

# SAINT MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## THE MESSENGER

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### DEAR FAITHFUL PARISHIONERS,

On Friday, October 4, the clergy of the Episcopal Diocese of Oregon gathered at St. Thomas Church in Eugene for our annual clergy day. These days have typically taken on different themes and provided the clergy with opportunities for learning. This year, the Bishop invited Dwight Zscheile, author of *People of the Way: Renewing Episcopal Identity*, to speak to us. Dwight is an Episcopal priest and assistant professor of *Congregational Mission and Leadership* at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota. He is also a member of the 24-person *Task Force for Church Structural Reform*. This task force came out of a resolution at the 2012 General Convention which stated:

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, that this General Convention believes the Holy Spirit is urging The Episcopal Church to re-imagine itself, so that, grounded in our rich heritage and yet open to our creative future, we may more faithfully:

- Proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
- Teach, baptize and nurture new believers
- Respond to human need by loving service
- Seek to transform unjust structures of society
- Strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

I believe I can identify ways that St. Michael's does all of these things. But the message of this resolution is deeper than continuing what we have been doing for the people who are coming to church. What I hear in the resolution is a deep need for the leaders of our congregation, both lay and ordained, to get to know and serve the community outside of our church walls. What I hear in the resolution are the words *urge*, *reimagine*, and *creative future*. To *reimagine* who we are is to recognize that the Episcopal Church is no longer the church that people attend because that is what they always did, or because it is the predominant religious and social culture. To be open to our *creative future* is to envision our traditions being influenced by the current realities of our society. And the *urge* is the timing, and the timing is now.

Dwight was passionate in his conversation with us – calling us to both ground ourselves in the spiritual basics of reflecting on who we are in God and to reach out in our explorations of our identity in what he called a “strange new land.” I will praying about this and invite you to do the same.

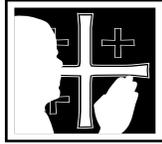
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The Rev. Christopher Craun +

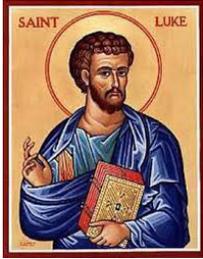
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## YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR . . .

+ healing and comfort for **Gerry Wise, Sue Harper, Jean Morrison, Sarah Hauser, Arlys Fischer, Jim Livingston, Dick Schomburg,** and **Carol Beeston**



+ the repose of the soul of **Marilyn Raynak**, who died on September 15, and for her family in their sorrow



## ST. LUKE'S HEALING SERVICE

Twice a year, St. Brigid's Guild hosts a healing service for the community. The next healing service will be held on Friday, October 25, at 7:00 pm. The healing service is a peaceful liturgy which includes a Eucharist, hymns, prayers for healing, and lighting candles for personal intentions. Also, St. Brigid's Guild members will pray with individuals who have specific prayer requests. This lovely service is open to all.

— Peggy Hartman for St. Brigid's Guild

## JOIN THE VESTRY

At the Annual Meeting tentatively scheduled for January 26, 2014, the Parish will elect four new Vestry members to each serve a three-year term.

The duties of the Vestry are to manage the temporal concerns of the Parish. Each new vestry year kicks off with a transitional meeting where the outgoing Vestry members whose three-year term has come to a conclusion are recognized and thanked, and the incoming Vestry members are welcomed. The Vestry will then begin meeting one Thursday a month. In the spring, there will be an all-day working retreat.

Vestry is a serious commitment. As a Vestry member, you are expected to keep in regular communication with the contacts in your ministry area, conduct a meeting with all contacts in your ministry area twice a year, report to the Vestry regarding your ministry area and sign up to greet at least twice a month after the 9:00, 11:15 or 1:00 services.

Being on the Vestry is also enjoyable. You have the opportunity to share a supper meal together each month while handling the important issues that matter to St. Michael & All Angels, roll up your sleeves and work hard taking care of our parish home, and step up to be a leader in a community that gives so much to so many.

We need people who have a strong personal commitment to Jesus Christ, are active in the life of our parish, are a pledging member of our parish, and who regularly attend worship. If you are interested, please pick up a statement of interest in the Gallery and submit it to the office no later than November 20, 2013.

