

SAINT MICHAEL LUTHERAN CHURCH



June 7, 2026

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 if you are able

GATHERING SONG

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

ELW 836


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 *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines On Me* ACS 1087




1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, . . . with - out end. A - men.



and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, . . . with - out end. A - men.



and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, . . . with - out end. A - men.



As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power

of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Please Sit

WORD

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

FIRST READING: Hosea 5:15-6:6

Because the people have trusted in military powers and not God, God decides to withdraw from the scene until Israel acknowledges its guilt and seeks God's face. The response of the people does not acknowledge this guilt and is as fickle as fog or dew burned away quickly by the sun. God desires loyalty rather than words or meaningless deeds.

15 I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: 6:1 "Come, let us return to the LORD, for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. 2 After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him.

3 Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD;

his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth." 4 What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early.

5 Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. 6 For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 50:7-15 *Read Responsively*

7 "Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God.

8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are always before me.

9 I will not accept a calf from your stalls, nor goats from your pens;

10 for all the wild animals of the forest are mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.

11 I know every bird of the mountains, and the creatures of the fields are mine.

12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.

13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?

14 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High.

15 Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

Paul presents Abraham as a living model of right relationships. For Abraham and for us, a right relationship with God involves trusting that God's promises will be fulfilled because God makes the dead alive and calls into existence what otherwise does not exist.

13 The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. 14 For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. 15 For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

16 For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, 17 as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

18 Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So shall your descendants be." 19 He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb. 20 No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, 21 being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.

22 Therefore "it was reckoned to him as righteousness." 23 Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone 24 but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, 25 who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please Stand if you are able

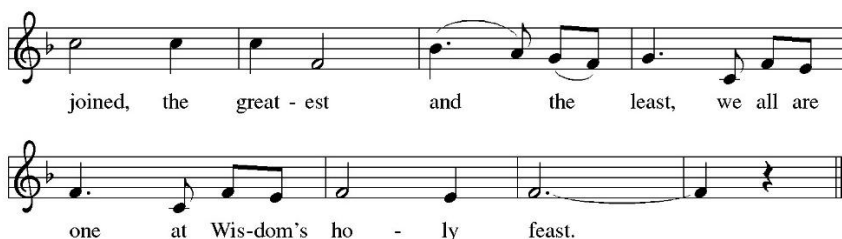
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

We Eat the Bread of Teaching

ELW 518

Refrain

We eat the bread of teach-ing, drink wine of wis-dom, are
giv-en here a taste of the king-dom. To-gether



GOSPEL: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the 9th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus demonstrates God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life.

9 As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. 10 And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. 11 When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" 12 But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 13 Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners."

18 While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." 19 And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. 20 Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, 21 for she was saying to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." 22 Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And the woman was made well from that moment. 23 When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, 24 he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. 25 But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. 26 And the report of this spread through all of that district.

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

Please Sit

MESSAGE

Frank W. Anderson

Please Stand if you are able

HYMN OF THE DAY

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

ELW 588

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

God of mercy, you call us to a life filled with acts of mercy. Ground us in following Christ, that we might extend the mercy we receive. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of creation, all you have made is yours (local landmarks and bodies of water may be named). Revive lands in need of healing and make us wise stewards of all you have given us to tend. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of the nations, you promise to deliver those who call on you. Bring an end to conflict, bigotry, and injustice in all their forms wherever they are found. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of comfort, you provide for those in need. Bring an end to addiction. Comfort people as they mourn. Provide tenderly for those in need *especially*.... God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of blessings, you send the Holy Spirit to provide varieties of gifts in the body of Christ. Accompany those who travel this summer, make our gatherings joyous, and grant us a spirit of hospitality and togetherness. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of life, we give you thanks for saints whose lives revealed your faithfulness. May remembering their faithfulness strengthen our own. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus 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 the convenience of **secure online giving** on our website through [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly). Please see the back page for more information about online giving. Offering plates are currently located at each door for your convenience. If you need an envelope, please ask an usher.*

SPECIAL MUSIC

When We Must Bear Persistent Pain

Duet

Isaac and Karen Shevenell

Please Stand

OFFERING SONG

Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring

ELW 691

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY -- Setting Ten ELW

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ 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.



