

Christ the King

November 24, 2024
10am

Livestream

We are delighted that you are here to worship God with us today! St. Michael's Episcopal Church, centered in Jesus Christ, is passionate about accepting the invitation to grow in God through love and acceptance. It is our desire to share God's love in action with works of grace and service. We are inclusive and welcoming of all God's people.

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Welcome to ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

PRELUDE Bagatelles, Op. 47 / #1 & #2 by Dvorak

Paolo Reyes, Joan Shalit, violins / Jia-mo Chen, cello

Please stand as you are able.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN The Hymnal 1982—#494 Crown His with Many Crowns (*All stand as you are able. Music can be found on page 7.*)

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy and living God.
People **Glory to God forever and ever.**

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE The Hymnal 1982—S280 Canticle 20, Glory to God (*Please join us, music can be found on pages 8*)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Together, let us pray

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE RECTOR SEARCH

O shepherding God, guide the hearts and minds of our Search Committee as we seek to discern the role of Rector for St. Michael's Church. By your light, draw to us those with vision and passion for St. Michael's future. Guide them as they discern your call. Raise up for us a faithful pastor, a dynamic preacher of your Gospel, to shepherd us as your flock, strengthen our ministries, and work with us in building up your kingdom. Amen.

THE LESSONS & PSALM *Please be seated.*

A reading from the Book of Daniel (7:9-10, 13-14)

As I watched,
thrones were set in place,
and an Ancient One took his throne,
his clothing was white as snow,
and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
and its wheels were burning fire.
A stream of fire issued
and flowed out from his presence.

A thousand thousands served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.
The court sat in judgment,
and the books were opened.

As I watched in the night visions,
I saw one like a human being
coming with the clouds of heaven.
And he came to the Ancient One
and was presented before him.
To him was given dominion
and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please pray Psalm 93 responsively by half verse.

- 1 The Lord is King; he has put on splendid apparel; *
the Lord has put on his apparel and girded himself with strength.
- 2 He has made the whole world so sure *
that it cannot be moved;
- 3 Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; *
you are from everlasting.
- 4 The waters have lifted up, O Lord, the waters have lifted up their voice; *
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.
- 5 Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, *
mightier is the Lord who dwells on high.
- 6 Your testimonies are very sure, *
and holiness adorns your house, O Lord, for ever and for evermore.

A reading from the Book of Revelation (1:4b-8)

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.
So it is to be. Amen.

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN The Hymnal 1982—#530 Spread, O spread, thou mighty word (*Verses 1 & 5, All stand as able. Music can be found on page 9.*)

PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL John (18:33-37)

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON Pastor Katie Holeman

NICENE CREED *All stand as you are able*

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is
seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the
living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon Marvelous, glorious God, with sincere thanks for the blessings won by Christ our Lord, we offer to you our deepest prayers as we say, Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Leader May your Church always look to its head, the Lord Jesus, whose example has given us a template for our lives and commission calls us forward in mission and ministry, we pray especially for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Megan our Bishop, Andy, Katie, Mike, Rod, and Jesse our clergy. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Strengthen us to be advocates for justice and peace in our society, that the reign of Christ might be known in our nation's life. We especially pray for Mary, our head of school, for all the staff, teachers and students at St. Michael's Day School and Starr King TK-8. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Be present to us today so that, with confidence in Christ's promises, we might re-commit ourselves to lives of service in His name and become agents of God's love to all whom we encounter. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You have formed the creation that it might sustain us and help us to thrive, help us to use it responsibly and to work with others to sustain its bounty. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

The name of Christ is the only name given for health under heaven, let His healing power enter into the lives of all who suffer that they may be made whole and know peace. Especially we pray for **Lennie, David, Cynthia, Liz, Barbara, Bobbi, Mike, Sandy, Robert, Sherry, Michael, Sarah, Tina, Jennifer, Mark, Mary, Kay, Hunter, and Billie.** Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Welcome the dead into your glorious eternal presence, that with the saints and angels they may praise you on your throne. We especially pray for the repose of the soul of Jay Glad and for peace and comfort to his family and loved ones. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For what else and whom else shall we pray? (*A time of silence is kept.*) Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Celebrant King of kings and Lord of Lords, you are our one true allegiance, and we give thanks for your reign. So lead us that we might welcome your return in confidence and hope. We offer these prayers in the name of Christ the King, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns forever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE AND OFFERTORY

