

# **Common Prayer for Children & Families**

April 18, 2021

## **Vision Statement**

To be a welcoming, inclusive Christian community growing in faith through worship, prayer, study, and social action.

## St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church

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# **Our Mission Priority**

Our mission priorities focus on seeking justice for people experiencing hunger, poverty, homelessness, and incarceration, as well as ending systemic inequalities of race, gender, sexual orientation, and disability.

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The Third Sunday of Easter, April 18, 2021

## Opening

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us gather in stillness and silence.

Pause for 10 seconds of silence.

Alleluia. Christ is risen. The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.Song

#### Song

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing,, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured, Alleluia! now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! praise eternal as his love, Alleluia! praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

#### The First Reading

Acts 3:12-19

**P**eter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

J esus stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### Invitation

Take a moment of silence to reflect on the lessons.

#### Creed

I believe in God above, I believe in Jesus's love. I believe in God's Spirit too, comes to tell me what to do. I believe that I can be kind and good, dear Lord, like Thee.

### Prayers

God of Love, gather all people as one human family. Guide our community, our country, and the world. Help us to be kind to all people, creatures, and the earth. Be with all people who are sad, in need, or any trouble. May all who have died rest in peace.

For what else shall we pray?.

## 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 those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### The Collect of the Day

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### Closing

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the spirit, alleluia, alleluia. Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

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