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**ST. MICHAEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
118 State Street ♦ Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT  
March 25, 2012 – 10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* Gregg Sewell  
GATHERING HYMN *Now We Remain* ELW 500  
HYMN OF THE DAY  
*The Word of God Is Source and Seed* ELW 506  
CHOIR ANTHEM  
*Give Me Jesus* Douglas E. Wagner  
COMMUNION HYMN  
*I Am the Bread of Life* ELW 485  
SONG AFTER COMMUNION  
*We Give Thee But Thine Own* VERSE 6  
SENDING HYMN *On Eagle's Wings* ELW 787  
POSTLUDE *Recessionale* Gerald Peterson

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

Presiding Minister The Reverend Larry Hawkins  
Director of Music Daniel W. Deitzel III  
Assisting Minister Elizabeth Parker  
Eucharistic Minister Lindsay Mills  
Cantor Sue Will  
Acolyte Eric Smith  
Lector Bob Gerberich  
Greeters Nancy Eberly and Louise Palmer  
Ushers Lloyd and Shirley Kramer  
Altar Guild Ron Hartzell and Doug Kakuk  
Offering Counters Mike Ennis and Elizabeth Parker



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## PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

God of suffering and glory, in Jesus Christ you reveal the way of life through the path of obedience. Inscribe your law in our hearts, that in life we may not stray from you, but may be your people. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, we live in a world that most often finds glory in the gathering of material possessions. You found glory in giving your life for us on a cross. We praise you for such love, not as we ought, but as we are able. Help us to bring that spirit of giving with us as we return to our daily activity. Amen.

## WORSHIP NOTES

God promises Jeremiah that a "new covenant" will be made in the future: a covenant that will allow all the people to know God by heart. The church sees this promise fulfilled in Christ, who draws all people to himself when he is lifted up on the cross. Our baptismal covenant draws us to God's heart through Christ and draws God's light and truth into our hearts. We see God's heart most clearly in the way Jesus shares human suffering, in an agony both the John and Hebrews readings describe.

### **Annunciation of Our Lord**

Nine months before Christmas we celebrate the annunciation, in which the angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she would give birth to the Son of God. The ancient church believed that this was also the date of the world's creation and of Jesus' death on the cross.

**Persons with impairments** - St. Michael offers to those with any type of hearing difficulty a small, remote personal speaker which provides the user an amplified, high quality audio of the entire service. We invite our guests who may have the need for such an accommodation to ask an usher for a personal speaker. (They are available upon entering the Nave.) We welcome any comments concerning St. Michael's efforts to accommodate persons with impairments or disabilities.

As part of our stewardship of the earth God has created for us, we are using our worship bulletins for a complete season of the church year. Please remove the worship service section and place it in the basket provided in the narthex. You may take this cover and the readings insert. Thank you for helping to conserve our natural resources and allowing the cost of paper to be redirected to other areas of ministry.

An enlarged copy of the bulletin is available. Please see an usher if you would like to use one.

## **GOSPEL**

JOHN 12:20-33

<sup>20</sup>Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup>They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." <sup>22</sup>Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup>Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup>Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. <sup>25</sup>Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup>Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

<sup>27</sup>Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say — 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup>Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." <sup>29</sup>The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." <sup>30</sup>Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. <sup>31</sup>Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. <sup>32</sup>And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." <sup>33</sup>He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

<sup>7</sup>Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be pur-<sup>1</sup>er than snow.  
<sup>8</sup>**Let me hear<sup>1</sup> joy and gladness;**  
**that the body you have broken<sup>1</sup> may rejoice. R**  
<sup>9</sup>Hide your face<sup>1</sup> from my sins,  
and blot out<sup>1</sup> all my wickedness.  
<sup>10</sup>**Create in me a clean<sup>1</sup> heart, O God,**  
**and renew a right spir-<sup>1</sup>it within me.**  
<sup>11</sup>Cast me not away<sup>1</sup> from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spir-<sup>1</sup>it from me.  
<sup>12</sup>**Restore to me the joy of<sup>1</sup> your salvation**  
**and sustain me with your boun-<sup>1</sup>tiful Spirit. R**

**SECOND READING**

HEBREWS 5:5–10

<sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,  
"You are my Son,  
today I have begotten you";  
<sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place,  
"You are a priest forever,  
according to the order of Melchizedek."  
<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

**PROPER VERSE**

Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains a<sup>1</sup> single grain;\*  
but if it dies, it<sup>1</sup> bears much fruit. (John 12:24)

**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK**

Bowling at ABC East	Today at 1:00 p.m.
Helping Hands Ministry	Today at 4:00 p.m.
Candy Making	Monday at 10:00 a.m.
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Helping Hands Ministry	Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.
Lenten Meal	Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.
Evening Prayer	Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal	Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.
Pastor Hawkins' Day Off	Thursday
Helping Hands Ministry	Next Sunday at 4:00 p.m.

