

THE SUNDAY TRUMPET

Palm Sunday

Worshipping at St. Michael's

The St. Michael's family invites you to join us as we worship, work, sing, laugh, cry, admit our sin, and experience forgiveness and healing in the fellowship of Christ.

Worship with Holy Eucharist at 7:45am, 9am and 11am; Evening prayer at 6pm.

Receiving Communion

All baptized persons desiring to lead a new life in Christ, regardless of denomination, are welcome to receive communion. For Blessings simply cross your arms over your chest; request gluten free wafers from your bread minister.

Prayers for Healing

Prayers are available at the Prayer desk on the back wall behind the pulpit during Communion and between the services.

Altar Flowers

This week's altar flowers are given to the glory of God. *Sign-ups to donate altar flowers are located in the narthex on the bulletin board.*



Holy Week and Easter Day Schedule

Maundy Thursday, April 13

6pm - Agape Meal with Eucharist and foot washing in the Parish Hall, concluding with a procession to the Worship Space and brief liturgy in the "Garden of Gethsemene." *Children warmly welcome during the service and meal, child care for 4 years old and under.*

8pm - All Night Prayer Vigil in the Sanctuary hosted by Daughters of the King

Good Friday, April 14

9am - Wilderness Stations of the Cross on the outdoor trail

Noon - Good Friday Liturgy in the Sanctuary

7pm - Good Friday Liturgy in the Sanctuary; *Children warmly welcome at the service, child care for 4 years old and under.*

Easter Morning, Sunday, April 16

6am - Easter Vigil Sunrise Service beginning in the courtyard with the first Eucharist of Easter celebrated as the sun rises. Easter breakfast, following the Vigil, in the Parish Hall.

9am - Easter Worship with Eucharist

10:30am - Easter Egg Hunt for kids 5th grade and under

11am - Easter Worship with Eucharist

No children's or student Sunday school at either the 9 or 11am services but there is childcare for 4 years old and under, from 8:45am to 12:30pm.

Weekly Prayer

Morning Prayer

Monday through Friday, during Lent, at 9am in the Worship Space. For more information contact Rev. Brin or Lesley.

Centering Prayer

Tuesday evenings at 6pm in the side chapel. For more information contact Phyllis Blee, (phyllis.blees@gmail.com).

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Upcoming Events

Maundy Thursday All-Night Prayer Vigil April 13th 8pm

"Could you not watch with me one hour?"

Please join the Daughters of the King and your fellow parishioners in the Sanctuary following the Maundy Thursday service for a vigil. The vigil lasts until 6 A.M. Good Friday morning. Morning Prayer will conclude the watch. You are welcome to arrive at any time and depart at any time.

This year we will have an Altar of Repose which will be decorated with flowers and palms as we pray and watch. Our tabernacle contains our consecrated bread and wine, the body and blood of our Savior. It will be moved to the Altar of Repose. Here Jesus will rest for the night, and here He invites us to be with Him. Jesus asks "Could you not watch with me one hour?" If you have never experienced watching and praying with Jesus on Maundy Thursday, I commend this act of devotion to you.

We will have a sign up in the narthex. You will never be alone. There will always be at least 2 others. You may sit, walk, or recline while you are there. You may sit quietly. You may read. You may pray. We will be happy to escort you to and from your car at any hour. Please call Gail Reid at 512-925-4220.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism, April 16 at the Easter Vigil Sunrise Service

If you or someone in your family has never been baptized, please speak with Rev. Peter or Rev. Brin no later than today. A baptism preparation class (required for adult candidates and one or both parents and god-parents) will be scheduled on a weeknight before the baptism date.

Mite Boxes and Flowers, Easter day

We will decorate our children's Easter cross on Easter morning. Please bring your mite boxes and flowers up to the front as you arrive and place them on the cross at the front of the church.

Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Day, 10:30am

For all kids 5th grade and under. The hunt will be held in the grassed areas around the parking lot (kindergartners and under will have their own place). Please bring 1 dozen filled eggs to the church office by Friday, April 14th if your child is going to take part.

