

# THE TRUMPET

An instrument of good news for the community

June 6, 2021 Second Sunday after Pentecost

# SMEDS CLASS OF 2021 GRADUATION!

What an emotional and celebratory day May 26 was! 24 students in the day school preschool classes—the Owls and the Dolphins—graduated. Students, parents, and teachers rose above all the challenges of the past year, pandemic, winter storm, building project, on owls' wings and dolphins' fins. With each new obstacle, Rebecca Hope, head of school, and Amanda Evans Lang, family minister, helped everyone adapt quickly to a new normal. Amanda says, "We are so grateful to be trusted with their most precious gift and for all the generosity of this community has exhibited through pandemic and disaster. The resilience of the children, parents, and teachers had been such an encouragement to witness." Congratulations, SMEDS Class of 2021!

We will miss you and we wish you the best! Christine Havens, Assistant for Communication and Administration



"Through our days together, we have built a home in these walls. It has been one of wonder, joy, curiosity and adventure. Even if this is the end of a season for your family and then end of preschool, it our prayer that you remember that we will always be a home for your family. Either as a community of faith or a place you pop in to Trunk or Treat or to sing Christmas carols, it is our hope that your child will always call St. Michael's home." Amanda Evans Lang, Family Minister





## **NOTES**

**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 summer services are at 8:00 and 10:00 am. BOTH services are now in the sanctuary, and you may enter through the courtyard-facing doors. As a reminder, we do have an updated COVID worship policy; you can read it by clicking here.

For those of you participating from home, we will continue livestreaming the 10:00 am service. If we have technical difficulties, and the streaming cuts out, our apologies in advance. We will record the service instead and post it on the website as soon as possible at <a href="https://www.st-michaels.org/worship-online">www.st-michaels.org/worship-online</a>. The Sunday morning email will have this information, too; it should arrive in your inbox by 9:00 am.

**ST. MICHAEL'S WOMEN'S VIRTUAL POTLUCK UPDATE!** Beginning in June, the SMEC Women's Virtual Potluck group will be gathering at 6:00 pm on the first Monday of each month unless it falls on a holiday. Mark your calendars for June 7 and July 12; all women of the parish are invited—bring a friend! Stay tuned for news about returning to gathering in person on the church campus in the fall. Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84019837778?pwd=SGRmQXhoYllXSUZCZEkrL0hMdFhldz09; passcode is 242636.

**BE A GARDEN ANGEL!** The SMEC garden continues to provide fresh food to families in need, despite the winter storm damage. Volunteers are needed to harvest, water, and weed through the summer. We welcome families and individuals who will commit to a few hours weekly. No special skills are required and orientation is provided. The garden infrastructures have also been affected by the freeze and have repair needs. Once the construction scaffolding is removed, we need a few people with tools to do one-time jobs. If interested in more information and/or helping in the garden, contact Harriett Choffel at 512-917-3018 or hchoffel@gmail.com.

## **ADULT FORMATION & FELLOWSHIP**

**SEEKERS BOOK GROUP-POTLUCK JUNE 6 & NEW BOOK BEGINNING JUNE 13** The Seekers begin reading *Mary Magdalene Revealed: The First Apostle, Her Feminist Gospel & the Christianity We Haven't Tried Yet* by Meggan Watterson, a WSJ bestseller about the gospel attributed to Mary and about her role in Christian tradition. The group meets at **11:45 am each Sunday** and all are welcome. *Interested in joining the group? You're invited to a potluck on June 6.* Contact Phyllis Blees at phyllis.blees@gmail.com for more info. Here's the book group Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/158321072?pwd=SE9Zc0hscE13REM1U1lWYjlVU3YyZz09, Passcode: 541706.

RECTOR'S BIBLE STUDY UPDATE: Bible study on Sunday mornings with Fr. John is on hiatus for the summer. Stay tuned for more details about an upcoming Christian education class with the Rev. Dr. Philip Turner that will begin in July. Tuesday Noon Bible Study with Fr. John continues now through June 22. The group will discuss the lectionary readings for the coming Sunday. The lectionary bible studies will not be recorded. Here is the Zoom information for Tuesdays: Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83976491370? pwd=aUZFekdvUkFENWJNSWRza1BzcC9TUT09 Meeting ID: 839 7649 1370 Passcode: 276756

**ST. MICHAEL'S BOOK CLUB** Looking for fellowship and conversation? Love reading? Join the SMEC Book Club! The group will meet again at the end of September (the 29th), but have already chosen the book to read over the summer: *The Library Book*, by master nonfictionist, Susan Orlean. Please email Rhoda Silverberg at rmorrillsilverberg@icloud.com for more information and for the Zoom link.

**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>.

**FAMILY MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Family Minister Amanda is looking for some volunteers to help with prep work. If you enjoy being crafty, helping with tasks like mailing postcards and organizing supplies, and are available during the week, please contact her at <a href="mailto:amanda@st-michaels.org">amanda@st-michaels.org</a>.

# **STUDENT MINISTRY**

Students, Luis Rivas invites you to check out the Student Ministry page on the St. Michael's website for updates and activities to enrich your growth in Christ. Please email him with questions at <a href="mailto:lives@st-michaels.org">lives@st-michaels.org</a>.

**7/11 & 8/1: EPISCOPAL STRONG 2021** Episcopal Strong lives on! All youth and youth leaders are invited to two very casual, worship-and-discussion gatherings on Zoom. Get a little bit of that mission trip magic, no matter how you serve this summer! No cost, no preparation required. See old friends & make new. Email episcopalstrong@gmail.com for Zoom link. More details here.



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

#### **NEW PRAYERS**

For Thaddeus Foster, family friend of the Clark Whitty family, who is experiencing health issues. For all those in the DR of Congo in the aftermath of the eruption of Mt. Nyiragongo. For all those affected by gun violence.

## 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.

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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: <a href="mailto:chavens@st-michaels.org">chavens@st-michaels.org</a>. 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**

We'll be returning to inviting folks to come up during the announcements for birthday and anniversary prayers. If you are worshipping at home, please continue to send your names to Christine Havens at chavens@st-michaels.org and you will be prayed for at the 10 am service, which will be livestreaming soon.

# JUNE 6, 2021 SECOND SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

 Track 1
 Track 2

 1 Samuel 8:4-11, (12-15),
 Genesis 3:8-15

 16-20, (11:14-15)
 Psalm 130

 Psalm 138
 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 Mark 3:20-35

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

Facebook: @St.Michaels.Austin Instagram: stmichaels atx

Twitter: StMichaelsEpiscopal @StMichaelsATX

## 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@stmichaels.org) by 12:00 pm on Wednesdays. Running event announcements two weeks prior to the date is recommended.