## STEWARDSHIP 2013

Each year during six weeks of fall, typically starting in October and moving into November, we begin a stewardship season. Each year the purpose is the same — to educate and inspire us to give in joy a portion of our income for God's work in the world. Biblically, we want to strive to tithe, which is to give 10% of what we receive. But we also understand that giving bears fruit only when done from a place of thanksgiving and joy for all that God has given us. It is out of this thanksgiving and joy that comes from our creator that we are moved to pledge.



We, your Stewardship Committee, hope that this year we have done the job of informing and inspiring this wonderful community of St. Michael's so that each of us can pledge into our future together. We strove to be thoughtful and prayerful in preparing information that would support the growth of God's work in this community. Your pledge to St. Michael's creates a budget that sustains and grows our ministries, which support our congregation and many others in our community and the world. For many years, St. Michael's has been a source of hope and light for people that have lost their way, and we couldn't have done the work God has called us to do without the financial commitment of our members.

So we ask you again this year to sit with God in prayer over the coming weeks and to think about how you can support St. Michael's and its ministries. When you receive your pledge packet, please prayerfully consider your gift and your commitment. Each one of us is unique and of value because we are of God, but collectively and working together we are the "Body of Christ" and can create change where we never thought possible. Let's move forward in Joy and Thanksgiving.

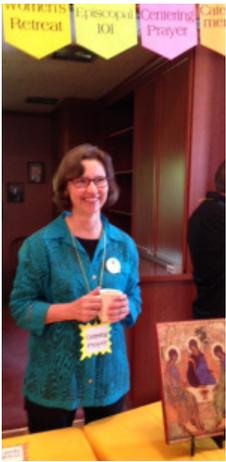
— Dan Bagwell and your Stewardship Committee

## SOME DATES TO KEEP IN MIND:

- Nominations due by November 20, 2013
- Profiles and Photos due by December 11, 2013
- Candidate bios and photos will be in the December Messenger
- There will be a candidate Forum in January, 2014
- The Annual Meeting will be January 26, 2014

If you have questions please speak with Rev. Chris Craun, Wendi Schaener or me. Please prayerfully consider a vestry term at St. Michael's as a way to serve our amazing and growing parish.

— Pete Miller, Jr. Warden



## VESTRY CORNER

After having a month off, the Vestry came back strong, focused and ready to work in September. During the September meeting, the Vestry had an opportunity to meet with Lynda Garner and give feedback regarding ‘Giving Back & Loving It: The 2013 Ministries Fair.’ It was a great discussion regarding the positives, areas needing improvement, and fantastic ideas for 2014.

The Vestry approved two Endowment Fund grants — one for the St. Michael’s Youth Group to be able to participate in Camp Collins’ ropes course, and another to assist with the Portland Abbey Arts Camp put on by All Souls/St. Andrews in North Portland.

Ann Hargraves updated the Vestry on the upcoming Stewardship campaign, which will kick off on October 13 with a festive party. As a Vestry, we are fully committed to doing whatever we can to ensure that this stewardship season is a success.

This year’s Nominating Committee was assembled during the September meeting to begin the process of enlisting nominees to run for Vestry. You can read more about that in Pete Miller’s article on the previous page.

We signed a card for Carolyn Myers Lindberg thanking her for her love and hard work in creating beautiful new glass cross medallions for the choir. They will have made their debut by the time you read this article. Thank you, Carolyn!



At our October meeting, the Vestry will conduct a mutual ministry review of Chris+ consisting of input from the Vestry and parishioners. If you would like to let Chris+ know your thoughts regarding her strengths and ideas for St. Michael’s, contact one of the Vestry members to obtain an evaluation form.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, contact a member of the Vestry who will be happy to help.

— Wendi Schaener, Sr. Warden



## EVENING PRAYER RETURNS

Evening Prayer is held on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm. This brief service has been known around St. Michael’s as the “Attitude Adjustment Hour,” though it lasts closer to 20 minutes. Evening Prayer is lay-led and includes psalms, prayers, Bible readings, and a time of silence.

