



THE TRUMPET

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OCTOBER 2, 2022

St. Michael's
Episcopal
Church

Extravagant **GENEROSITY**

"Do good, be rich in helping others, be extravagantly generous."

-1 Timothy 6:18

Generosity Sundays

Lay witnesses share what
extravagant generosity at
SMEC means to them

October 2

October 9

October 16

October 23

Meet Lisa Killough: Lay Stewardship Witness

I have been a member of St. Michael's for 35 years. My husband, Kirk, and I were married at St. Michael's when the church was on Bee Caves Road, and our son, Kory, was baptized and grew up at St. Michael's. My hometown is Dickinson, Texas. Sam Houston State University is my alma mater, where I obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Finance. I retired in 2016 from a 38-year banking career. I feel privileged to serve on SMEC's Finance Commission and to have been senior warden several years ago.



Taco Sunday

1ST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH



October 21

Commitment cards available
(online, mail, narthex)

Your Generosity at SMEC

Taco Sunday is one of St. Michael's favorite traditions, which was sorely missed during the isolation of the pandemic. Over the last year, we've been able to gather again for fellowship and delicious breakfast taco fixings courtesy of our Kitchen Crew, which has also grown in the last year or so. *Thanks to your extravagant generosity*, the people of SMEC have more than one way on Sunday mornings to experience hospitality and love at the table.

—Christine Havens, Director of Communications

NOTES



Bandannas!

YOU ARE INVITED ST. FRANCIS DAY

Pet Blessing

SUNDAY
OCTOBER 9
4 PM

Kiddie Snacks!

Dog & cat treats!

PET APPROVED

The flyer features a central title 'Pet Blessing' in large red letters. Above it, 'YOU ARE INVITED ST. FRANCIS DAY' is written in a circular arrangement. Below the title, the date and time 'SUNDAY OCTOBER 9 4 PM' are listed, along with 'Kiddie Snacks!' in green. To the left, 'Dog & cat treats!' is written in purple. A purple paw print icon with 'PET APPROVED' is at the top right. Three heart-shaped photos show people with their pets. The background is light yellow with pink and blue paw prints.



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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY AT A GLANCE

7:45 am Holy Eucharist: Rite I

9:00 am Holy Eucharist: Rite II
Sunday School | Rm 8

10:00 am Taco Sunday | 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 October 2, 2022
1 Kings 17:7-16; Psalm 112:1-7;
1 Timothy 6:17-19; John 3:16-17



ST. MICHAEL'S FAMILY MINISTRY & DAYSCHOOL

**TRUNK
OR
TREAT**

OCTOBER 29th 5PM-7PM

The flyer is decorated with Halloween-themed icons like bats, pumpkins, and candy. The title 'TRUNK OR TREAT' is in large, colorful letters. Below it, the date and time 'OCTOBER 29th 5PM-7PM' are in a blue banner. The background is white with colorful accents.

ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

1500 N CAPITAL OF TX HWY

PRIZES AWARDED FOR
BEST DECORATED CARS

TACO DINNER • BOUNCE
HOUSE • CAKE AUCTION
AND MORE!



Free Admission

QUESTIONS? AMANDA@ST-MICHAELS.ORG

Host a Trunk for Trunk or Treat! The St. Michael's Family Ministry and the Day School invite parishioners to decorate the trunk of your vehicle and hand out treats to our trunk or treater guests on Saturday, October 29.

Register here: <https://stmichaelsfamily.churchcenter.com/registrations>. Email Rev. Josh (jkulak@st-michaels.org) or Family Minister Amanda (amanda@st-michaels.org) with questions or for more info.

Donations Welcome for SMEC Annual Trunk or Treat Cake Auction Any fall- or Halloween-themed baked goods or other treats—homemade or store-bought—should be delivered to the Parish Hall on Saturday, October 29, between 3:00-4:30pm. Please contact Kirstie Cowan (kirstiecowan@gmail.com) with the official name of your creation and whether there are any allergens in them (nuts, etc.) so it can be labeled. Thank you for sharing your time and talents!

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. All are welcome; no experience needed. This Sunday, Rev. Josh concludes his study of Colossians; Fr. John will begin a new study on October 9. Come and explore.

