

THE SUNDAY TRUMPET

Twenty First Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday Worship at St. Michael's

The St. Michael's family invites you to experience forgiveness and healing in the fellowship of Christ with Worship with Holy Eucharist at 7:45am, 9am, and 11am.

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.

Pastoral Care Team

If you find yourself in need of prayer during times of illness, hospitalization, loss, personal crises or anticipating hospitalization, please contact Rev. Brin, so we can coordinate a visit with you.

Altar Flowers

Weekly flowers are dedicated to birthdays, anniversaries, and to the memories of loved ones. Please contact Rev. Brin for more information if you'd like to donate.



Nearly 90 years after it was built, the bell tower at St George's Memorial Church in Ypres, Belgium, has its first ring of bells. Built in the 1920s in memory of the 500,000 British and Commonwealth troops who died during the battles for Ypres during WWI has finally been completed with the installation and dedication of a ring of eight bells. St George's Memorial Church was built in the Belgium town of Ypres, which was all-but flattened during the war. Credit: St. George's Memorial Church.

What's Going On Today

Integrity Austin Open Arms monthly meeting is today and is open to everyone. Come be a part of the group and see what Integrity is doing for St. Michael's as well as the community.

Announcements and Events

Sunday 6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer Service will be on hiatus until further notice. The last scheduled Sunday Evening Prayer Service will be **November 5** at **6pm**. Once a new rector is in place, we will explore the possibility of a Sunday evening worship option.

The next 10am combined Sunday service will be on **November 5**, which will also be a day for **baptisms**, followed by a fabulous **tex-mex BBQ brunch** for one and all – Saints included. Please get in contact with **Rev. Brin** or **Rev. Peter** for more information.

Scripture Readings for Proper 25

Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46

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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On All Saints Day on Nov. 5 we read aloud the names of those we have lost from the congregation all at once. This is a

meaningful way to honor those whose memories we treasure. Please list all of those you would like to be noted in the sign up sheets in the Narthex, or email them to **Claire Bray** (claire.bray@sbcglobal.net) Anyone who was buried from St. Michael's in the past year will be read from the ambo with the Prayers of the People.

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 the Parish Hall. Please contact **Rev. Brin** for more information.

Outreach Commission Meeting will be held **Saturday, November 4** at 10am. All who are interested in St. Michael's Outreach activities are welcome. Contact **Calan Thurow** for more information: (calan.thurow@gmail.com).

Can our parish feed 50 families this Thanksgiving? You can help by supporting **the annual El Buen Samaritano's Hands for Hope Thanksgiving meal drive**. On **November 18**, more than 1,000 families will receive a Thanksgiving dinner complete with turkey, a pie, trimmings, and fresh vegetables. **We need your help: A \$20 donation provides a Thanksgiving package to one family in need.** This year, the Moody Family Foundation will match all gifts to Hands For Hope two to one – Making a \$20 donation a \$60 one to help feed families all year long. Look for Hands of Hope posters in the parish hall, visit elbuen.org/h4h to make a donation, or contact Bunny Cowan at **512-467-4703** or (2000grandbabs@gmail.com).

The Open Arms Integrity group of St. Michaels would like to invite everyone at St. Michaels to attend the **Transgender Day of Remembrance memorial service** on **Monday, November 20th, 7:30pm** on the **City Hall Plaza** outside on the south side of the building (Cesar Chavez between Lavaca and Guadalupe). Come and stand with us. Contact Kaitlyn Lundigran (kaitlyn@handymaams.com) or Phillip Boone (phillip.openarms@gmail.com) for more information.

Calling all walkers, joggers, and runners! Start your week off with a walk/run and prayer on the trail around Town Lake. **We meet on the north end of the pedestrian bridge under Mopac on Mondays at 7am** and then end with prayer around **8am**. Contact **Rev. Brin, (801) 971-8177** for details and if you are attending.

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The St. Michael's Finance Commission is preparing for next year's budget, we have started estimating the expenses with increases in several categories due to the needs of St. Michael's. A first-pass expense increase came to 14% over the 2017 budget or ~\$115,000. To meet that increase AND have a balanced budget, parishioner pledge revenue will need to increase by almost 20% (or ~\$155,000). The significant categories include Christian Education, Payroll and Property. Outreach has been intentionally increased by \$20,000. We ask that you prayerfully consider generously increasing your pledge commitment to St. Michael's this year; or, if you have not committed in years past, please consider beginning to pledge in support of St. Michael's. We invite you to join the parish on November 5 at 10AM for the Ingathering of Pledges at our joint service. **To view the complete 2018 budget proposal and for more information, please visit www.st-michaels.org/giving.**

Christian Formation and Education

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC) is back and meeting on most Sundays for **6th-12th grade students** from **3-4:30pm**. Our weekly gatherings are not only about worship and small group time, but fellowship is an important and essential part of our student ministries program. Friends are always welcomed and invited! Contact **Marina Martin** (marinamartin2513@gmail.com) or see the schedule on our website, as EYC does not meet every week.

Sunday Seekers Book Study in the Bride's Room is reading the book 'How to Read the Apocalypse' by Jean-Pierre Prévost during Christian Education time, from **10:15 to 10:50**. Bring your own copy or contact **Phyllis Blee** (phyllis.blees@gmail.com) for more information. New participants are welcome to join at any time.

