SAINT MICHAEL LUTHERAN CHURCH



The Holy Trinity
June 15, 2025

400 River Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29212

In the order of service, congregational responses are printed in **bold**. Our worship **begins** at the Prelude, as we hear God's word in music.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

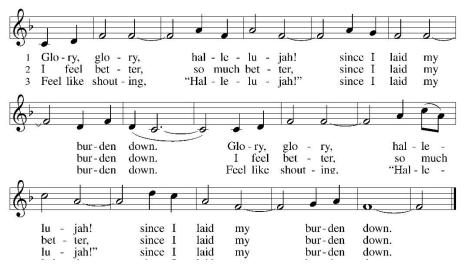
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Please Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS+

TFF 148



GATHERING HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty*

ELW 413

GREETING

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

CANTICLE OF PRAISE+

Shall We Gather At the River?

ELW 423 (vs 1-3)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you

live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**.

Please Sit

WOR D

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

FIRST READING: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

In the Bible, wisdom is portrayed in terms sometimes human and sometimes divine. Often, wisdom is personified as feminine. In this passage, Woman Wisdom is depicted not only as the first creation of God, but also as God's helper, rejoicing in God's creation, especially in human beings.

- ¹Does not wisdom call and understanding raise her voice?
 - ² On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand;
- ³ beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
 - ⁴ "To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all who live.
- ²² "The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.
 - ²³ Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth.
- ²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water.
 - ²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth,
- ²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields or the world's first bits of soil.
- ²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, ²⁸ when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, ³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker, and I was daily his delight, playing before him always, ³¹ playing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 8 (Sung Responsively)



¹O | LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!—

² you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of in- | fants and children;

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe | and avenger.

- ³ When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,
- ⁴ what are mere mortals that you should be mind-|ful of them, human beings that you should | care for them?
- ⁵ Yet you have made them little less | than divine; with glory and hon-| or you crown them.
- ⁶ You have made them rule over the works | of your hands; you have put all things un-| der their feet:
- ⁷ all | flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts | of the field.
- 8 the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.
- ⁹O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in lall the earth!

SECOND READING: ROMANS 5:1-5

Paul describes the life of faith with reference to God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. Even now, we have peace with God through Jesus, and our hope for the future is grounded in the love of God that we experience through Christ's Holy Spirit.

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION+ Lead Me, Guide Me (Refrain Only)

ELW 768

GOSPEL: John 16:12-15

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the 16th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus' ongoing presence with the disciples will be made known through the coming Spirit who will guide them and communicate to them Jesus' will and glory.

[Jesus said,] 12 "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.

¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak

on his own but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Please Sit

MESSAGE Frank W. Anderson

Please Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

ELW 398

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

A brief silence.

Abiding God, your love pours into your whole church, creating faith and bestowing hope. Fill all the baptized with these good gifts in our various callings. Gather your church in every place and expression into the unity of your Spirit. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Creating God, your name is majestic in all the earth, and we are filled with awe at your creation. Renew this planet and all its wonders: springs abounding with water, earth and soil, beasts of the field, birds of the air, and fish of the sea. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Sovereign God, you delight in the whole human race. On this week of Juneteenth, bring an end to racial oppression and heal the wounds of racial trauma. Grant us your wisdom, so that all people, especially those in authority, work for the life and freedom of others. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Compassionate God, your mindful care for us is everlasting. Give peace to all who are troubled, endurance to all who suffer, deliverance to all who are afflicted, and healing to all who are sick *especially*.... God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Living God, your glory appears in our shared life. On this Father's Day, give to all fathers and father figures gentle hearts and strong spirits, heal the wounds in our families, and comfort those for whom this day brings pain. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Eternal God, your hope does not disappoint. We give you thanks for all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially Bob Bowers. Hold us in our grief, and bring us at last to fullness of life in you. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

Please Sit

THANKSGIVING AND MEAL

We give in grateful response for all God's gifts; God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

OFFERING

We offer **secure online giving** through Tithe.ly. Please see the back page for more. Offering plates located at each entrance/exit. If you need an envelope or assistance, please ask an usher.

