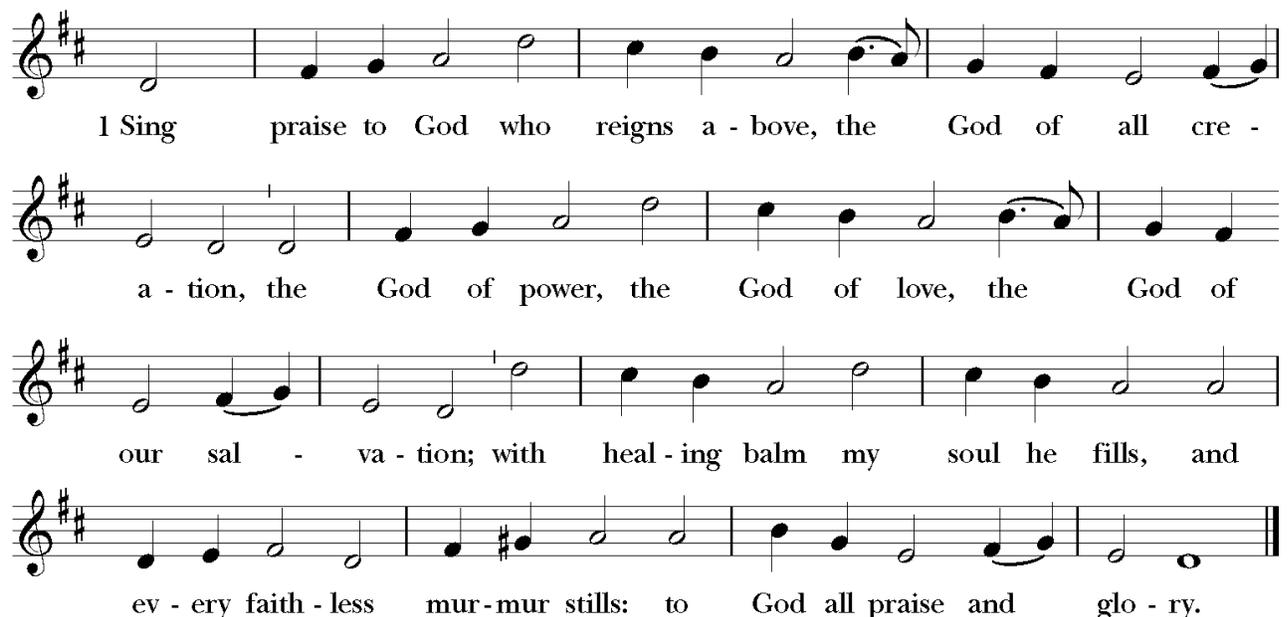
People **Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honor, power and might, be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.**

Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us praise and worship God who has called us together. Let us celebrate God's majesty, and delight in the wonder of God's love. Together we shall confess our sins and receive assurance that we are forgiven.

As the scriptures are read, we can allow God's word to speak to us, and ponder its meaning for our lives. In our prayers, we give thanks for God's goodness, we pray for others as well as for ourselves, and we offer our lives anew in Christ's service.

All this we do, because we believe in the presence among us of our Savior Jesus Christ, and in the mighty power of the Holy Spirit.

SONG OF PRAISE



I Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all cre -
a - tion, the God of power, the God of love, the God of
our sal - va - tion; with heal - ing balm my soul he fills, and
ev - ery faith - less mur - mur stills: to God all praise and glo - ry.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Officiant Hear these words of scripture.

Love one another, for love is of God, and whoever loves is born of God and knows God.

People **Spirit of God, search our hearts.**

Officiant Let us remember our need for God's forgiveness. Let us confess our sins to God.

God of mercy, we have sinned against you and against others. We have sinned in what we have done, and in what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for our sins, forgive us all that is past and raise us to newness of life. Amen.

Officiant Almighty God, who pardons all who truly repent, forgive your sins, strengthen you by the Holy Spirit, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Officiant O come, let us sing to the Lord,

People **let us rejoice in the rock of our salvation.**

Officiant We sing to you, O God, and bless your name;

People **and tell of your salvation from day to day.**

Officiant We proclaim your glory to the nations,

People **your praise to the ends of the earth.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: A READING FROM ISAIAH

Thus says the Lord:

"Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;

and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.

Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.