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

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

Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

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.

LAMB OF GOD

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Please Stand

COMMUNION SONGS *Let Us Break Bread Together
*Eat This Bread***

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COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

BLESSING

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ✚ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news! **Thanks be to God.**

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**Denotes Choir Boys Favorite*

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Ushers: Bob & Rita Anderson

Lector: Rita Anderson

Sacristans: Carolyn Cook, Pam Metz

ALTAR FLOWERS given today to the glory of God, and in loving honor of the Saint Michael Church family to whom we are so grateful for helping us through shoulder surgery, by Kris & Sassy.

SAVVY SENIORS! Sign up for the 6 week Wednesday sessions today, June 10, 17, 24 & July 15, 22, 29--\$45 for the series including lunch! What fun. Check the flyers in the narthex for more information.

WINE & WHIMSY POSTPONED! Rescheduled date TBA.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MICHAEL 4:55 pm M/F Update Calls from Pastor Frank!

TODAY, Sunday, June 7 Pentecost 2

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion

Tuesday, June 9th

ELECTION DAY—POLLS OPEN 7a-7p

12:00 p.m.

AA Meeting (*Back to Basics Group*) Downstairs

Wednesday, June 10th

10:00 a.m. Savvy Seniors! Fellowship Hall

Thursday, June 11th

12:00 p.m. AA Meeting (*Back to Basics Group*) FH

Friday, June 12th

10:00 a.m. AA Meeting (*Mid Morning Group*) ChEd

Next Sunday, June 14th Pentecost 3

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

LORD, IN YOUR MERCY, HEAR OUR PRAYERS
FOR FRIENDS--#HOME, ^REHAB, *SENIOR LIVING AND/OR ILL

Ken & #Dot Black
**Don & Gwen Buff*
#Barbara DeVore
#Virgie Dreher
**Barbara Fowler*
#Terry Matlosz
**Alma Paulson*
Grady & #Melinda
Sharpe
**Tommae Sligh*

Donny Day
Marie Derrick
Lisa Gillespie
Douglas Gourley
Joy Gunter
David Heinrich
Vicky Huggins
Jill Lee
Patrick Lindler
Angie Matlosz

Gary McManus
Harry O'Quinn
Jane Potts
Phyllis Ruttonsha
Marlene Stirewalt
Ed Thomas
Bruce Whelchel
Dean Whitecotton

MILITARY MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES:



Tyler Alexander, USMC; *Sherri Spangler's grandson*
Samantha Davis, USA-Europe; *Gene & Diana Riley's niece*
Zachary Davis, USN-Deployed; *Carolyn Cook's grandson*
Grant Frick, SCNG-Deployed; *Linda Frick's grandson*
Liam Maloney, SCNG; *Mike & Karla Maloney's son*



SAINT MICHAEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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If you are a guest, welcome! Please ask an usher for a blue Connections Card and drop it in the offering plate so that we can get to know you better. As you leave today, be sure to introduce yourself to the pastor. If you would like to learn about membership or have other questions, please call the church office. We look forward to seeing you again soon!

Tithe.ly online giving available in the app store or www.stmichael1814.com/online-giving. One-time or recurring gifts can be scheduled, eliminating the need for carrying cash or check writing. The process is quick, secure, and funds are deposited immediately. Designations for memorials or special gifts are available. An instant receipt is sent via email or text for your tax records, too.

Restrooms are 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 with the worship service available via Facebook Live.

Large Print and Kids Celebrate bulletins available from an usher

The People of Saint Michael, Ministers

The Reverend Frank W. Anderson, Pastor

Karen Shevenell, Cantor

Kris Esgar, Parish Administrator

WiFi: StMichaels_Guest PW: Sunday!!

