St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church



Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 1, 2023, 10:00 a.m. **141st Anniversary Celebration**



SOLEMN HIGH MASS The Rev. Hugh Chapman, Celebrant HOLY EUCHARIST – RITE TWO

INSTRUMENTAL P	RELUDE
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Chatter With the Angels (Choir) Spiritual

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN	H454, v 1-3 Jesus Came Adored by Angels	Lowry
1. Jesus came, adored by ang	gels, 2 . Jesus comes again in mercy,	
came with peace from realm	s on high, when our hearts are bowed with care;	
Jesus came for our redempti	on, Jesus comes again in answer	
lowly came on earth to die;	Alleluia, to our earnest heart-felt prayer: Alleluia	
Alleluia! came in deep humil	ity. Alleluia! Comes to save us from despair.	

3. Jesus comes to hearts rejoicing, bringing news of sins forgiven; Jesus comes in sounds of gladness, leading souls redeemed to heaven; Alleluia, alleluia! Now the gate of death is riven.

THE WORD OF GOD

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals: Mercifully grant that, as your holy angels always serve and worship you in heaven, so by your appointment they may help and defend us here on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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GLORIA (sung)

L243, Glory, Glory

Haywood

Refrain: Glory, Glory, hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name, Glory, Glory, hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name.

1.Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. 2. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. 3. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God. **[Refrain]** 4. You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; 5. You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. 6. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, 7. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.**[Refrain]** *Amen*.

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

THE LESSONS

The people sit

A Reading from the Book of Genesis (28:10-17)

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, 'I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.

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Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!' And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103:19-22 (sung)

19. The LORD has set his throne in heaven,* and his kingship has dominion over all.

20. Bless the LORD, you angels of his, you mighty ones who do his bidding,* and hearken to the voice of his word.

21. Bless the LORD, all you his hosts,* you ministers of his who do his will

Anglican Chant

22. Bless the LORD, all you works of his, in all places of his dominion;* bless the Lord, O my soul.

A Reading from the Book of Revelation (12:7-12)

And war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. 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. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, 'Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!'

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

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GRADUAL HYMN: H284, v 1-2, O ye Immortal throng

Croft's 136th

1. O ye immortal throng of angels round the throne, join with our earth-bound song to make the Savior known. On earth ye knew his wondrous grace, his beauteous face in heaven ye view.

2. Ye saw the heaven-born child in human flesh arrayed, so innocent and mild while in the manger laid. "Glory to God and peace on earth." For such a birth ye sang aloud.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (1:47-51)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SEQUENCE HYMN

H284, v 3, O ye Immoral throng

Croft's 136th

3. Ye in the wilderness beheld the Tempter spoiled, unmasked in every dress, in every combat foiled. With great delight ye crowned his head when Satan fled the Savior's might.

SPECIAL SELECTION

Mrs. Luvenia Exson The Rev. James Vaughn

Sermon

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM 1

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For *Michael* our Presiding Bishop, *John* our Bishop, *Hugh* our Rector, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, *Joseph, Kamala* our Vice President, *Ron* our Governor, *John* our Mayor, and *Rocky* our District Superintendent of Schools, for the leaders of the nations and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For this city, *Tallahassee*, and for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially those on our sick and homebound list as well as those who are in need of prayers and healing:

For those at Home:

Fr. Laughton Thomas, Rosalyn Greene, Ella Woodbury, James Manning, Toni Jarmon, Rev. Leslie & Rene. White, Rev. Ralph Griffith, Leonel Jones, Charles Walton, Joan Jackson Taylor, Christine Seymour, Mary Ann Nottage, Kove Lawson, Cynthia Holland, 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, Delores Brown, Hattie Olivia Scott, Alexis Shermise Brown, Jasmine Hartin, Shevette Newkirk, Rudolph & Melva Griffith, Delois Abraham, Stella Harris, Pamelia 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, 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 Grayson, 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, and Douglas Sampson, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those celebrating a birthday this week especially: Delois Abraham and Pamela Greene.

