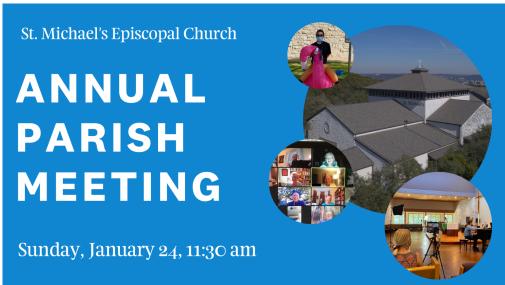


THE TRUMPET

An instrument of good news for our community

JANUARY 17, 2021 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



DEAR ST. MICHAEL'S FAMILY,

Our Annual Parish Meeting is just around the corner—on January 24 at 11:30 am. Due to our current COVID safe practices, this meeting will be virtual only on Zoom. We're inviting you to register in advance through Zoom at this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwpceuhrjoiH9eObwgvBzEYj8to_1nnoaCT.

Please, ONLY ONE FAMILY PER REGISTRATION because Zoom allows only 100 people per meeting. Once you register, you will receive a confirmation email, which will have information similar to the bullet points below.

- We do ask that all members of your family use the unique link and passcode found in the email, since Zoom limits meetings to 100 people. This link is unique to you and cannot be recovered, so save that email.
- All participants will be muted upon entry; we ask that you remain muted. If you have questions, we invite you to use Zoom's chat feature. Amanda Evans Lang, our Family Minister, will be on hand to provide tech assistance and moderate the questions.
- Please know that we will be recording this meeting so that it can be viewed at a later date.
- We will send out a reminder email prior to the meeting in addition to this communication through the Trumpet and through our parish emails.

Look for a video address from Fr. John that will go out in his Tuesday email, and the Treasurer's Report will be sent in the January 22 email.

While it won't be quite the same as in previous years because we won't be physically together, we remain very much connected. Speaking for myself, I'm looking forward to seeing you on Zoom and to hearing what Fr. John and the vestry have to say about their hopes for St. Michael's in 2021.

Yours,

Christine Havens, Assistant for Administration and Communication

NOTES

VIRTUAL-ONLY SUNDAY WORSHIP CONTINUES FOR NOW St. Michael's will not have any livestreamed or in-person worship for the foreseeable future. The Sunday liturgy will be made available each Sunday at 9 am on the website at www.st-michaels.org/worship-online and in our weekly Sunday emails. We hope you will worship with us, and invite your friends and family to watch. Assuming that COVID numbers are not in Stage 5 and trending upward, our 10:30 am service and other in-person offerings will resume as soon as it is safe to do so. Just a reminder that you can send photos of your Sunday worship watch parties to Christine Havens at chavens@st-michaels.org—we'll share on Facebook or in the Trumpet as we're able.

COVID VACCINE INFO FOR OLDER PARISHIONERS Austin Public Health (APH) has a webpage where you can preregister to receive the vaccine; click this link, https://covid19.austintexas.gov/, or just search "APH COVID vaccine."

HAVE AN OLD IPHONE OR IPAD? If you have an iPhone, 8 or newer, or a newer iPad that you are willing to donate to the worship tech team to aid in filming our services, please contact Amanda at amanda@st-michaels.org or Luis at lrivas@st-michaels.org. They would be very appreciative as some of the older ones they're using are having battery issues.

ADULT FORMATION & FELLOWSHIP

RECTOR'S BIBLE STUDY: DANIEL, THE APOCALYPSE, AND THE SON OF MAN Behind Jesus' use of the title "Son of Man," we find the Book of Daniel. Join us in a thorough study of Daniel's vision of God Almighty, and rediscover the hope that lies at the heart of the Biblical promise: a day will come when all dominion in heaven and earth is given to "one like a son of man, who will reign" over all "peoples, nations, and languages" in a kingdom of love that will never end (Dan 7:13-14).

This Bible study will be offered via Zoom at 12:00 pm on Tuesdays and Sundays. Sessions will be recorded and the audio only made available at www.st-michaels.org/listen for those who might miss a session. If you want to participate in a Bible study before then, we will still meet (Tuesdays only) on January 12, 19, and 26 to study the lectionary readings. Here is the Zoom information, which will be used for the whole spring:

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83976491370?pwd=aUZFekdvUkFENWJNSWRza1BzcC9TUT09

Meeting ID: 839 7649 1370

Passcode: 276756

SEEKERS BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP The Seekers are reading the internationally-renowned novel about the life and death of Jesus—*The Last Temptation of Christ* by Nikos Kazantzakis, a book that has generated controversy and conversation since its publication. The group meets at **11:45 am each Sunday** and all are welcome. Join anytime, as they will be reading this title through July 2021. Here's the Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/158321072?pwd=SE9Zc0hscE13REM1U1lWYjlVU3YyZz09. Passcode: 541706. Please email Phyllis Blees at phyllis.blees@gmail.com with any questions.

St. Michael's Book Club All are invited! The next meeting will be in the new year, on January 27, 2021, at 2:30 pm. The book is *Britt-Marie was Here*, by Fredrik Backman. Please email Rhoda Silverberg at rmorrillsilverberg@icloud.com for more information and for the Zoom link.

