



THE TRUMPET

An instrument of good news



JUNE 11, 2023

Congratulations to Fr. Josh, Kari, and Killion Kulak! The Kulak family welcomed baby Margaret Ann into the world mid-afternoon on Wednesday, June 7. She arrived healthy and everyone is fine; your continued prayers are welcome. If you would like to offer them a meal as they adjust to this change in their lives, here is a link where you can sign up: <https://mealtrain.com/7ekov9>. We look forward to seeing our curate and his family on Sundays again soon. —*Christine Havens, Director of Communications*



NOTES

Summer at St. Michael's June 25-August 6 St. Michael's kicks off summer with a parish picnic on June 25, with burgers, Kona Ice, and more! June 25 is also the day we go down to two services: 8:00 & 10:00 am. This is an excellent opportunity to renew friendships and meet new people. There's still plenty of room to register your children or grandchildren for VBC, see the article below for more information and the sign-up link.



SUNDAY AT A GLANCE

JUNE 11, 2023

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

7:45 am	Holy Eucharist: Rite I
9:00 am	Holy Eucharist: Rite II Sunday School Ed. Wing
10:00 am	Coffee Hour Parish Hall The Seekers Room 4, Ed. Wing
11:00 am	Holy Eucharist: Rite II Sunday School Ed. Wing
12:45 pm	Bible Study Zoom

9:00 & 11:00am
services livestreamed at
st-michaels.org/worship-online

Register Now for Vacation Bible Camp!

Join St. Michael's July 31-August 3 for the most exciting week in Family Ministry. Games, stories, crafts, games, music, friends, and much more fun are in store. Children from pre-K through 5th grade are welcome!

Hours: 1:30 pm- 4:30 pm

Register here: bit.ly/2023VBCRegistration

Cost: \$25, which includes a T-shirt and snacks.

The Family Ministry team needs volunteers to help shepherd children, etc. Sign up for one day or all. Please email amanda@st-michaels.org for scholarship info or to volunteer.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

JULY 31-AUGUST 3, 2023

CHILDREN 3 YRS - 5TH GRADE



The Seekers | Sundays @10:00am | Rm 4 (Education Wing) and via Zoom The Seekers meet weekly at 10:00 am in Room 4, which is in the Education Wing. The group is reading *Do I Stay A Christian?: A Guide for the Doubters, the Disappointed, and the Disillusioned* by Brian McLaren. McLaren, a pastor, explores the ways to say both yes and no by shifting the question from whether we stay Christian to the question of how we stay human. A fascinating discussion ensues in this recently-released and favorably-reviewed book. No need to have read the book to join the conversation!

Contact Harriett Choffel at harriettchoffel@me.com or Phyllis Bles at phyllis.blees@gmail.com for more info. Here's the Zoom link: bit.ly/SeekersZoomLink, Passcode: 541706.

Tuesday Night Women's Bible Study Continues through Summer | 6:00 pm | Church Office All women are invited to join parishioner Trish Thompson on Tuesday nights for a discussion of hard questions found in the Bible. The group will meet at 6:00 pm in the St. Michael's office. Questions? Contact Trish at 281-851-7463 or home.thompson@gmail.com.

PLUG INTO OUTREACH

2023 Outreach Partners The Outreach Commission is excited to support these organizations in 2023 and seek to grow opportunities for purposeful connections with many of them. Click on the links to learn more about each organization:

Seminary of the Southwest (*theological and pastoral education*)

The Texas Pauli Murray Scholarship (*scholarship for seminary students of color*)

Episcopal Relief and Development (*disaster relief & sustainable development*)

Interfaith Action of Central Texas (iACT) (*interfaith outreach*)

Trinity Center (*homelessness*)

Casa Marianella (*displaced immigrants*)

Saint Francis Ministries (*foster care*)

El Buen Samaritano (*family services*)

One Good Turn (*global health in underserved communities*)

