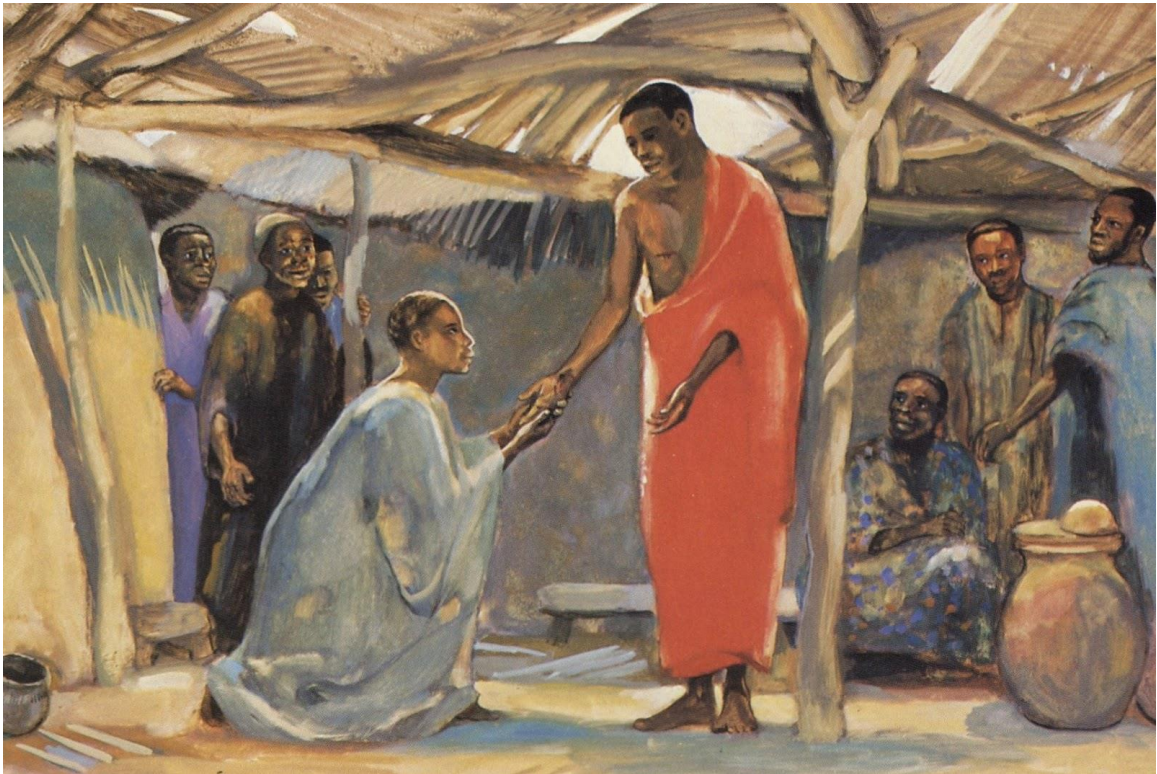


St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church



Second Sunday after Easter
April 27, 2025, 10:00 a.m.



HOLY EUCHARIST—RITE TWO (LOW SUNDAY)

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

Mrs. DebraLee LaSeur

OPENING PRAYER

O God, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven: Be ever present with your servants who seek through art and music to perfect the praises offered by your people on earth; and grant to them even now glimpses of your beauty, and make them worthy at length to behold it unveiled for evermore, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

A277, The Strife Is O're

VICTORY

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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GLORIA

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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THE LESSONS

Congression is seated

Acts 5:27-32

Psalm 118:14-29

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Revelation 1:4-8

GRADUAL HYMN

A412, v1, We've come this far by faith

Goodson

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

The Reverend Hugh Chapman

SEQUENCE HYMN

A412, v2, We've come this far by faith

Goodson

SERMON

Prof. Darryl Tookes

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CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

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THE PEACE

Down by the Riverside

Spiritual

Please be seated for the Presentation Ceremony for Dr. Julian White—Mr. Al Lawson, Jr.

