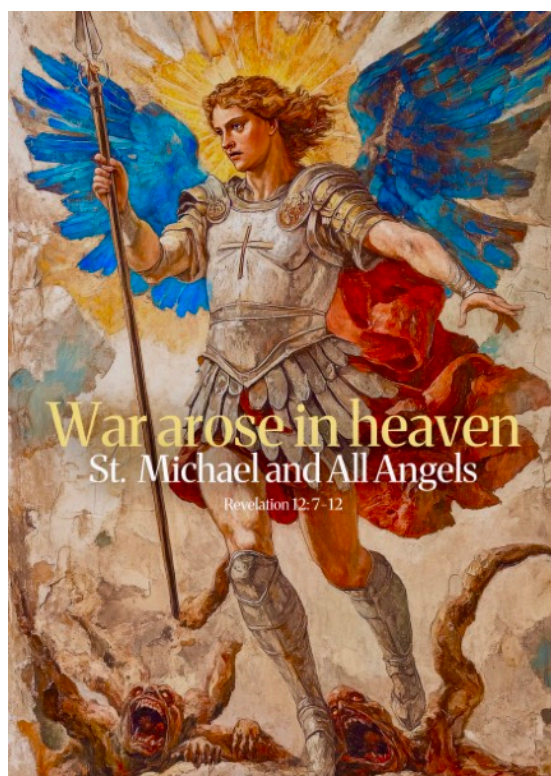


St. Michael and All Angels (Observed)



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Prayer Upon Entering Church: O Lord, God the Father, my Maker, Lord Jesus, my Redeemer, Holy Spirit, my Comforter in life and death, I have entered Your house to hear what You will speak to me. Lord, renew now my heart through Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, that from Your Word I learn to grieve over my sins, trust in Jesus in life and in death, and daily to better myself in holy life and conduct. Hear and answer me through Jesus Christ. Amen.

About This Service: The heart of Christianity is not what we do for God but what God has done for us in Christ Jesus. We call our service the "Divine Service" because the Divine One, our Lord Jesus, promises to be present to serve us by His Word and with His body and blood.

Are My Children Welcome? Our Lord says, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God" (Mark 10:14). Yes, your little ones are more than welcome! We are delighted to have them with us in the service!

Visitors: Welcome to St. John's! If you have not already done so, please fill out the visitor's book outside of the sanctuary. If you don't yet have a church home, or have any questions about what we believe, teach, and confess, feel free to speak with Pastor; he would be happy to talk with you!

Communion Statement: All visitors are asked to speak with Pastor before the service and prior to coming up for communion. We invite those who are active communicant members of the LC-MS to commune with us. If you are not a communicant member of the LC-MS but wish to come receive a blessing, please cross your arms when you come up to the communion rail to receive a blessing.

Ring of the Bell - Prelude - Welcome

Opening Hymn TLH 339 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

**All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.**

**Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God, Who from His altar call;
Extol the Stem of Jesse's rod And crown Him Lord of all.
Extol the Stem of Jesse's rod And crown Him Lord of all.**

**Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, Ye ransomed from the Fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.**

**Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line, Whom David Lord did call,
The God incarnate, Man divine, And crown Him Lord of all.
The God incarnate, Man divine, And crown Him Lord of all.**

**Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget The wormwood and the gall,
Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.
Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.**

**Let every kindred, every tribe, On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.**

**Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all. Amen.**

The Order of Worship, Page 15 TLH

Invocation: TLH Page 15 [Responses Sung]

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

Confession of Sins TLH Page 16

ALL: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution *TLH Page 16*

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

C: *[Sung]* **Amen.**

Introit (P: Pastor C: Congregation) *Psalm 103:20-22; antiphon: v. 1*

P: Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

**C: Bless the Lord, O you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!**

P: Bless the Lord, all his hosts,
his ministers, who do his will!

