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September 29, 2024 – 10:00 AM

Michael & All Angels

WELCOME VISITORS! We welcome all who believe in Jesus Christ to the Lord's Supper as we partake in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup. For those who would prefer, grape juice is available in the center ring of each serving tray. If you do not wish to receive communion you are invited to come forward for a blessing. God's forgiveness and love is for everyone.

We are honored that you are with us today and we ask everyone to please sign the *Friendship Register* in each pew. Visitors are asked to also complete a *Visitors Card* from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Again, Welcome!

*Invites the Congregation to stand.

HOLY COMMUNION

"Now the Feast and Celebration" - Musical Setting by Marty Haugen

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Confession and Forgiveness

[P] Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.[C] Amen.

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[P] Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

[P] Gracious God,

[C] have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

[P] God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.
[C] Amen.

*Gathering Hymn: "How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord" ELW #580 As the hymn begins, the congregation turns toward the entrance to face the processional cross.

*Greeting

[P] The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.[C] And also with you.

*Kyrie



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*The Prayer of the Day [P] The Lord be with you.

[C] And also with you.[P] Let us pray...[C] Amen

Children's Message

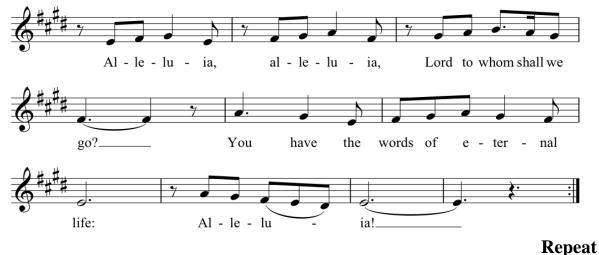
Vicar James Hilden-Minton

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Children's Church (*Children are invited to the Fellowship Hall for further worship/education.*)

- The First Lesson: Daniel 10:10-14;12:1-3Insert[L] The Word of the Lord.[C] Thanks be to God.
- Psalm: 103:1-5, 20-22; refrain, Ps. 103:20, 21 Insert (Congregation sings verses in <u>bold</u> print only.)
- The Second Lesson: Revelation 12:7-12Insert[L] The Word of the Lord.[C] Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation



*The Gospel: [P] The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 10th chapter. [C] Glory to you, O Lord.

[C] Glory to you, O Lord. Luke 10:17-20
[P] The Gospel of the Lord.
[C] Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Vicar James Hilden-Minton

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*The Hymn of the Day: "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" ELW #719

*The Apostle's Creed I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

*The Prayers

After each portion of the prayers:[A] Hear us, O God.[C] Your mercy is great.

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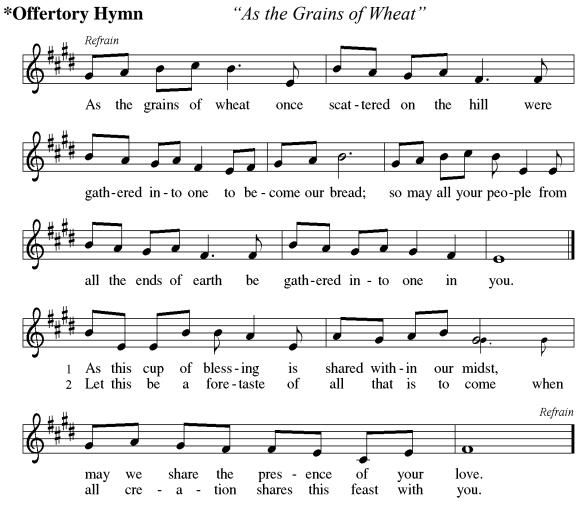
***The Peace** is shared by all. [P] The peace of the Lord be with you always.

[C] And also with you.

The minister and congregation greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these or similar words: **Peace be with you.**

The Offering

Offertory Anthem: *"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"* written by Terre Johnson, sung by the Chapel Choir



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***Offering Prayer**

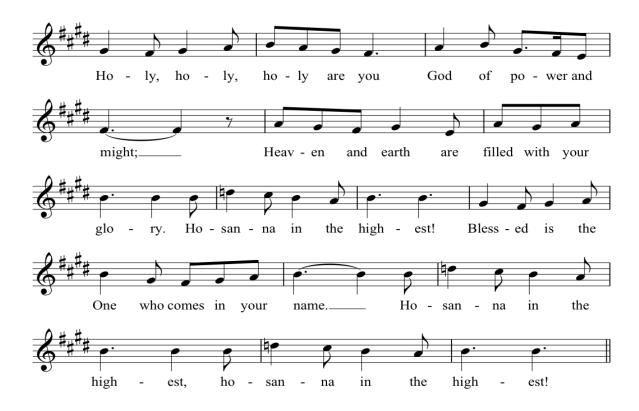
[A] Let us pray together,

[C] Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*The Great Thanksgiving



[P] It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



[P] In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

[C] 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, forever and ever. Amen. **The Communion** *Please follow the instructions of the ushers in coming to receive communion.*



The Congregation is invited to sing "Lamb of God".

Communion Hymns:(1) "There Is a Balm in Gilead"ELW #614(2) "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"ELW #608

***Post-Communion Blessing**

[P] Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name.[C] Amen.

*Praise to You, O God of Mercy



***Post-Communion Prayer**

[A] Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.[C] Amen.

***Benediction (Blessing)**

[P] God bless us with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that we may live deep within our hearts.

God bless us with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people, so that we may work for justice, freedom and peace.

God bless us with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation and war, so that we may reach out our hands to comfort them and turn their pain into joy.

And God bless us with enough foolishness to believe that we can make a difference in this world, so that we can do what others claim cannot be done.

The God of all grace + bless you now and forever. [C] Amen.

*Recessional Hymn: "To Be Your Presence" ELW #546 As the cross is carried out during the singing of the hymn, the congregation turns to face the cross.

*Dismissal [All] Follow Christ, Live Faithfully, Serve All. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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