



# THE TRUMPET

AN INSTRUMENT OF GOOD NEWS

MAY 1, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



**You may have noticed** that St. Michael's recently switched from using wafers at communion to using loaves of bread, which are baked by our baking crew. What you may not have noticed is that the patens and chalices (plates and cups) being used to serve that bread and the wine have also been switched from the silver ones we had been using. These were made especially for SMEC in 2008 by Harold Littlebird, of the Laguna Pueblo people. Thanks to the Altar Guild and Chris Pencis, head of the bread baking crew for helping us take a closer look.

—Christine Havens, Director of Communication

*Much prayer and meditation influenced the making of these sacred objects. God was allowed to speak and guide.*

*The Chalices are "The Book of John" chalices. Different passages from scripture taken from the book of John are cited on each chalice stem. Some are easily recognized and some are harder to read. The chalices are deliberately imperfect because we are imperfect. Only God is perfect. Seams on the bowl of chalices are signs of the stripes he bore for our sins. You may also notice different imprints that represent the trinity.*

*The Patens/plates bear the sign of the cross and they represent male and female sacredness. Many of the motifs are taken from my own native traditions and spiritual path. As a Christian I listened for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.*

Harold Littlebird



**Take a closer look one Sunday!**

## NOTES



### Spring Book Drive for Del Valle Elementary

**May 1** We still need books for pre-K to 2nd grade in English and in Spanish as well as bilingual ones and 2nd-5th grade chapter books for Del Valle Elementary School. **Drop off will be in the church entrance (narthex) this Sunday, May 1.** Enrich a child's life—give the gift of reading! *If interested in helping deliver the books to Del Valle on Friday, May 13, please contact Harriett Choffel at [harriettchoffel@me.com](mailto:harriettchoffel@me.com); or call 512-917-3018.*

### SMEC Family Camp Registration Opens Soon!

Ready for some summertime family fun? On August 26-28, St. Michael's has reserved treehouse cabins at Camp Allen. All are welcome! Registration opens in a couple of weeks; look for details to come. Email Family Minister Amanda with questions: [amanda@st-michaels.org](mailto:amanda@st-michaels.org).

**New Curate Starts on August 28!** On August 28, Josh Kulak joins the staff of St. Michael's as our curate, which is kind of like an apprenticeship, if you're new to the concept. Josh grew up in the piney woods of East Texas and has spent much of his adult life in central Texas. He completed his MDiv at Baylor's Truett Seminary and his PhD in World Christianity at Liverpool Hope University in the UK. In May, he will finish his Diploma of Anglican Studies at Seminary of the Southwest. He enjoys spending time with his three loves: his wife, Kari; their three-year-old son, Killion; and Liverpool Football Club.

## SUNDAY AT A GLANCE

MAY 1, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

- 7:45 am Holy Eucharist: Rite I
- 9:00 am Holy Eucharist: Rite II
- 10:00 am Taco Sunday | Parish Hall  
Seekers | Bride's Rm/Zoom
- 11:00 am Holy Eucharist: Rite II
- 12:45 pm Bible Study w/Fr. John | Zoom

Watch the 9:00 & 11:00 am services  
[www.st-michaels.org/worship-online](http://www.st-michaels.org/worship-online)



Readings for May 1, 2022:  
Acts 9:1-6; Revelation 5:11-14;  
John 21:1-19; Psalm 30:1-6

## FAMILY LIFE

**VBC Planning Kickoff Meeting | Sunday, May 1 @10 am | Gathering Room** We've got our theme for Vacation Bible Camp and registration's open! Come see how you can be involved—learn about the Make Waves theme and more. All are welcome to our kickoff planning meeting on Sunday, May 1. Grab breakfast goodies in the parish hall and then head over to the Gathering Room in the church. Email Family Minister Amanda for more info: [amanda@st-michaels.org](mailto:amanda@st-michaels.org).

**Sunday School @9:00 & 11:00 am** 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 your children off with Ms. Amanda, our family minister, at the front doors of the church, and you will be reunited in the sanctuary in time for communion together as a family.