**C: Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion.
Bless the Lord, O my soul!**

Gloria Patri: *TLH Page 16 [Sung]*

**C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

The Kyrie: *TLH Page 17 [Sung]*

C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Gloria in Excelsis: *TLH Pages 17-19 [Sung]*

**C: Glory be to God on high; And on earth peace, good will toward men.
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,
We glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Salutation and Collect

TLH Page 19

P: The Lord be with you! C: **And with thy spirit!**

(prayed together) – Everlasting God, You have ordained and constituted the service of angels and men in a wonderful order. Mercifully grant that, as Your holy angels always serve and worship You in heaven, so by Your appointment they may also help and defend us here on earth; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Response: *[Sung]* **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading – Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3

¹⁰And behold, a hand touched me and set me trembling on my hands and knees. ¹¹And he said to me, “O Daniel, man greatly loved, understand the words that I speak to you, and stand upright, for now I have been sent to you.” And when he had spoken this word to me, I stood up trembling. ¹²Then he said to me, “Fear not, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand and humbled yourself before your God, your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words. ¹³The prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days, but Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I was left there with the kings of Persia, ¹⁴and came to make you understand what is to happen to your people in the latter days. For the vision is for days yet to come. . . .”

¹“At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. ²And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

Epistle Reading – Revelation 12:7-12

⁷Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, ⁸but he was defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. ⁹And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. ¹⁰And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, “Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. ¹¹And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. ¹²Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!”

Gradual (*Pastor speaks, congregation responds with “Hallelujahs!”*)

P: He will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

C: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

As the Gospel reading is announced, the congregation sings... **C: GLORY BE TO THEE, O LORD!**

Gospel Reading – Luke 10:17-20

¹⁷The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!” ¹⁸And he said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

The Gospel ended, the congregation sings...

C: PRAISE BE TO THEE, O CHRIST!

The Nicene Creed *TLH Page 22*

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon Hymn *TLH 257* "Jesus, Brightness of the Father" Δ

**Jesus, Brightness of the Father, Life and Strength of all who live,
For creating guardian angels Glory to Thy name we give
And Thy wondrous praise rehearse, Singing in harmonious verse.**

**Blessed Lord, by their protection Shelter us from harm this day,
Keep us pure in flesh and spirit, Save us from the Foe, we pray,
And vouchsafe us by Thy grace In Thy Paradise a place.**

**Δ Glory to th'almighty Father Sing we with the heav'nly host;
Glory to the great Redeemer, Glory to the Holy Ghost;
Three in one and One in Three, Throughout all eternity! Amen.**

The Sermon

Offertory *TLH Pages 22-23 [Sung]*

C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Prayers

TLH Pages 23-24

ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Preface: *TLH Page 24 [Responses Sung]*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up unto the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: It is meet and right so to do.

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to Thee, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God ... therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying:

The Sanctus: *TLH Page 26 [Sung]*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory;
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, Blessed is He,
Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer: *TLH Page 27*

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;

[Sung] For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Institution: *TLH Page 27*

Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me."

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Pax Domini: *TLH Page 27*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: *[Sung]* A - - - men.

The Agnus Dei: *TLH Page 28 [Sung]*

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, Grant us Thy peace. A - - - men.

The Distribution *(We invite those who are communicant members of the LC-MS to commune with us.)*

Distribution Hymns TLH 254 "Lord God, We All to Thee Give Praise"

Lord God, we all to Thee give praise, Thanksgivings meet to Thee we raise,
That angel hosts Thou didst create Around Thy glorious throne to wait.

They shine with light and heav'nly grace And constantly behold Thy face;
They heed Thy voice, they know it well, In godly wisdom they excel.

They never rest nor sleep as we; Their whole delight is but to be
With Thee, Lord Jesus, and to keep Thy little flock, Thy lambs and sheep.

The ancient dragon is their foe; His envy and his wrath they know.
It always is his aim and pride Thy Christian people to divide.

As he of old deceived the world And into sin and death was hurled,
So now he subtly lies in wait To ruin school and Church and state.

A roaring lion round he goes, No halt nor rest he ever knows;
He seeks the Christians to devour And slay them by his dreadful power.

But watchful is the angel band That follows Christ on every hand
To guard His people where they go And break the counsel of the Foe.

For this, now and in days to be, Our praise shall rise, O Lord, to Thee,
Whom all the angel hosts adore With grateful songs forevermore. Amen.

TLH 144 “Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing”

Jesus, grant that balm and healing In Thy holy wounds I find,
Ev’ry hour that I am feeling Pains of body and of mind.
Should some evil thought within Tempt my treach’rous heart to sin,
Show the peril, and from sinning Keep me ere its first beginning.

