

THE TRUMPET

An instrument of good news for the community

OCTOBER 10, 2021

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GENEROSITY SUNDAYS—WEEK TWO!



Meet Christie Woodhouse, Sunday's Lay Witness

Christie joined St. Michael's in 2019, following her move to Austin from Connecticut, where she was an active member of Christ & Holy Trinity in Westport. Among other activities, Christie taught church school, chaperoned overseas mission trips to the Taizé community in France and to Jamaica, and directed many Christmas pageants. Prior to Christ & Holy Trinity, Christie was a member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Washington DC.

General counsel to Corrigo Investment Partners, a boutique investment firm based in Austin, Christie is a frequent speaker on issues involving the hedge fund industry. She received her AB from Stanford University, and her MA and JD from the University of Virginia. Christie is a member of Brooklyn-based Impact Partners and she directed the independent documentary "One Vote" released on streaming services in 2020.

St. Michael's Episcopal Church

Generosity Wednesdays Bible Study

- 6:00 am "Generous Life" devotional by staff sent
- 6:00 pm Bible study with Fr. John on that day's reading

Oct. 6	The Rev. Hope Benko	Luke 17:11-19
Oct. 13	The Rev. Elizabeth Turner	Luke 7:36-50
Oct. 20	Amanda Evans Lang	Luke 6:38
Oct. 27	Christine Havens	1 Corinthians 3:18-19

Extravagant
GENEROSITY

ZOOM INFO

Meeting ID: 891 5541 1211

Passcode: 291411

DID YOU KNOW? FR. JOHN'S FUN STEWARDSHIP FACTS

Of the 140 households that made a pledge to St. Michael's last year, only 99 pledged to St. Michael's three years prior, meaning that 29% of our current pledging households (41 of 140) have joined the parish in the past three years.

NOTES

Feast of St. Francis & Pet Food Donation Drive! On Sunday, October 3, many dogs, and two cats, brought their humans to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis. Blessings and thanksgivings abounded as well as smiles and peace.

Also, thanks to your extravagant generosity, we gathered a plentitude of dry & canned pet food as well as dog and cat treats. These items were delivered by Gail Reid to the Austin Animal Center on Levander Loop, who expressed lots of gratitude on behalf of the animals housed in this no-kill shelter.



Youth Bible Study Sunday, October 10, at 10:00 am We'll be having our first weekly youth gathering in the Family Life Room (formerly known as Room 8). 6th - 12th graders are invited to hang out and participate in a casual Bible study. Complete with breakfast tacos from Texas Honey Ham, it's a great opportunity to relax and connect with new and old friends. In addition, any middle schoolers and high schoolers are invited to lunch after the 11:00 service. Contact Michael Wiggin, student minister, at mwiggin@st-michaels.org with questions.

Save the Date–Trek or Treat! Saturday, October 30 5:00-7:00 pm All families are invited to this intergenerational gathering on St. Michael's lovely campus! Stay tuned for more details next week!

Save the Date–Six Flags Youth Trip! On Saturday, October 23, youth in 6th and up are invited to a trip to Six Flags! The group will depart from St. Michael's at 1:00 pm and return to campus at 12:00 am. \$50 (scholarships available), which includes park admission, dinner, snack, and drinks. Contact Family Minister Amanda at amanda@st-michaels.org or Student Minister Michael at mwiggin@st-michaels.org for more information or to register.

Generosity Wednesdays Bible Study with Fr. John Zoom Link Fr. John invites all to join him each Wednesday for a discussion of that week's Generous Life staff devotional. Here are the Zoom link and passcode: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89155411211?pwd=S0c3Y2VrbWRWN29UcVZMM3RwRDY1UT09;291411>.

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Rector's Bible Study: Paul's Letter to the Romans

Join Fr. John Newton this fall and take a deep dive into this literary and theological masterpiece!

100% ZOOM

Tuesdays at Noon August-December

Sundays at 12:45pm August-December

ZOOM INFO

Meeting ID: 842 9031 0446

Passcode: 582175

FORMATION & FELLOWSHIP

Seekers Book Group The Seekers are currently reading *Mary Magdalene Revealed: The First Apostle, Her Feminist Gospel & the Christianity We Haven't Tried Yet* by Meggan Watterson, a WSJ bestseller about the gospel attributed to Mary and about her role in Christian tradition. The group meets at **12:00 pm each Sunday** and all are welcome. *Interested in joining the group?* Contact Phyllis Bles at phyllis.blees@gmail.com for more info. Here's the book group Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/158321072?pwd=SE9Zc0hscE13REM1U1lWYjVU3YyZz09>, Passcode: 541706.

St. Michael's Women's Virtual Potluck The SMEC Women's Virtual Potluck group is now gathering at 6:00 pm on the first Monday of each month unless it falls on a holiday. All women of the parish are invited—bring a friend! *The next meeting is September 13 via Zoom.* Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84019837778?pwd=SGRmQXhoYlIXSUZCZEkrL0hMdFhldz09>; passcode is 242636.