# SUMMER @SMEC



GRACE & GRITS | JUSTICE CAMP-IN  
JUNE 26-29, 2022  
INCOMING 6TH GRADERS & UP



MAKE WAVES | VACATION BIBLE CAMP  
AUGUST 1-5, 2022  
3 YEARS-5TH GRADE

**OUR 2022 STUDENT MINISTRY CAMP** is four days (9am-9pm) of exploring the biblical mandate of Grace and Mercy while discovering our personal passions surrounding justice. This year's summer camp will explore topics of diversity, inclusion, equity, and justice all while engaging with Austin's grassroots and social service organizations. An incredible mixture of EPIC fun, workshops with local leaders, and community building hijinks, we are striving to build a community of students with hearts fully tethered to justice and mercy.

**Registration fee: \$495, scholarships are available.**

### **WE CAN NOT WAIT for VBC!**

Join us August 1-5, from 1-4 pm each day, for the most exciting week in Family Ministry. Games, stories, crafts, games, music, friends, and more fun than this description can contain.

**\$25 Registration fee includes T-shirt and snacks.**

Please email [amanda@st-michaels.org](mailto:amanda@st-michaels.org) for scholarship info.

**Click here to register and to volunteer:**

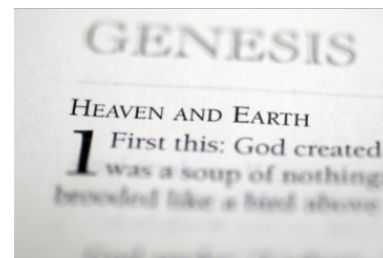
**<https://stmichaelsfamily.churchcenter.com/registrations>**



## FORMATION & FELLOWSHIP

### Spring Bible Study: Genesis 1-11 | Sundays @12:45 pm & Tuesdays

**@noon** Fr. John invites you to explore the first eleven chapters of the book of Genesis—from the Creation to the Tower of Babel. The discussion begins on April 24 for the Sunday sessions and on April 26 for the Tuesday ones. Zoom info: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84620183719?pwd=ait6RFhzZFIRY2RxR0FqWTFvZ0JmUT09>, Meeting ID: 846 2018 3719; passcode: bible.



**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. May's book is *The Invisible Woman* by Erika Robuck, and the discussion happens on the 25th. Please email Rhoda Silverberg at [rmorrillsilverberg@icloud.com](mailto:rmorrillsilverberg@icloud.com) for more information and for the Zoom link.

**The Seekers | Sundays @10:00am | In person and via Zoom** The Seekers are reading *Crazy Christians: A Call to Follow Jesus*, by Michael Curry, currently the presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church. Contact Harriett Choffel at [harriettchoffel@me.com](mailto:harriettchoffel@me.com) or Phyllis Blee at [phyllis.blees@gmail.com](mailto:phyllis.blees@gmail.com) for more info. Here's the Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/158321072?pwd=SE9Zc0hscE13REM1U1lWYjVU3YyZz09>, 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=SGRmQXhoYlIXSUZCZEkrL0hMdFhldz09>; 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=MHFKdmlwWXRnZlVZM2tlb04wUUVhUT09>. **Passcode:** prayer.

**Centering Prayer: Tuesdays @6:30 pm** This ministry is available every Tuesday night at 6:30 pm. Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/158321072?pwd=SE9Zc0hscE13REM1U1lWYjVU3YyZz09>; passcode: 541706. Please email Phyllis Blee with questions: [phyllis.blees@gmail.com](mailto: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. 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](mailto:mary.r.healy@gmail.com). Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87035409217?pwd=b3RVWmJwOGFRTHgVkdXMTB3UEM0Zz09>. Meeting ID: 870 3540 9217. Use this passcode: biblestudy.



**St. Michael's Community Garden Needs You!** Happy May Day! It's the 10th anniversary of St. Michael's Community Garden. Last year we grew around 500 pounds of organic vegetables and gave them to Austin food pantries. What's growing now? Onions, garlic, peas, sorrel, chard, kale, spinach, chili peppers, sweet peppers, watermelon, green beans and tomatoes. Now's the time to plant summer vegetables: beans, yellow squash, zucchini, butternut squash, okra, melons and more. Gardeners of all ages are invited to volunteer: plant seeds, water, weed, or harvest. Interested? Contact Beth Michaels at 512-751-8396 or [ebethmichaels@gmail.com](mailto:ebethmichaels@gmail.com).



