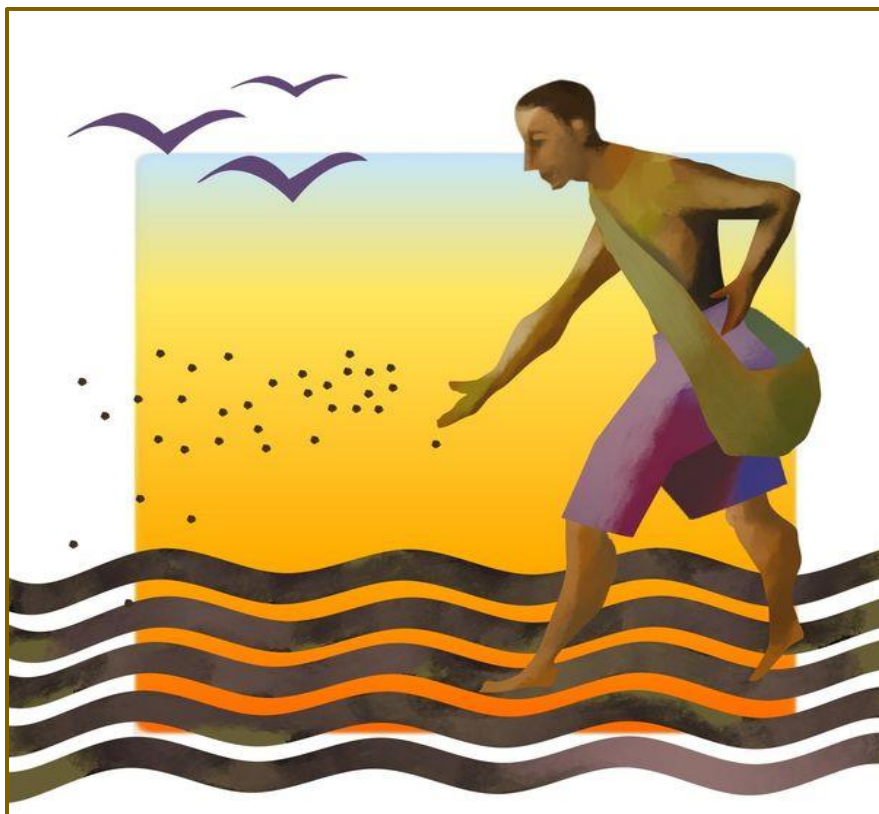


St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church



Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 16, 2023, 10:00 a.m.



The Parable of the Sower

HOLY EUCHARIST – RITE TWO

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

Mrs. Ivana Kenny Carmola

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, you proclaim your truth in every age by many voices: Direct, in our time, we pray, those who speak where many listen and write what many read; that they may do their part in making the heart of this people wise, its mind sound, and its will righteous; to the honor of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

A147, All Creatures of our God and King

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THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

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THE LESSONS [*Congregation is seated*]

Genesis 25:19-34

Psalm 119:105-112

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Romans 8:1-11

GRADUAL HYMN

A157, v 1-2, To God Be the Glory

BE THE GLORY

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

The Reverend Hugh Chapman

SEQUENCE HYMN

A157, v 3, To God Be the Glory

BE THE GLORY

THE SERMON

The Reverend Hugh Chapman

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THE PEACE	The Peace of the Earth	Guatemalan melody
<p>The peace of the earth be with you, The peace of the heavens too; The peace of the rivers be with you, The peace of the oceans too: Deep.....peace...falling over you. God's....peace....growing in you.</p>		

DOXOLOGY & PROCESSION	Praise God whose breath fills all the earth	Old 100 th
<p>Praise God whose breath fills all the earth; whose love reveals our sacred worth; whose Spirit forms one family; whose grace brings peace and harmony. Amen.</p>		

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	A380, Trust and Obey	TRUST AND OBEY
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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Congregation will sing the Lord’s Prayer

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

ANGUS DEI

THE INVITATION

HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN	A508, Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine	ASSURANCE
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MEDITATION HYMN	A429, Yield Not To Temptation	YIELD NOT
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BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECESSIONAL HYMN	A385, The Solid Rock	SOLID ROCK
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DISMISSAL

A=African American Hymnal (Ivory)

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PEACE AND HEALING

For those at Home

Fr. Loughton Thomas, Rosalyn Greene, Ella Woodbury, James Manning, Toni Jarmon, Rev. Leslie and Renee 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, and Fr. Terrance Rosheuvel.

For those in the care of the Doctor

Dourest & Joann Robinson, 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, Devonia Sears, Landon Dyre, Brittany Lee, Herma Watson Taylor, Barbara Gruden, Carolyn Allen, Carl Maxwell, Ann Dupree, Bill Bush, Nohemy Reid, Luann Hickman, Harold Dickey, Sterling Rinks, Scott Allen, Ashley Griffith, Oscar Felker, Fritz Roy, Mark Thomas, Daniella Greenway Thomas, Terrence Harris, Barbara Stovell, Lynn Kimmel, Will Baker, David Thomas Wiley, Barbara Lynn, Lee Scott, Leslie Warren, Spencer Stapleton, Ellie Potter, Randy Frazier, Lennie Helfand and Fabienne Bailey Brown.

