



# A Liturgy of the Word with Spiritual Communion St Michael and All Angels

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The full service or the sermon can be viewed from the website.



*During the singing of the hymn - Jesus shall reign where'er the sun - the Altar will be incensed*

## Processional Hymn

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
does its successive journeys run,  
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To him shall endless prayer be made,  
and praises throng to crown his head.  
His name like sweet perfume shall rise  
with every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue  
dwell on his love with sweetest song,  
and infant voices shall proclaim  
their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns:  
the prisoners leap to lose their chains,  
the weary find eternal rest,  
and all who suffer want are blest.





Let every creature rise and bring  
the highest honours to our King,  
angels descend with songs again,  
and earth repeat the loud amen.

Author: Isaac Watts (1719)

*Opening Prayer*

Once again we gather to be the Church of Christ.  
Christ is with us, as he promised:  
present in this assembly of his people,  
in the proclamation of God's word,  
and in the spiritual Communion of his body and blood.  
as we still cannot gather for communal worship  
on this special day in the life of this Parish  
let us reflect on the Word and pray together  
and then share in the act of Spiritual Communion.  
Today we celebrate our Church's Patronal Festival: St Michael, the Archangel.  
Let us be united in the spirit of Christ  
with the Church around the world  
and celebrate our redemption  
Amen.

*Introductory Rite*

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

Praise the Lord:  
**Praise God, you servants of the Lord.**

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:  
**Blessed be God's Name, now and forever.**



*The Gloria in isiZulu*

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| C: Udum' alube      | A: Kweziphezulu      |
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| C: Kube nokuthula   | A: Emhlabeni         |
| C: Kube nokuthula   | A: Ebantwini bonke   |
| C: Nkosi Nkulunkulu | A: Nkosi yasezulwini |
| C: Nkulunkulu Baba  | A: Baba Somandla     |





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| C: Siyakubabaza         | A: Siyakwazisa          |
| C: Siyakuguqela         | A: Siyakudumisa         |
| C: Siyakubonga          | A: Ngenxa yobukhosi     |
| C: Yobukhosi            | A: Bakh' obukhulu       |
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| C: Nkosi Jesu Kristu    | A: Ndodan' ezelwe yodwa |
| C: Nkosi Nkulunkulu     | A: Mvana kaNkulunkulu   |
| C: Ndodan' kaNkulunkulu | A: kaNkulunkul' uYise   |
| C: Wena osusa           | A: Izone zomhlaba       |
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| C: Amen, A-a-a          | A: A-a-a-a-amen         |
| C: Amen, A-a-a          | A: A-a-a-a-a-amen       |
| C: Amen, A-a-a          | A: A-a-a-a-amen         |
| C: Amen, A-a-a          | A: A-a-a-a-a-amen       |

*(Sung by Ven Moses Thabethe with permission from Fr Vincent Sello, MSC)*

*The Collect for Purity*

Let us pray.  
**Almighty God,**  
**to whom all hearts are open,**  
**all desires known,**  
**and from whom no secrets are hid:**  
**cleanse the thoughts of our hearts**  
**by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,**  
**that we may perfectly love you,**  
**and worthily magnify your holy name;**  
**through Christ our Lord.**



*The Kyrie - Setswana*

**Morena re utlwele botlhoko**  
**Morena re utlwele botlhoko**

**Kriste o, re utlwele botlhoko**  
**Kriste o, re utlwele botlhoko**

**Morena re utlwele botlhoko**  
**Morena re utlwele botlhoko**

*Sung by Ven Moses Thabethe*





## *The Penitence*

Let us confess our sins, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with our neighbour.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
In penitence we confess  
That we have sinned against you  
Through our own fault  
In thought, word and deed  
And in what we have left undone.  
For the sake of your Son, Christ our Lord  
Forgive us all that is past  
And grant that we may serve you  
In newness of life  
To the glory of your name.  
Amen.**

## *The Absolution*

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you: pardon your sins and set you free from them; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



## *The Collect*

**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.**

## *The Word of God*

Genesis 28:10-17 read by Teen Church member





*The Psalm*

**Psalm 103: 19 - 22**

The Lord has established his throne in heaven:  
And his kingdom rules over all.  
Praise the Lord all you his angels You that excel in strength:  
You that fulfil his word and obey the voice of his commandment.

Praise the Lord all you his hosts:  
His servants who do his will.  
Praise the Lord all his works in all places of his dominion:  
Praise the Lord O my soul.

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.