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, BLESSINGS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant Let us with gladness present the offerings and gifts of our lives and labor to God.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Angus Dei (from Coronation Mass, K. 317)*

Kailey Diggs, soprano

PRESENTATION HYMN *The Hymnal 1982—#380 Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow (Verse 3, all stand as you are able. Music can be found on page 10.)*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B, Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS The Hymnal 1982—#S129 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (*Please join us, music can be found on page 11.*)

Please kneel or stand as you are able.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Michael, the Archangel, all angels, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF BREAD and THE INVITATION

The Hymnal 1982—#155 The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover (*Please join us, music can be found on page 11.*)

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER *

Celebrant For those who cannot be here physically to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ let us invite the Lord Jesus through this prayer for spiritual communion:

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you, and, since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself with you, and embrace you with all the love of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me. May I live in you, and may you live in me, both in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

Celebrant This is the table of the Lord. It is made ready for those who want to know and love Christ, all are invited to come and meet Jesus here. The Gifts of God for the people of God.

COMMUNION ANTHEM A Loving Heart to Thee by Young

POST COMMUNION PRAYER *Kneel or stand as you are able.*

Celebrant Together, let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

And now may the peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN The Hymnal 1982—#362 Holy, Holy, Holy (*Please join us, music can be found on page 13.*)

Deacon Alleluia, Alleluia. Let us go into the world to love and serve Christ!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

POSTLUDE Bagatelles, Op. 47 / #4 & #5 by Dvorak

Paolo Reyes, Joan Shalit, violins / Jia-mo Chen, cello

**Julian of Norwich Liturgy*

Serving Today

The Rev. Mike Ferrito Celebrant

Pastor Katie Holeman Preacher

The Rev. Rodney Davis Deacon

The Rev. Andy Lobban Assisting Priest

Jan Bowdler, Ann Hall & Mary Ellen Ferguson Altar Guild

Allison Flower-Arledge Flowers

Sr. Tina Francesca Ferriot Acolyte

Dave Decker, Rick Larkey & Jan West Readers

Mary Ellen Ferguson, Holly Yue & Sue Davis Eucharistic Ministers

Jay Bowdler, Molly Hoever & Bill Wilson Ushers

Carolyn Wilson Greeter

St. Michael's Chancel Choir

John Cozza Music Director

Coffee Hour Hosts Gail & Bob McMichael & Mary Seargeant

OPENING HYMN The Hymnal 1982—#494 Crown Him with Many Crowns

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!
 2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan, and
 3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, and
 4 Crown him of lords the Lord, who o - ver all doth reign, who
 5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned in worlds a - bove; Crown

1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -
 2 ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who
 3 rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save; his
 4 once on earth, the in - car - nate Word, for ran - somed sin - ners slain, now
 5 him the King, to whom is given the won - drous name of Love. Crown

