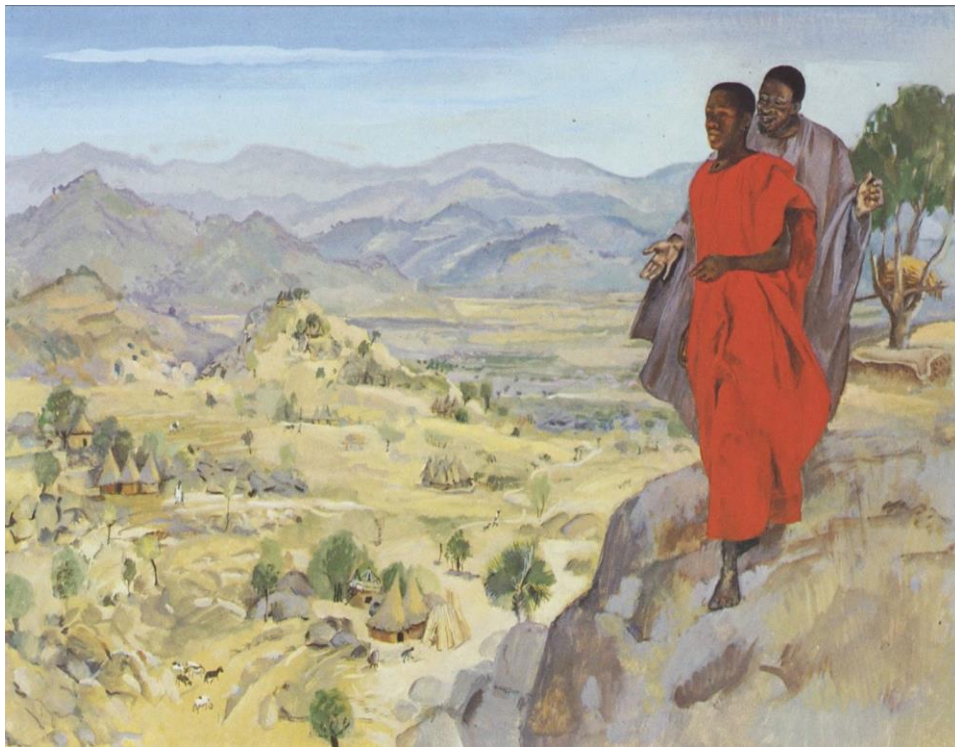


St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church



First Sunday in Lent
February 22, 2026, 10:00 a.m.



The Temptation of Jesus Christ

Please be seated for the Offertory

OFFERTORY	H655, Oh, Jesus I have promised	<i>Nyland</i>
DOXOLOGY & PROCESSION	H380, Praise God from whom all blessings flow	<i>Old 100th</i>

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	H691, My Faith looks up to Thee	<i>Olivet</i>
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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN 1	A574, My Jesus, I love Thee	Gordon
COMMUNION HYMN 2	A368, ‘Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus	TRUST IN JESUS
MEDITATION HYMN	The Prayer	Sager & Foster
	Ms. Eugenia Chapman	
	Mr. Christopher White	

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BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECESSIONAL HYMN	A175, Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing	NETTLETON
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DISMISSAL

A=African American Hymnal (Ivory)

H=1982 Hymnal (Blue)

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, Anne Powell, Proctor Ford, Johnnie Flowers, Leonard Williams, Ethan Pritchard, Annie DePutron, Errol & Lona Chapman, Fr. I Ranfurly Brown of Nassau and Clarissa Riehl.

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, Cheston Williams and Edwina Johnson.

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For those in the Military

Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Brianne Edwards, Vashti Thompson, Thandi Williams, Douglas Sampson, Jaelyn Guyton and Scott Haverstraw.

Suggested daily Readings for the First Sunday in Lent: February 23 to February 28.

Mon.	Deut. 8:11-20	Psalm 41, 52	John 2:1-12
Tue.	Deut. 9:4-12	Psalm 45	John 2:13-22
Wed.	Deut. 9:13-21	Psalm-119:49-72	John 2:23 – 3:15
Thurs.	Deut. 9:23 – 10:5	Psalm 50	John 3:16-21
Fri.	Deut. 10:12-22	Psalm 95	John 3:22-36
Sat.	Deut. 11:18-28	Psalm 55	John 4:1-26

SPECIAL OCCASION 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!

Margaret Edwards (2/22), Edith Onyeozili (2/24), Delaine Ornstein (2/25), Scott Allen (2/26), Fr. Hugh cvhapman (2/28), Lenin & Tresia Mongerie (2/23).

Serving today, Sunday, February 22.