— Thea Sanchez and Gary Davis

## EVENSONG IN NOVEMBER

You are invited to worship with and enjoy the music created by your Music Ministry team at St. Michael’s as we present an Evensong on Sunday evening, November 10. The traditional Choral Evensong will be directly followed by a brief choral concert. The St. Michael’s Singers will be joined by members of the Pacific Youth Choir under Kaeli Porter’s direction. They will sing a major work by composer Benjamin Britten (his centennial year!) — *Festival Te Deum* — as well as works by George Frideric Handel, Hans Leo Hassler, Keith Hampton, and others.

— Hannah Brewer

## FROM THE TREASURER

As of the end of August, we have collected nearly 65% of our anticipated income for 2013. That means that we are on track to reach our income goals for the year, especially since we generally see a spike during the fourth quarter and particularly during the Christmas season. On the expense side, we are under budget, primarily due to the decrease in salary expenses caused by Gabe’s departure.

As we talk about Stewardship for 2014, now would be a great time to consider paying your pledge directly from your bank account each month. You won’t have to remember to write those checks, and we will maintain steady income throughout the year!

Below is a summary of income and expenses as of the end of August. A complete Treasurer’s Report is posted on the Vestry board in the Parish Hall.

— Nancy Parker, Treasurer

Income	Year to Date Balance	Budget Year to Date	Annual Budget
Pledge Offerings	\$335,331	\$345,040	\$517,557
Open Offerings	9,460	10,000	15,000
Seasonal Income	3,799	6,664	10,000
Other Income	6,596	4,000	6,000
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$355,186</b>	<b>\$365,704</b>	<b>\$548,557</b>
Expenses			
Personnel	\$216,989	\$231,048	\$346,530
Property/Utility	36,088	36,372	51,307
Parish Admin.	16,412	18,336	27,500
DPA	61,248	61,248	91,872
Programs/Outreach	14,682	20,904	31,348
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$345,419</b>	<b>\$367,908</b>	<b>\$548,557</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$9,767</b>		

Some figures are affected by rounding.

## THE CATECHUMENATE

**ST. MICHAEL'S IS A CATECHUMENAL PARISH...IS THIS THE YEAR THE SPIRIT MOVES YOU?**

A process of faith formation with roots in the early church, the Catechumenate is a dynamic journey of spiritual inquiry and growth. In weekly gatherings on Tuesday evenings from 7:00-9:15 pm, Advent through Pentecost (December through May), the catechumenal process is an invitation to faithful discipleship.



We welcome everyone, wherever you are in your spiritual journey, to this experience of deep community. Adults preparing for baptism, newcomers to St. Michael's, and baptized persons seeking to deepen their faith and commitment come together in a lay-led, Gospel-centered process of reflection, learning and formation.

Over the years, many parishioners of St. Michael's have experienced the Catechumenate journey, and many have shared their reactions with us:

- It was a weekly retreat which really helped me get through the rest of my busy week.
- Having a place open to integrating scripture, intellect and tradition has allowed me to be more genuine in my expression of faith without concern for being "outside the norm."
- It has made me feel supported and understood — like being added to the tapestry here.
- The weekly gathering and checking-in, listening to one another, has helped me realize that God is with me daily, even when I am not paying attention.
- I especially like the sharing, the sense that we are discovering God in our midst when we gather.
- Every opportunity to be "present" to the awareness of God in my life is an exercise in strengthening my ability to hold some of that presence through life's distractions. The catechumenal process is filled with that experience of presence.
- You [team members] were open to all of us regardless of where we were in our journey. And that the goal was not as important as the journey.

Perhaps this is the year for you. Questions? For more information, contact one of the following team members:

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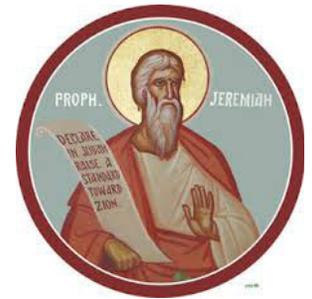
## EPISCOPAL 101

If you are new to the Episcopal Church or to St. Michael's, or if you just have some questions about why we do what we do, Episcopal 101 is for you! The next session begins on Tuesday, November 5, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall and continues for three more weeks. These classes offer the opportunity for you to interact with our clergy here and with other questioning folks. They are also a great lead-in to the Catechumenate, which begins after the first Sunday in Advent.