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.

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For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of *St. Michael* and with all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and people

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

THE PEACE All stand. The Celebrant then says to the people People And also with you.

ТНЕ НУМИ

I Got Peace Like a River

1. I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul;

2. I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like fountain in my soul.

OFFERTORY

Yes, God Is Real

Morris

Spiritual

(Choir)

DoxoLogyL56 Praise God from Whom All Blessings FlowHattonPraise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him, all creatures here below. Paise Him above, yeheavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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 L55, In God We Trust Anonymous 1. In God we trust, with all our heart and soul. In God we trust to reach our righteous goal. Enshrined

1. In God we trust, with all our heart and soul, In God we trust to reach our righteous goal, Enshrined in Thee forever may we be, Come what may, Keep faith and pray, in God we trust in God we trust in.

2. In God we trust, wherever we may roam, In God we trust to bless our land and home, Through all our days we'll always sing His praise, Come what may, Our hearts will pray, in God we trust, in God we trust.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A	
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

Celebrant and People

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel

Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you

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in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER The Lord's Prayer Malotte Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. 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*.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM	Christ our Passover	McLin
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.		
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.	Therefore let us keep the feast. (x3)	

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by Faith, with thanksgiving.

Соммилюл Нумл 1 H324, Let all mortal flesh keep silence McLin

1. Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.

2. King of kings, yet. born of Mary, As of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords in human vesture, In the Body and the Blood he will give to all the faithful his own self for heavenly food.

3. Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way, as the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day, that the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears a way,

4. At his feet the six winged seraph; cherubim with sleepless eye, veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry, "Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

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COMMUNION HYMN 2

L199, I Don't Feel No Ways Tired

Burrell

1. I don't feel no ways tired, I come too far from where I started from; Nobody told me that the road would be easy, I don't believe. He brought me this far to leave me

MEDITATION HYMN	L174, Let the Heav'n Light Shine on Me	Carter
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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. to him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen*.

THE BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

H618, Ye Watchers & Ye Holy Ones.

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim , and thrones, raise the glad strain, Alleluia! Cry out, dominions, princedoms, powers, virtues, archangels, angels" choirs, Alleluia, alle

2. O higher than the cherubim, more glorious than the seraphim, lead their , Alleluia! Thou bearer of the eternal Word, most gracious, magnify the Lord, Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest, ye patriarchs and prophets blest, Alleluia, alleluia! Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong, all saints triumphant raise the song, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4. O friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing, alleluia, Alleluia! To God the Father, God the Son, God the Spirit, Three in One, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Our worship has ended.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for celebrating the 141ST Anniversary of Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church. This truly is a time to thank God for the ministry that has been shared here for the past 141 years. The entire world has changed dramatically over the past few years. Our families have been affected by death, illness, financial setbacks, fear, and mistrust. These obstacles have been set before us but we, as a family in Christ, through faith and God's Blessings will overcome. I pray that this anniversary will be a starting point for all of us to rededicate ourselves to the service of this church and our community. Please pray that we continue to be a beacon in this community for those seeking God and fellowship. Saint Michael's has a bright future, and we all have the opportunity to contribute.

Thank you to all that contributed to our 141ST Anniversary. I am grateful. Thank you to all that celebrated here today. May God Continue to Bless you and your families.

Dr. Shaun Laurie

Anniversary Committee Chair Senior Warden 141st Anniversary Committee Members The Rev. Hugh Chapman Mr. J. Byron Green Mrs. Debralee LaSeur Dr. Shaun Laurie Mrs. Alexis McMillian

Caterer Mr. Thad Fortune

A Big Thank You

We are truly grateful to Senior Warden, Shaun Laurie, Byron Greene, and Alexis McMillan for making all the necessary arrangements for our celebration today. Also to Fr. Lonnie of St. John's for "loaning" us a portion of his choir, thereby enhancing the worship experience today. Also to Chris White and DL for arranging the entertainment to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

Welcome to our Visitors

We are truly blessed to have those who are visiting with us today. Thank you for coming and helping us record this 141st anniversary. We are also grateful to all who sent in their special offering in response to the appeal issued by the Organizing Committee., May our good and gracious Lord bless you and your loved ones always

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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*.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY!

