Order of Worship

Prelude: “Come, Holy Spirit” D. Bustehude

Procession Silent procession at 8 AM, accompanied by Hymn at 10 AM

Awake, my soul (Stroil) Hymn 546

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

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

Glory to God Spoken at 8 AM BCP pg 356

Sung at 10 AM Glory to God in the highest (Powell) Hymn S 280

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Lesson

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; shall you have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit him who has defiled his name. Remember the sabbath day, keep it holy. For six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work in it, you, your son, your daughter, your manservant, your maidservant, your cattle, and the alien who is within your gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them, but on the seventh day he rested from all his work. And he blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it the Lord rested from all the work he had done. The First Lesson

The Second Lesson

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; and as to the righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith, that I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and striving forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm The Psalm is spoken at 8 AM and 10 AM

1 The heavens declare the glory of God, * and the firmament shows his handwriting.
2 One day tells its tale to another, * and one night imparts knowledge to another.
3 Although they have no words or language, * and their voices are not heard, * and their message to the ends of the world.
4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, * and their message to the ends of the world.
5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; * it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; * nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; * the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; * the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.
9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; * the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, * sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
11 By them also is your servant enlightened, * and in keeping them there is great reward.
12 Who can tell how often he offends? * cleanse me from my secret faults.
13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; * then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, * O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

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Sequence Silent at 8 AM and sung at 10 AM

On Christ the Solid Rock Insert

Consecration Preparation of the Table

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

The Gospel of the Lord

Matthew 21:33-46

Jesus said, “Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.” Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures: ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes’? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.” When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet. Amen.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord. The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

We greet one another, passing the peace of God.

Consecration The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

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Service Bulletin
Sunday, 8 October 2017
Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome!
St. Michael's is a faith community in the Christian tradition that welcomes everyone to share in our worship and ministry. There are no strangers only friends we have yet to meet. As you share in our worship, we can help you to feel more at home. We use the Book of Common Prayer as the text for our prayers. Our music is from the hymnals found in the pews and occasionally printed in our bulletins. The worship bulletins are guides to our service and include the Scriptures used today. Please take one home for your reflection this week.

There is a nursery for very young children and a children's chapel for preschool through middle grades. Children are also welcome to remain in Church with their families. A quiet activity bag can be found in the rear of the Church.

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Announcements
Welcome: We welcome Arthur Roach as our guest Organist today.

Outreach Envelope: Our Yellow Envelope collection for today goes to the Bukalasi Church Floor.

Outreach Basket: For October we are collecting cereals for the Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC).

Today is Maria's Birthday and You Are Invited to the Party: Maria Abbott is celebrating her 90th birthday today. All are invited to join her from 4 to 7 PM in the Community Room on the first floor of 1050 North Stuart Street in Arlington. Children are welcomed. No gifts, just your presence to cheer and to guide us. If you can make it please send Clydette Powell a quick e-mail at clydettewspoll@hotmail.com.

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