— Chris Craun

## OLD TESTAMENT PROPHETS

Between our recent Sunday Forums and the Tuesday evening small group, we're getting an excellent chance to take a close look at some of the prophets from the Old Testament. The Tuesday night group is following a series of lectures by author Walter Brueggemann. During one recent session, Brueggemann challenged the typical conservative and liberal views of the prophets alike, showing how they were neither simple predictors of the future nor activists for social justice alone. He argues for a more expansive idea of who the prophets were and what they meant in their time, one that challenges the neat, rational boxes we'd like to place them in. He presents the prophets as poets, as having the charisma of creativity, enabling them to break out of the bonds of convention and traditional expectation with the kind of poetic language that defies a strictly rational interpretation. Where conventions of the prophets' own time sought to place God in a box, prophetic vision exploded with words that defied the norm. Brueggemann refers to the interpretive spaces created by these prophets as an "imaginative zone of freedom."



As we continue to study the prophets of the Old Testament this season, we are encouraged in our own ways to live into the imaginative zones of freedom they create for us still — freedom from false standards of prosperity, freedom from fear, freedom from reacting out of scarcity, freedom to be alive. We share in this imaginative endeavor through our own creativity, which we express in this community through our liturgy and music, all things which allow us to imagine a new way of being in the world. This kind of creative space allows us to step out of our normal standards into a frame of mind where we can trust steadily in God despite what normally constrains us from doing so. To take a closer look at what the imaginative world of the prophets might hold in store for you, join us for any of our Sunday Forums, or drop in for the remainder of our Tuesday night group in October, happening at 7:00 pm in the Raphael Room.

— James Joiner

## ART GALLERY OPENING

On Friday, November 1, from 7:00 - 9:00 pm, we will have an Art Show to showcase the wealth of artistic talent from within our own congregation. The theme for this year's show is *Trust Steadily in God*, and all are invited to come see how our diverse artists interpret this theme.

If you create art (textile, photography, painting, drawing, sculpture, etc.), we would love for your work to somehow speak to that theme in whatever way you choose. If you are moved to create something that speaks directly to this theme, we would love that. However, your work does not need to be a new creation to fit that theme; there are many ways in which this theme can translate into work you have already created.

If you are interested in being one of our featured artists or if you would like to help set up the Gallery during the day on November 1, please contact Amanda Carter-Jura by Tuesday, October 15, at [jurababy2@gmail.com](mailto:jurababy2@gmail.com).

— Amanda Jura-Carter

## CALLING ALL CRAFTERS!



St. Michael's is holding its first Craft Fair in many years on Saturday, November 23. We have many talented parishioners of all ages who fuse glass, knit, crochet, make cards, sew, etc. We hope that all of you will come to share and sell your creations at the Craft Fair. We have also invited crafters from outside

the parish to participate, so it should be a great fair! Come and do your Christmas shopping early this year.

Pick up a registration form in the Gallery and return it to Sheri O'Brien by November 13. You may also contact Carroll Hutchinson at [carrollandbarb@comcast.net](mailto:carrollandbarb@comcast.net) or 503/281-9112, or Sheri O'Brien at [sheri@oregondollhouse.com](mailto:sheri@oregondollhouse.com) or 503/706-2620 for more information.

## MONDAY DAYTIME BOOK GROUP

The Monday Daytime Book Group welcomes new and continuing readers to join in study and fellowship. We meet bi-monthly and usually spend several months on each book, allowing time for thoughtful reading and lively discussion.

The book group continues its study of *Anam Cara: A Book of Celtic Wisdom* by John O'Donohue on the first and third Mondays of the month. On October 21, we will be discussing Chapter 3. All are welcome to join us from 1:00 – 2:30 pm in the Raphael Room.