St. Michael's Women's Virtual Potluck Table fellowship with friends via Zoom—women of all ages are welcome to join. Alternate **Monday evenings at 6:00 pm** every other week. Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84019837778?pwd=SGRmQXhoYllXSUZCZEkrL0hMdFhldz09; passcode is 242636.

MORNING PRAYER, TUESDAYS @9:00 AM You're invited to Morning Prayer each Tuesday morning at 9:00 am. Please note the new Zoom link and passcode: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81346686555? pwd=MHFKdmlwWXRnZFVZM2tlb04wUFVHUT09. **New Passcode**: prayer.

CENTERING PRAYER ON TUESDAY EVENINGS This ministry is available every Tuesday night at 6:30 pm. Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/158321072?pwd=SE9Zc0hscE13REM1U1lWYjlVU3YyZz09; passcode: 541706. Please email Phyllis Blees with questions: phyllis.blees@gmail.com. For more about contemplative prayer, click this link: Heart of Texas Contemplative Outreach.

EVENING PRAYER, WEDNESDAYS @4:30 PM Each Wednesday at 4:30 pm. **NEW** Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88082768969. **Passcode now required**: 826364. The information is also in Fr. John's weekly Tuesday e-news.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY @1:00 PM This informal group discusses the Daily Office readings—drop in anytime! Led by Mary Healy, mary.r.healy@gmail.com. Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87035409217?pwd=b3RVWmJwOGFRTHgvK0dXMTB3UEM0Zz09. Meeting ID: 870 3540 9217. **PLEASE NOTE** that you should use this passcode: biblestudy.

FAMILY MINISTRY

Amanda Evans Lang, Family Minister, and the Family Ministry team are looking forward to spring when we hope to be able to come back to picnic church and find other ways to grow together. Please feel free to reach out to Amanda at amanda@st-michaels.org with questions or to chat.

STUDENT MINISTRY

St. Michael's is postponing the relaunching of Sunday in-person Episcopal Youth Community (EYC) until further notice due to high COVID numbers. Please check our student ministry website for updates on upcoming virtual events that are in the works. Check out https://www.st-michaels.org/students to stay up-to-date with all the happenings with SMEC Student Ministry.

THIS WEEK'S PRAYERS

NEW PRAYERS

For Lydell "Kip" Kiplin, father of Kim Kiplin, who has been admitted to hospital with COVID-related issues. For Alex and Craig Hough, sister and brother-in-law of Amy Risien, whose daughter, Illyana, died on her due date; for the Hough and Risien families as they grieve their loss.

For Mary and Rick, Hope Benko's parents, who have COVID-19.

The Collect for the Human Family, BCP p. 815

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

COVID-19

For Billie Jacobs and her daughter, Terri Allphin. Terri tested positive for COVID after they were both exposed.

For Mark Lander, his wife, Linda; their son, Matthew; and Mathew's preschool daughter, Alana, who all are recovering from COVID.

For Laura Cowan, wife of Mike, who is hospitalized with COVID-19-related pneumonia.

For Peggy DeBerry Bell, who died of COVID-19; for Donna Hulsey and the rest of the family as they grieve. For Lily Odle, great-niece of Britt Behrens, who has COVID-19.

For Jim McConaughey, brother-in-law of Karen Haslund, who is gravely ill with COVID-19, and for his family. For the Jacob and Abramo families.

For all children and teachers during this unexpected style of attending school.

For Suzanne, who is struggling with loneliness and isolation during this time, and for all who struggle with these issues.

For all those living in eldercare facilities, and for the staff, and for their families.

For all those without employment at this time.

All of our hospital and healthcare workers, including Stuart Wiggin, Rosa, J'aime, and Patty, who are keeping healthcare services running.

Miriam Carrillo, and Alfred Carrillo, sister and brother of José, whose livelihoods have been affected by the public emergency.

For Hannah M.

For Ed Erdman.

SNOW DAYS!

Piper, daughter of Rebecca Hope, our day school director, shows off the snow cupcake she was making on Monday. It was delicious!



Our junior warden, Kathy Wiggin, worshiped with the family dog on Sunday as the snow swirled outside.

ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH STAFF

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ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The altar flowers this week are given to the glory of God.

Sponsoring altar flowers is a wonderful way to honor loved ones or celebrate an occasion. Dedications can be emailed to the office: chavens@st-michaels.org. Your donation can be mailed to the church office or given via the "Give" page of our website, https://www.st-michaels.org/take-action.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

Are you celebrating a birthday or anniversary? We'd love to pray for you during the Sunday service and print your name(s) in the bulletin. Email to Christine Havens at chavens@st-michaels.org. We will get it into the bulletin as close to the occasion as we are able.

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1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20) 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 John 1:43-51 Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

SHARE YOUR STAY-AT-HOME PHOTOS!

Worshipping with your family, friends, pets? Have something else you'd like to share? We'd would still love to see your photos and share them on Facebook and/or in the Trumpet! Please send in as high a resolution as possible to Christine at chavens@st-michaels.org. Thank you!

THE TRUMPET SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Have a submission for the Trumpet? Please send it to Christine (chavens@st-michaels.org) by 12:00 pm on the Wednesday prior to the date you would like your announcement to appear in the Trumpet. Running it two weeks prior to your event is recommended for most church announcements.