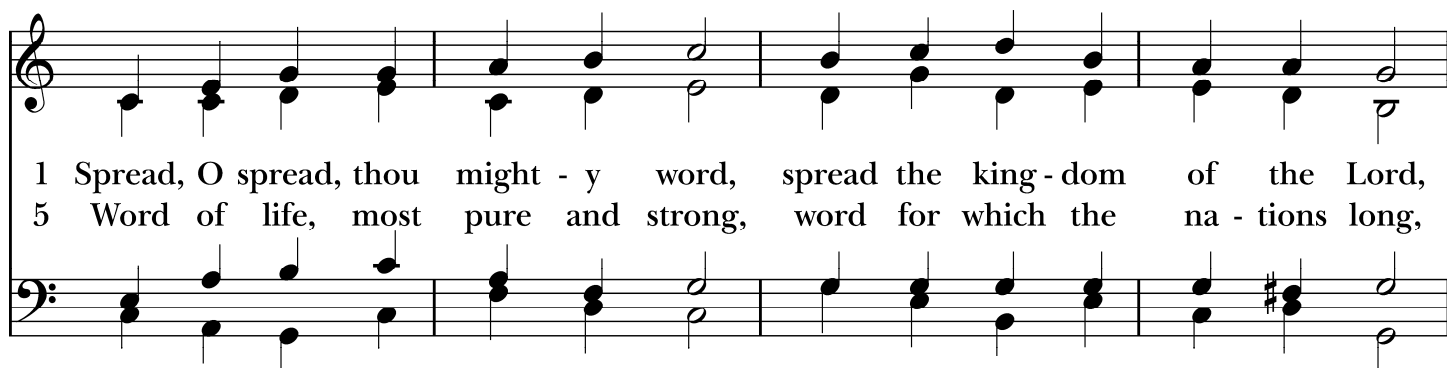
1 wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and
 2 ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu - man breast, and
 3 glo - ries now we sing who died, and rose on high, who
 4 lives in realms of light, where saints with an - gels sing their
 5 him with man - y crowns, as thrones be - fore him fall, crown

1 hail him as thy match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 2 takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.
 3 died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 4 songs be - fore him day and night, their God, Re - deem - er, King.
 5 him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, for he is King of all.

HYMN OF PRAISE The Hymnal 1982, Service Music—#S280 Canticle 20, Glory to God

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

GRADUAL HYMN The Hymnal 1982—#530 Spread, O spread, thou mighty word (*Verses 1 & 5*)



1 Spread, O spread, thou might - y word, spread the king - dom of the Lord,
5 Word of life, most pure and strong, word for which the na - tions long,



1 that to earth's re - mot - est bound all may heed the joy - ful sound;
5 spread a - broad, un - til from night all the world a - wakes to light.

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PRESENTATION HYMN The Hymnal 1982—#380 Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow (Verse 3)

*3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

SANCTUS The Hymnal 1982—#S129 Holy, holy, holy Lord

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The first staff begins with a half rest followed by a quarter note G4, then a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The second staff features a triplet of eighth notes (G4, A4, B4) followed by a quarter note C5, then another triplet of eighth notes (G4, A4, B4) followed by a quarter note C5. The third staff starts with a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4, followed by a quarter note C5. The fourth staff begins with a triplet of eighth notes (G4, A4, B4), followed by a quarter note C5, then another triplet of eighth notes (G4, A4, B4), and ends with a quarter note C5. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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FRACTION The Hymnal 1982, Service Music—#155 The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

This setting is not used in Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

CLOSING HYMN The Hymnal—#362 Holy, Holy, Holy

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 *2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

Announcements

Worship

10am Sunday Morning Worship Eucharist & Choir
Nursery & Godly Play opens at 9:30am

5pm Sunday Contemplative Service on Zoom

9am Morning Prayer – Zoom, Monday—Thursday

8:30am Friday Morning Contemplative Eucharist

Upcoming Celebration of Life Services

We will be having a Celebration of life service for **Jay Glad** on **Saturday, December 7, 2024** at 10am at the church with a reception immediately following.

Upcoming Events & Services

Winterdance—18th Annual Celtic Christmas Celebration

Friday, December 13th at 7pm in Johnstone Hall
Tickets \$20 - \$35 available at mollysrevenge.com

A Service of Lessons & Carols

December 15 at 5pm

Join us for our annual service of Lessons & Carols, presented by the St. Michael's Chancel Choir.

Christmas Eve Family Service

With Christmas Pageant

Tuesday, December 24th at 5pm

In-person & Livestreamed. This is a fun service for all ages..

Christmas Eve Choral Service

with Festival of Christmas Music

Tuesday, December 24th at 9pm

In-Person & Livestreamed. Our wonderful Chancel Choir begins the evening at 8:30pm with a Festival of Christmas Music before the 9pm service.

Christmas Morning Service

Wednesday, December 25th at 10am

In-Person & Livestreamed.

Postcards & Handouts available in the Narthex and the office.