Should some lust or sharp temptation Prove too strong for flesh and blood,
Let me think upon Thy Passion, And the breach is soon made good.
Or should Satan press me hard, Let me then be on my guard,
Saying, “Christ for me was wounded,” That the Tempter flee confounded.

If the world my heart entices On the broad and easy road
With its mirth and luring vices, Let me think upon the load
Thou didst carry and endure That I flee all thoughts impure,
Banishing each wild emotion, Calm and blest in my devotion.

Ev’ry wound that pains or grieves me, By Thy stripes, Lord, is made whole;
When I’m faint, Thy Cross revives me, Granting new life to my soul.
Yea, Thy comfort renders sweet Ev’ry bitter cup I meet;
For Thy all-atoning Passion Has procured my soul’s salvation.

O my God, my Rock and Tower, Grant that in Thy death I trust,
Knowing Death has lost his power Since Thou trodd’st him in the dust.
Savior, let Thine agony Ever help and comfort me;
When I die, be my Protection, Light and Life and Resurrection. Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

TLH Pages 29-30 [Sung]

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy Word,
For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the Face of all people,
a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Thanksgiving: *TLH Page 30*

P: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good. C: *[Sung]* **And His mercy endureth forever.**

The Thanksgiving Prayer: *TLH Pages 30-31*

P: ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God,
world without end.

C: *[Sung]* **A- - - - men.**

The Benedicamus: *TLH Page 31*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *[Sung]* **And with thy spirit.**

P: Bless we the Lord.

C: *[Sung]* **Thanks be to God.**

The Benediction: *TLH Page 31*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: *[Sung]* **Amen, Amen, Amen!**

Closing Hymn TLH 256 "Around the Throne of God a Band"

**Around the throne of God a band Of glorious angels ever stand;
Bright things they see sweet harps they hold, And on their heads are crowns of gold.**

**Some wait around Him, ready still To sing His praise and do His will;
And some, when He commands them, go To guard His servants here below.**

**Lord, give Thy angels every day Command to guide us on our way
And bid them every evening keep Their watch around us while we sleep.**

**So shall no wicked thing draw near To do us harm or cause us fear;
And we shall dwell, when life is past, With angels round Thy throne at last. Amen.**

Silent Prayer - Announcements

Have A Blessed Week!

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WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO: THE PAX DOMINI

Following the Words of our Lord, "Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. . . After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped. . ." the pastor turns and faces the congregation, lifting both the host and the chalice as he proclaims, "The peace of the Lord be with you always." He does so because it is precisely here in Christ's body and blood that the peace of Christ is given to us. The same body that was pierced by the Roman spear, and the same blood that flowed out from Christ's pierced side, is now given to us in the Sacrament to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of our sins.

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Hymn #254: Scripture: Hebrews 1:14; Dicimus grates tibi, summe rerum; Lord God, We All to Thee Give Praise; Author: Phillipp Melancthon (1543, cento); Translator: Paul Eber (1554); English translator: Emanuel Cronenwett (1880, alt.); Tune: Old Hundredth; Source: "Genevan Psalter", 1551.
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Daily Bible Reading:

- **Monday, September 28th:** Judges 20
- **Tuesday, September 29th:** Judges 21
- **Wednesday, September 30th:** 1 Thessalonians 1
- **Thursday, October 1st:** 1 Thessalonians 2
- **Friday, October 2nd:** 1 Thessalonians 3
- **Saturday, October 3rd:** 1 Thessalonians 4
- **Sunday, October 4th:** 1 Thessalonians 5

Catechism Recitation for the Week:

Table of Duties: To Widows
The widow who is really in need and left all alone puts her hope in God and continues night and day to pray and to ask God for help. But the widow who lives for pleasure is dead even while she lives.
1 Tim. 5:5–6

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Prayer for Departing Church: O Lord, I give thanks to You with all my heart. You have taught me Your will that I might perform it. Help me now, my God, by Your Holy Spirit, for Jesus Christ's sake, that I may treasure Your Word in a heart unblemished, and fortified in faith, lead a sanctified life after the manner of our forefathers, and therein find solace in life and in death. Amen.