



THE TRUMPET

An instrument of good news



AUGUST 28, 2022

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SMEC Welcomes the Rev. Dr. Josh Kulak! We are so thrilled to have Josh join the team as St. Michael's curate (clergy in training). He began in the office on Thursday, August 25, and this Sunday will be his first with us. Please don't hesitate to greet him when you get a chance.

"My journey toward ordained ministry in the Episcopal Church has been long and winding. I am overjoyed to finally accept my first call and am thrilled that it is at St. Michael's, a thriving and inclusive community! I cannot wait to join in your ongoing work and to further explore what it means to be God's people in this place." —*Josh*

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, his PhD in World Christianity at Liverpool Hope University in the UK, and his Diploma of Anglican Studies at Seminary of the Southwest. Josh is passionate about cross-cultural ministry & theology, interreligious dialogue, and contemplative Christianity. He enjoys spending time with his three loves: his wife, Kari; their three-year-old son, Killion; and Liverpool Football Club. In his free time, you can almost certainly find him at Half Price Books, eating Indian food, or enjoying the Shoal Creek Greenbelt.



"I am excited about all the gifts for ministry Josh will bring to St. Michael's, and also to welcome Kari and Killion. When interviewing Josh for this position, it quickly became apparent that Josh is a gifted teacher, pastor, and an overall great human being. We are very fortunate to have him join our staff." —*Fr. John*

NOTES



Quilt Drive for Saint Francis Ministries Saint Francis Ministries, one of our outreach partners, is opening a new residential treatment facility in Lubbock, TX, for foster children ages 6-18 who need intensive therapy. It will service 12 females and 12 males from all over Texas. In addition to contributing financial support, we are partnering with Trinity Episcopal, Marble Falls, and All Saints', Austin, to collect new or hand-sewn twin bed size simple quilts to help furnish their new houses.

Please contact Harriett Choffel at harriettchoffel@me.com or 512-917-3018, if you're interested in donating. She is happy to pick up quilts from your home.

Quilt drop off is September 25-30 in the narthex. The quilts will be delivered to Lubbock before the facility's grand opening on October 28.



Cakes Needed for Trunk or Treat Auction Love to bake? Love to be creative? Donate a cake to the SMEC Trunk or Treat Cake Auction. Any and all cakes welcome! Contact Kirstie Cowan at kirstiecowan@gmail.com if you're interested.

SUNDAY AT A GLANCE

AUGUST 28, 2022

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- 7:45 am Holy Eucharist: Rite I
- 9:00 am Holy Eucharist: Rite II
Sunday School | Rm 8
- 10:00 am Coffee Hour | Parish Hall
Seekers Group | Rm 7
- 11:00 am Holy Eucharist: Rite II
Sunday School | Rm 8
- 12:45 pm Bible Study | Zoom



Watch the 9:00 & 11:00 am services
st-michaels.org/worship-online

Readings for August 28, 2022
Proverbs 25:6-7; Psalm 112;
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14

Fall Bible Study | Sundays @12:45 & Tuesdays @noon Ready to deepen your understanding of scripture? St. Michael's offers a Fall Bible study on Sundays and Tuesdays. Here's what's coming up. All are welcome; no experience needed.

Sundays 8/21, 8/28, and 9/4 & Tuesdays 8/23, 8/30, and 9/6: Dive into the Book of Jonah with Fr. John.

ZOOM INFO

<https://bit.ly/BibleStudyZoomLink>

Meeting ID: 832 6049 2080; passcode: bible

The Seekers | Summer Schedule: Sundays @10:00am | Rm 7 (Education Wing) and via Zoom The Seekers return to meeting at 10:00am as SMEC returns to our regular services time. Here's what they're talking about:

August 28: The Lord's Prayer, Aramaic translation

On Sunday, September 4, they will begin talking about *Half Truths: God Helps Those Who Help Themselves and Other Things the Bible Doesn't Say*, by Adam Hamilton. 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.

