

ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

11:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST



Stushie Art from John

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 18, 2022

A PRAYER FOR TRANSITION

COMPASSIONATE CREATOR,

You have journeyed with your people since ancient times, once with pillars of cloud and fire, and later through prophetic visions and promises of a future. Finally, you sent your Holy Spirit to reveal the truth that leads to abundant life.

Give us wisdom and discernment as we listen to the Christ in one another and as we imagine the spiritual leadership we will need to guide the community of St. Michael & All Angels to the future you have in mind for us.

Through Christ our Savior. Amen

SERVING AT 11:00 AM TODAY

Presider	The Rev. Sherman Hesselgrave
Preacher	The Rev. Wendy Cliff
Music	St. Michael's Singers Brian Fairbanks, Choir Director Hannah Brewer, Music Director & Organist
Lectors	Steve Flagg, Jan Clark
Crucifer	Sheri O'Brien
Ushers	Alice Hardesty
Eucharistic ministers	Tim Sackett, Gerald Myers
Eucharistic Visitor	Charlene Sabin to Caroline Litzenberger
Altar Guild	Carolyn Eaton, Sigrid Huston Georg Ann Flagg, Carol Gordon
Communion Bread	Marie Bagwell
Coffee Host	Dan Bagwell, David Lentz

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St. Michael & All Angels, located in Multnomah County, rests on the traditional homelands of the Multnomah, Kathlamet, Clackamas, Molalla, Tumwater, Watlala bands of the Chinook, the Tualatin Kalapuya, and many other indigenous nations of the Columbia River. We acknowledge the ancestors of this place and understand that we are here because of the sacrifices forced upon them. By recognizing these communities, we honor their legacy, their lives, and their descendants.

St Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church acknowledges the gifts of sacred music written by African Americans, indigenous peoples and all people of color. This music enriches our liturgies, and we are grateful for these musicians. Music of oppressed cultures has been appropriated by the dominant culture without an appreciation of the pain and suffering experienced by its creators. We repent and commit to the work of racial justice and ending racism.

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Variations on "Stuttgart"

Christa Rakich (b. 1950)

HYMN

My soul proclaims your greatness, Lord

Kingsfold



1 My soul pro-claims your great-ness, Lord; I sing my Sav - ior's praise!
2 To all who live in ho - ly fear your mer - cy ev - er flows.
3 To Is - ra - el, your ser - vant blest, your help is ev - er sure;



You looked up - on my low - li - ness, and I am full of grace.
With might - y arm you dash the proud, their schem - ing hearts ex - pose.
the prom - ise to our par - ents made their chil - dren will se - cure.



Now ev - 'ry land and ev - 'ry age this bless - ing shall pro - claim—
The ruth - less you have cast a - side, the low - ly throned in - stead;
Sing glo - ry to the Ho - ly One, give hon - or to the Word,



great won - ders you have done for me, and ho - ly is your name.
the hun - gry filled with all good things, the rich sent off un - fed.
and praise the Pow'r of the Most High, one God, by all a - dored.

Words: Luke 1:46-55; tr. *With One Voice*, 1995. Music: English melody, arr. Ralph Vaughn Williams

ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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 Savior. **Amen.**

TRISAGION

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, have mer - cy on us. mer - cy on us.

Setting: Peter Crisafulli, Music for the Holy Eucharist Rite II

COLLECT OF THE DAY

PRAYERS FOR AN INCLUSIVE CHURCH

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

People **God with us, borne by Mary's flesh beyond all convention: give us the faith of Joseph to see the Spirit's work where the world sees only shame; to listen to the promise and waken to the cry of life renewed and love reborn; through Jesus Christ, the one who is to come. Amen.**

*School-age children are invited to the Children's Liturgy of the Word
to hear stories about the Good News of God's love.
Children return to their families at the Peace.*

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST READING **Isaiah 7:10-16** read by Steve Flagg

The Prophet Isaiah insists that King Ahaz of Judah will receive a sign from God, whether he wants it or not, the sign of a young woman bearing a son to be called Emmanuel.

The reader concludes Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 80:1-7, 16-18

Please stand.

The choir or cantor sings the first verse. All join in the following verses.

(Intro) Reciting note Reciting note Tone VIII.1

- 1 *Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned up-on the cherubim.*
- 2 *In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Ma-nasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.*

- 3 Restore us, O **God of hosts**; *
show the light of your countenance, and **we shall be saved.**
- 4 O **LORD God of hosts**, *
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of **your people?**
- 5 You have fed them with the **bread of tears**; *
you have given them **bowls of tears to drink.**
- 6 You have made us the derision of our **neighbors**, *
and our enemies **laugh us to scorn.**
- 7 Restore us, O **God of hosts**; *
show the light of your countenance, and **we shall be saved.**
- 16 Let your hand be upon the one at your **right hand**, *
the one you have made so **strong for yourself.**
- 17 And so will we never turn a-way from you; *
give us life, that we may **call upon your Name.**
- 18 Restore us, O **LORD God of hosts**; *
show the light of your countenance, and **we shall be saved.**

THE SECOND READING **Romans 1:1-7** read by Jan Clark

Paul greets the new disciples in Rome and summarizes the gospel message.

The reader concludes Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

standing

Magnificat

Ma - gni - fi - cat, ma - gni - fi - cat, Ma - gni - fi - cat a - ni - ma
me - a Do - mi - num. Ma - gni - fi - cat, ma - gni - fi - cat,
Ma - gni - fi - cat a - ni - ma me - a!

Setting: Jacques Berthier, Taize Community

GOSPEL: **Matthew 1:18-25**

The story of the birth of Jesus.