— Virginia Malone

## COME FLY WITH US: THE BATS

Yes, of course, BATS is an acronym. It stands for *Beautiful And Talented Sisterhood*. Or, perhaps, *Bulletin Assembly Team*, which is what we do every Friday morning at 11:00: assemble the Sunday bulletin as a team. Because this is a no-brainer activity, we are free to talk about religion, books, art, public affairs, children. No topic is verboten, and all ideas are approached with open minds. BATs are egalitarian creatures, so we have no leader. Since all of us are seldom needed each Friday, we do have a scheduler, currently Mickey Harnage, (503/235-5159, [mickey.harnage@gmail.com](mailto:mickey.harnage@gmail.com)). All are welcome to come fly with us. Try us out any Friday; we are a welcoming, caring community within St. Michael's. Did we mention that post-assembly lunch for those with the time and the calories to spare is a frequent feature?

— Mickey Harnage

## MOWS KEEPING BUSY

Our Men and Women on Wednesday have been keeping busy recently. In addition to their normal chores of doing everything in their power to keep St. Michael's physical plant in tip-top shape, they also found time this fall to oversee



the roofing of the Narthax and paint the Nave, brightening it up considerably. They also assisted Lynda Garner and her landscape-designer friend Tess with the planting of the church's garden (the area outside the Parish Hall).

— Gloria Orellana



## LANGUAGE EXCHANGE CONTINUES

St. Michael's is continuing to host a weekly language exchange every Thursday, from 7:00 - 8:00 pm. All are welcome to come and practice their Spanish/English speaking skills.

**All proficiency levels are invited.** Come make new friends and have some fun practicing your Spanish/English languages! No registration is required; just drop in. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Susie Silva-Strommer at [susieinportland@yahoo.com](mailto:susieinportland@yahoo.com).

### INTERCAMBIO DE INGLÉS-ESPAÑOL

San Miguel tendrá un intercambio de idiomas, cada jueves, de 7 a 8 pm, comenzando el 3 de octubre. Todos son bienvenidos a venir y practicar su español / inglés. Se invita a todos los niveles de competencia. Vengan hacer nuevos amigos y pasar un buen rato practicando su inglés/español! (No es necesario registrarse, simplemente lleguen a participar.) Si tienes preguntas, contacte a Susie Silva-Strommer en [susieinportland@yahoo.com](mailto:susieinportland@yahoo.com).

— Susie Silva-Strommer

## OUTREACH & JUSTICE MINISTRIES/ ADVOCACY ACTION COMMITTEE

### MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Did you know that St. Michael's participates in the *One Episcopal* campaign and contributes to help achieve the UN Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)? These are two related enterprises that have been part of our mission since 2005.

Adopted by the United Nations in 2000, the MDGs are targets to reduce extreme poverty and promote education, public health, and sustainable development in the developing world. Sponsoring governments pledge .7% of their annual GDP toward meeting the goals. This figure —.7% — was established as an amount that would lead to significant progress by 2015.

In 2005, the St. Michael's Vestry pledged to give .7% of our own budget annually toward these goals through donations to organizations such as Episcopal Relief & Development (ERD) and Good Samaritan Ministries. Individual parishioners also pursue this whenever they participate in *Nets For Life* campaign, work on clean-water projects with El Porvenir, participate in the Alternative Gift Catalog (AGC), and/or other Outreach & Justice issues.

Spearheaded by U2 lead singer Bono, the ONE campaign was developed as an advocacy organization to lobby governments to advance the MDGs and to honor their pledges. In addition to being a *One Episcopal* member, we can also participate through the Episcopal Public Policy Network, or by asking government officials to make decisions and commit resources to further the MDGs through petitions, letter-writing, emails, and phone calls.

These efforts are all part of our baptismal covenant to seek and serve Christ in all persons, with special concern for those people who are among the poorest 20% of the world's population.



### THE A-TEAM DOES IT AGAIN!

Thanks to the tireless efforts of Alazar Manning, the team collected over \$10,500 to help fight AIDS/HIV. Once again, Alazar is the top youth fundraiser for Cascade AIDS Project's AIDS Walk! Congratulations to Alazar and his dad as well as those who sponsored, encouraged, and walked with him on September 22. A lot of good was done for a worthwhile cause.