Thurifer: Mr. Joseph Sams, III

Crucifer: Mr. J. Byron Greene

Acolytes: Mrs. Alexis Roberts McMillan
Mr. Zollie White, II

Gospel Book Bearer: Mr. Santiago Mejias

MC: Mr. Porteh Sayon

LEMS: Mr. James Fort
Mr. J. Byron Greene

Vestry: Mrs. Pamela Davis Greene

Altar Guild: Mrs. Natalie Payne
Ms. Kimberly Douglas

Lectors: Mrs. Pamela Davis Greene
Mr. Charlie Clark
Ms. Marie Roberts

Organist: Mrs. DebraLee LaSeur

Guitar: Mr. Matias Quiceno

AV: Ms. Eugenia Chapman

Ushers & Greeters: Ms. Chenikka Usher
Ms. Camille Usher
Ms. Marie Roberts
Mrs. Nadira Sams
Ms. Elizabeth Humes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting

Please plan to stay with us for a few minutes after the service on today, for a short Congregational Meeting. We'll be taking care of just one piece of business: electing **one new member of the Vestry** to fill a vacancy as a current member rotates off.

If you'd like to put your name forward, you're welcome to do so, for nominations will be accepted from the floor.

Thank you, and we hope you'll plan to stay with us.

Best regards

James Fort—Senior Warden

Stewardship Pledges

We began receiving pledges on Sunday, December 7th and they were duly blessed at the Eucharist. We want to remind each other that the giving of our time, talent and treasure are in response to God's goodness upon our lives. 2026 will present an important challenge to us as a congregation, as we begin to plan for the departure of the rector. So let us recommit ourselves to the Lord and His work here at St. Michael & All Angels.

Capital Campaign

Our Capital Campaign, under the leadership of Kimberly Douglas, is about to issue a letter to would-be donors. Do we know of any agency, business concern that ought to be solicited? Let Kimberly know at 850-284-6785 or email: kadklh@yahoo.com.

Contemplative Eucharist

A mass will be said on Tuesday, at 12:15 pm. The rector will say mass for the last time here at SMAA that day. Do join us if you are able to.

Light Repass

Fr. Hugh & Genevieve, invite you to join them for a light meal following the Eucharist today. Do stay behind.

Our Condolences

We are learning that Linton Watson ,nephew of our sister Herma Watson Taylor died recently in Jamaica. At this time, we ask that prayers be made for the grieving family. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

OUR APOLOGY

WE WERE UNABLE TO LIVESTREAM THE EUCHARIST LAST WEDNESDAY EVENING. DO ACCEPT OUR APOLOGIES.

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

THE LENTEN SEASON—A LOOK BACK

Lent is that season of the church's year of 40 days, that comes before the great Festival of Easter. In the first three centuries of the church's life, the period of fasting in preparation for Easter did not, as a rule, exceed two or three days. Indeed the first mention of a period of 40 days, occurs in the canons of Nicaea (AD 325). The custom may have originated in the prescribed fast of candidates for baptism. The number '40' is significant in itself, and may have been associated with the 40 days fast of Moses, Elijah and Jesus himself (in the wilderness). During the early centuries, the observance of the fast was very strict. Only one meal was had and taken towards evening. Those who observed the fast avoided flesh-meat and fish, and eggs were absolutely forbidden. However from the ninth century onwards, the practice began to be considerably relaxed. An hour of breaking the fast was introduced (at 3:00 o'clock), and by the 15th century it had become the general custom (even among monastics) to eat at noon.

The penitential character of Lent is reflected today in the liturgy/rituals including—the clergy wearing purple vestments and the Alleluias and the Glorias being omitted from the mass, except on great feast days.

So Lent is generally observed as a time of penance by abstaining from festivities, by alms giving and the devoting of time to religious activities beginning Ash Wednesday and continuing for 40 days. We were reminded on Ash Wednesday that we are dust—that life is fragile, that we do not always get things right, that we need God's mercy. So for 40 days, beloved, let us walk with Jesus in the wilderness of life—a place of testing, but also a place of trust. We see His faithfulness. We see His steady confidence in the Father. And we are invited to place our own trust in Him.

So friends, in a world that can feel anxious and divided, the Season of Lent offers something steady, confidence not in ourselves, but in the love and grace of Jesus. May these forty days draw us closer to Him, and help to renew in us, a quiet, resilient hope.

Special Word of Welcome & Thanks

Genevieve and I wish to thank all those who have joined us today and those viewing the service from home, as we bring to a close our ministry here at SMAA. It has been quite a journey for our family, and our prayers will remain with you all. *Fr. Hugh+*

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 complete a Welcome Card, *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.