



# THE TRUMPET

*An instrument of good news*



NOVEMBER 13, 2022



## **John Rutter's Requiem**

November 6, All Saints' Sunday was graced this year with a magnificent performance of John Rutter's Requiem. Thanks to your extravagant generosity, and that of the SMEC choir, the Peace Lutheran Church choir, and a chamber orchestra, over 100 people came to experience this haunting piece of music perfect to honor those who have gone before. Gail Reid, Karen Haslund, Julie Hodges, and others created a space of warmth and hospitality afterward with a wine & cheese reception in the parish hall.

*—Christine Havens, Director of Communications*



St. Michael's  
Episcopal  
Church

Extravagant  
**GENEROSITY**

**PLEDGE CARDS NOW AVAILABLE**  
*online: [bit.ly/2023PledgeCard](https://bit.ly/2023PledgeCard) & in the narthex*

## NOTES

*Ezra Bartz, pianist*  
**RECITAL**  
SATURDAY  
NOVEMBER 19  
4:00 PM  
RECEPTION  
TO FOLLOW  
ST. MICHAEL'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## SUNDAY AT A GLANCE

NOVEMBER 13, 2022  
23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- 7:45 am Holy Eucharist: Rite I
- 9:00 am Holy Eucharist: Rite II  
Sunday School | Ed. Wing
- 10:00 am Coffee Hour | Parish Hall  
Seekers Group | Rm 4
- 10:30 am Stephen Ministry Memorial  
Dedication | Memorial
- 11:00 am Holy Eucharist: Rite II  
Sunday School | Ed. Wing
- 12:45 pm Bible Study | Zoom

Watch the 9:00 & 11:00 am services  
[st-michaels.org/worship-online](http://st-michaels.org/worship-online)

### Stephen Ministry Leadership Commissioning and Memorial Dedication | Sunday, November 13

Three of St. Michael's newest Stephen Leaders will be commissioned during the 9 am and 11 am services. Then, between services, at 10:30 am, the Stephen Ministry Memorial and bell, located near our new outdoor area, will be dedicated. The memorial recognizes St. Michael's Stephen Ministers who have died. All are invited to come and pray for our new Stephen Leaders and the family members and friends of those who served so well, and to ring that bell! Cake will be served.



**Honoring Our Veterans** St. Michael's loves and celebrates the extravagant generosity of all those who served in the armed forces. On Sunday, November 13, at each of the services (7:45, 9:00, & 11:00 am), veterans will be invited to the altar to be recognized, thanked, and blessed.

**Holy Hikes | Saturday, November 19 | 9am** Please join Rev. Josh on Saturday November 19 at 9am for Holy Hikes®—a network of Christian eco-ministries committed to rebuilding communion between all of God's Creation by worshiping God in the beauty of the outdoors. Sponsored by St. David's Episcopal Church, the hike is family friendly and covers no more than 2 miles at a gentle, prayerful pace. The location of the hike is TBD and will be emailed 24 hours prior to the hike. [Click here to register.](#)

**Episcopal 101 Class Begins December 4** New to St. Michael's or to the Episcopal Church? Simply want a refresher on elements of our tradition? Join Rev. Josh during Advent for Episcopal 101. We will meet in the church office from 10-10:50am on December 4, 11, and 18. Sessions will focus on Episcopal History, the Book of Common Prayer, and theology & the Bible.

**Save the Date! Handel's Messiah | December 4 | 5pm** All are invited to join the SMEC choir, the Peace Lutheran Church choir, and a chamber orchestra for their next performance—the first part of Handel's Messiah. What a perfect event for Advent! The concert is free and open to the public. Children's programming will be available, and the event will be followed by a wine & cheese reception in the parish hall.

**AdventWord Begins November 27** Daily meditations and images—inspired by a prompt word selected from the daily lectionary readings—will be released at [adventword.org](http://adventword.org), beginning Sunday, November 27. AdventWord is a wonderful invitation for people to immerse themselves in the holy days of waiting and watching for the birth of Jesus. Participants can sign up to receive this daily message, in English and Spanish, by email or by following AdventWord on social media. Many followers join the creativity each year by sharing their own personal reflections across social media using #AdventWord. Participants respond with photos, written responses, crafts, drawings, poems, found art, and other creative expressions inspired by the day's selected word.. St. Michael's own Director of Communication, Christine Havens, wrote the Dec. 7 meditation.

AdventWord			
NOVEMBER 27 - DECEMBER 25			
2022			
27	WALK	12	WILDERNESS
28	TOGETHER	13	STRANGER
29	TEACH	14	BELOVED
30	MOUNTAINS	15	THIRSTY
1	MAKE	16	TRAVELER
2	READY	17	MAJESTY
3	UNITY	18	PURIFY
4	DELIGHT	19	SIGN
5	RAIN	20	HEAR
6	WELCOME	21	OBEDIENCE
7	WINNOWER	22	CHOOSE
8	BREATHE	23	RESTORE
9	FIRE	24	BIRTH
10	FLOURISH	25	EMMANUEL
11	MESSANGER		

adventword.org

## FAMILY LIFE

**Sunday School: God Rescues | 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 *God Rescues*, a program full of Bible-based activities to help young people learn about God's love and saving nature.