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| OFFERTORY | I Want Jesus to Walk With Me | Spiritual |
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DOXOLOGY & PROCESSION **A650, Praise God from whom all blessings flow** HATTON

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 | A571, Precious Memories | PRECIOUS MEMORIES |
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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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THE LORD'S PRAYER 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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THE INVITATION

THE HOLY COMMUNION

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| COMMUNION HYMN | A680, Taste & See | Moore |
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| MEDITATION HYMN | A134, God Is | Fryson |
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BENEDICTION

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| RECESSIONAL HYMN | A161, Old Time Religion | OLD TIME RELIGION |
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DISMISSAL

A=African American Heritage Hymnal (ivory)

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PEACE, HEALING AND PROTECTION

For those at Home

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, Kove Lawson, Cynthia Holland, Harriet Bowen, Livy Hitchcock, Sheila Gonzales, Kurt Blyden, Ashley Rodgers, Sandra Todman-Hart, Teresa Thomas, Elroy Todman, Christopher Marrow, Sean Gray and Debra Wynn.

For those in the care of the Doctor

Dourest & Joann Robinson, John Melville, Lauren Sapp, Delores Brown, Hattie Olivia Scott, Alexes Shermise Brown, Jasmine Hartin, Rudolph & Melva Griffith, Delois Abraham, Stella Harris, Pamela Harris Williams, Klcey Scott, Erica Scott, Renrick & Veronica Alleyne, Jeffery Adams, Ena Mason, Darlene Sheppard, Devonia Sears, Landon Dyre, Brittany Lee, Herma Watson Taylor, Barbara Gruden, Carolyn Allen, Ann Dupree, Scott Allen, Ashley Griffith, Lee Scott, Leslie Warren, Will Baker, Ellie Potter, Lennie Helfand, Victor Laurie, Martha Laurie, Pamela Richards, Al Washington, Jesse Stewart, Catherine Davis, Zachery Smith, Julia Joyner, and Anne Powell.

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, Dr. Zollie White III , Zuri A. White, and Cheston Williams.

For those in the Military

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

SPECIAL PRAYERS

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.*

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 bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ; for His name's sake. *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!

John & Leasia Smith (4/30), Leslie Warren (5/2), Ronald Frazier (5/3).

Serving today, Sunday, April 27

Crucifer: Mr. Joseph Sams, III

Acolytes: Omar Mongerie

Sierra Mongerie

Gospel Book Bearer/MC: Mrs. Laureatte Scott

LEMS: Mr. John Grayson

Mrs. Alexis Roberts McMillan

Altar Guild: Ms. Marie Roberts

Ms. Kimberly Douglas

Vestry: Mr. Joseph Sams, III

Ushers & Greeters: Mr. Charlie Clark

Mr. Al Lawson, Jr.

Mr. J. Byron Greene

Dr. Ebenezer Erefah

Mr. Zollie White, II

Lectors: Ms. Marie Roberts

Dr. Edith Onyeozili

Dr. Cyndy Stewart

Organist: Mrs. DebraLee LaSeur

Mr. Christopher White, solo

Mr. Xavier Glasgow, saxophone

Mr. JoJo Aboderin, trumpet

Mr. Matias Quiceno, trombone

AV: Mr. Sean Warren-Bailey

Presentation Ceremony for Dr. Julian White: Mr. Al Lawson, Jr.

Speakers: Dr. Shelby Shipman, Mr. Joe Bullard (96:1 JAMS) and Mayor John Daly.

Gift to be presented by the Rector on behalf of SMAA.

Suggested daily Readings for the Second Week of Easter: April 28 to May 3, 2025

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| Mon. | Exod. 14:21-31 | Psalm 1, 2, 3 | John 14: (1-7)8-17 |
| Tue. | Exod. 15:1-21 | Psalm 5, 6 | John 14:18-31 |
| Wed. | Exod. 15:22 - 16-10 | Psalm 119:1-24 | John 15:1-11 |
| Thurs. | Exod. 16:10-21 | Psalm 18:1-20 | John 15:12-27 |
| Fri. | Exod. 16:22-26 | Psalm 16, 17 | John 16:1-15 |
| Sat. | Exod. 17:1-16 | Psalm .20, 21:1-7 | John 16:16-33 |

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

World continues to mourn Pope Francis

Yesterday Pope Francis was laid to rest after eight days of mourning by Catholics and non-Catholics alike. Pope Francis truly did distinguish himself as a leader who commanded respect from princes to paupers. He will particularly be remembered for his efforts to bring peace to the Middle East and end the conflict between Russia and Ukraine. May Francis rest in peace.