SPECIAL MUSIC Piano

Please Stand

OFFERING HYMN+

As the Grains of Wheat

ELW 465

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three!

Before all that is, you were God. Outside all we know, you are God.

After all is finished, you will be God.

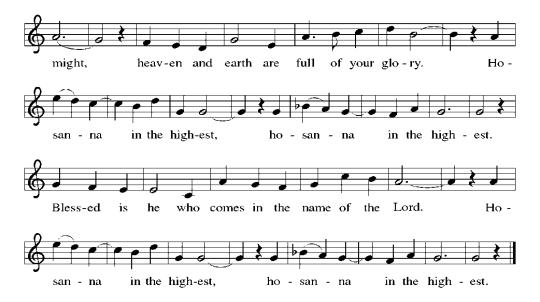
Archangels sound the trumpets, Angels teach us their song,

Saints pull us into your presence.

And this is our song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY





THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three!

You beyond the galaxies, You under the oceans, You inside the leaves,

You pouring down rain, You opening the flowers, You feeding the insects, You giving us your image, You carrying us through the waters,

You holding us in the night;

Your smile on Sarah and Abraham, Your hand with Moses and Miriam,

Your words through Deborah and Isaiah,

You lived as Jesus among us, Healing, teaching, dying, rising,

Inviting us all to your feast.

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.

Holy God, we remember your Son, His life with the humble,

His death among the wretched, His resurrection for us all:

Your wisdom our guide, Your justice our strength,

Your grace our path to rebirth.

And so we cry, Mercy:

Mercy!

And so we cry, Glory:

Glory!

And so we cry, Blessing:

Blessing!

Holy God, we beg for your Spirit: Enliven this bread, Awaken this body, Pour us out for each other. Transfigure our minds, Ignite your church, Nourish the life of the earth. Make us, while many, united, Make us, though broken, whole, Make us, despite death, alive.

And so we cry, Come, Holy Spirit:

Come, Holy Spirit!

And so the church shouts, Come, Holy Spirit:

Come, Holy Spirit!

And so the earth pleads, Come, Holy Spirit:

Come, Holy Spirit!

You, Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three, Our Life, our Mercy, our Might, Our Table, our Food, our Server, Our Rainbow, our Ark, our Dove, Our Sovereign, our Water, our Wine, Our Light, our Treasure, our Tree, Our Way, our Truth, our Life.

You, Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three!

Praise now, Praise tomorrow, Praise forever.

And so we cry, Amen, amen:

Amen, amen!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to 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.

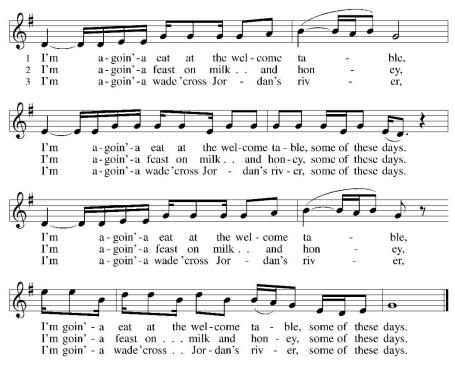
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

Please Sit



COMMUNION

Holy Communion is offered to all who believe in Jesus Christ, who confess their sins, and seek forgiveness. For those who are able, an usher will instruct the congregation when to come forward using the center aisle; please return to your pew using the side aisles. Wine, juice (white), and gluten-free wafers are available. Please alert an usher if you require assistance so communion can be brought to you.



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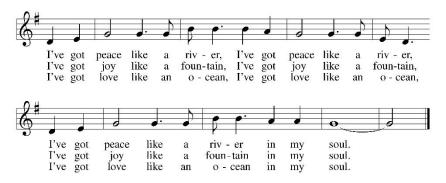
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COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

BLESSING

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Come, Thou Almighty King*

ELW 408

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. Thanks be to God.

