

# THE TRUMPET

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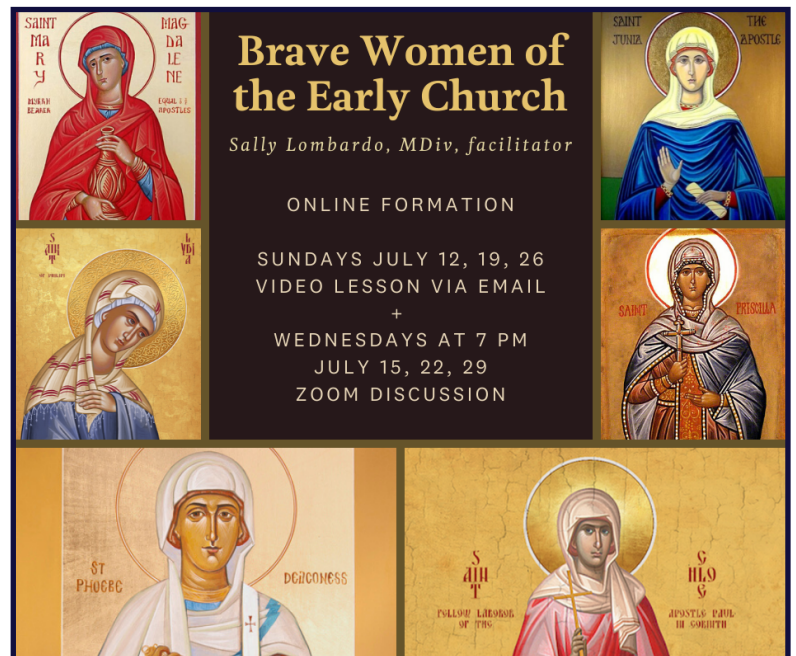
JUNE 28, 2020

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## BRAVE WOMEN OF THE EARLY CHURCH: A NEW ADULT FORMATION CLASS

Sally Lombardo is passionate about the women of the early church, so much so that while in seminary, she decided to write a book about them. She's now going to share her insights into these brave souls with St. Michael's by teaching a three-week class in July.

The class, which consists of a video lesson sent in our Sunday email, followed by a Zoom discussion on Wednesday evenings, was inspired when Sally "began to see how women had not only shaped the message of the Bible, but had been instrumental in guarding the fledgling church." Her later work as a doula and midwife further encouraged her to seek a way to share their wisdom with others. She crafted *Brave Women of the Early*



**Brave Women of the Early Church**  
Sally Lombardo, MDiv, facilitator

ONLINE FORMATION  
SUNDAYS JULY 12, 19, 26  
VIDEO LESSON VIA EMAIL  
+  
WEDNESDAYS AT 7 PM  
JULY 15, 22, 29  
ZOOM DISCUSSION

Church, weaving

their stories with those of contemporary women in her own life.

She's adapted her soon-to-be published book for this class, presenting Mary Magdalene, Lydia, Priscilla, Chloe, Phoebe, Junia, and Nympha to us and providing space in which to consider how much their courage and strength shaped the early church and how we might use them as examples in our own faith journeys today.

Sample questions to pique your curiosity include "How are we called to be 'midwives' of the faith today?" and "What is our purpose as those who 'bring the kingdom' of God?" The questions, based on the lessons, will be included in each Sunday email as well as the Zoom link. The Zoom info will also be in next week's Trumpet; no need to pre-register.



Sally is currently studying for her PhD at Baylor, where she also received her Master of Divinity degree at Truett Seminary. She also has a Master's in English and a certificate in spiritual direction. She's been writing some great Glimpses of Grace meditations in the Trumpet.

Thank you, Sally, for your extravagant generosity in offering this class!

## GLIMPSES OF GRACE

### Thoughts for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost by Amanda Evans Lang, Family Minister

We've come to the place in the COVID-19 pandemic that my family has spent more time in 2020 quarantining than being part of our larger community. Trips have been canceled, birthdays pared down, and the ways we usually mark the passing of seasons have disappeared. To say that I have not grieved much of that would not be true. It's not just the things that our family is missing out on—not being part of the lives of our sweet SMEDS family has been no small loss. (Dear preschoolers, please stop learning to ride your bikes and having birthdays. You have gotten too big already!)