FAMILY LIFE

Sunday School | 9:00 & 11:00am | Family Life Center Sunday School is a place where children and their families can practice being compassionate in a community that values love and compassion. *We are back to our 9:00 & 11:00 am schedule in the Family Life Center.* Drop your children ages 3 years through 5th grade 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.



Day School Volunteer Librarian Needed Do you love to organize books? The day school is in need of someone to serve as a 15-minute-a-week volunteer librarian. This person will re-shelve books and tidy the bookshelves—choose a weekday/time that works for you (Sunday mornings work, too!) Contact Family Minister Amanda at amanda@st-michaels.org if you're interested.

SCENES FROM SUNDAY



Luke and Isaac did a great job of helping their father, vestry member Ian Shelton, collect the offering at the 11am service this past Sunday!



Our free screening of Mission: Joy was a success! 40+ people, including some from St. Christopher's, enjoyed this documentary about Archbishop Desmond Tutu and the Dalai Lama. Thanks to Karen Moody and Karen Haslund for hosting it!

PLUG INTO UTREACH

It Takes Many Hands to Share God’s Bounty The SMEC Community Garden, which is on the far side of the day school, is in need of more friends to help with this ministry. All the produce—like watermelon, peppers, and tomatoes—that our garden crew pick go to folks who don’t have much access to fresh food. Our new partner is Hope Food Pantry, a non-profit assisting Austin neighbors who are experiencing food insecurity. They love the fresh veggies! Gardeners of all ages are invited to volunteer: plant seeds, water, weed, or harvest. Great for families and individuals! Interested? Contact Harriett Choffel at harriettchoffel@icloud.com.



Can you name this plant? Hint—lots of people like to eat it in gumbo!



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!

FORMATION & FELLOWSHIP

St. Michael’s Women’s Potluck | Thursday, September 22, 6:00 pm | Parish Hall Join the Women of St. Michael’s as we gather for food and fellowship Thursday, September 22, at 6:00 pm in the parish hall. Bring a dish or adult beverage to share. If you don’t have time to cook, just join us. There is always plenty of food to share. Email Becky Brindley at rmbindley@yahoo.com or Gail Reid at reid.gail@gmail.com for more information.

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. The group is on summer hiatus until September 28. The next books are *Finding Me* by Viola Davis and *Murmur of Bees* by Sofia Segovia. 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 Zoom link and passcode: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81346686555?pwd=MHFKdmlwWXRnZlVZM2tlb04wUFlVHUT09>. **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=SE9Zc0hscE13REM1U1lWYjIVU3YyZz09>; 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.

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=b3RVWmJwOGFRTHgvdXMTB3UEM0Zz09>. Meeting ID: 870 3540 9217. Use this passcode: biblestudy.

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. If you'd like a Stephen Minister, please contact Jeff Robinson (jarobinson100@gmail.com), Julie de Wette (julie@losmadrone.com), or Fr. John Newton (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.

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. 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.

DAY SCHOOL PHOTOS OF THE WEEK

The fall semester begins on Monday, August 29, and the teachers have been busy this week readying their classrooms to welcome our new and returning students. Here are Ms. Judith and Ms. Lorenza, who are the Puppies classroom teachers. They are so glad to be a part of St. Michael's Day School! Thanks for the photo, Miss Rebecca!



THIS WEEK'S PRAYERS

Please email Christine Havens at chavens@st-michaels.org with prayer requests or to receive the weekly Prayer Chain emails.

Parish Prayer List

For Mason James, grandson of Mary & Ed Healy, who is in need of healing from an infection.

For the Rev. Dr. Josh Kulak and his family as he begins his ministry as curate of St. Michael's.

For all those in the Dallas area who are affected by the recent heavy flooding.

For all victims of gun violence.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Isidore's, Spring; St. James the Apostle, Conroe; St. Luke's, Livingston

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

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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. Your dedication can be emailed to:
chavens@st-michaels.org.

Donate using Venmo to saint-michaels-austin (use 2207 if prompted for a phone number) or send a check to the church office at 1500 N. Capital of Texas Highway, 78746; put "altar flowers" as the memo.

FOLLOW ST. MICHAEL'S ON SOCIAL MEDIA

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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, Director of Communications (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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