

THE TRUMPET

AN INSTRUMENT OF GOOD NEWS

FEBRUARY 13, 2022
SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY











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Hi, we're the Olsen family! Carl (dad), Megan (mom), Florence, and Ethan. Florence is 5 (will be 6 in April) and is in kindergarten at Eanes Elementary; Ethan is 3 and attends preschool at Primrose West Lake Hills.



Finding St. Michael's was like finding the last missing piece of a puzzle: it fits our family perfectly, completes the picture, and brings us all together.





Attending SMEC is something we look forward to every week; in fact, I would say it's become the highlight and the cornerstone of each week. —Megan Olsen

NOTES

Mark Your Calendars! Trusting in Grace, our Lenten Speaker Series, Starts Sunday, March 6 Our

series this year is called Trusting in Grace, and will be a hybrid experience, both in person and online. Each Sunday evening in Lent, folks are invited to gather in the sanctuary at 5pm for a Eucharist service, followed by the guest speaker at 5:30, and then all are welcome in the parish hall for fellowship, food, and further conversation around 6:15pm. Childcare and youth programming will be available. Here is the schedule of our speakers:

- March 6 Trisha Taylor, licensed counselor & author
- March 13 Scott Bader-Saye, professor of Christian ethics, Seminary of the Southwest
- March 20 Rebecca Poe Hays, professor of Christian scripture, Baylor
- March 27 Anthony Baker, professor of theology, Seminary of the Southwest
- April 3 The Rev. Kelly Koonce, founder of Life After Loss



Save Your Appetite! Cobbler Sunday | February 27 | 10am hour The Boy Scouts are getting ready for an annual SMEC tradition that's been on hiatus during the pandemic—Cobbler Sunday. That's also our next Fourth Sunday 4 families. More details to come!

PLUG INTO OUTREACH

Outreach Update In February, thanks to your generosity, the Outreach Commission approved providing financial support to the following organizations: Seminary of the Southwest, Trinity Center, Refugee Services of Texas, Casa Marianella, Pauli Murray Scholarship, Episcopal Relief and Development, St. Michael's Day School, El Buen Samaritano, One Good Turn, Nicole's Place, St. Francis, Honduras Book Project, Del Valle Book Project, and the SMEC garden. Throughout the year, we will try to establish deeper relationships with several of these organizations and offer ways for the parish to "plug in" and participate. Stay tuned! *Submitted by Harriett Choffel*

Trinity Center Volunteers Needed Two volunteers are needed from noon-3pm on February 20 to help prepare boxed meals, which will be distributed on the steps of Trinity Center, located at 304 E. 7th Street. COVID precautions are in place for volunteers and there is free parking in St. David's garage. If you are interested in serving, contact Marsha Hart by text or call at 713-805-2243 or email her at mhartsales@outlook.com.





FORMATION & FELLOWSHIP

St. Michael's Book Club Looking for fellowship and conversation? Love reading? Join the SMEC Book Club! The group meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 2:30pm via Zoom. February's meeting is on the 23rd and the book is *My Remarkable Journey*, by Katherine Johnson. Please email Rhoda Silverberg at rmorrillsilverberg@icloud.com for more information and for the Zoom link. March's book is *The Sentence* by Louise Erdrich.

The Seekers | Sundays @12:30 pm | Zoom only The group is finishing the book *Divine Science: Finding Reason at the Heart of Faith*, by Michael Dennin, a physicist; they are choosing a new title soon. Contact Harriett Choffel at harriettchoffel@me.com or Phyllis Blees at phyllis.blees@gmail.com for more info. Here's the Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/158321072? pwd=SE9Zc0hscE13REM1U1lWYjlVU3YyZz09, Passcode: 541706.

St. Michael's Women's Virtual Potluck The SMEC Women's Potluck group gathers at 6:00 pm on the first Monday of each month unless it falls on a holiday. All women of the parish are invited—bring a friend! 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 Zoom link and passcode: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81346686555?pwd=MHFKdmlwWXRnZFVZM2tlb04wUFVHUT09. **Passcode**: prayer.

Centering Prayer: Tuesdays @6:30 pmThis 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.