By water and the Spirit we are baptized into the body of Christ and made members of his church. We remember and rejoice with those who celebrate their baptismal anniversaries this week: Lennie Whitcomb on March 26; Bob Gerberich and Karen Grissom on March 28; and Norma Ickes on March 30.

Readings for the *Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday, April 1*, are:

Isaiah 50:4–9a  
Psalm 31:9–16  
Philippians 2:5–11  
Mark 14:1—15:47

During Lent, the “*Alleluias*” have been put aside – absent from our hymns and liturgy until we rejoice in Easter life. Our congregation’s Alleluia banner has been removed from the nave and is in safe keeping in the homes of our members and friends. This week we thank Guy Kehler and Lindsay Mills for their devotional care of the “Alleluia.”

Join the MTS Committee this afternoon for bowling at ABC East (Eisenhower Blvd). Bowling begins at 1:00 and includes three games with shoes for \$10.00/person. A snack bar and lounge are available so nobody has to cook or bring snacks. The afternoon is sure to be fun as well as entertaining. For questions please see Cheryl Smith or Susan Wesley.

The 2012 Lenten food collection benefits Loaves of Love, a ministry that serves those in the Harrisburg area who are infected with the HIV/AIDS virus. The favorite among the clients is PINEAPPLE for Easter Dinner. Our goal is 125, 20 oz. cans of either crushed, sliced, or chunk pineapple to be brought to Fellowship Hall by Palm Sunday. Please be generous this Easter. For any questions please see any member of MTS.

If you have not done so, consider volunteering a few hours to help Helping Hands Ministries on a Sunday or Wednesday afternoon from 4:00-6:00 p.m. There is a sign up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. See Mike Ennis or Lindsay Mills with any questions about this congregational ministry.

Helping Hands Ministries has posted a “wish list” on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Please consider donating some of these items to help feed the hungry.

Order forms for St. Michael’s Easter Eggs are available on the tables in the narthex as well as on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Today is the deadline for placing orders.

John and Susan Wesley contribute to the altar flower fund to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Ken Harm. This gift allows us to have altar flowers when there is no sponsor.

Bulletins are sponsored to the Glory of God and in honor of Amy’s birthday by Floyd and Nancy Eberly.

Fellowship hour is sponsored to the Glory of God and in honor of Sue’s birthday by Sue McDonald and Chris Persson.

We remember the following members and friends of St. Michael in prayer this week: Ray Border (Scarlett's grandfather), Pat Ennis Groeninger (Mike Ennis’ sister), Pat Harm and Diana Pate.

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 25, 2012

### FIRST READING

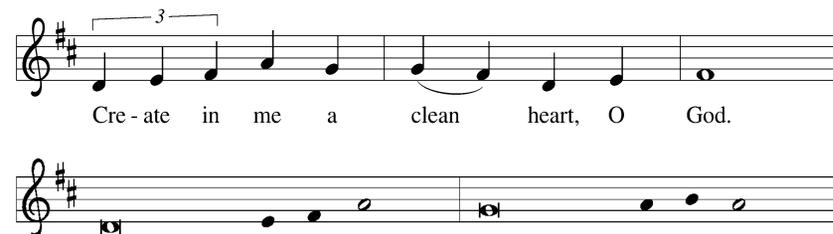
JEREMIAH 31:31–34

<sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

### PSALM

PSALM 51:1–12

*The refrain is sung by the choir, repeated by the assembly. The psalm is sung antiphonally by the cantor and assembly, beginning with the cantor. The assembly sings the refrain where marked.*



- <sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God, according to your <sup>1</sup>steadfast love;  
in your great compassion blot out <sup>1</sup>my offenses.
- <sup>2</sup>**Wash me through and through <sup>1</sup>from my wickedness,  
and cleanse me <sup>1</sup>from my sin.**
- <sup>3</sup>For I know <sup>1</sup>my offenses,  
and my sin is ev- <sup>1</sup>er before me.
- <sup>4</sup>**Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil <sup>1</sup>in your sight;  
so you are justified when you speak  
and right <sup>1</sup>in your judgment. R**
- <sup>5</sup>Indeed, I was born <sup>1</sup>steeped in wickedness,  
a sinner from my <sup>1</sup>mother's womb.
- <sup>6</sup>**Indeed, you delight in truth <sup>1</sup>deep within me,  
and would have me know wisdom <sup>1</sup>deep within.**