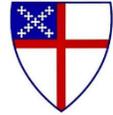


# SAINT MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

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*The People of St. Michael*

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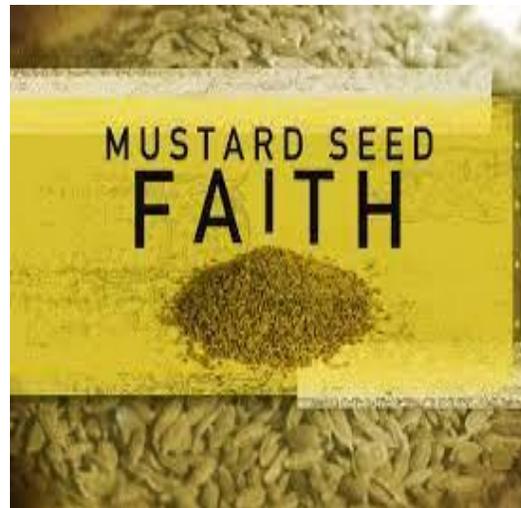
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## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 2, 2022

10:00 a.m.



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## HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE TWO

### INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

Debralee LaSeur-Helfand

### OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, giver of every good gift, we pray that you would look graciously upon the Diocese of Florida, and so guide the minds and hearts of the Nominating Committee as they prayerfully select candidates for the election of the next bishop of this diocese, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries: Guide also the minds and hearts of the candidates who will come before the Nominating Committee, that this process will be a time of discernment and growth in their lives and ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Processional Hymn

**L108, 'Tis So Sweet to Trust Jesus**

Kirkpatrick

### **THE WORD OF GOD**

Opening Acclamation

**BCP Pg.355**

Gloria

L243, Glory, Glory

**356**

Collect of the Day

Insert

THE LESSONS

Lamentations 1:1-6

Psalm 137

*Congregation remains seated*

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Gradual Hymn

**L208, v1, We've Come This Far By Faith**

Goodson

The Holy Gospel

The Reverend Hugh Chapman

Sequence Hymn

**L208, v2, We've Come This Far By Faith**

Goodson

The Sermon

The Rev. Hugh Chapman

The Nicene Creed

BCP Pg. **358**

The Prayers of the People Form III

BCP Pg. **387**

Confession of Sin and Absolution

BCP Pg. **360**

THE PEACE

**A498, Let There Be Peace On Earth**

Miller

*Congregation remains seated*

Offertory

Doxology & Procession    A650, Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow    Duke Street

*Presentation of the Offering – prayer to be said*

**Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit, a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Presentation Hymn

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**BCP Pg. 361**

Sanctus

The Lord's Prayer

**BCP Pg. 364**

The Breaking of the Bread

**BCP Pg. 364**

Agnus Dei

The Invitation

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

Communion Hymn

**L138, Lord, I Want to Be a Christian**

Spiritual

Meditation Hymn

Post Communion Prayer

**BCP Pg. 365**

Benediction

Announcements

Recessional Hymn

**L194, Lead Me, Guide Me**

Akers

Instrumental Postlude

Dismissal

**A=African American Hymnal (ivory)**

**L=Lift Every Voice & Sing Hymnal (black, green, red)**

## WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL

*We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you are without a church home, we invite you to join our church family. Please sign the guest register, **include your home address, phone number and, if you would like to receive the monthly newsletter, news of special events and other happenings, please also add your e-mail address.***

***OUR VISION** is to be a cornerstone for serving the spiritual needs of the greater Tallahassee community, extending an eternal invitation to join our caring parish and to enrich the spiritual life of all people as we journey with Christ.*

***OUR MISSION** is to experience the Gospel of Jesus Christ by feeding the mind, body and spirit of our community in fellowship and service.*



**HOLY COMMUNION:** All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive the real and living presence of Christ in Holy Communion. To receive the Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please guide the chalice as it is offered. If you prefer, you may leave the Bread on your palm for the person administering the chalice to dip into the Wine and place on your tongue. All persons are welcome to give thanks for God's blessings at the altar rail, simply crossing your arms at the wrist with fingertips extending upward towards your shoulders.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY!** 

Delois Abraham (10/2), Pamela Greene (10/5)

### **Birthday Prayer**

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace, which passeth understanding, abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **Serving today, Sunday October 2**

