

THE TRUMPET

An instrument of good news for our community

APRIL 11, 2021 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

GENEROUS GENERATIONS!

Children are a marvel of grace and resilience, not to mention extravagant generosity! The children of St. Michael's are the future of not only our own community, but also of the wider Church. *Your* grace, resilience, and extravagant generosity help lift them up through the formation and fellowship opportunities offered by the SMEC Family Ministry and by our day school.



On Saturday, April 3, St. Michael's had Easter egg hunts on campus, thanks to Family Minister Amanda, and her crew of volunteers! The children were invited to be Green Egg Helpers. The "treasure" eggs had quarters in them and the kids could choose to put any or all of their treasure into one of three baskets. These generous souls gave over \$100 total to Manos de Cristo, Team Brownsville, and Good Samaritan School!





Winter storm damage closed the day school for a month, but reopened on Monday, March 29! The children, parents, and teachers were so thrilled to be back—just in time for Easter egg hunts. The little ones were fascinated by the construction work, part of our Building Project to replace the roof and repair wall damage.





IN-PERSON AND ONLINE WORSHIP AT ST. MICHAEL'S!

We have worship in both kinds right now at St. Michael's and we invite to join us however you feel comfortable —in-person or online. Our in-person times may change from week-to-week for a little while longer. You can stay updated by subscribing to our email list. Contact Christine Havens at chavens@st-michaels.org to be added.

Please register here if you plan on attending an in-person service, and check in at the welcome table on Sunday morning.

No registration is necessary for those worshipping at home; a link to the service will be sent via email at 9:00 am on Sunday morning. You can also find it at www.st-michaels.org/worship-online.

NOTES

STEPHEN MINISTERS ARE HERE FOR YOU In a book she wrote chronicling her battle with colon cancer, the late Julie Yip-Williams stresses the importance of letting people see your "heartache, pain, and vulnerability" in times of hardship. St. Michael's Stephen Ministers are here and would like to provide rest to all those who are weary and heavy laden. Julie de Wette (512-925-7029 / julie@losmadrones.com); Jeff Robinson (512-963-6687 / jarobinson100@gmail.com); or Fr. John Newton (jnewton@st-michaels.org) are available to talk with you further about how a Stephen Minister might help.

St. Michael's Is Back on Twitter Our account was sadly neglected for a couple of years, but now we're back! Are you on Twitter? If so, you're invited to follow, or re-follow St. Michael's! We're StMichaelsEpiscopal @StMichaelsATX.

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 on Zoom at 12:00 pm on Tuesdays and Sundays. Click the link for the syllabus. Sessions will be recorded and the audio only made available at www.st-michaels.org/listen for those who might miss a session. Here is the Zoom information:

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 Looking for fellowship and conversation? Love reading? Join the SMEC Book Club! The next meeting will be on April 28 at 2:30 pm; the book is *The Honey Bus: A Memoir of Loss, Courage and a Girl Saved by Bees*, by Meredith May. 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

Families, Amanda Evans Lang invites you to check out the <u>Family Ministry</u> page on the St. Michael's website for updates and activities to enrich your activities as a family. Please email her with questions at <u>amanda@stmichaels.org</u>.

STUDENT MINISTRY

EPISCOPAL YOUTH COMMUNITY

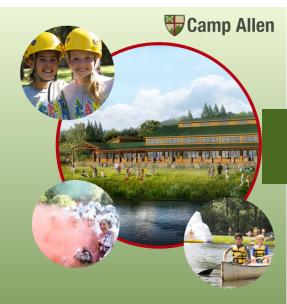
St. Michael's is postponing the relaunching of Sunday EYC until further notice due to COVID numbers. Please check our student ministry website for updates on upcoming virtual events that are in the works for mid-April. Check out https://www.st-michaels.org/students to stay up-to-date with all the happenings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

SUMMER CAMP WITH SMEC @CAMP ALLEN

Summer Camp at Camp Allen has always been a special part of the St. Michael's community.

This year, we have 6 sessions with 7 directors who are connected to our church community.

Find out more: st.michaels.org/summer-camp-ca



Questions?
Contact Kellye Heinze at kbheinze@mac.com.

THIS WEEK'S PRAYERS Please email Christine Havens at chavens@st-michaels.org if you'd like to receive the weekly Prayer Chain emails.

NEW PRAYERS

For Kelly, Jackie King's daughter, whose stepson, JC, has COVID, and for that household, who are all now in quarantine.

For Leigh and John Banaszak, whose newborn daughter, Clara, is in NICU; prayers for them and their family during this difficult time. In thanksgiving for Elizabeth Turner's successful recovery from a heart attack in December.

COVID-19

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.

Kristen LeClair, Junior Warden, snapped this lovely photo on Easter Sunday. Flowering of the Cross is a tradition in many churches. Great to see it back at St. Michael's!



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ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

Sponsoring altar flowers is a wonderful way to honor loved ones or celebrate an occasion. Dedications can be emailed to: 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 online 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 since services are prerecorded.

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Acts 4:32-35 1 John 1:1-2:2 John 20:19-31 Psalm 133

THE TRUMPET SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Have a submission for the Trumpet? Good news about yourself or our parish? Photos of you and your family participating in worship or fellowship activities?

Please send your ideas, stories, or photos to Christine Havens, Communication Assistant, (chavens@st-michaels.org) by 12:00 pm on Wednesdays. Running event announcements two weeks prior to the date is recommended.