But I am reminded daily that for many of the things we are giving up, God continues to pour blessings out on our lives. I've seen my teenagers, previously ships passing in the night, become joined at the hip. We have painted rooms and made home just a little sweeter. We've made beautiful dinners and lingered on the patio until the moon rises. We have turned to the great outdoors to fill our time and refresh our souls. And we have dreamt of the time it will be safe to gather with those we love and live life in community once again.

My hope that when we come out of this season, our hearts will not forget the way we longed for community and gathering together. I pray the biggest gift will be a way to treasure that with fresh understanding and open hearts.

## NOTES

**DIFFERENCE: THE POWER OF FAITH IN A CONFLICTED WORLD | EACH THURSDAY IN JULY | 5:30 PM VIA ZOOM Beginning July 2**, Kathy Wiggin, our Junior Warden, facilitates this timely 5-session course that explores what it means to follow Jesus in the face of conflict and see transformation through everyday encounters. The curriculum was developed by Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; each 90-minute class combines study, prayer, and discussion. This is a free offering; please register here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUrcO6srjMvGNGDKMWyynBNsSShTQUZY3BX>. Contact Kathy at [kbwiggin@gmail.com](mailto:kbwiggin@gmail.com) with any questions.

**WOMEN OF ST. MICHAEL'S VIRTUAL POTLUCK** Table fellowship with friends via Zoom—women of all ages are welcome to join at **6:00 pm on Monday, June 29**. Please email Becky Brindley at [mrbrindley@yahoo.com](mailto:mrbrindley@yahoo.com) for the Zoom link and password.

**SPIRITUAL DIRECTION AVAILABLE** One of our parishioners, Sally Lombardo, is offering free spiritual direction to St. Michael's parishioners during this time. Sally has an MDiv from Truett Seminary at Baylor and a Certificate in Spiritual Direction. If you are interested, please email Sally at [shlombardo@gmail.com](mailto:shlombardo@gmail.com).

**ST. MICHAEL'S BOOK CLUB** Join St. Michael's book group this summer! July's book is *The Sunday Philosophy Club* by Alexander McCall Smith; the discussion is at **2:30 pm on July 29**. August's book selection is *Jayber Crow* by Wendell Berry; that discussion happens on **August 26 at 2:30 pm**. Please email Gail Reid at [reid.gail@gmail.com](mailto:reid.gail@gmail.com) for more information or the Zoom link.

**MORNING PRAYER, TUESDAYS @9:00 AM** Join Mthr. Minerva and others for Morning Prayer each Tuesday morning at 9:00 am. Please email [mskeith@st-michaels.org](mailto:mskeith@st-michaels.org) for Zoom meeting link.

**EVENING PRAYER, WEDNESDAYS @4:40 PM** Led by Fr. John each Wednesday at 4:30 pm. Please email [jnewton@st-michaels.org](mailto:jnewton@st-michaels.org) for the Zoom meeting info.

**TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY** Mother Minerva leads the weekly Tuesday Bible Study at 1:00 pm, via Zoom. Please email [mskeith@st-michaels.org](mailto:mskeith@st-michaels.org) for the Zoom link and meeting ID.

**CENTERING PRAYER ON TUESDAY EVENINGS** This ministry is available every Tuesday night at 6:30 pm. Please email Phyllis Blees with questions: [phyllis.blees@gmail.com](mailto:phyllis.blees@gmail.com) or for the Zoom meeting link and ID.

**SEEKERS BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** The Seekers are currently reading *Divine Dance: The Trinity and Your Transformation* by Richard Rohr and Mike Morrell. They meet at 9:15 am each Sunday. Please email Phyllis Blees at [phyllis.blees@gmail.com](mailto:phyllis.blees@gmail.com) for the Zoom meeting info.

*Here are links to a couple of Zoom tutorials on YouTube. This one, <https://youtu.be/9isp3qPeQ0E>, from the Creative Life Center, is great for those just using the platform for joining meetings. Click this link, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FnFSBjFvK2o>, for a more detailed tutorial or if you're interested in how to host a meeting. If you have questions about using Zoom that aren't answered in either of the videos or you need clarification, please email Luis Rivas at [lrvivas@st-michaels.org](mailto:lrvivas@st-michaels.org) about a Q&A session.*

## **STUDENT MINISTRY**

**PARENTS & STUDENTS—STAY IN THE KNOW! FOLLOW AUSTIN AREA EYC ON INSTAGRAM!** The Austin Area EYC continues having fun activities at a safe distance. Follow [@austin\\_eyc](https://www.instagram.com/austin_eyc) on Instagram to stay connected to future opportunities for virtual worship and fun with other Episcopal youth from around the city. Direct Message on Instagram for Zoom links. Please contact Luis Rivas, Student Minister, at [lrvivas@st-michaels.org](mailto:lrvivas@st-michaels.org) for more news about youth group happenings.