**Acolytes:** Omar Mongerie, Sierra Mongerie

**Crucifer:** James Fort

**Vestry:** Dr. Shaun Laurie

**LEM:** Laureatte Scott

**Lectors:** Dr. Rose Campbell Wesley,  
Omar Mongerie, Leslie Warren

**Organist:** Debralee LaSeur-Helfand

**October Altar Guild:**

**Elizabeth Humes**

Delores Grayson

Natalie Payne

Sharal Jigger

Shonna Laurie

Delois Brown

Anna White

Lauren Sapp

Kate Wasson

**140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

We did have a glorious celebration last Sunday as we gave thanks to God for 140 years of work and witness as an African American Congregation. Maya King, our featured speaker, helped us reminisce, sharing her own personal story and that of her mom, Leslie. In the afternoon, we were treated to a jazz extravaganza that featured Longineu Parson II and FAMU students. Unfortunately on account of Hurricane Ian we were forced to adjust the program and instead viewed Lenita Williams Wesson via zoom from Atlanta. Her address was simply inspiring, and we must invite her to join us sometime in the future. On account of the storm, Bishop Howard will not be joining us on Sunday and so the planned confirmation exercises will take place on another date. All in all, we can feel proud of the way the celebrations unfolded and we owe a great debt of gratitude to Alexis McMillan and her team for carefully planning and executing a program that befitted this celebration.

**Back Home**

Fr. Laughton Thomas returned home on Thursday after a stint in Rehab. We continue to ask your prayers for him and also his dear wife Sharon who has also been unwell.

**The Bishop's Visit**

As indicated previously, Bishop Howard has been forced to cancel his visit to us, on account of Hurricane Ian that made an unwelcomed visit to our state. At this time we ask that you keep in prayer all whose lives have been devastated by this deadly storm. The Bishop will let us know when he will be available again.

**Election Update/Bishop Coadjutor**

As previously indicated, the petition process is now open to candidates who wish to offer themselves for consideration by the Standing Committee. Some twenty (20) persons (all in good standing) could nominate a candidate to stand for election. The candidate(s) will have to be interviewed by the Nominating Committee and recommended to Standing Committee, who if they so desire, will place their name(s) on the slate of electors. This petition process closes on Monday October 3, 2022., Bishop Howard has asked that we remain prayerful as we move towards the election planned for Saturday November 19<sup>th</sup> at Camp Weed.

## **PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PEACE AND HEALING**

### **For those at Home:**

Fr. Laughton Thomas, Rosalyn Greene, Ella Woodbury, James Manning, Toni Jarmon, Rev. Leslie R. White, Rev. Ralph Griffith, Leonel Jones, Charles Walton, Joan Jackson Taylor, Christine Seymour, Mary Ann Nottage, Kove Lawson, Cynthia Holland, Genevie Vaughn, Harriet Bowen, Livy Hitchcock, Sheila Gonzales, Sam & Sharal Jugger, Allan Johnson, and Fr. Terrance Rosheuvel.

### **For those in the care of the Doctor:**

Andre Simon, Dourest & Joann Robinson, Leslie Baker, John Melville, Lauren Sapp, Dr. Derek Spencer, Marva Davis, Delores Brown, Hattie Olivia Scott, Alexis Shermise Brown, Jasmine Hartin, Shevette Newkirk, Rudolph & Melva Griffith, Delois Abraham, Stella Harris, Pamela Harris Williams, Klcey Scott, Erica Scott, Renrick & Veronica Alleyne, Jeffery Adams, Mayleen Rosheuvel, Ena Mason, Darlene Sheppard, Merrick Winston Edwards, Devonia Sears, Landon Dyre, Brittany Lee, Herma Watson Taylor, Barbara Gruden, Carolyn Allen, Camilla Stapleton, Carl Maxwell, Ann Dupree, Al Lawson Jr. Bill Bush, Nohemy Reid, Luann Hickman, Fred Hickman, Harold Dickey, Sterling Rinks, Scott Allen, Leslie Warren, Cardlous Walters, Ashley Griffith, Oscar Felker, David Wiley, Julie Embleton, Fritz Roy, Geraldine Smith Baker, Mark Thomas, Daniella Greenway Thomas and Terrence Harris.