ZOOM INFO

<https://bit.ly/BibleStudyZoomLink> Meeting ID: 832 6049 2080; passcode: bible



Voter Registration Table | Parish Hall | Sunday, October 2 The last day to register to vote is October 11, which falls on a Tuesday. If you haven't yet had an opportunity to register yourself, Kay Allen, SMEC parishioner, offering a convenient chance to do so.

Church-Related Phishing Scams on the Rise In the past year, St. Michael's has sent out email warnings of phishing scams from thieves purporting to be from Fr. John at least once a month. These emails share similarities—Fr. John needs a "favor" but he is unavailable for some reason and asks you to contact him or ask you to send a gift card of some sort. With stewardship season here, it's important to be aware that none of our clergy would approach parishioners in this manner or ask for gift cards. Here is a link to an AARP article about this: [Clergy Phishing Scams](#). Even though AARP's membership is older folks, their website has a robust Scams & Fraud section that can help improve anyone's digital literacy and cybersecurity.

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.

Ms. Amanda, our Family Minister, welcomes children and their parents near the education wing entrance (by the playground). You will be reunited with your children in the sanctuary at the announcements—in time for communion together as a family.

Children ages 3 years through fifth grade will want to be a part of this fall's curriculum, *God's Family*, where, as the earliest members of God's family, they will explore stories of God's faithfulness. One day, from this very family—God's family—He would send the One who would make all things right again. The One through whom we are all invited into the family: Jesus.



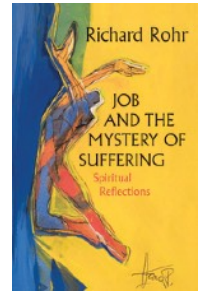
PLUG INTO OUTREACH

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 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.

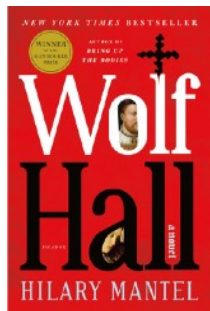
Outreach Partners St. Michael's Outreach partners for 2022 are the following organizations: Seminary of the Southwest, Trinity Center, Refugee Services of Texas, Casa Marianella, Pauli Murray Scholarship, Episcopal Relief and Development, St. Michael's Day School, El Buen Samaritano, One Good Turn, Nicole's 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

The Seekers | Sundays @10:00am | Rm 7 (Education Wing) and via Zoom The Seekers meet weekly at 10:00am. Here's what they'll be discussing starting on October 9: *Job and the Mystery of Suffering: Spiritual Reflections* by Richard Rohr. Contact Harriett Choffel at harriettchoffel@me.com or Phyllis Bleebs at phyllis.blees@gmail.com for more info. Here's the Zoom link: bit.ly/SeekersZoomLink, Passcode: 541706.



St. Michael's Women's Potluck | Monthly | Parish Hall The Women of St. Michael's are invited to gather for food and fellowship at 6:00 pm in the parish hall—stay tuned for October's date. 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 rbbrindley@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 reading Hilary Mantel's *Wolf Hall* for discussion on October 26. 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: 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 Bleebs 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 | Wednesday, October 12 | 5:00pm | The Grove on Bee Cave Road Join the men of St. Michael's for fellowship and theological conversation. The group's next meeting is 5:00 pm on Wednesday, October 12, at The Grove Restaurant, 6317 Bee Cave 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 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.

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 all those who were in Hurricane Ian's path, and for those who still are.

For Mary Hermes' friends, Daisy & Gary, who need peace and healing.

For Christian, Maddie, Val, & Frank.

For all victims of gun violence.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: All Saints', Fort Worth; All Souls, Arlington; Faith, Wichita Falls

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Canada

DAY SCHOOL PHOTO OF THE WEEK

“What better way to kick off our investigation of space than by launching our own rockets? We discussed the different parts of a rocket ship, as well as the importance of the thrusters which are needed to leave Earth’s gravitational force. Then the Owls were given rainbow scratch-off paper to design their rockets.”

Thanks to Ms. Debbi for this great story about what the Owls explored this week!



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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.

CONNECT WITH 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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