

THE SUNDAY TRUMPET

Feast of Saint Michael and All Angels

Newcomer and Prayer Request Cards

We offer two distinct cards for various needs. Magenta-colored prayer request cards are hanging from the pews, along with green newcomer cards. Both cards can be filled in and turned over to the offering plate, a member of clergy, or any Minister of the Day.

Pastoral Care

If you find yourself in need of prayer during times of illness, hospitalization, loss, personal crises or anticipating hospitalization, please contact Rev. Newton.

Altar Flowers

Flowers this week are donated by Lala Niemeyer, in memory of Vick's 99th birthday. Envelopes are available in the Narthex for flower donations.

Submission Deadline

Have a submission for the Trumpet? Please get them to Will (WBH@st-michaels.org), due two weeks before event date and by 12pm Thursdays.



Saint Michael; stained glass in the Pfarrkirche St. Martin in Linz am Rhein, Germany. 20th century.

Sunday Announcements

Join us for face-painting, a do-it-yourself photo booth, and tacos to celebrate the **Feast of St. Michael** between services. No Sunday School this week, which will resume next week at 10:10am. **Today is also Taco Sunday** in order to celebrate the day, so be sure to join us in the Parish Hall.

From Episcopal Relief and Development: Through our partnerships with Episcopal dioceses, we offer resources and training to help people prepare for disasters and provide emergency support so vulnerable people can make a sustained recovery after the storm. You can help provide critical relief to affected communities by donating to our Hurricane Relief Fund. To donate and read the latest updates, visit <https://support.episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-relief>.



Today's Scripture Readings (Track 2)

[Genesis 28:10-17; Revelation 12:7-12; John 1:47-51; Psalm 103 or 103:19-22](#)

Weekly Prayer Services

Morning Prayer

Tuesdays at 9am in the Worship Space.
For more information contact Gail Reid
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Centering Prayer

Tuesday evenings at 6pm in the side chapel. For more information contact Phyllis Blees
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Announcements and Events

The Gospel of Matthew/The Kingdom of Heaven Tuesday Bible Study with Rev. John Newton – We will meet in **Room 8 from 12-1pm**. Bring a Bible. We will study one chapter per week. Email **Rev. Newton** (jnewton@st-michaels.org) with questions.

Out & About In Austin get togethers throughout August where families and parishioners of SMEC can get together for low-key fun and fellowship. **Oct. 5 at Central Market, 4001 N. Lamar Blvd.;** **Nov. 3 at Hat Creek, 5902 Bee Cave Rd.;** **Dec. 15 at the Zilker Park Austin Trail of Lights, leaving from the church at 5:30pm.** All events **unless noted** are **6:15-8pm**. For more information contact **Family Minister Lizzie** (lizzie@st-michaels.org).

Feast of St. Francis with Blessing of the Pets at SMEC, **Sunday, Oct. 7, 2pm**. Bring your beloved critters for a blessing or even a toy as a proxy for any pet you wish to be blessed. For more information on the events and service, contact Lizzie (lizzie@st-michaels.org).

Trunk or Treat celebration on **Sunday, Oct. 28, 5-7pm** at SMEC. Featuring prizes for best decorated trunks, carnival games, bouncy house, photo booth, and more fun for all ages. For more information, contact **Lizzie** (lizzie@st-michaels.org). Considering opening your trunks for display this Trunk or Treat and let us know.

The next meeting of the St. Michael's book group will be on **Wednesday, November 7, at 2:30-4pm** in the Gathering Room at St. Michael's. We will discuss Crow Lake by Mary Lawson. Please join us! For more information, contact **Jackie King** (jsking2010@yahoo.com).

Youth Encounter Spirit (Y.E.S.) Nov. 16-18, 2018 at Camp Allen. A weekend retreat for **6th-8th-grade youth** in the Episcopal Diocese of Texas. Any student in 6th - 8th grade may attend YES. Please note that you may attend YES as a participant only ONCE. http://edotformation.formstack.com/forms/yes_129_participant_registration.

El Buen Samaritano Episcopal Mission is hosting its 27th annual Hands for Hope meal drive on **November 17**, with the goal to provide Thanksgiving care packages to more than 1,000 families this year. All donations match 2:1 by the Moody Foundation and campaign starts Oct. 21. Go to www.elbuen.org for more info.