Rector's Bible Study: 1 & 2 Peter | Tuesdays @noon | Sundays @12:45 pm Did the Apostle Peter write the letters that bear his name? For a lively discussion of this and other questions about these lesser-known epistles, join Fr. John this spring on Tuesdays or Sundays now through March 6. Zoom info: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84620183719?pwd=ait6RFhzZFlRY2RxR0FqWTFvZ0JmUT09, Meeting ID: 846 2018 3719, Passcode: bible.

Evening Prayer: Wednesdays @4:30 pm Each Wednesday at 4:30 pm. Use Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88082768969 and passcode 826364.

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. Use this passcode: biblestudy.

FAMILY LIFE

Amanda Evans Lang, family minister, invites you to check out the Family Ministry and Student Ministry pages on the St. Michael's website for updates and activities to enrich your spiritual life. Please email with questions at amanda@st-michaels.org.

Vacation Bible Camp–Save the Date! It's not too early to get excited about VBC, which happens the week of August 1! This year's theme is Catch the Wave. Registration opens April 1. Contact Family Minister Amanda at Amanda@st-michael's.org for more details.

Camp Allen Summer Camp Registration Now Open! Now is the perfect time to register your child or grandchild for a great week of camp at Camp Allen. The season begins in June, and sessions fill up quickly! For more information, or to register, click here: https://www.campallen.org/summercamp.html.

Sunday School @9:00 & 11:00 am Each week in January and February, we talk about love: loving self, loving neighbor, and loving God. Sunday School is a place where children and their families can practice being compassionate in a community that values love and compassion. 9:00 and 11:00 am in the Family Life Center. Drop off is on the playground and you will be reunited in the sanctuary in time for communion together as a family.

MINISTRIES

Stephen Ministry Would you like a caring person to be with you steadfastly, in and through a hard time in your life? Consider asking for a Stephen Minister. Stephen Ministry is a free, confidential program that provides Christian care to hurting people with our congregation and surrounding community. Learn more at www.st-michaels.org/stephen-ministry. If you'd like a Stephen Minister, please contact Jeff Robinson (jarobinson100@gmail.com), Julie de Wette (julie@losmadrones.com), or Fr. John Newton (jnewton@st-michaels.org).

Altar Guild The Altar Guild is always looking for women and men to join this ministry. This group makes sure that the sanctuary is clean and readied for services and other liturgical events that happen at St. Michael's. If you are interested in serving or for more information, please contact Gail Reid at reid.gail@gmail.com.

DAY SCHOOL PHOTOS OF THE WEEK

An outdoor bubble party and playing with paint—the Puppies class were all about hands-on learning this week! Thanks to Miss Annelise for the great photos.





THIS WEEK'S PRAYERS

Please email Christine Havens at chavens@st-michaels.org with prayer requests or to receive the weekly Prayer Chain emails.

Parish Prayer List

In thanksgiving for 4 years of clean scans and tumor-markers for Helen Mayhew.

For Michelle Kim, as she undergoes cancer treatments.

For Julie Chapman, that her alternate cancer treatment is successful.

For all the young folks waiting to hear about college admissions decisions.

For Darlene Penner, friend of Chris Whitty, who is recovering from several falls.

For all victims of gun violence.

COVID-19

For Michelle

For Richard Crawford, hospitalized with COVID pneumonia and other health issues.

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

For all who struggle with loneliness and isolation.

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 Rosa, J'aime, and Patty, who are keeping healthcare services running.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Joan of Arc, Pflugerville; St. John's, Austin; St. Julian of Norwich, Round Rock

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

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ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

Sponsoring altar flowers is a wonderful way to honor loved ones or celebrate an occasion. They are printed here and in the worship bulletins.

Dedications can be emailed to: chavens@stmichaels.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.

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Jeremiah 17:5-10 1 Corinthians 15:12-20 Luke 6:17-26 Psalm 1

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THE TRUMPET SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Have a submission for the Trumpet? Please send your ideas, stories, or photos to Christine Havens, Communications Assistant, (chavens@st-michaels.org) by 12:00 pm on Wednesdays.