## **FAMILY MINISTRY**

**STORYTIME WITH FAMILY MINISTER AMANDA ON FACEBOOK | NEW EPISODE EACH THURSDAY AT 1:00 PM** A new episode premieres each Thursday at 1:00 pm. You can tune in whenever your family is ready for a story! Lasts about 20 minutes.

**CHILDREN'S CHAPEL ON FACEBOOK | SUNDAYS AT 11:30 AM** Rev. Hope and Family Minister Amanda take turns leading a special message for kids, a story from the Bible, our favorite songs, and our five-finger prayer—just like we would do in Children's Chapel in person! Lasts about 20 minutes.

**HOLY MOLY! SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA ZOOM 12:00 PM** Sunday school is taking a break on June 28. Stay tuned here for July updates.

## **THIS WEEK'S PRAYERS**

### **NEW PRAYERS**

For the Lang family at the passing of Katherine Lang.

For Mike V., brother of Priscilla Wicker, who is suffering a severe infection.

For Jo Kirk, who is recovering from a stroke.

All those affected by the earthquake in southern Mexico.

### **COVID-19 RELATED**

For Sarah Hines, daughter of Andy and Catherine, who has COVID-19; for the rest of the family that they may stay healthy.

For Sara, who may have COVID-19, and the Imhoff family.

In thanksgiving that Kaylie, Randy Baldwin's granddaughter, is COVID free, and for her brother that he is also.

For Rosa, cousin of Lena Carson, as she returns to her work as a physician.

For all those living in eldercare facilities, and for the staff, and for their families.

For Stuart Wiggin, who is an EMT, that he might be safe and stay well.

Prayers for Drew Marye's stepsister, Sherry, who was diagnosed with COVID-19.

For all those without employment at this time.

For Hannah M.

All of our hospital workers, including J'aime, and Patty who works in Yale's ICU, and all who are keeping services for us.

Miriam Carrillo, and Alfred Carrillo, sister and brother of José, whose livelihoods have been affected by the public emergency.

For Ed Erdman.

## RESOURCES

### MEDICAL & MENTAL HEALTH

One Good Turn: <https://www.onegoodturn.org/covid-19-resources>

Texas Health & Human Services COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line:

<https://files.constantcontact.com/8f1dee88001/d0a7b37e-45a2-4d63-aec6-ca2dd9aefb03.pdf>

### PRAYER

Prayers for Use During the COVID-19 Pandemic: [https://episcopalchurch.org/files/wol\\_prayers\\_for\\_pandemic\\_final.pdf](https://episcopalchurch.org/files/wol_prayers_for_pandemic_final.pdf)

Society of Saint John the Evangelist: <https://www.ssje.org/>

Mission of St. Clare–Daily Office: <https://missionstclare.com/english/index.html>

Online Book of Common Prayer: <https://www.bcponline.org/>

Venite App: <https://www.venite.app/>

iACT's Daily Dose of Hope: <https://interfaithtexas.org/category/the-daily-dose-of-hope/>

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE–INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES

United Way Emergency Food and Other Assistance: [connectatx.org/](https://connectatx.org/)



Two church dogs–Scout (right) and Sancho Bellm. Thanks to Hilary for sharing this watch party!

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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 the office: [chavens@st-michaels.org](mailto: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>.

The altar flowers this week are given to the glory of God.

### BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

Are you celebrating a birthday or anniversary? We'd love to pray for you during the Sunday service and print your name(s) in the bulletin. The submission deadline is noon of the Wednesday prior to when you'd like to receive a blessing; email to Christine Havens at [chavens@st-michaels.org](mailto:chavens@st-michaels.org).

### READINGS, JUNE 28, 2020 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 22:1-14  
Psalm 13  
Romans 6:12-23  
Matthew 10:40-42

### THE TRUMPET SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Have a submission for the Trumpet? Please send it to Christine ([chavens@st-michaels.org](mailto:chavens@st-michaels.org)) by 12:00 pm on the Wednesday prior to the date you would like your announcement to appear in the Trumpet. Running it two weeks prior to your event is recommended for most church announcements.

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