



THE TRUMPET

Your gateway to all things St. Michael's

JULY 28, 2019

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Dear St. Michael's family,

July has flown by, and our summer sojourn will soon be over. August will be that annual time of transitioning to autumn—an ingathering of the community for fellowship and formation. In this week's Trumpet, and in the upcoming weeks, we will be sharing details about what's happening, both in August and on into September and October. Check out the News This Week section for articles about ways to get involved in a variety of upcoming outreach opportunities—a casserole drive for the border pilgrimage, the Austin Pride parade, the next Trinity Center event, and more. Many faith-full moments to come!

Not to mention our new curate, the Rev. Minerva Skeith, joins us the first week in August (stay tuned to the August 4 issue for her story). Oh, and Fr. John returns on August 4. We will be happy to have him back. Prayers for safe travel for the Newton family.

If you haven't had a moment to say thank you to Lizzie McManus, the Rev. Elizabeth Turner, and the Rev. Hope Benko for preaching and for serving as our celebrants while Fr. John has been on vacation this month, please do so. St. Michael's is blessed to have them as worship leaders, as we are blessed again this Sunday to have the Rev. Janice Jones serving at all three services. All are invited to come and support her in her ministry.

One member of our youth group, Davis, along with Luis Ruiz, our Studen Minister, spent last week in the Houston area for Missionpalooza. These two, along with many other young people from around the diocese, helped our neighbors repair homes still damaged from Hurricane Harvey. Way to go, Davis & Luis!

With that, it is my pleasure to encourage you to explore the rest of the Trumpet on your own—even in summer, St. Michael's offers so much to the world and to each other. You can share these stories, too, with friends and family.



Have a prayerful and a playful week,

**Christine Havens,
Assistant for Administration & Communications**

NEWS THIS WEEK

UNDERWEAR AND CASSEROLE DRIVES FOR THE BORDER PILGRIMAGE We need frozen casseroles in disposable aluminum pans, with clear, printed reheating/cooking instructions—**please bring them to the church office during regular business hours between July 28-August 1**. Email Lizzie with what you're bringing; it is best to bring toward end of week, on Wednesday and Thursday. We are also still collecting underwear; darker colors preferred. We are also seeking to borrow coolers and air mattresses/army cots for our pilgrimage; contact Lizzie McManus for more information (lizzie@st-michaels.org).



ST. MICHAEL'S OUTREACH EVENT AT TRINITY CENTER | SUNDAY, AUGUST 11 | 2:00-4:30 PM We will come together to share St. Michael's community worship and a meal with our neighbors experiencing homelessness at Trinity Center, downtown Austin. If you would like to volunteer we need help with welcoming neighbors, setting up for worship, being part of the kitchen crew, and clean up. Volunteers must be at least 11 years old. Contact Elizabeth Jackson at ejackson68410@gmail.com or text/call 512-784-5645 to sign up or if you have any questions. Save the dates for upcoming SMEC Trinity events: September 22 & December 22



OPEN ARMS INTEGRITY OF GREATER AUSTIN is an Episcopal organization of allied and LGBTQ parishioners that proclaims and embodies the all-inclusive love of God through worship, education, and advocacy. All are welcome to attend any or all of these upcoming events:

Open Table Eucharist | Wednesday, July 31 | 7:00 pm | St. David's Episcopal Church | Preacher: The Rev. Eileen O'Brien This worship service, held on the last Wednesday of each month, seeks to meet our longing for spiritual connection, community, inclusion, and/or stillness. It is a gathering space for the LGBTQ community, and open to anyone seeking God in our midst. All are welcome. Please contact Fr. Chad McCall (chad.m@stdave.org) with any questions.

Pride Interfaith Service 2019 | Sunday, August 4 | 4:00 pm Sponsored by iACT (Interfaith Action of Central Texas) at Temple Beth Shalom, 7300 Hart Ln, 78731. Register here to get your free tickets: <http://interfaithtexas.org/passport-program-pride-interfaith-service/>. These are required due to event security.

Save the Date! Saturday, August 10 | Pride Parade in Downtown Austin You're invited to march the Austin-area Affirming Episcopal Churches group in the Austin Pride Parade that evening. Stay tuned for more details. We're looking for someone with a truck and trailer willing to drive and pull a few parishioners along in the Pride parade! We'll supply the (non-damaging) decor, you provide the pride and vehicle. Contact Lizzie McManus at lizzie@st-michaels.org to sign up or if you're willing to drive.