Transitions

Sunday February 2, 2025

St. Michael's annual meeting will be immediately following the 10am service with a lunch. During the meeting we will be voting for Vestry Members and Diocesan Delegates and taking a look at 2024 and looking to the future.

2025 Vestry

Every year the Vestry elects new members for a three-year term. This term is going to be especially important for the life of St. Michael's. In 2025 the Vestry will be selecting a new Rector and the new Head Master of the St. Michaels School will start in July. There will be a new opportunity to deepen the relationship between the school and the church.

Another opportunity to serve is to represent St. Michael's at the Diocesan convention. This is a chance to engage in the issues of National as well as Diocesan concern.

If you feel called to serve on the St. Michael's Vestry or as a Diocesan Delegate, please contact the Church Office (916) 488-3550 for a copy of the application.

The Green Team Gives Thanks

This time of year can be fraught with many activities. We have projects, shopping for the upcoming holidays, preparing for changes in the weather, anxiety around election results, etc. Your Green Team suggests that we pause for a moment and give thanks for this wonderful planet that has sustained human life for thousands of years.

St. Michael's Learns & Connects

Advent Studies

Journeying the Way of Love

Please join us for the four Sundays of Advent after worship where we will be diving into Michael Curry's Advent study Journeying the Way of Love. All are invited to participate. We will be in the Friendship Center and Zoom with a hybrid study. This is a great way to center yourself and remember that during this time of the year when we can get lost in the hustle and bustle, God calls us to slow down, wait, and listen. Please contact Rev. Andy or Fr. Rod for more info.

Living Compass - Living Well Through Advent

We live in tumultuous, challenging times. How do we pursue peace in our lives and make a difference in the world in which we live? Engage in the Living Compass program for Advent focused on peace. A weekly discussion group on Zoom facilitated by Lisa and Jim Sargent will be offered on Sunday evenings from 6:30-7:30 from December 1 - 22. Please contact Lisa by e-mail at lisa@2sargents.com to sign up. The booklets are available in the narthex. For more info check out <https://www.livingcompass.org/advent>.

Announcements

St. Michael's Recommended Reading

St. Michael's clergy also recommends Marilyn McEntyre's latest book *Midwinter Light: Meditations for the Long Season*. In poems and life-affirming reflections on freedom, growth, quietude, and keenly felt hope, *Midwinter Light* guides us to seek and find what we need, right where we are—readings to return to again and again when we need to recenter. Books can be ordered online or through Marilyn McEntyre for a 20% discount (\$15). She should have books in hand by November 29.

St. Michael's Continuing Studies

Sacred Circle Meets the last Wednesday of every month at 6pm via zoom. For more information please contact Kate Muris.

Thursday Open Bible Study meets every Thursday in the Friendship Center (and on Zoom) at 10am - 11:30am. We study the scriptures for the following Sunday. For more Bible Study information, please email Chris Chamness at chrischamness@hotmail.com.

California International Marathon -Expect Delays Sunday, December 8th

The California International Marathon will run on Sunday, December 8th, 2024, causing some intersections near the church to be closed. The race starts at 7am near Folsom Dam and travels Oak Avenue, Fair Oaks Blvd, and J Street to the Capitol. Intersections will be closed only while the race comes through, but be prepared, if necessary, to leave home early and avoid the racecourse on your way to church. For more information check out the pdfs in the Messenger.

St. Michael's Children & Youth

Christmas Pageant

Christmas Eve Pageant! As is tradition at St Michaels we will be holding our annual Christmas Eve Pageant at the 5pm service. This year we are blessed to have a play written by our own Paula Frink. If you have kids who are interested in being in the play please contact Pastor Katie for more information. As always this year promises to be a lot of fun and a great way to start your Christmas Eve. Pastorkatie@stmichaelscarmichael.org

St. Michael's Serves

Soup Pot Sunday Today! The collection supports Loaves & Fishes, the Center at St. Matthews & RCFB.