**Be a Sunday School Helper!** Do you have a heart for God and for working with children? Family Minister Amanda is looking for adults to serve as Sunday School helpers one or two Sundays a month. If you are interested or for more information, please email her at [amanda@st-michaels.org](mailto:amanda@st-michaels.org).

**Acolyte Program Invitation** The acolyte program is a way for our children and youth to act as liturgical leaders during our worship services—carrying the cross, lighting the candles, and more. As they offer their time and talent, they will learn more about what it means to serve God and one another, will become better acquainted with the Episcopal tradition, and will discover that they, too, are ministers of God's love.

Please email Rev. Josh ([jkulak@st-michaels.org](mailto:jkulak@st-michaels.org)) if you have children interested in participating.

## 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 argula and other fall veggies—that our garden crew picks 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](mailto: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 4 (Education Wing) and via Zoom** The Seekers meet weekly at 10:00am. Here's what they'll be discussing: *Job and the Mystery of Suffering: Spiritual Reflections* by Richard Rohr. Contact Harriett Choffel at [harriettchoffel@me.com](mailto:harriettchoffel@me.com) or Phyllis Bles at [phyllis.blees@gmail.com](mailto:phyllis.blees@gmail.com) for more info. Here's the Zoom link: [bit.ly/SeekersZoomLink](https://bit.ly/SeekersZoomLink), Passcode: 541706.

**Fall Bible Study | Sundays @12:45 & Tuesdays @noon** Ready to deepen your understanding of scripture? St. Michael's offers an online Fall Bible study on Sundays and Tuesdays. All are welcome; no experience needed. Join Fr. John for an in-depth exploration of the Letter to the Hebrews, who needed reassurance that Christ had indeed saved them once and for all.

### ZOOM INFO

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

**St. Michael's Book Club | Fourth Wednesdays @2:30pm** 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. *The next meeting is November 30, due to the Thanksgiving holiday. The group will meet in-person at St. Michael's in the Gathering Room*, to finish discussing *Wolf Hall* by Hilary Mantel, and then talk about what books to choose next. There is no meeting in December. Please email Rhoda Silverberg at [rmorrillsilverberg@icloud.com](mailto:rmorrillsilverberg@icloud.com) or Sue Allen at [tom@northcoastbrewing.com](mailto:tom@northcoastbrewing.com) for more information.

**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](https://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](https://bit.ly/SMECCenteringPrayer); passcode: 541706. Please email Phyllis Bles with questions: [phyllis.blees@gmail.com](mailto: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 | Second Wednesdays of the month | 5:00pm | Location TBD** Join the men of St. Michael's for fellowship and theological conversation. The group meets on the second Wednesday of the month; locations TBD. Contact Andy Hines at [ahines@hinespool.com](mailto:ahines@hinespool.com) for more information.

**St. Michael's Women's Potluck | Thursday, December 8 | 6pm | Parish Hall** The Women of St. Michael's are invited to gather for food and fellowship. Next date to be determined. 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](mailto:rbbrindley@yahoo.com) or Gail Reid at [reid.gail@gmail.com](mailto:reid.gail@gmail.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](mailto:mary.r.healy@gmail.com). Zoom Link: [bit.ly/SMECThursBibleStudy](https://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](http://www.st-michaels.org/stephen-ministry). If you'd like a Stephen Minister, please contact Jeff Robinson ([jarobinson100@gmail.com](mailto:jarobinson100@gmail.com)), Julie de Wette ([julie@losmadrones.com](mailto:julie@losmadrones.com)), or Fr. John Newton ([jnewton@st-michaels.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

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## THIS WEEK'S PRAYERS

*Please email Christine Havens at [chavens@st-michaels.org](mailto:chavens@st-michaels.org) with prayer requests or to receive the weekly Prayer Chain emails.*

### Parish Prayer List

For David Gross who is grieving the death of his law partner, David.

For Darrick Eugene and his family as they mourn the death of his grandmother.

Continued prayers for Jai, who is in hospice, and for her family.

For Carol and Steve Rosser who both have Covid. Prayers also for Sherlock, their cat, who has been ill and had to have 2 teeth pulled recently.

For all Stephen Ministers, past and present, and for their care receivers.

For all those affected by Tropical Storm Nicole.

For all victims of gun violence.

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. Catherine of Sienna, Missouri City; St. John's, Palacios; St. Mark's, Bay City; St. Mark's, Richmond

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

# MORE TRUNK OR TREAT 2022

What a wonderful Trunk or Treat St. Michael's had this year! So much so that we have more photos to share!  
*Thanks to Kirstie Cowan for these!*



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## ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God. 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](mailto: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](mailto:chavens@st-michaels.org)) by 12:00 pm on Wednesdays. We recommend running stories beginning two weeks prior to your event.

## Readings for November 13, 2022

Isaiah 65:17-25

Canticle 9

Luke 21:5-19