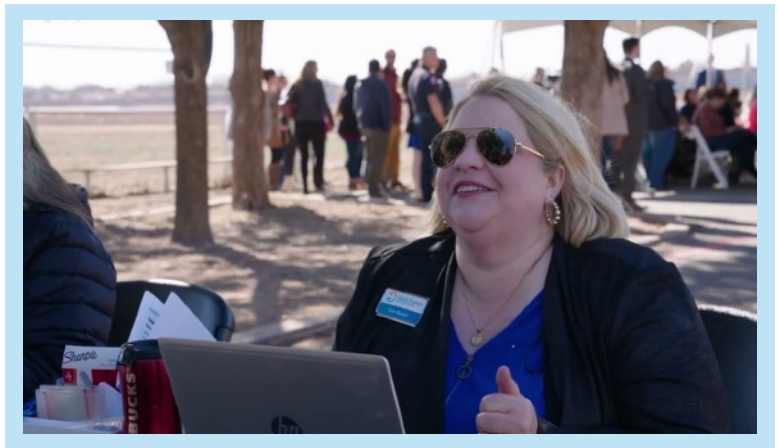
The Commission intentionally focused on connecting with a variety of theological and social service organizations. Additionally, the church will continue to support St. Michael's Day School, SMEC Community garden, Honduras Mission project, and the Del Valle Elementary School book drive.

If you have a passion for any of these organizations and projects or want more information about them, we would love to hear from you. We sincerely want to increase parish participation in spreading our love and grace throughout the community.

Please reach out to Harriett Choffel, Outreach Commission Chair, at harriettchoffel@icloud.com; or Fr. Josh Kulak at jkulak@st-michaels.org if you'd like to serve.

SMEC Quilts Featured in St. Francis

Ministries Video In the spring, St. Michael's had a very successful quilt drive for the new foster-care facility in Lubbock, Texas, operated by Saint Francis Ministries, one of our outreach partners. Our contribution has made quite the impact—click on the video to watch and learn more about this ministry or find it on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/NhE30mURdRk>.



Courtesy of St. Francis Ministries

El Buen Samaritano Volunteer Opportunities El Buen Samaritano, one of SMEC's outreach partners, depends on volunteers year-round to maximize limited resources. Volunteer opportunities: Adult Education, Youth Education, Food Pantry, and Community Garden

All volunteer opportunities require a semester-long commitment with a minimum of volunteering one day a week. All in-person volunteer opportunities require COVID-19 vaccination. To sign up or learn more about each opportunity, visit elbuen.org/volunteers.

FAMILY LIFE

Sunday School | During the 9am & 11am Services Ms. Amanda, our Family Minister, and the Family Ministry team welcome children and their parents at the front of the church and guide them to the Family Life Center in the Education Wing. Parents are reunited with their children in the sanctuary at the announcements—in time for communion together as a family. Questions? Contact Amanda at amanda@st-michaels.org.

Our Sunday School Classes are Growing! Sunday School Helpers Needed Do you love working with children? Our Sunday school classes are growing, and the Family Ministry team needs adults to serve as Sunday School helpers one or two Sundays a month. If you are interested or for more information, please email Amanda Evans Lang, our family minister, at amanda@st-michaels.org.

The A(colyte)-Team St. Michael's A-Team—our amazing acolyte team—is so appreciated! They add light to our Sunday worship by leading the procession as torchbearers and crucifers. A big thanks to all of the parents of our acolytes as well. If you're nine-years-old and above, and interested in joining the team, contact Fr. Josh at jkulak@st-michaels.org. Adults are welcome, too!

FORMATION & FELLOWSHIP

Spring Bible Study with Fr. John | Sundays @12:45 & Tuesdays @noon Bible Study with Fr. John continues to meet the next few Sundays: June 4, 11, and 18, and on Tuesdays: June 6 and 13. The group will discuss selected biblical passages according to the lectionary readings to guide our conversation.

Once that concludes, the group will take a break until late August. Stay tuned for details on the topic later in the summer. ZOOM INFO: bit.ly/BibleStudyZoomLink Meeting ID: 832 6049 2080; passcode: bible.