Vacation Bible Camp June 5-9, 2017

Registration is open! Please sign up on the children's page of the church website (st-michaels.org) or using this [link](#). VBC is for all

rising Kindergarten through 5th grade and will be a fun packed week where children can 'Find their Strength in God'. Adult volunteers and Service campers can also sign up on this [link](#) - rising 6th to 12th graders can earn 15 service hours helping with VBC.

Serving

No One Dies Alone is a volunteer ministry to ensure that hospital patients don't face death alone – even if they were alone in life. Upcoming training session: Seton Medical Center, Hays: Saturday, May 6, 8:30-12 To register contact Rachel Smith at rbsmith@seton.org and for more information, contact Lil Mills at lillianmills@mcombs.utexas.edu.

Simple Gifts

This year our Lenten Simple Gifts will benefit four of our fellow Episcopal entities:

St. Etienne's Episcopal School in Haiti; with whom St. Stephens Episcopal School is partnered in ministry. SMEC donations have played an important role in providing salaries for teachers & staff, and helping sustain their educational program, *and three of our companion dioceses*

Southern Malawi; where our donations are used to help bring water to small villages so girls are free to spend their days in school. *North Dakota*; where we help maintain an Episcopal presence to listen & minister to the Native Americans, who have not, historically, seen the best of Christian Missionary work.

Costa Rica; with whom we partner in ministry to at-risk youth & help build churches in the inner city.

Gifts can be made this Sunday in the church entryway and will also be available April 2, and 9. You can find more details about our companion dioceses in the December 2016 Dialog, (the magazine of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas; available online at www.epicenter.org) or contact Kay Allen (kaytballen@gmail.com)

Integrity Group, Sunday, April 30th 7-8:30pm in the Parlor/Cry Room

We would like to welcome all LGBTQ persons of faith and seekers, as well as their allies, to be a part of the Integrity Group. We will focus on informing and educating others on LGBTQ issues and being there to support persons that have questions in a Christian setting. Confidentiality will be kept. Please feel free to attend or to ask questions. For more information contact Phillip Boone at clayton12673@yahoo.com

Announcements

Job Opening

The Staff and Wardens of St. Michael's have made the decision to engage a bookkeeper for the church accounting functions. This person will work under the Parish Administrator, and will be a part-time position. It will be posted on our website as well as several other websites in the next several days. The posted job-description will be a summary-only of the duties expected and requisites of the position. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please direct them to our website or they may submit their resume to jobs@st-michaels.org

An update on the Almohammed family

Ibrahim has started work at a downtown hotel and the three oldest girls are excited to start school this week at Wooldridge Elementary. Athari will be in the 5th grade, Fatima will be in 4th, and Ghofran will be in 1st. Please pray for them as they start these new adventures.

Christian Formation and Education Every Sunday

Children and Student Formation during the 9 and 11am services

Christian Education For Children and Youth in the Education Wing. Programs will be over in time for everyone to come back to the worship service to take communion.

Nursery care 8:45am to 12:30pm in the Education wing for infants to 3 years old. We have 2 nurseries staffed by professional, Safeguarding God's Children certified nannies.

Adult Education and Family Fellowship 10:10-10:50

Living the Weekly Word in the Cry Room. Bible Study on the weekly RCL (Revised Common Lectionary.) Readings can be found at <http://www.lectionarypage.net>. Contact Will (will@st-michaels.org) for more information.

Sunday Seekers Book Study 10:10 to 10:50am in the Bride's Room. The current book is 'How God Became God' by Richard Smoley. New participants are welcome to join at any time. Contact Phyllis Bles (phyllis.bles@gmail.com) for details.

Playground Fellowship in the Education wing playground. All parents and children are welcome. Rev. Brin and Lesley will be on hand to talk. Hot coffee and snacks will be provided.

EYC Hangout for 6-12th graders and **Kids Intermission for preschool-5th grade** in rooms 8 and 6 of the Education Wing. Games, snacks, and fun - a chance to connect with friends from the other service.

Episcopal Youth Community

3:00-4:30pm in room 8 of the education wing and is open to all 6th through 12th grade students. Come for fun games and a short program. Contact Anthony for details.

Scripture Resources for Palm Sunday

Collect - Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Old Testament - Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm - Psalm 31:9-16

New Testament - Philippians 2:5-11

Gospel - Matthew 21:1-11 & Matthew 26:14- 27:66