Gifts from the Heart

Thank you so much for supporting the Gifts from the Heart program this year! Our 120 children and adults have all been selected by this generous community! These are the next steps:

- Purchase the gifts for your selected person or people and check them off on the yellow card. Write in any additional gifts.
- Wrap them nicely, place a gift tag with only the recipient's name on it on each gift.
- Place all gifts for each individual in the large clear bag provided (except bicycles, we will provide a separate yellow tag for those).
- Tape the yellow card onto the inside of the plastic bag so that it is easily visible
- Please leave plastic bags open so the stockings can be easily added
- Drop off your gifts on Saturday Dec. 7 from 2:00 - 5:00pm or Sunday Dec. 8 from 9:00 until 2:00

Thank you for being such a blessing! Questions? Please contact Holly Yue

River City Food Bank

If you have questions about River City Food Bank's volunteer program, please contact Tyra Willis (email included in this week's messenger). We are still collecting pop top canned meals and fruit as well as reusable plastic grocery bags in the food barrel! Thank you for your continued support of River City Food Bank.

Regular Outreach opportunities

- River City Food Bank Center at St. Matthew's - Distribution Prep every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday & Distribution every Wednesday & Friday
- Carmichael HART Carmichael Presbyterian Church - Lunch program every Thursday & the Shower Ministry every Saturday
- God's Helping Hands Laundry LaunderLand every 3rd Saturday of the month

Office Closed Thurs. & Frid. November 28 & 29

The office will be closed on Thursday & Friday November 28 and 29 in observance of Thanksgiving. We hope you have a wonderful holiday!

Additional details on the announcements can be found in this week's Messenger and on our website.

ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday November 24—The Last Sunday after Pentecost—Christ the King

Holy Eucharist 10am with Choir & Livestream
Godly Play & Nursery 10am
Coffee Hour 11:15am Parish Hall
Contemplative Prayer Service 5pm Zoom

Monday November 25

Morning Prayer 9am Zoom
Wedding 4pm with reception immediately following
Vestry Meeting 6:30pm Zoom

Tuesday November 26

Morning Prayer 9am Zoom
Staff Meeting 9:30am
EfM 6:30pm Zoom

Wednesday November 27

Morning Prayer 9am Zoom
Sacred Circle 6pm Zoom

Thursday November 28—Happy Thanksgiving—Office Closed

Morning Prayer 9am Zoom

Friday November 29—Office Closed

Morning Eucharist 8:30am

Sunday December 1—The First Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist 10am with Choir & Livestream
Godly Play & Nursery 10am
Coffee Hour 11:15am Parish Hall
Journeying the Way of Love 11:45am Friendship Center & Zoom
Contemplative Prayer Service 5pm Zoom
Living Well Through Advent 6:30pm Zoom

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SAVE THE DATE

Friday, December 13 **Winterdance** 7pm

Sunday December 15 **Lessons & Carols** 5pm

Tuesday December 24 **Christmas Eve Family Service** 5pm

Christmas Eve Choral Service 9pm

Wednesday December 25 **Christmas Morning Service** 10am

CLERGY, STAFF & VOLUNTEERS

The Rt. Rev. Megan Traquair Bishop,
Episcopal Diocese of Northern California
The Rev. Andy Lobban Interim Rector
Pastor Katie Holeman Assisting Priest
The Rev. Rodney Davis Associate Priest
The Rev. Jesse Vaughan Associate Priest
The Rev. Mike Ferrito Associate Priest
Andy Chamness Sexton
John Cozza Music Director
Michelle Falcy Parish Administrator
Jack Cozza Videographer
John Quené Treasurer
Kate Muris Bookkeeper
**Diane Gilmore, Diane Rehrer-Salisbury, Sr. Tina
Francesca Ferriot, Eileen Thomas, Sue Corbin,
Renée Pierce, Mary Ellen Ferguson** Office
Volunteers

VESTRY

Rick Larkey Senior Warden
Tammy Murray Junior Warden
Chris Chamness Clerk
Sue Davis Member
Doug Davy Member
Greg Dewey Member
Mary Ellen Ferguson Member
Mary Kessler Member
Suzanne Phinney Member
Renée Pierce Member
Jane Samuelson Member
Dawn Wright Member
Constance Weichert Music Director Emeritus