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Processional Hymn

- 1 Praise the Lord! ye heavens adore him Praise him angels in the height Sun and moon, rejoice before him Praise him, all ye stars of light
- 2 Praise the Lord! for he hath spoken Worlds his mighty voice obeyed Laws which never shall be broken For their guidance he hath made
- 3 All creation join the song of praise Let every tongue declare His mighty ways And we will sing of Your goodness and mercy All of our days!
- 4 Praise the Lord! for he is glorious Never shall his promise fail God hath made his saints victorious Sin and death shall not prevail

- 5 All creation join the song of praise Let every tongue declare His mighty ways And we will sing of Your goodness and mercy All of our days!
- 6 Glory Glory All glory to You Lord!
- Praise the God of our salvation!
 Hosts on high, his power proclaim
 Heaven and earth, and all creation
 Laud and magnify his Name
- 8 All creation join the song of praise Let every tongue declare His mighty ways And we will sing of Your goodness and mercy All of our days!

Call to Worship

Friends, let us worship God today, for God is great – God has blessed us with 60 years of youth and children's ministry in our church community of St Michael's.

Let us worship God today, for God is good – God has equipped us with life, with faith, and with community.

Let us worship God today -

For we are God's people, young and old, we worship God with the fullness of our being.

Let us pray.

We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past, and your purpose in the week to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Gloria

Sung by Ven Moses Thabethe

Glory to God on high, Let praises fill the sky! Praise ye His Name. Angels His Name adore, Who all our sorrows bore, And saints cry evermore, "Worthy the Lamb!"

All they around the throne Cheerfully join in one, Praising His Name. We who have felt His blood, Sealing our peace with God, Spread His dear Name abroad— "Worthy the Lamb!"

To Him our hearts we raise— None else shall have our praise; Praise ye His Name. Him our exalted Lord, By us below adored, We praise with one accord— "Worthy the Lamb!"

Join all the human race, Our Lord and God to bless; Praise ye His Name! In Him we will rejoice, Making a cheerful noise, And say with heart and voice, "Worthy the Lamb!"

Collect for Purity

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. Amen



The Kyrie

Morena re hauhele, u re hauhele Morena re hauhele, re hauhele

Kriste re hauhele, u re hauhele Kriste re hauhele, re hauhele

Morena re hauhele, u re hauhele Morena re hauhele, re hauhele

The Penitence

Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, 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.

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

God of all the nations: When race, class or gender divide us Convict us with your presence And draw us all in the unity of your love; 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

1 Kings 19: 1-4, 8-15a Psalm 42 Galatians 3: 23-29 read by

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

Gospel Reading

Luke 8: 26-39

The Sermon

Ven Moses Thabethe

Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,



the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Lord God, your Holy Spirit empowered the early Church to preach your Gospel. Bless the Diocese of Johannesburg and Bishop Steve, our leader and guide. Give your Church the desire and the courage to share your Good News with the world, that those around us may know of your wonderful acts of kindness and love. Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer

We pray for all the leaders of the world, especially our own State President, that they may make wise choices for everyone and that they may lead us to honour and respect all people. May their words and actions lead away from oppression, greed and violence and towards peace and stability for all.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

Heavenly Father, we pray for our St Michael's Church family. We pray for our clergy, our parish ministers, all staff members and counsellors. We pray for all areas of ministry and especially for our youth, teen church, and junior church, for those who are candidates for baptism and for our confirmands. May your Holy Spirit guide, bless and protect us the Youth now and forever.

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer

As we look back and celebrate sixty years of youth ministry at St Michael's Church, we pray for this new generation, the young men and women of today. Shine your truth into our hearts as we hear you in music, see you in art, and experience you through the love and care of family, friends and teachers. Pour your wisdom into our minds as we read the bible, discuss deeper issues of life, or encounter hardships or difficulties in our lives. Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, growing up as a child, you did not have a biological father and yet you knew the love and care which Joseph offered. In a society where our fathers are so often absent, we pray for your blessing and protection on all fathers And bless all those who have fathered us in the spirit.

We thank you for their gifts to us -

gifts of nurture and strength,

of understanding and dependability,

of energy and decisiveness,

of gentleness and wisdom,

of peace and courage.

Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer

Finally, we give you thanks for the lives of our brothers and sisters who passed on from this world. May you Lord, give them eternal rest and peace in your kingdom. We pray especially for those whose year's mind occur at this time. Be a source of peace to those who mourn. Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

Gracious God, grant our requests as may be best for us, in the name of your risen Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



God of love, we offer our gifts today in hopeful gratitude.

Bless these gifts and use them to increase the goodness enjoyed by those in need. Bless our lives that, through our relationships, others will be touched by the hope we know in Christ Jesus and find their lives blessed by his love and mercy. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Prayer of Commitment

Almighty God our heavenly father,

we come before you

to commit ourselves to work with you in this world.

We commit ourselves to be your partners in this world

to complete your task in this world.

We commit our lives towards justice, peace and reconciliation

so that our societies and families would become

a better place through our commitment.

We commit our lives to be your witnesses

through our thought, words and deeds.

In the name of Christ our risen and ascended Lord. Amen.

Final Blessing

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

May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith; May you be rooted and grounded in love; May you grasp the full breadth and length and height and depth of the love of Christ; May you know that love, that surpasses knowledge May you be filled with all the fulness of God And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of our risen and ascended Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

7inal Hymn

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with thee. Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be. *Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!



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Praise the Lord! ye heavens adore him

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Gloria

Author: James Allen Music: Rev. Clyde McLennan, smallchurchmusic.com Sung by: Ven. Moses Thabethe

Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer Music Video Performed by the children's choir from Asbury United Methodist Church, Tulsa Oklahoma Children's Edition, Directed by Marti Morris

Great is thy faithfulness

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Call to Worship

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