### **For those on the front lines in the fight against the Coronavirus Pandemic:**

Especially all doctors, nurses, scientists, and our own, Dr. Shaun Laurie, Dr. Nwamaka Onyeozili, Dr. Ross Howard McMillan, Dr. Ciara Grayson, Dr. Alaine Sharpe, Zuri A. White and Cheston Williams.

### **For those in the Military:**

Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Brianne Edwards, Vashti Thompson, Thandi Williams and Douglas Sampson.

## FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

### Saving the City

There is that Old Testament story that speaks of the Lord wanting to destroy the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, because their sinful and abhorrent behavior greatly offended him. According to the Genesis writer, the same three men who visited with Abraham to share the good news of Sarah becoming a mother after decades of infertility, were sent on a fact-finding mission, to determine whether those cities merited destruction or not. After they left his company, Abraham decided to engage the Lord in a conversation, enquiring carefully whether He would still destroy Sodom if fifty good men were found there. To which the Lord responded, he would offer a pardon instead. Abraham then proceeded on what amounted to a game of chicken with the Lord, offering the necessary apologies for his presumption. This is what he did – he said to the Lord what if there is only forty-five, what if there is only thirty, what if there is only twenty and then finally ten! As he negotiated his way to the final figure, Abraham apologized profusely at every turn. We know how that story ended, for apparently not even the ten could be found – wickedness, unimaginable forms of vile behavior pervaded Sodom, and fire and brimstone rained down upon the inhabitants, with only Noah and his family (minus his wife) safely fleeing the city.

As I reflected on what occurred here in Florida with the unwelcomed visit of Hurricane Ian and the widespread destruction it unleashed on cities south of us, the Sodom story came to mind. Many of us feared that Tallahassee could have experienced a direct hit resulting in catastrophic damage to life and limb. But no, our city was spared the devastation that was brought to bear elsewhere. The theologian in me was left wondering whether, the Lord found ten righteous among us, for He really has no favorites. I suppose the more important issue for us believers is – how do we show our gratefulness to this God who chose to save our city? Do we think that we just got lucky, or we are highly favored, and why would we think that?

My family survived two major hurricanes when we served in the Bahamas, and the mere mention of the word "Hurricane" brings back haunting memories of what these monster storms are capable of – widespread destruction of everything in their path! So on this seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, and as the readings challenge us to live lives of faith, may we do so fully realizing and recognizing, that the Lord protects His own always and we should each day live, lives of sincere gratitude for God's love, mercy and grace.

Fr. Hugh+

## SPECIAL PRAYERS

### Prayer for the Hurricane Season

Almighty and everlasting God, Lord of Heaven and Earth: Grant unto us thy suppliant people, protection against hurricanes, earthquakes, and other calamities; that in tranquility of weather we may rejoice in the comfort we desire and may always make right use of thy bountiful goodness through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### Capital Campaign Prayer

Most gracious Lord Jesus Christ and generous source of all abundance, in gratitude we invite you to expand our hearts as we seek to increase and improve this place of worship, peace, healing, forgiveness, outreach, service and fellowship. May all who enter here be restored and strengthened on their journey of faith. Guide us Heavenly Father, that we may make manifest your vision of a beloved and enlightened church and community, and be a shining example of the living presence of the Holy Spirit. May we and our Capital Campaign be a channel of God's abundant grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. *Amen.*

### Collect for the Coronavirus Pandemic

**Almighty God, Heavenly Healer, we bring to you all who are affected by our present pandemic; for the infirm and infected, the anxious and afraid. By your power defend us and heal us. Let us see one another not as vectors of infection, but as opportunities for love and service, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.***

### Suggested daily Readings for the Season after Pentecost: Oct. 3 – Oct. 8

Mon.	Hosea 14:1-9	Psalm 106:1-18	Luke 6:39-49
Tue.	Micah 1:1-9	Psalm 120, 121	Luke 7:1-17
Wed.	Micah 2:1-13	Psalm 119:145-176	Luke 7:18-35
Thurs.	Micah 3:1-8	Psalm 131, 132	Luke 7:36-50
Fri.	Micah 3:9 – 4:5	Psalm 140, 142	Luke 8:1-15
Sat.	Micah 5:1-4, 10-15	Psalm 137:1-6(7-9)	Luke 8:16-25