*(APB pg 732) Sung by Ven Moses Thabethe and Fr Allie Joseph*

*The Word of God*

Philippians 1: 21-30

*The Gospel Acclamation*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia  
Alleluia, Alleluia

Let your hearts rejoice in the Lord  
Let your word proclaim his deeds  
Let your voice sing out to the world  
That our God has come to save

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia  
Alleluia, Alleluia



*(Sung by Ven Moses Thabethe)*





*The Gospel Reading*

John 1:47-51

*The Sermon*

by Rev. Linda Schwartz



*Affirmation of Faith*

Let us declare our faith in God.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,  
source of all being and life,  
the one for whom we exist?

**We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,  
who took our human nature,  
died for us and rose again?

**We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God  
and makes Christ known in the world?

**We believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith.**

**We believe and trust in one God,**

**Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

**Amen.**

*Prayers of Intercession*

In the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ, let us pray to God, our loving Creator.

Father in heaven, by his blood your Christ has ransomed us to you, and has made us a kingdom and priests to you our God. As the angels minister to you in heaven, strengthen your Church to serve you here on earth.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Father in heaven, when the angels greeted the birth of your Son, they sang for joy 'Glory to God and peace on earth'. Bless with Christ's peace the nations of the world, that the same peace and unity may prevail and that we may serve one another as brothers and sisters, unhindered by language, colour or creed.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**





Father in heaven, your Son has promised to your children the care of the guardian angels who look upon your face. We pray for your care and protection over our Sunday School children, teen church, confirmation candidates and their teachers. Inspire and enthuse all those who minister and serve them. Protect by your mercy our neighbours, families and friends. For our own Parish community, that it may bear witness with great confidence to the Resurrection of Christ.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Father in heaven, you give your angels charge over those who trust in you to guard them in all their ways. Be with those in trouble, rescue them and show them your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Father in heaven, your angel declares 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.'

'Blessed indeed,' says the Spirit, 'for they may rest from their labours, for they take with them the record of their deeds.' We give thanks for your faithful servants who have gone before us. We pray for their families and all whose life is saddened by the death of loved ones. Be with them in their loneliness that they may know that Jesus Christ is the light of the world - a light which no darkness can quench.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Father in heaven, the angels sing by day and night around your throne:

'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty.'

With Michael, prince of the angels, who contends by our side,

with Gabriel, your herald, who brings glad tidings,

with Raphael, the protector, who ministers your healing,

and with the whole company of heaven,

we worship you, we give you glory,

we sing your praise and exalt you for ever.

**Amen.**



God of mercy and healing, you who hear the cries of those in need, receive these prayers and petitions of your people that all who are troubled may know peace, comfort, and courage. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

*Blessing of Offering*

Loving God, we bring you our gifts, grateful that we have something to share, glad to be part of a network of mission and mercy which circles the earth. Bless the ministries supported by St Michael's parishioners as well as our generous donors. Uphold them with these offerings and multiply their impact throughout the communities we serve. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*The Lord's Prayer*

**Our Father who 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 trespasses,  
As we forgive them that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,  
For ever and ever. Amen.

*An Act of Spiritual Communion*

The Celebrant invites everyone to pray silently to prepare themselves to make an act of Spiritual Communion. After a few moments all pray together:

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament.  
I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul.  
And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart.  
I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people  
gathered around every altar of your Church,  
and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul.  
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.”

*Taizé Chant*

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,  
In the Lord I'll rejoice.  
Look to God, do not be afraid,  
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near;  
Lift up your voices the Lord is near.

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,  
In the Lord I'll rejoice.  
Look to God, do not be afraid,  
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near;  
Lift up your voices the Lord is near.



*(sung by Ven Moses Thabethe & Fr Allie Josseph)*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving*

Gracious God, we give you thanks  
for the love we have received from you  
and from those who love you.  
in this worship service you have brought us near  
to an innumerable company of angels  
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect.







As in this food of our earthly pilgrimage  
we have shared their fellowship,  
so may we come to share their joy in heaven;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### *The Final Blessing*

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you.**

Go keep you in the fellowship of his saints;  
Christ protect you by the ministry of the angels;  
the spirit make you holy in God's service,  
And the blessing of God Almighty,  
The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit  
Be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

### *The Dismissal*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen**

### *Recessional Hymn*

*During the singing of the hymn, the Altar party processes out*

For all the saints who from their labours rest,  
who thee by faith before the world confessed,  
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,  
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,  
and win with them the victor's crown of gold.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine,  
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!





And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,  
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;  
soon, soon to faithful warrior cometh rest;  
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;  
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;  
the King of glory passes on his way.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

*William Walsham How (1864) (Music played by Louis Maritz)*

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