

THE SUNDAY TRUMPET

The Transfiguration

Sunday Worship 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 and 10am; Evening prayer at 6pm.

Receiving Communion

All persons desiring to lead a new life in Christ are welcome to receive Communion. For Blessings simply cross your arms over your chest. For gluten free wafers ask your bread minister.

Prayers for Healing

Prayer Team members are available at the Prayer Desk during Communion and after the services.

Altar Flowers

Please contact **Rev. Brin** for more information if you'd like to donate.



Joseph Rose, one of the directors of Trinity Retreat Center in West Cornwall, Connecticut, holds the baby donkey, Lisa, born July 25 at the center. The center bought four donkeys from a rescue group to help protect their chickens. Photo: Trinity Retreat Center

What's Going On Today

Our First Sunday Parish Lunch is after the 10am service. The men will serve their delicious smoked meats. Bring a side dish to share if you can. You can drop it off before church in the Parish Hall kitchen. Your dish will be refrigerated or kept warm.

Today's Sunday Roundtable at 9:15am is with about Outreach Ministry with Caroline Kibler. **Upcoming Roundtables:** Faith in the workplace (Andy Hines) - Aug 13; Lesley Margerrison on her walkabout pilgrimage - Aug. 20; Game Over? Faith as a storytelling device in video games (Will Harrison) - Aug. 27.

We welcome back Dr. Ezra Bartz this week after an absence due to injury. We found out about his return just after printing on the pew sheet was complete, but rest assured that Dr. Bartz is in the house.

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Weekly Prayer Services

Morning Prayer

Tuesdays 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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Announcements and Events

New Fall season service times beginning August 27: Rite 1 - 7:45am; Contemporary Rite 2 - 9am; Rite 2 w/ Choir - 11am. Combined celebration days on **Oct. 1** - 10am for **St. Michael's Day** and **Nov. 5** for **All Saints Day**.

Weekly Brown-Bag Bible Study - Bring your lunch and join us on Tuesday afternoons in the fall for this lectionary-based Bible Study. We will meet from 12-1pm in Room 8, beginning on **September 12**. Please contact **Rev. Brin** for more information.

Open Arms Integrity Austin panel on **August 27**, 7-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. Members of the LGBTQ community will share their walk with faith, where it has taken them and the path that each one is on. There will be a panel talk and then each panelist will move to a table and answer any questions that you may have. Open to all.

El Buen Samaritano will celebrate 30 years of answering the call with their annual El Grito Gala on **Sept. 15** at 7pm, at 7000 Woodhue Dr. Master of Ceremony Ron Oliveira hosts a night of raising funds for Latino communities in Central Texas and providing healthcare for those in need. To sponsor, reserve a table, or for more information, go to www.elbuen.org/el-grito-gala/ or email klangle@elbuen.org for more information.

It is St. Michael's turn to share worship and a meal with our neighbors experiencing homelessness at Trinity Center in downtown Austin on **Sunday August 27** from 2-4:30pm. If you would like to help by welcoming neighbors, setting up for worship, or being part of the kitchen crew, please consider volunteering. Contact Caroline Kibler (caroline.kibler@gmail.com) to sign up. Please note that volunteers must be at least 11 years old. Future dates are **October 15** and **December 24**.

Socks for Trinity Center - In conjunction with St. Michael's Trinity Center service date on **August 27**, we will be collecting socks! Their biggest need right now is "socks, plain old white athletic socks, the kind that come 6 to a pack at Target or Walmart and are beloved by both men and women. In this heat, clean socks are a necessity and, for our folks, sometimes a luxury." If you could help out with a donation of socks, please leave them in the Trinity Center bin in the St. Michael's foyer.

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Do Want to Go Deeper in Your Faith? - If you are interested in joining with a small group of people wanting to go deeper in their faith with each other while exploring the Bible and discussing how to live as a person of faith, then a St. Michael's Small Group might be just the thing. We are still working out the details, but we hope to start in the fall. If you are interested, please fill out this brief online form (<https://goo.gl/forms/WWr08Q0uArMbdCX83>), or sign up near the bulletin board in the Narthex.