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 via Zoom. The next discussion is October 27; the book chosen is *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith. If you'd like to get a head start on the November book, it is *The Soul of America*, by Jon Meacham. 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=MHFKdmlwWXRnZlVZM2tlb04wUUVhUT09>. **Passcode:** prayer.

Rector's Bible Study—Paul's Letter to the Romans: Tuesdays @noon; Sundays @12:45 pm Join Fr. John Newton this fall and take a deep dive into this literary and theological masterpiece. Zoom info: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84290310446?pwd=WG1iK0t6WfVITjdNVTYyTk41S29yZz09>
Meeting ID: 842 9031 0446 Passcode: 582175

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 Each Wednesday at 4:30 pm. 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=b3RVWmJwOGFRTHgVkdXMTB3UEM0Zz09>. Meeting ID: 870 3540 9217. Use this passcode: biblestudy.

FAMILIES & STUDENTS

Amanda Evans Lang, family minister, and Michael Wiggin, student minister, invite you to check out the [Family Ministry](#) and [Student Ministry](#) pages on the St. Michael's website for updates and activities to enrich your spiritual life. Please email with questions at amanda@st-michaels.org.

Hilltop Kids Sunday School Children 5th grade and younger are invited each Sunday at the 9:00 & 11:00 am services to learn Bible stories and do fun projects. In October, special attention will be given to learning about generosity. The Family Ministry team will be outside to greet them and lead them into the education wing. They'll rejoin their parents in the sanctuary at the announcements. Youth are welcome to join, too!

Family Ministry Volunteers Needed! Family Minister Amanda is looking for some volunteers to help with prep work. If you enjoy being crafty, helping with tasks like mailing postcards and organizing supplies, and are available during the week, please contact her at amanda@st-michaels.org.

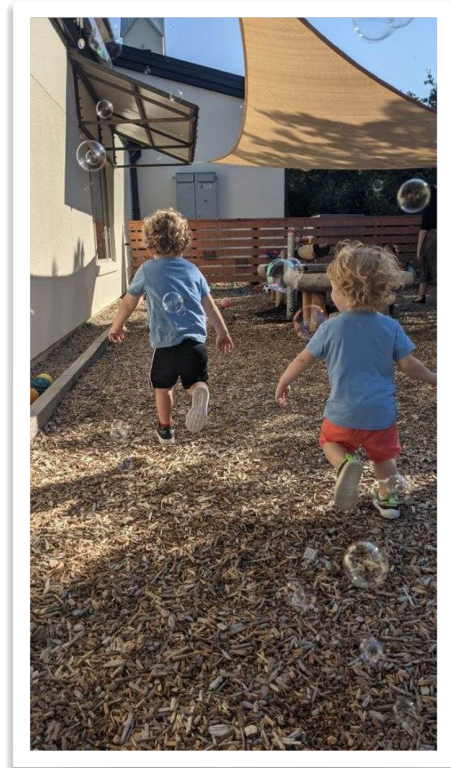
MINISTRIES

Stephen Ministry Would you like a caring person to be with you steadfastly, in and through a hard time in your life? Consider asking for a Stephen Minister. Stephen Ministry is a free, confidential program that provides Christian care to hurting people with our congregation and surrounding community. 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.

DAY SCHOOL PHOTOS OF THE WEEK

Laughter and love at St. Michael's this week! Chasing bubbles was a blast for the Puppies class, and our communications assistant, Christine, shared her love of books at chapel. Thanks to Nicole and Rebecca 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.

Parish Prayer List

For Julie, loved one of Chris Whitty, who is in ill health.

For Hunter, friend of Christine.

For the students and families of Timberview High School in Arlington, Texas, and for all victims of gun violence.

COVID-19

For all children and teachers during this unexpected style of attending school.

For all who struggle with loneliness and isolation.

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

For all those without employment at this time.

All of our hospital and healthcare workers, including Rosa, J'aime, and Patty, who are keeping healthcare services running.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Stephen's, Beaumont; St. Stephen's, Liberty; Trinity, Anahuac; Trinity, Jasper.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of the Province of South Africa.

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ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God. Sponsoring altar flowers is a wonderful way to honor loved ones or celebrate an occasion. Dedications can be emailed to: 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>.

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Deuteronomy 7:7-8; 15:7-8
Revelation 3:17-20
Luke 16:13-14; 19-28
Psalm 112:5-10

FOLLOW ST. MICHAEL'S ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook: @St.Michaels.Austin
Instagram: stmichaels_atx
Twitter: StMichaelsEpiscopal @StMichaelsATX

CONNECT TO THE WIDER CHURCH

Episcopal Diocese of Texas (EDOT): www.epicenter.org
The Episcopal Church (TEC): www.episcopalchurch.org

THE TRUMPET SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Have a submission for the Trumpet? Please send your ideas, stories, or photos to Christine Havens, Communications Assistant, (chavens@st-michaels.org) by 12:00 pm on Wednesdays.

*Your extravagant generosity is appreciated.
Text SMEC1500 to 73256 and follow the prompts to make an e-offering.*