

**Lector - Prior to the service please check the service bulletin to confirm the readings and to determine if both the Old Testament lesson and the New Testament lesson will be read. Please ask the celebrant if you have any questions concerning the reading. Thank you.**

7:30 am SMC; 9:00 am Church; 11:00 am Church; 5:30 pm SMC

**September 24, 2023**

**The Feast of Saint Michael and All Angels**

**A Reading from the book of Genesis**

*[Genesis 28:10-17]*

**Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, “I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.” Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, “Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!” And he was afraid, and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.”**

**The Word of the Lord**

**Sunday 7:30 am SMC**

The psalm/canticle is read by the lector.

**Sunday 9 am & 11:00 am Church**

The Psalm is chanted by the choir. Please step from the lectern and wait to the side by the seated priest during the psalm and then return to the lectern for the reading of the Epistle.

**Sunday 5:30 pm SMC**

The psalm/canticle is read by the lector.

*The portion of the Psalter appointed for today is taken from **Psalm 103***

*Let us read aloud and together:*

*[Psalm 103:1-13]*

**The LORD has set his throne in heaven, \*  
and his kingship has dominion over all.**

**Bless the LORD, you angels of his,  
you mighty ones who do his bidding, \*  
and hearken to the voice of his word.**

**Bless the LORD, all you his hosts, \*  
you ministers of his who do his will.**

**Bless the LORD, all you works of his, in all places of his dominion; \*  
bless the LORD, O my soul.**

## **A Reading from the Revelation to John**

*[Revelation 12:7-12]*

**War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, “Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!”**

**The Word of the Lord**