Sunday Opportunities for All Ages

Adult Offerings

Sunday Seekers Book Study meets in the Church Office at **10am**. The **current book is *Reckless Love*, the new book from our own Rector, Rev. John Newton. Contact Phyllis Blee (phyllis.blees@gmail.com)** for more information. New participants are welcome to join at any time.

Adult Education – Foundations: Exploring the Basics of the Christian Faith, through **Oct. 28, 10:10-10:50am** in the Parish Hall. **Break on Sept. 30** for St. Michael's Day celebration. **Oct. 7** - A Better Country: Exploring resurrection and the hope of the world; **Oct. 14** - Rooting and Fruiting: Exploring discipleship and spiritual growth; **Oct. 21** - True Transformation: Exploring the work of the Spirit in the human heart; **Oct. 28** - Sacred Scripture: Exploring how to hear God by reading the Bible.

Student Ministries

From Student Minister Luis – EYC this past Sunday was all kinds of fun! Let's keep it going **today at 5 pm** with more food, games, and a teaching series based on the questions submitted by students. Additionally, Luis asks that parents fill out a short family information form at <https://goo.gl/forms/RGVS4n644GuSjlg2>.

Family Ministries

From Children's Choir Director Brenda Simms - St. Michael's Children's Choir starts back on Sunday, October 7, 3-4 pm, in the choir room at St. Michael's. **This will be after the Feast of St. Francis: Blessing of Animals at 2:00.** I'm excited to be using a wonderful curriculum called Growing in Grace. It includes a variety of seasonal and themed musical choices, recordings, videos, student activity sheets, sign language, instrument parts, movement activities, and more! **The theme is based on Galatians 5:22-23**, the Fruit of the Spirit. The songs and activities encourage the children to follow the Holy Spirit and develop godly character in Christ's love. Parents are welcome to hang out during the rehearsal and have coffee in the Gathering Room. Contact Brenda Simms (bsimms@st-michaels.org) if you have any questions or if you are interested in volunteering to help during rehearsals. **For grades 2-5, with exceptions.**





A *minute* FOR
FAMILY MINISTRY



SMEDS Director Rebecca Hope, her daughter, Piper, and Rev. Newton during baptism festivities on Sept. 23.
Credit: Lizzie McManus

Muddy Waters - Last week's baptisms had me teary-eyed. There is something so magical, something so pure in watching our little ones lead us to the waters of God. Each baptism was beautiful. Watching Rebecca and her daughter, Piper, share that incredible moment together reminded me of an insight offered by Dr. Lisa Miller in her book, *The Spiritual Child*; "Parents and children share a parallel developmental arc in which a child's need and yearning for spiritual experience coincide with a similar 'quest' phase in adult life." All of us come to church seeking something - assurance, comfort, answers, community - and sometimes we find what we're looking for, and sometimes we don't. Sometimes what we find is a different answer, or we walk away with more doubts and more questions. And that's okay.

To walk into baptism is to walk into murky waters. I mean this literally; earlier this year, I was waist-deep in the Jordan River, holding the hand of my friend as she was baptized. The water is muddy, thick with the movements of thousands of pilgrims stepping into it, full of snakes and bugs and bandaid wrappers and every kind of thing that normally makes me want to run far, far in the opposite direction. It occurred to me then that this made complete sense - this is the exact sort of thing Jesus does. Beckon us into muddy water and say: see, this is new life. "Behold, I am doing a new thing," doesn't promise ease, but God does promise to be with us.

My wondering for you this week is this: in the messiness that can be being family, in the scary waters we sometimes have to walk through - where is there an awakening waiting? How is your child, or the children of this church, leading you to be a little curious about what God could be up to? Who makes you brave?

- Lizzie McManus, Family Minister

Need some quiet toys or coloring sheets for your little one while worshipping?

Worship Bags

Available in the Narthex and the Gathering Room, where you can also hear our service & have some coffee & wiggle room for little ones!

Children's Chapel

Children 2nd grade and under are invited to process out behind the Children's Cross for Children's Chapel - where we read the same Scriptures as "big church," learn prayers, and sing songs! We rejoice the congregation during the Peace.

10:10 - 10:50am

Kids stories from the Bible with songs, games, and crafts!

Parents please sign kids Pre-K through 5th in AND out!

Sunday School

Christian Education Wing (left of Sanctuary)

The Church Mouse

Kids look for the church mouse during worship & receive a sticker for telling Family Minister Lizzie where she was after church!



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