For those who care for the sick

Especially all doctors, nurses, scientists, and our own, Dr. Shaun Laurie, Dr. Nwamaka Onyeozili, Dr. Ross Howard McMillan, Dr. Ciara Robinson, Dr. Alaine Sharpe, Dr. Edwin Thorpe, 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.

SPECIAL OCCASION PRAYER

Anniversary Prayer

God our Father, who made men and women to live together in families: we pray that marriage may be held in honor; that couples may live together faithfully, according to their vows; and that members of every family may grow in mutual love and understanding, in courtesy and kindness, so that they may bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ; for His name's sake. *Amen.*

SPECIAL PRAYERS

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.**

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.**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY!

Linzie & Yolanda Bogan (7/20), Ronald & Herma Taylor (7/22).

Serving today, Sunday, July 16

Crucifer: Mr. Charlie Clark

Gospel Book Bearer/MC: Mrs. Alexis McMillan

Vestry: Ms. Kimberly Douglas

Altar Guild: Mrs. Dawn Freeman

Organist: Mrs. Ivana Kenny Carmola

LEM: Mr. James Fort

Lectors: Mr. Byron Greene

Dr. Edith Onyeozili

Mrs. Laureatte Scott

Suggested daily Readings for the Season of Pentecost: July 17 – July 22

Mon. Joshua 2:1-14

Psalm 25

Matt. 25:1-13

Tue. Joshua 2:15-24

Psalm 26, 28

Matt. 25:14-30

Wed. Joshua 3:1-13

Psalm 38

Matt. 25:31-46

Thurs. Joshua 3:14-4:7

Psalm 37:1-18

Matt. 26:1-16

Fri. Joshua 4:19-5:1,10-15

Psalm 31

Matt. 26:17-25

Sat. Joshua 6:1-14

Psalm 30, 32

Matt. 26:26-35

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mourning Rodney Roberts

We were informed that a funeral service was held last Saturday July 8, 2023, for our brother in the Lord James Rodney Roberts at Saint Mary's Wesleyan Methodist Church in Miami, Florida. Rodney will be interred at the North Florida Cemetery in Lake Worth, Fl . on Tuesday July 18th at 11:00 a.m. Please continue to keep Marie and the rest of the Roberts' family (especially his wife Carol) in your prayers. May Rodney rest in peace and rise in glory.

Bible Class in Recess

Our Bible Class is on summer break beginning next week. We thank all those who did participate and Monique Alleyne for making her platform available so we could zoom our sessions.

Celebrating Monique, Birthdays and Anniversaries

On Sunday, July 23rd, SMAA will say farewell to Monique Alleyne after several years of service to our congregation. The vestry is asking that each parishioner, if able, make a contribution to offset the cost of the event we hope to host that Sunday. We will also take the time to join in celebration with those observing birthdays and anniversaries in July.

Church Pictorial Directory

Parish family, we have an opportunity to bring parishioners back together through a custom church pictorial directory. For this to be a success, all members need to be involved. Please respond to this email with a **YES** if you would like St. Michael to go forward with this directory program.

Yoga Classes

Two classes are scheduled for the month of July—Sunday July 16th in the Fellowship Hall (3:00- 4:00 pm) and Sunday July 30th (3:00 – 4:00 pm) For the class on the 16th, participants are asked to bring along their own mats. For the class on the 30th, chairs will be used. Do not miss out on this golden opportunity.

Pray for Delores Lawson

Do keep Dolores Lawson in prayer as she recovers from a recent illness. We wish her a speedy recovery.

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

The Christian and Politics

The challenge facing every genuine, altruistic, self-conscious, and God-fearing disciple of Christ is how to balance the dialectic between obedience to God and obedience to the State. Are each mutually exclusive, or is the Christian to be both or a devoted disciple of their faith and a political pundit in the fight for social justice and equality for all. Here in America we have an opportunity and responsibility as citizens to participate in our government since Christians are called by God to be salt to the earth and light to the world (Matt. 5.13-16). Now, though it is without question that Christians have an opportunity as citizens to participate in the affairs of government, is it also true that Christians are called by Scripture to proactively participate in government? Our government here in America gives citizens the freedom to participate in governmental affairs if one chooses to, while at the same time God does mandate the believer to participate in the political process. However, I do struggle with the notion of how does a born-again believer live out in her/his daily living the teachings of Matt. 5.13-16, where you must be the salt of the earth and light of the world, do good deeds, and shine before humanity without plowing and particularizing your political muscle?

I know historically, America has been a nation long on praise, but short on performance. The American promise engrained in the Declaration of Independence is probably the most humane ever reduced to language: *"We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness."* Now, the promise stored within those words is theologically correct and anthropologically sound. The democratic ethos, representing the ideal with respect to the historic social experiment is rooted in religious realism and grounded in the Christian doctrine of man. Reinhold Niebuhr's famous epigram states it well: *"Man's capacity for justice makes democracy possible, but man's inclination to injustice makes democracy necessary."*

Today, we Americans must be honest with ourselves that the democratic ideal has yet to become a reality in the lives of ALL her citizens (Blacks, Hispanics, Gays, Lesbians, Transgender, and Native Americans). Irrespective of constitutional guarantees, congressional acts, presidential pronouncements, and denominational proclamations, America still must be viewed through the lenses of microscopic realism rather than the lenses of telescopic idealism.

Anonymous writer.

To be continued

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 our newsletter, news of special events and other happenings, please add your email address also.*

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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.