St. Michaels Pastoral Care Team - Our Associate Rector, Brin Bon, our Deacon, Sherry Williams, and one of our parishioners who is also a Hospital Chaplain, Barbara Rusling, are available to pray with you during times of illness, hospitalization, loss, or personal crises. If you find yourself in need or are anticipating a surgery or hospitalization, please contact one of us so we can coordinate a visit with you. Know that a eucharistic minister is available to bring bread and wine from the Sunday Eucharist to those who are homebound? You may contact **Rev. Brin**, **Rev. Sherry**, or **Barbara** (512-925-3043 or brusling@sbcglobal.net) when you have a request for a Eucharistic Visitor.

Join Team Resilience - St. Michael's Church for the September 23rd NAMIWalk!

The members of St. Michael's Episcopal Church are among the most caring, courageous and thoughtful people around. Despite the rarified air of Westlake, our families have been affected by mental illness - that equal-opportunity brain disorder. And that's why St. Michael's has decided to sponsor a team to participate in this year's NAMI Walk. Contact Barbara Johnson (barbarajohnson1468@gmail.com) to learn more or to walk and/ or donate, go to <https://www.namiwalks.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donordrive.event&eventID=657>.

Christian Formation and Education for the Summer at 9am

Children's Sunday School in the Education Wing. Our Summer program for children, preschool through 5th grade, takes place in room 2. We explore some of our more familiar Bible stories in a relaxed and fun way, incorporating the most popular part of our regular program - snack and games! Each week is a stand alone session so join us whenever you are in town.

Children's Chapel during the 10am service All children pre-school through 5th grade are invited to take part in our new chapel program. Everyone will begin in church together then, during the 'Song of Praise', those children who want to take part will have their own worship service in the Brides room. Chapel will follow the liturgy of the day with readings, prayers, and music and will help the children become familiar with our Episcopal Worship service. We will rejoin families in church at the Passing of the Peace, before Communion.

Nursery care 7:45am to 11:30am in the Education wing for infants to three years old; staffed by professional, Safeguarding God's Children certified nannies.

Summer Schedule

7:45am Worship with Holy Eucharist; **8:30am** Simple Breakfast; **9am** Education Hour; **10am** Worship with Holy Eucharist (w/Children's Worship in Chapel/Bride's Room); **6pm** Evening Prayer

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We will be hosting an Open House on **August 15**, noon-1:30pm at one of the properties near Oak Hill and would like to have as many attend as possible to determine if this is a good fit for St. Michael's Outreach. Lunch will be provided. We will be presented with an overview of their program, hear from one of the residents and given a tour of the complex. An invitation will be coming by email from Foundations Communities. If you did not receive one, and you would like to attend, please contact Karen Blair at (kblair3@austin.rr.com), or by phone at 512-327-8708. For more information, please visit **www.foundationcom.org**.

Calan Thurow has volunteered to serve as Chair of St. Michael's Outreach Commission. The Commission generally will meet four times a year on a Saturday morning for an hour and a half. The first meeting of the Commission is scheduled for Saturday, **August 26**.

If you would like to serve on the Outreach Commission, please send Calan (calan.thurow@gmail.com) or Rev. Sherry an email, noting your desire to serve on the Commission and your particular area(s) of interest in Outreach Ministry at St. Michael's.

Rector Search Update - Update to our Mission, Vision and Core Values - On July 8, members of the Vestry, Profile Committee and ministry leaders met for a Leadership Workshop to review St. Michael's Mission, Vision and Core Values. The Rev. Francene Young, the Diocese Transition Officer and Elizabeth Ann Gates, a congregational consultant reviewed the survey assessment results and facilitated discussion with this group to guide them in drafting new Mission, Vision and Core Values statements. These drafts were shared with the attendees at the Congregational Meeting on July 16. Rev. Young and Mrs. Gates also facilitated this meeting where attendees shared their vision of St. Michael's in five years.

Following the Congregational meeting, a small group consisting of several Vestry and non-Vestry members reviewed the draft statements to make sure they reflected the comments from the Congregational Meeting. They recommended a final draft to Vestry. Vestry approved a new Mission, Vision and Core Values on July 28.

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