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ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Ushers: Harry Metz, Bill Colley

Sacristans: Sabrina Whitecotton, Karla Maloney

Lector: Kate Brighton

+ indicates a musical selection to be sung throughout the Summer * indicates a Choir Boys Favorite

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in honor of Edward Fulmer, whose birthday was yesterday, by his daughter Pattie Fulmer. Happy Father's Day.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MICHAEL

TODAY, June 15th 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

Mon & Fri Update Calls from PFA at 4:55 pm

The Holy Trinity—Father's Day Sunday School—Fellowship Hall Worship with Holy Communion

Tuesday, June 17th

12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.

AA Meeting (Back to Basics Group) FH

Wednesday, June 18th 10:00 a.m.

LMM Dinner Meeting, Fellowship Hall

5:00 p.m.

NO Bible Study—Proverbs, Fellowship Hall Ladies Social at Rita Anderson's

Thursday, June 19th

12:00 p.m.

AA Meeting (Back to Basics Group) FH

Friday, June 20th

10:00 a.m.

AA Meeting (Morning Group) ChEd

Next Sun, June 22nd

9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

Pentecost 2 Sunday School—Fellowship Hall

Worship with Holy Communion

Pastor Frank will be at Lutheridge this week helping with Middle School camp. He can be reached via text/phone or contact Kris for assistance with any pastoral care needs.

LMM Menu: Burgers & fixings (Paul N.), Grillmaster (Harry M.), dessert (B. Smoak)

Wednesday June 25th is the date for assembling and vacuum sealing our baked goods to send to the troops. We'll meet after bible study. Non-perishable goods are also being collected through July 4th. Please grab a card or write a note and leave in the narthex.

LORD, IN YOUR MERCY, HEAR OUR PRAYERS:

FOR FRIENDS--#HOME, ^REHAB, *SENIOR LIVING AND/OR ILL

Ken & #Dot Black	#Diana Riley	Douglas Gourley
*Don & Gwen Buff	Grady & #Melinda Sharpe	Joy Gunter
*Rose Colley	#Miriam Shealy	Bo Harris
*Helen Derrick	#Larry Slice	David Heinrich
#Barbara DeVore	*Tommae Sligh	Jill Lee
#Virgie Dreher		Angie Matlosz
*Barbara Fowler	Kristin Belusko	Terry Matlosz
#Mickey Lindler	Donny Day	Gary McManus
*Alma Paulson	Lisa Gillespie	Judy Olson



Harry O'Quinn Brooke Pittman Jane Potts Reggie Price Marlene Stirewalt Bruce Whelchel

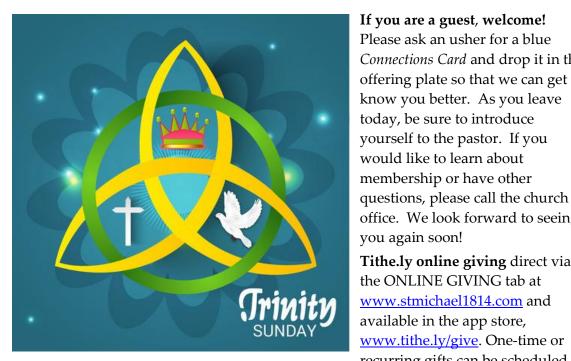
MEMBERS & FAMILIES OF THE US ARMED FORCES & MILITARY, INCLUDING:

Tyler Alexander, USMC: Sherri S's g'son Samantha Davis, USA; Gene & Diana's niece Zachary Davis, USN; Carolyn's grandson Grant Frick, SCNG: Linda F's grandson

Collin Maloney, USAOTS; Mike & Karla's son Griffin McLeod, SCNG; Mandy's son Hunter Purvis USA-deployed; Baxter's SIL

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If you are a guest, welcome!

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office. We look forward to seeing

you again soon!

The process is quick, safe, and funds are deposited immediately.

Restrooms located in both the Administrative and Christian Education Buildings.

Children are always welcome in our worship service, but for those who desire it, a nursery is located in the Administrative Building. We stream via Facebook Live.

LARGE PRINT bulletins and Children's books & activities available from an usher.

The People of Saint Michael, Ministers

The Reverend Frank W. Anderson, Pastor Karen Shevenell, Cantor Kris Esgar, Parish Administrator

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