ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

St. Michael and All Angels Anglican/Episcopal Church aspires to be a beacon of inclusive Christian spiritual growth and service in the State of Morelos, Mexico.



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Cuernavaca, Morelos
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WELCOME TO SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

We extend a warm welcome to you all and, as we celebrate our life and mission in Christ, we ask the blessings of God on our parishioners and those who are worshiping here for the first time. All are welcome to receive Holy Communion or a blessing at the altar. Please join us for continued fellowship and refreshments in the Parish Hall or in the garden after the Service.

In the Anglican Communion:Let us pray for the Church and its mission. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, for the Most Reverend A. Dharmaraj Rassalam and the Church of South India, the Most Revd. Enrique Treviño, our Presiding Bishop and the Diocese of Cuernavaca, for the Congregation of San Miguel Arcangel, The President of Mexico and all World Leaders

We keep in our prayers: Andrea, Charlie, Eduardo, Gonzalo, Father Bruce, Edward, Hank, Harriet, Helen, Howard and The Friend Family, Jimmy, Jorge, Kathryn, Maria Luisa, Marisela, Nicole, Raymundo, Salvador, Sheila, Suzi, Teri, René, Paul and Anita and William.

If you are interested in reading, greeting, or donating flowers for the altar, or bringing sweets or other treats for the coffee hour, please sign up on the list at the back of the church. Also if you would like to serve at the altar or help with communion, please speak to the Rev. Douglas Carter.

St. Michael's is a self-supporting Parish in the Diocese of Cuernavaca. Every year we give to support the Churches in the Diocese and numerous charities in the State of Morelos. We rely on the generosity of our members and visitors to implement the goals of our ministry.

Donations for niches: Information is available about the niches for both animal and human remains. If you are interested in obtaining a niche please see either Father Doug or Carol Hopkins.

We need flower donations for Sunday services. We have vases available and garden flowers or street corner flowers are more than welcome. Let us know whether they are in **Memory of** or **Thanksgiving for** a person or occasion. If we have that information in time it will be included in the Sunday Bulletin.

Thomas Esakin's Buddhist Meditation and Dhamma Talks Wednesday, March 8, 6-7PM.

Today is the third in a series of Teaching Eucharists. We will take a portion of our worship each Sunday to explain its history, usage, and theology. Today we examine Prayers of the People, Confession, Absolution and Prayers of the People. Note from From Father Doug: I am delighted to say that at long last we have a new number at the Church, and it serves both the office and the Casita. Our thanks to both Alistair Richardson (Treasurer) and Steve Farmer (Parish Tech Guru) who bent over backwards to get it right after we had to change companies.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude:

Processional Hymn #685

Opening Acclamation

Collect for Purity BCP 323

Kyrie Eleison

The Collect - Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Old Testament - Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

Psalm 95: 1-7 In unison

- 1 Come, let us sing to the LORD; *

 let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving * and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
- 3 For the LORD is a great God, * and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, * and the heights of the hills are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, * and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, * and kneel before the LORD our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God.

and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. * Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice

The Epistle - Romans 5:1-11

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces

character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Gradual Hymn #455

The Gospel - John 4:5-42

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him.

Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds

true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

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Ministry

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Schedule of Services

Sunday - 10:45: Holy Eucharist 4:00: San Pablo Service in Spanish

In case of a pastoral or spirit related issue you can contact The Rev. Douglas Carter at the Casita and Church Office at 777 832 7054 or Cell 777 389 6981.

Please sign up to be: a Greeter or Reader; to supply flowers for the Altar; or to bring coffee time cookies/cake. Information can be found on the table at the back of the Church.

Any news, dedications or special prayers you would like included in the bulletin and/or service, please contact Carol Hopkins carolhop1@gmail.com or cell 777-328-0637. Mexican peso check donations should be made payable to St. Michael and All Angels A.C. US dollar check donations should be made payable to just St. Michael and All Angels. Donations can also be made on our new website. saintmichaelcuernavaca.org Check out how easy it is!!! If you require a US tax deductible receipt, U.S. dollar check donations should be made payable to DFMS which must be accompanied by a letter which Alistair Richardson, SMAAA treasurer can prepare for you.