See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM APPOINTED FOR THE DAY

Join me in reading from Psalm 145

**The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.**

**The Lord is loving to everyone *
and his compassion is over all his works.**

**The Lord upholds all those who fall; *
he lifts up those who are bowed down.**

**The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, *
and you give them their food in due season.**

**You open wide your hand *
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.**

**The Lord is righteous in all his ways *
and loving in all his works.**

**The Lord is near to those who call upon him, *
to all who call upon him faithfully.**

**He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; *
he hears their cry and helps them.**

**The Lord preserves all those who love him, *
but he destroys all the wicked.**

**My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; *
let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and ever.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

THE GOSPEL

Here is a telling of the life of our Lord Jesus from the Gospel of Matthew.

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Thanks be to God.

HOMILY

THE CREED AND PRAYERS

Join me in the Apostles' Creed.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Officiant Loving God, whose Son Jesus asked his disciples help as he feed 5000 with so little, thank you for using our gifts of money and our hands at work in your service.

People **Help us to live simply, generously and courageously, that our lives may point to you.**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise
him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Holy and everliving God, by your power we are created and by your love we are redeemed; guide and strengthen us by your Spirit, that we may give ourselves to your service, and live each day in love to one another and to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

In darkness and in light, in trouble and in joy, help us, heavenly Father, to trust your love, to serve your purpose, and to praise your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray.

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 Collect of the Day

God of the hungry, make us hunger and thirst for the right, till our thirst for justice has been satisfied and hunger has gone from the earth. Hear this prayer for your love's sake. **Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Leader Come, Holy Spirit, and hear our prayers for the church, for the world and for our own needs.

People **Help us to ask faithfully that your love may fill our lives.**

Leader Come, Holy Spirit, and fill your church — that all who hold authority in your church, especially Michael, John and Diane, our bishops, and Dina, our priest, may know you and humbly teach in your light; that our worship will be ever more pleasing to you; that our prayers will shape our lives and actions; and that our lives will make a real difference to real people in the real world.

People **Inspire us with creativity, renew our energy, and fill us with wisdom and love.**

Leader Come, Holy Spirit, and renew our leaders and our government — that they may lead us in your light and work together for the benefit of all; that they may enact public policies to reduce gun violence, end racism, and address other pressing social issues; that our civic life will be restored; and that our hunger for justice may be equal to the hunger for food felt by so many.

People **Guide our leaders to act boldly for your ways of justice and peace.**

Leader Come, Holy Spirit, and transform our communities —
that the sick may find healing; that the lonely may find love; that the unwanted may
find peace; and that the fearful may find hope.

People **Help us to work to end racism, poverty, famine and oppression and to bring hope
and healing to those who suffer.**

Leader Come, Holy Spirit, and fill our lives with your presence —
that more and more every day, all that we do and say and hope will be acts of worship
to you and expressions of love to others.

People **Transform us to live as your holy people.**

Leader Come, Holy Spirit, and hear our special petitions and thanksgivings —
(*Petitions and thanksgivings from our weekly prayer list are added.*)

People **Grant our prayers as may be best for us.**

Leader Come, Holy Spirit, and hear the prayers of your people and strengthen us to do your
will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray together a prayer of St. Chrysostom

**Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common
supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two
or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O
Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge
of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN (#705)



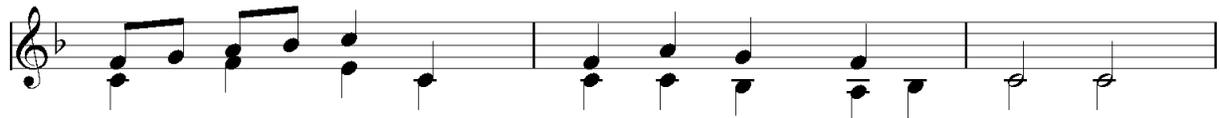
1 As those of old their first fruits brought of vine-yard, flock, and
*2 A world in need now sum-mons us to la-bor, love, and
3 With grat-i-tude and hum-ble trust we bring our best to



field to God, the giv-er of all good, the
give; to make our life an of-fer-ing to
thee to serve thy cause and share thy love with



source of bount-eous yield; so we to-day our
God that all may live; the Church of Christ is
all hu-man-i-ty. O thou who gav-est



first fruits bring, the wealth of this good land, of
call-ing us to make the dream come true: a
us thys-elf in Je-sus Christ thy Son, help



farm and mar-ket, shop and home, of mind, and heart, and hand.
world re-deemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new.
us to give our-selves each day un-til life's work is done.

THE DISMISSAL

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. **Amen.**

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.

People **Amen. We go in the name of Christ.**