**Onions**



**Peas**



**Sorrel**

**Support for Refugee Services of Texas** Refugee Services of Texas Austin primarily serves newly-arrived refugees and asylees with their initial resettlement into the local community. RST Austin is affiliated with the Episcopal Migration Ministries in partnership with the US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants. The group also serves survivors of trafficking. Thanks to your extravagant generosity, St. Michael's has recently given \$3,000 to support this work.

**Trinity Center Volunteers Needed** St. Michael's have committed to provide sack lunches one time per month through December for Trinity Center. We need five people/families to make a total of 40 sack lunches each month. These can be delivered directly to Trinity Center or Harriett Choffel can assist you with delivery. Remaining dates available: September 1; November 1; December 1. If you're interested, contact Marsha Hart ([mhartsales@outlook.com](mailto:mhartsales@outlook.com) or 713-805-2243).

**Outreach Partners** St. Michael's Outreach partners for 2022 are 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 Ministries, Honduras Mission 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!

## MINISTRIES

**Stephen Ministry** Occasionally, worry, pain, anxiety or loneliness feel relentless. Jobs, unemployment, family, or eldercare may bring unique highs and weighty lows. A caring Stephen Minister, a trained and confidential listener, not a therapist or friend, may be best equipped to hold your concerns with you for an hour each week, offering understanding, support and prayers.

Learn more at [www.st-michaels.org/stephen-ministry](http://www.st-michaels.org/stephen-ministry). If you'd like a Stephen Minister, please contact Jeff Robinson ([jarobinson100@gmail.com](mailto:jarobinson100@gmail.com)), Julie de Wette ([julie@losmadrone.com](mailto:julie@losmadrone.com)), or Fr. John Newton ([jnewton@st-michaels.org](mailto: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](mailto:reid.gail@gmail.com).

**Photography Ministry** Our photographers take on the role of capturing the special moments in the parish, may they be during worship, parish gatherings, or special events. If you're interested in helping with St. Michael's photography ministry, please email our director of communications, Christine Havens at [chavens@st-michaels.org](mailto:chavens@st-michaels.org). If you have any photos of community life or at-home worship that you'd like to share, Christine welcomes those, too. Please send via email at the highest resolution possible.

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## THIS WEEK'S PRAYERS

*Please email Christine Havens at [chavens@st-michaels.org](mailto:chavens@st-michaels.org) with prayer requests or to receive the weekly Prayer Chain emails.*

### Parish Prayer List

For Janice D., currently in ICU, after suffering an aneurysm.

For Carol O., who has been diagnosed with a rare lymphoma.

For Refugee Services of Texas.

For all victims of gun violence; we especially remember those affected by the Van Ness shooting in Washington, DC, last Friday.

“We pray in solidarity with all children of God who are now in harm’s way. I invite you to pray with me for peace—and for a world where we all join hands and ‘strive for justice and peace and respect the dignity of every human being.’” —From Presiding Bishop Michael Curry’s prayer for the Ukraine

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. Luke the Evangelist, Houston; St. Mark’s, Houston; Trinity, Baytown; Trinity, Houston

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** The Anglican Church in the Philippines



## DAY SCHOOL PHOTOS OF THE WEEK

So many fun photos from which to choose this week! The Ducklings made tortillas, learning about corn and how it becomes flour, forming the balls, and flattening them. They had help with the cooking. The Puppies learned about soap and water, making a "clean" mess on the playground. Thanks to Miss Judith and Miss Debbi for the pictures!





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### ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

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@st-michaels.org](mailto:chavens@st-michaels.org). Venmo donations to saint-michaels-austin (use 2207 if prompted for a phone number); or send via our PayPal link: [paypal.me/smecatx](https://paypal.me/smecatx), and put "altar flowers" as the memo.

### FOLLOW ST. MICHAEL'S ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook: @St.Michaels.Austin

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Twitter: StMichaelsEpiscopal @StMichaelsATX

YouTube: St. Michael's Episcopal Church Austin, TX

### 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](mailto:chavens@st-michaels.org)) by 12:00 pm on Wednesdays. We recommend running stories beginning two weeks prior to your event.

*Your extravagant generosity is appreciated.*

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