CONFIDENTIAL CHRISTIAN CARE: STEPHEN MINISTRY In John 15:12, Jesus says, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." Loving and caring for one another is not just the priest's job—it's something Jesus calls us all to do! Stephen Ministry is one in which people with gifts for caring ministry can put those gifts to use in an organized way, bringing Jesus' love and care to those who most need it. Call or email a Stephen Leader with any questions: Jeff Robinson jarobinson100@gmail.com/512.963.6687 or Julia de Wette julie@losmadrone.com/512.925.7029.



SUMMER SUNDAY OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL AGES

ADULTS

SEEKERS' ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOK STUDY The Seekers meet from 10:00-11:00 am, except on Taco Sundays. The group is now meeting in Room 6. Discussion continues through the summer about *The Faith Club: A Muslim, A Christian, A Jew—Three Women Search for Understanding*. Contact Phyllis Bles (phyllis.blees@gmail.com) for more information.

CHILDREN

No Sunday School for the summer.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL CHILDREN pre-K through 3rd grade are invited to Children's Chapel, where we read the same scriptures as "big church," learn prayers, and sing songs. Children in 4th & 5th grade are welcome, too. We rejoin the congregation during the Peace.

WORSHIP BAGS are available in the narthex, as well as in the Gathering Room, the place you can have wiggle room for the little ones, hear the service, and have some coffee.

Kids can **LOOK FOR OUR CHURCH MOUSE DURING WORSHIP**. If they tell Family Minister Lizzie after church where they spotted the mouse, she will give them a sticker!



STUDENTS

Regularly scheduled EYC will be on break for the summer, but stay tuned for special events and hangouts!

No Sunday School for the summer.

SKEPTICS' SUPPER CLUB, AUGUST 8, 6:00-7:30 PM, RM 8 The Skeptics' Supper Club is a new, monthly small group discussion I am very excited to introduce to our student ministry. We will be coming together over dinner to discuss those questions that you might be afraid are too irreverent, too basic, or too out-of-bounds. Join us, dinner is on St. Michael's. RSVP to lrvivas@st-michaels.org



CITY-WIDE YOUTH KAYAKING AUGUST 14, 3:00-6:00 PM

Once again, we are partnering with other Episcopal churches in town to have a fun event for our students! The Waller Creek Boathouse is located at 74 Trinity Street, which is just east of the Four Seasons Hotel, off Cesar Chavez. **RSVP by August 5** to lrvivas@st-michaels.org to receive the waiver form.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ACOLYTE? Email Luis at lrvivas@st-michaels.org for more information on how to participate in this beautiful part of our Episcopal tradition. Anyone from 5th grade and above, including adults, is welcome to participate! **Training for all acolytes, current and new, will be on September 8 at 2:00 pm.**

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ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers this week are given to the Glory of God, by Barbara Rusling in celebration of Jennifer Rusling's birthday, and by Anne & Wallace Harwood in honor of their anniversary.

A donation to the St. Michael's flower fund is a beautiful way to remember, honor, or give thanks for your loved ones, or to mark a birthday, anniversary, or a special occasion. Donation envelopes are available in the narthex. Please note "flowers" on the memo line of your check. Place the envelope in the alms basin when it is passed, or hand your envelope to the vestry person of the day or to the rector.

THIS WEEK'S PRAYERS

For Michael Reeves, who undergoes surgery for renal cell carcinoma the week of August 12.

Tom M., for healing and solace

John Newton and his family as they travel back to Austin

In thanksgiving and for strength for those who travel to the border to provide meals and other aid to refugees.

*Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.*

—from the *Prayers of the People, Form IV, BCP, page 393*

WEEKLY PRAYER SERVICES

Morning Prayer

Every Tuesday at 9:00 am in the Worship Space. For more information, contact Gail Reid (reid.gail@gmail.com).

Centering Prayer

Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm in the side chapel. For more information contact Phyllis Bles (phyllis.blees@gmail.com).

THE TRUMPET SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Have a submission for the Trumpet? Please send it to Christine (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.