Parish Vestry to Meet

The vestry will meet tomorrow evening via zoom. In fact both outgoing and incoming members will gather at 6:00 pm. Do pray for those who will serve us for the next three years.

Special Welcome

We say a special word of welcome to all those who are visiting with us today. Thank you for coming and helping us celebrate Dr. Julian White. We are truly proud of him and his accomplishments. Welcome White family!

Camp Weed Sunday and Day of Giving

Lauri SoJourney and the Staff at Camp Weed, are inviting all congregations across the Diocese to join in celebrating the Inaugural Camp Weed Sunday on May 4th. This will be followed by the Camp Weed & Cervený Conference Center Day of Giving on Wednesday May 7th. Do give generously.

CAJM's Investment Drive

After a very successful Nehemiah Action (816 attended in person and by live-stream), the Executive Committee and Board, have now turned their attention to the Investment Drive scheduled for May 13th at Jacob's Chapel Baptist church, 2330 Bradford Road, beginning at 6:00 pm. Members of the Board and Executive Committee are expected to make larger donations than network affiliates or church members who wish to do so. The ask is \$200 or whatever you can afford to help offset operating expenses of the organization. Be generous as possible.

SMAA Campus Ministry - Graduation Reception

The SMAA Campus Ministry will host a Graduation Reception on May 4th, 2025, in the Father David H. Brooks Parish Hall immediately following the service. We will celebrate those graduating from college and high school. We'll also honor our youth acolytes and livestream technicians during this event.

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

My Lord and my God

This confessional statement of Thomas, is a truly profound expression and an acknowledgement of Jesus' Lordship over all creation, and affirms His place in the Triune Godhead. This was Thomas's epiphany—in that moment when the Risen Christ stood before him, and his faith was made complete! Jesus had told Thomas and the other disciples before—"I and the Father are One! When you see me, you see the Father". Thomas instantly needed no further convincing, he could only mutter, "my Lord and my God."

For us believers who are 2000 years removed from the Resurrection Story, must now see the face of Jesus in those around us and yes, the face of God. As you well know, there are so many who say they are searching for God. Why, we rightfully ask, for indeed when we genuinely care for each other, then God is present—when we show concern for each other, God is present. Let's bring it closer home, when we rush to the assistance of those in need, those battling health and other challenges, God is there too. When we act in love, we radiate God's Presence, His Caring, and Mercy! The Epistle of John reminds us that God's love is brought to perfection in us. Again, sacred scripture reminds us that no-one has ever seen God, but when we act in love, we afford each other a glimpse of who He truly is!

Today's gospel records the story of Thomas refusing to take the word of his fellow disciples, when they told him that they had seen the Lord! Thomas needed irrefutable evidence—"unless I see the print of the nails in His hands and feet, and the wound in His side, I will not believe." Thomas's faith was made when the Risen Christ showed him what he asked for. Said Jesus, "blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."—that means you and me. Friends, the same Jesus who removed Thomas's doubt, is the same Jesus who tells us today, not to worry about what we have to eat or drink, for our God knows our need and He has promised to provide. So even in our darkest moments (and there may be many), I encourage you to hold on to your faith—a faith that says our God is always near and ready to answer every prayer petition we place before Him. The Lord Jesus has promised indeed, to never leave us or forsake us and His word can be trusted always. Easter Blessings.

Fr. Hugh+

Parish Vestry to Meet

The vestry will meet tomorrow evening at 6:00 pm via zoom. Do keep them in prayer.

Bible Study Resumes

Our Bible Study Class resumes on Wednesday at 6:00 pm. via zoom. Look out for further details.

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