### DIVESTMENT RESOLUTION

For our national Green Faith issue, the Advocacy Action committee has chosen to take part in the Divestment Plan initiated by the Green Team and the Diocesan Environmental Commission (DEC). Members of these groups have drafted a resolution to be presented to The Diocese of Oregon requiring the diocese to divest from all financial holdings in fossil-fuel companies. The plan is to present the resolution at the Convention in mid-November. Members of the committee will accompany DEC members in presenting the resolution to other Episcopal parishes in Oregon at the seven convocation meetings that occur before the convention.

### UPCOMING FORUM

There will be a Forum on All Saints Sunday, November 3, in which we will present the resolution to St. Michael's parishioners. The Forum discussion will begin with the basics of climate change and the theology of environmental stewardship and continue with the need for divestment. Because fossil fuel is the major contributor to global warming and climate change, it is necessary to do all we can to discourage its use and encourage the use of sustainable practices. We will emphasize divestment of church holdings but also discuss the benefits of divesting from personal portfolios.

### KEYSTONE XL PIPELINE PLEDGE

Some members of the Advocacy Action Committee have taken a "pledge of resistance" endorsed by two national organizations, CREDO and the Rainforest Alliance. The pledge is for willingness to take part in non-violent resistance activities should President Obama approve the Keystone XL Pipeline. Anyone interested in taking the pledge can sign up at [http://act.credoaction.com/sign/kxl\\_pledge](http://act.credoaction.com/sign/kxl_pledge). Training for non-violent resistance will be offered by CREDO in Portland and other locations in Oregon this fall.

### COAT COLLECTION FOR HOLLYWOOD EAST

Through the end of November, we will collect winter wear for our Hollywood East neighbors. The people who live there include senior and/or low-income citizens and many folks who are physically and mentally challenged. Last year, our donations were gratefully received by many of those living in the building.

In addition to coats and jackets, we will be collecting sweaters, scarves, hats, and gloves. Look for the green bin in the Gallery. Items will be delivered weekly to Hollywood East. Thank you for your generosity!

### HERE IT COMES!

The Alternative Gift Catalog will be available beginning Sunday, November 24. Watch for this opportunity to make your Christmas gifts meaningful in a whole different way this year.

— Articles submitted by Lynn Baker, Alice Hardesty, Hjalmer Lofstrom, and Steve Walton

## THE JOYFUL NEWS OCTOBER 2013

**Children & Families Ministry** began October by celebrating St. Francis Day and blessing the pets we love! Throughout the month in the Godly Play classrooms, children hear sacred stories from the Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) and have the chance to reflect on the great gifts given to us from God and our call to be good stewards of God's creation.

Living in the beautiful Pacific Northwest, it is easy to forget that there are places in the world where ecological devastation has all but destroyed the natural habitat necessary for the survival of human beings and other beloved creatures of God's creation. **The 2013 Diocesan Convention Mission Project, *Trees for Tilor***, is one way in which we can practice being good stewards of creation while serving and supporting our Haitian brothers and sisters. The Diocese of Oregon is working in partnership with The Nature Conservancy's **Trees for Tilor** project, a reforestation effort on land which was decimated when most of the trees were cut down in order to supply firewood for cooking. **Trees for Tilor** also makes possible the gift of energy-efficient stoves and solar ovens to the people of the region who have suffered greatly due to earthquakes, hurricanes and extreme poverty.

**This is a teachable moment!** Please take this opportunity to talk with your children about why you share the gifts God has entrusted to you and invite your children to share your joy in giving to others whether near to home or far away. Sharing some of our monetary wealth with those in need is part of what it means to live into our baptismal covenant with God and with each other. Being good stewards of our time, talent and treasure is not just for adults. Children have the ability to share out of their abundant gifts, and we are all enriched when each of us contributes to the building up of God's kingdom here on earth.

To read more about *Trees for Tilor*, check out the diocesan website, [www.diocese-oregon.org](http://www.diocese-oregon.org).

