

## Collect Contemporary

Almighty Father,  
whose Son was revealed in majesty  
before he suffered death upon the  
cross:

give us grace to perceive his glory,  
that we may be strengthened to  
suffer with him

and be changed into his likeness,  
from glory to glory;

who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

## Old Testament Reading

### Psalm 19

<sup>1</sup> The heavens are telling the glory of  
God;

and the firmament proclaims his  
handiwork.

<sup>2</sup> Day to day pours forth speech,  
and night to night declares  
knowledge.

<sup>3</sup> There is no speech, nor are there  
words;  
their voice is not heard;

<sup>4</sup> yet their voice goes out through all  
the earth,  
and their words to the end of the  
world.

In the heavens he has set a tent for  
the sun,

<sup>5</sup> which comes out like a bridegroom  
from his wedding canopy,  
and like a strong man runs its  
course with joy.

<sup>6</sup> Its rising is from the end of the  
heavens,  
and its circuit to the end of them;  
and nothing is hidden from its heat.

<sup>7</sup> The law of the LORD is perfect,  
reviving the soul;  
the decrees of the LORD are sure,  
making wise the simple;

<sup>8</sup> the precepts of the LORD are right,  
rejoicing the heart;  
the commandment of the LORD is clear,  
enlightening the eyes;

<sup>9</sup> the fear of the LORD is pure,  
enduring for ever;  
the ordinances of the LORD are true  
and righteous altogether.

<sup>10</sup> More to be desired are they than  
gold,  
even much fine gold;  
sweeter also than honey,  
and drippings of the honeycomb.

<sup>11</sup> Moreover by them is your servant  
warned;  
in keeping them there is great  
reward.

<sup>12</sup> But who can detect their errors?  
Clear me from hidden faults.

<sup>13</sup> Keep back your servant also from  
the insolent;  
do not let them have dominion over  
me.

Then I shall be blameless,  
and innocent of great transgression.

<sup>14</sup> Let the words of my mouth and the  
meditation of my heart  
be acceptable to you,  
O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

## Gospel Reading

### John 1.1-14

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and  
the Word was with God, and the Word  
was God. <sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning  
with God. <sup>3</sup> All things came into being  
through him, and without him not one  
thing came into being. What has come  
into being <sup>4</sup> in him was life, and the life  
was the light of all people. <sup>5</sup> The light  
shines in the darkness, and the  
darkness did not overcome it.

<sup>6</sup> There was a man sent from God,  
whose name was John. <sup>7</sup> He came as a  
witness to testify to the light, so that  
all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup> He  
himself was not the light, but he came  
to testify to the light. <sup>9</sup> The true light,  
which enlightens everyone, was  
coming into the world.

<sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and the world  
came into being through him; yet the  
world did not know him. <sup>11</sup> He came to  
what was his own, and his own people  
did not accept him. <sup>12</sup> But to all who

received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. <sup>14</sup> And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS

To have someone prayed for or remembered please contact the Benefice Office.

A new list will start the first Sunday each month.

### ST MICHAEL

#### ***Those newly in need of prayer***

Julian & Wendy, Gary, Raquel Ebbutt,

#### ***Those in continuing special need of prayer:***

Jamie, Gary and Denise Sam Bassett, Mark Berry, Paul Clarke, Dorothy Clayton, Jo Cobb, Dottie Collins, Hannon, Robert Harris, Bill Hill, James Knight, Graham Lewenden-Smith, Marielouise Oliver, Arthur Palin, Nick Rutter, John Tipper, Sheila Vaughan, Renee Wellings, Felicity Woodfield

#### ***Those who have died***

Stuart Butler

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS

#### ST JOHN

#### ***Those who are ill and their carers:***

Pat Crowe, Jo Hearn, Christine Gilbert, Ann Kinson, Allan Law

#### ***Those who have died***

### Post Communion Contemporary

Holy God,

we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:

may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save.

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

The United Benefice of St Michael on Greenhill, Lichfield with St John, Wall

### SERVICE DETAILS

23<sup>rd</sup> February

Sunday next before Lent

### ST MICHAEL

**10:00am Holy Communion**  
**President** Revd Preb Simon Baker  
**Deacon:** Alan Toplis

<b>Hymns</b>	Processional	533
	Gradual	281
	Offertory	394
	Communion	452
	Recessional	719

### Intercessions

Holy God:

**Transform us and use us to your glory.**