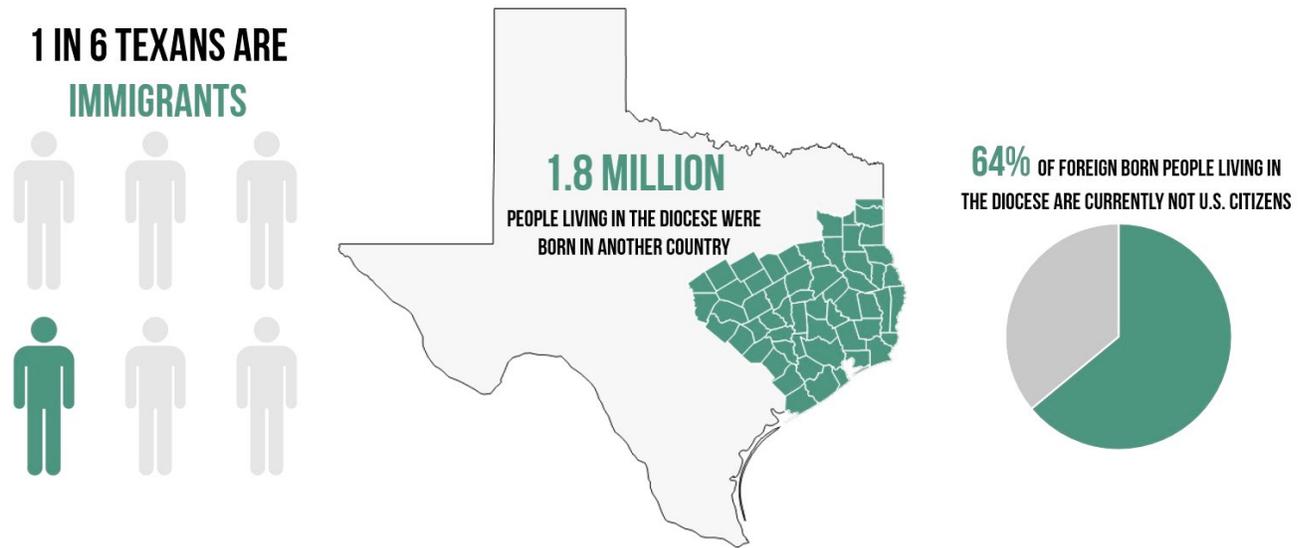
Our current adult forum series called, "Living Fully Expressed in Love," focuses on liturgy and worship in everyday life. We will look at the meaning, purpose, and fullness of worship and explore how we might open our hearts and minds to worship God more fully. This new series takes place in the parish hall and will meet for five weeks, not including November 5th.

Our current six-week small groups session is underway and still open to newcomers. We will have one group meeting on Sunday morning from 10:10-10:55am and another group meeting on Wednesdays from 7-8pm. The only requirement is that you try to make most of the meetings, but missing a few is not a problem. There is a sign-up sheet in the glass table in the Narthex, or you can reply directly to **Rev. Brin** for more details.

Children and Student Ministries during Worship – Christian Education for 3-year-olds to 12th grade takes place in the Education Wing during both the **9** and **11am** services. Parents bring their children to the education wing before the service, then once their programs are over, we bring everyone back to the worship space in time for Eucharist with their parents and families; **Nursery care** is available **8:45am to 12:30pm** in the Education wing for infants to 3-year olds and staffed by professional, Safeguarding God's Children certified nannies.

Children's Music Program for 1st through 5th grade - Brenda Simms, a parishioner/Choir-member, and children will meet on Sundays from **10:10-10:50am** in the Education Wing to learn new songs and practice lifting their voices to the Lord. If you have any questions, please contact **Brenda** (brenda@st-michaels.org). Children are welcome to join at any time.

Around The Horn: News from the Diocese of Texas



The Episcopal Health Foundation of Texas released a congregational connection report delving into the statistics of immigration within Texas the Diocese at-large, with a wealth of information being revealed in the process. As said by the report: The Episcopal Church has a long history of advocacy for immigrants and refugees. As early as the late 1880s, the church opened chaplaincies in port cities across the country to welcome newly-arrived immigrants. Since 1982, our General Convention and Ecumenical Councils have adopted at least 53 statements related to immigrant and refugee issues and rights. These statements range from positions supporting the Sanctuary Movement, deploring inhumane and high levels of detention and deportation, to calling for “a robust, holistic, regional humanitarian response from the US government and its allies that address the root causes of violence in the region” of the Americas.

The report continues, saying that one in six Texans is an immigrant. Out of a total population of about 10.7 million people in the 57 counties included in the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, estimates from the United States Census Bureau show that there are approximately 1.8 million foreign born individuals living in the region -- 17% of the total population. Almost two-thirds of those foreign born individuals are not U.S. citizens, which includes both documented and undocumented immigrants.

The full report contains a wealth of information and data, which includes responses from the Episcopal community as a whole and ways that we can respond and help those in need of assistance in our own areas. For the full report and full information, please visit <http://www.episcopalhealth.org/en/congregational-engagement/congregation-connection/congregation-connection-october1/who-cares-health-migrants/>

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