### Godly Play at 10:10 am in October:

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| October 6  | Story of Creation — Godly Play 1 & 2   |
| October 13 | The Flood & the Ark — Godly Play 1 & 2 |
| October 20 | The Great Family — Godly Play 1 & 2    |
| October 27 | Exodus — Godly Play 1 & 2              |

**Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 19, 4:30 pm,** for Music Makers, Family Worship & a Monstrously Delicious Potluck Dinner! *What is a baby ghost's favorite game? Peek-a-Boo!*

### Looking ahead to November:

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| Sunday, November 3    | Baptisms on All Saints' Sunday                 |
| Saturday, November 16 | Music Makers, Family Worship Service & Potluck |

— Leslie Sackett, Associate for Ministry with Children & Families

## YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Thank you to everyone who made our Fall Youth Retreat a huge success!!! Ask our youth how they liked the retreat — I think you'll be happy



with the feedback. Thanks to the 17 youth who came to the retreat, the intrepid adult chaperones (Josh and Stephanie English, Johnathan Rogers, Dustin Rapp, and Sue Quanbeck), and the parents who helped drive. A special thank-you to the St. Michael's Endowment Fund and Vestry for their financial support of the ropes challenge course, without which this memorable experience would not have been possible.

As autumn is upon us, we see the green leaves turn to orange. When you see this happening, I want you to think of one thing: How can I make this green money in my wallet turn into a beautiful orange pumpkin? St. Michael's Youth is here to save the day! We'll be selling an assortment of pumpkins in the courtyard after the 9:00 and 11:15 am services on Sunday, October 27. Get here early, as these pumpkins will go fast.

**Variety Night returns on Saturday, November 2, at 7:00 pm!!** Come watch our talented youth show their stuff. Enjoy performances from singing to improv. Partake in coffee and desserts. The night is sure to have you smiling and laughing. Tickets are available on Sundays until sold out. We do expect a sell-out crowd with this kind of talent. If you have any questions contact Erin Hess at [erinjhess@gmail.com](mailto:erinjhess@gmail.com).

— Erin Hess, Associate for Ministry to Youth

## HELLO, ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH FAMILY!

Our first **Y(oung) A(dult)**fall gathering on September 19 at the Hawthorne Lucky Lab was a great informal meet'n'greet. We will meet the third Thursday of every month at the Lucky Lab to connect with one another. Please mark your calendars for Thursday, October 17, at 7:00 pm for our next Lucky Lab Gathering.

The Young Adult Salmon Grill Party will take place at the Hartline House on October 26 from 4:00-6:00 pm. Our address is 555 N Bryant St. The salmon will be on the grill; please bring a side or dessert to share.

Plans are in the works for a post-holiday (Christmas/New Years) gathering called *Warmth of Friends*. Please contact CV if you would like to host a small gathering of 6-8 people at your home in January or February.

Aloha and Mahalo,

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**CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS**

- OCT. 11            **St. Michael's Movie Night**
- OCT. 13            **Stewardship Kickoff**
- OCT. 14            **Taizé Prayer Service**
- OCT. 18-20        **Women's Retreat**
- OCT. 19            **Music Makers & Family Worship**
- OCT. 20 & 27      **Prophets Forums continue**
- OCT. 25            **St. Luke's Healing Service**
- OCT. 27            **Youth Pumpkin Sale**
- NOV. 1             **Art Gallery Opening**
- NOV. 2             **Youth Variety Night**
- NOV. 5             **Episcopal 101 begins**
- NOV. 10 & 24      **Health Care Forums**
- NOV. 23            **Craft Fair**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR  
SR. SIMONE CAMPBELL**

Plans are moving ahead for Sr. Simone's visit to Portland in mid-November. On Friday, November 15, she will participate in a panel on economic justice and prosperity initiatives in the State of Oregon (time and place to be announced). On Saturday, November 16, at 7:00 pm, she will give a presentation at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral entitled *Journey of Faith - Journey of Justice*, in which she will discuss the relationship of her own spiritual journey to her well-known work for social justice.

On Sunday, November 17, Sr. Simone will preach at St. Michael & All Angels. In addition, she will speak at the convivio luncheon on immigration reform and the support and actions for justice and the common good.

— Alice Hardesty & Chris Craun



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