

THE TRUMPET

An instrument of good news for the community

OCTOBER 17, 2021

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GENEROSITY SUNDAY—WEEK THREE!



Meet Ian Shelton, Sunday's Lay Witness, and his family

Ian Shelton; his wife, Kristen; and their three boys, Luke (5), Isaac (3), and Dermot (11 weeks), have been part of the St. Michael's Episcopal Church community since March 2019.

Ian grew up in Houston and attended the University of Texas for his undergraduate degree and for law school. After marrying Kristen in 2008, Ian practiced law in California before moving back with his family to Austin in 2019.

Luke and Isaac attend St. Michael's Day School and love their school and teachers. Ian currently works at the law firm of Eversheds Sutherland, where he practices commercial business litigation. He became a member of St. Michael's vestry in 2021. When he is not running after his boys, Ian enjoys riding his Peloton and working on his old Ford Bronco.

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

The Greek word in the New Testament translated "steward" is **oikonomos**, which means "household manager." This implies that stewardship is about managing the "household of God," together with faith and generosity.

SIX FLAGS STUDENT MINISTRY TRIP!

Saturday
October 23
1 pm- Midnight
\$50 | 6th-12th grade



NOTES

2022 Pledge Cards Coming Soon Thanks to all who have been asking when the 2022 pledge cards will be available—your spirit of extravagant generosity is appreciated. We will be mailing the cards on October 21, and the link will be available on our website on that day, too.

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! Want to donate some candy for this event? Please bring a bag or two of child-friendly sweets this Sunday or on the 24th. Stay tuned for more details to come. Email Amanda Evans Lang, Family Minister, at amanda@st-michaels.org with any questions.

Interested in Serving on the St. Michael's Vestry? All confirmed communicants in good standing at the church at least 18 years of age are eligible for consideration. If you would like to hear more about this leadership opportunity, email the rector at jnewton@st-michaels.org to share any questions or sense of calling to this leadership role you may have.

Installation of a New Rector at St. John's, Austin On Saturday, October 16, at 10:30 am, our former curate, the Rev. Minerva Camarena Skeith will finally be formally installed as rector of St. John's, Austin. In-person attendance is limited, but it will be available on Zoom. Click the link for more info or to attend: <http://www.austinstjohns.org/>.

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 Blee at phyllis.blees@gmail.com for more info. Here's the book group Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/158321072?pwd=SE9Zc0hscE13REM1U11WYj1VU3YyZz09>, 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! Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84019837778?pwd=SGRmQXhoYl1XSUZCZEkrL0hMdFhldz09>; 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 at 2:30pm via Zoom. The next discussion is October 27; the book chosen is *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith. 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=MHFKdmlwWXRnZlVZM2tlb04wUFVhUT09>. 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=SE9Zc0hscE13REM1U11WYj1VU3YyZz09>; passcode: 541706. Please email Phyllis Blee 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=b3RVWmJwOGFRTHgyK0dXMTB3UEM0Zz09>. Meeting ID: 870 3540 9217. Use this passcode: biblestudy.

FAMILY LIFE

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.

Sign Up Now for the 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.

Fourth Sunday 4 families Each month, the Family Ministry team hosts an intergenerational activity in the parish hall. All are welcome to join in between the 9:00 and 11:00 am services. There's usually a youth-oriented activity after the 11:00 am is over. The next Fourth Sunday is October 31—we hope to see you there!



Hilltop Kids Sunday School | Sundays @9am & 11am 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 Bible Study | Sundays @10:00 am Each week 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. 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.

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 (newton@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

The Duckling and Puppy classes (our littlest ones) made rain sticks and foot painted instead of finger painted this week. Thanks to Teacher Ileana and Teacher Melody for these joyful photos of curiosity in action!



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 healing and peace at this stressful time for Jackie King; her daughter, Rachel; her grandson, Michael; and all the Ham family.

For Alfred Silva, godfather of José Carrillo, who passed away recently; for his family and friends, including José, who are grieving.

For Cody Risien, who is recovering from recent hip replacement surgery.

In honor of White Cane Awareness Day, celebrated annually by the National Federation of the Blind on October 15: "For blind people, the white cane is an essential tool that gives us the ability to achieve a full and independent life. It allows us to move freely and safely from place to place—whether it's at work, at school, or around our neighborhoods." For Chris Whitty and other blind people within our community and beyond.

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: All Saints', Stafford; Calvary, Richmond; Christ Church, Eagle Lake

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church in the Province of the West Indies

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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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GENEROSITY SUNDAY #3

Jeremiah 33:6-11

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Luke 17:11-19

Psalms 69:30-36

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.*