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

Suggested daily Readings for the Season of Pentecost: Oct. 2 to Oct. 7.

Mon.	Hosea 2:14-23	Psalm 89:1-18	Luke 5:1-11
Tue.	Hosea 4:1-10	Psalm 97, 99, {100}	Luke 5:12-26
Wed.	Hosea 4:11-19	Psalm 101, 109:1-4	Luke 5:27-39
Thurs.	Hosea 5:8–6:6	Psalm 105:1-22	Luke 6:1-11
Fri.	Hosea 10:1-5	Psalm `102	Luke 6:12-26
Sat.	Hosea 11:1-9	Psalm 107:33-43	Luke 6:27-38

Serving Today Sunday October 1.

LEMS: Mrs. Alexis McMillan	Lectors: Dr. Delores Lawson
Mrs. Laureatte Scott	Mr. Robert Brown
Gospel Book Bearer: Mrs. Alexis McMillan	Dr. Marcy Muldrow Sanders
MC: Mr. Porteh Sayon	Vestry: Ms. Margaret Edwards
Verger: Mr. Prokop Hruda	Organist: Mrs. Debralee LaSeur
Crucifer: Mr. J. Byron Greene	Altar Guild: Dr. Delores Lawson
Acolytes: Mr. James Fort	
Mr. Joseph Sams	

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MEET OUR SPEAKER

James Caesar Vaughn, Jr., is a native of Tallahassee, Florida, where he was born on 22 April 1959 at the Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University Hospital, which is now the Foote-Hilyer Administration Building. He is the son of the James C. Sr. and the late Genevie C. Vaughn. James accepted Christ Jesus as his personal Savior and LORD and baptized (in "Dog Lake") at the St. Mary Primitive Baptist Church on 5 July 1973 under the pastorate of the late Elder R. N. Gooden.

James was educated in the public schools of Leon County, where he graduated with the class of 1973 from James S. Rickards High School "Redskins". He continued his formal education by matriculating at Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia, where he received his BA degree in Political Science with the class of 1981. While at Morehouse he was selected by Dean Lawrence Edward Carter, Sr. to serve in the inaugural group of chapel assistants for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. International Memorial Chapel. He was also actively involved in the youth chapter of the Atlanta University Center Southern Christian Leadership Conference. He won the public speaking award as an extemporaneous speaker his senior year. Years later, he was inducted into the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Board of Preachers on 1 April 2004 as he served as the pastor of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Stockbridge, Georgia.

He continued his graduate school studies at Emory University's Candler School of Theology, where he graduated in May 1995 with a Master of Divinity degree in World Christianity and the 8th century prophets of the Old Testament (Jonah). He is currently pursuing his doctorate degree at the Clamp Divinity School of Anderson University in Anderson, South Carolina. His degree concentration is the area of 21st Century Ministry. During his seminary studies, James was very involved with the World Methodist Evangelism Institute, where he did several years of missionary work in Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, Rwanda, Siberia, and Estonia.

James is an avid golfer, bike rider, and Sudoku puzzle player. He has pastored churches in both Florida and Georgia. He was confirmed by Bishop Frank Cerveny on 20th. October 1984 as a member of St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church under the leadership of the late Fr. Vernon Douglas. James says, "I am honored and humbled to be called a friend of St. Michael's current rector, Fr. Hugh Chapman." He currently serves as an associate minister of the Elizabeth Popular Spring Primitive Baptist Church under the pastorate of Elder Connell Leonard.

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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.