St. Michael's Book Club | Fourth Wednesdays @2:30pm 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. The group is now meeting *in person at St. Michael's*. The summer read, for discussion at the end of September, is *The Ride of Her Life*, by Elizabeth Letts. Please email Rhoda Silverberg at rmorrillsilverberg@icloud.com or Sue Allen at tom@northcoastbrewing.com for more information.

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: bit.ly/SMECTuesMorningPrayer. **Passcode:** prayer.

Centering Prayer | Tuesdays @6:30 pm This ministry is available every Tuesday night at 6:30 pm. Zoom link: bit.ly/SMECCenteringPrayer; 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 All are welcome to join each Wednesday at 4:30 pm for prayer and conversation. Use Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88082768969> and passcode 826364.

Men's Pub Theology | Second Wednesdays @5:00pm | Join the men of St. Michael's for fellowship and theological conversation. *The next gathering is June 14 at the County Line BBQ on Bee Caves Road.* Contact Andy Hines at ahines@hinespool.com for more information.

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: bit.ly/SMECThursBibleStudy ID: 870 3540 9217. Use this passcode: biblestudy.

MINISTRIES

Stephen Ministry for Loneliness? When I'm feeling lonely, there are times, all too often, even when people are around, that I feel this utter isolation. I'd like to share and just have someone listen . . . really listen. Not offer solutions or platitudes or bootstrap advice. Not say, "Well the very same thing happened to me!" How nice it would be to share my worries with someone who listens deeply. We can, with a Stephen Minister, who has been trained to provide safe, confidential Christian care. Contact Rev. John Newton (jnewton@st-michaels.org) or Stephen Ministers Julie de Wette (julie@losmadrone.com) or Jeff Robinson (jarobinson100@gmail.com). Stephen Ministry can be with you.

Stephen Minister Training Are you a trustworthy listener? Would you like to belong to a group of people who walk with others through life's storms while supporting one another? Becoming a Stephen Minister is a life-transforming experience—an opportunity to serve God, help others, and grow in faith. We plan to offer training, starting in August and wrapping up before Christmas.

To learn about training to become a Stephen Minister, please call Julie de Wette (512-925-7029) or Jeff Robinson (512-963-6687).

Daughters of the King The Daughters of the King® is an order for women who are members of the Episcopal Church. The DOK's mission is the extension of Christ's Kingdom through prayer, service and evangelism. St. Michael's chapter was established in 2014 and they are meeting regularly again. If you're interested in learning more about the group, please contact Jonea Raney at jcsrccch@gmail.com.

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.



Stephen Ministers Commissioning, 2022

DAY SCHOOL PHOTOS OF THE WEEK

Water Day for the children on the last day of the year!

A good reminder that summer is a great time to for anyone to get messy and play together.

Thanks to Ms. Sarah for the 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.

For Fr. Josh, Kari, and Killion Kulak as they celebrate the arrival of their daughter, Margaret Ann Kulak.

For Donna DeMoss, who is awaiting a diagnosis.

For Mary Hermes, who recently fell.

For Anna De Leon, who will begin chemotherapy soon, for her family and friends as they support her.

For all those in Canada affected by the massive wildfires there, and for those in other places affected by the smoke and ash.

For all those in India affected by the recent catastrophic train wreck.

For all those affected by gun violence.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: All Saints', Hitchcock; Good Shepherd, Friendswood; Grace, Alvin

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia

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ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The flowers are given to the Glory of God, and by Nancy & Phil Evans in celebration of their anniversary and in thanksgiving for their family.

Altar flower dedications are a wonderful way to celebrate the special people in your life or honor an important event or memory. Your dedication can be emailed to: chavens@st-michaels.org.

Donate using the QR code below or send a check to the church office at 1500 N. Capital of Texas Highway, 78746; put "altar flowers" as the memo.

GIVE TO SMEC



THE TRUMPET SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Have a submission for the Trumpet?
Please send your ideas, stories, or photos to Christine Havens, Director of Communications (chavens@st-michaels.org) by 12:00 pm on Wednesdays. We recommend running stories beginning two weeks prior to your event.

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