At the announcement of the Gospel, the People respond

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The reader concludes The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

repeat Magnificat

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *standing*

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God: who has created and is creating; who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new; who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence; to live with respect in Creation; to love and serve others; to seek justice and resist evil; to live our lives as Jesus, our hope, has taught us. In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *remain standing*

The Presider introduces the prayers and concludes:

Brothers and sisters, as we joyfully await the glorious coming of the Christ, let us pray for the needs of the church, our community, and the world, saying:

Loving God, **awaken us to the hope of a new day.**

Leader I ask your prayers for the Church universal:

For every community of faith dedicated to Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and for their efforts to live out the gospel with the gifts they have been given; for The Anglican Church of Korea, and in our own diocese, for the clergy and people of Saints Peter and Paul/ San Pedro y San Pablo, Portland; St Philip the Deacon, Portland; and St Stephen's, Portland; for Catechumenal gatherings around the world that are beginning in Advent.

Pray for the Church.

Silence, during which petitions may be added

Loving God, **awaken us to the hope of a new day.**

Leader I ask your prayers for all nations of the world and for those in authority:

For all who have the power to stop making war, that they may be persuaded to wage peace; for the millions of refugees of climate change and conflict zones, that they may find support on their sojourn; for new ways to manage water resources on a desiccating planet.

Pray for the nations.

Silence

Loving God, **awaken us to the hope of a new day.**

Leader I ask your prayers for the welfare of our community:

We give thanks for the Search Committee's handing off their work to the Vestry this past week, for the final interviews and discernment; pray for those planning the budget for next year and for those whose giving makes it possible; and for those considering standing for election to leadership positions.

Pray for our community.

Silence

Loving God, **awaken us to the hope of a new day.**

Leader I ask your prayers for those who are sick:
For those in the hospital, and for those recuperating or in rehab; for those undergoing treatment for cancer; and for those in hospice or palliative care.
Pray for those who suffer.

Silence

Loving God, **awaken us to the hope of a new day.**

Leader I ask your prayers for those who have died, especially those whom we name before you, silently or aloud.

And pray for those who are grieving.

Silence

Loving God, **awaken us to the hope of a new day.**

The Presider concludes with a collect:

God of promise, you have given us a sign of your love through the gift of Jesus Christ, our Savior, who was promised from ages past. We believe as Joseph did the message of your presence whispered by an angel, and offer our prayers for your world, confident of your care and mercy for all creation.

All **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

A WORD OF WELCOME, BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

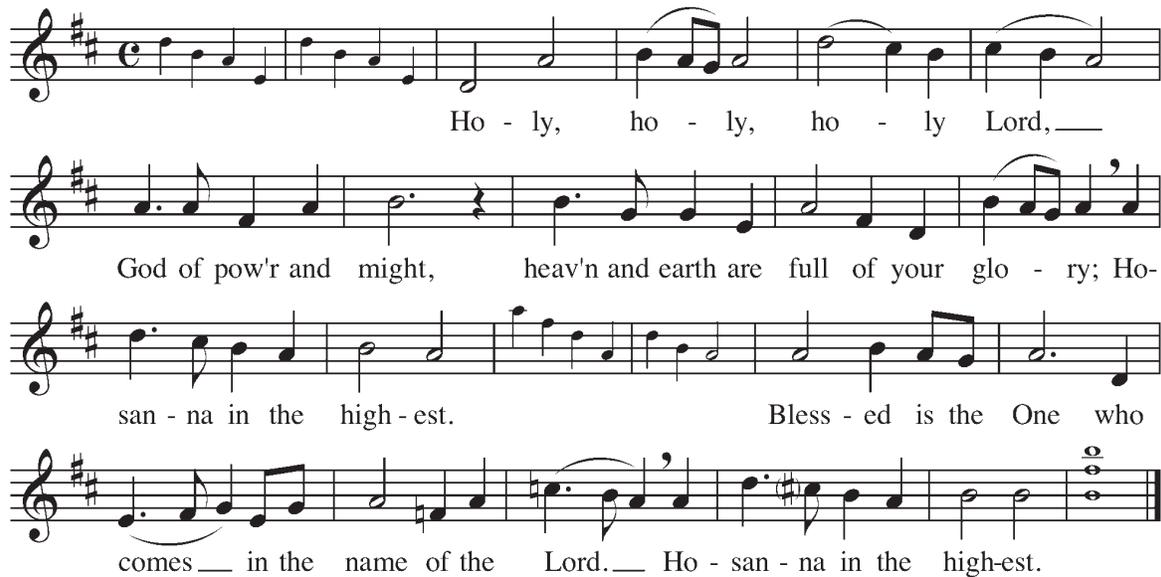
A PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome to receive communion at this table. If you'd like to receive the bread, please extend your hands out. If you need a gluten free wafer, please let us know as you receive. If you'd like to come forward, but prefer a blessing in place of the bread or the wine, please cross your arms across your chest.
If you wish to use intinction please ask for a wafer.*

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, —
God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry; Ho-
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the One who
comes — in the name of the Lord. — Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: Peter Crisafulli, Music for the Holy Eucharist Rite II

Presider 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 incar-nate 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 all 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 in the sacrifice of Christ, through whom we are made acceptable to you, 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 blessed Mary 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the
 sins of the world: ____ have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you
 take a-way the sins of the world: ____ grant us peace.

slower

Setting: Peter Crisafulli, Music for the Holy Eucharist Rite II

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

THE COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

AT THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION MOTET:

O Taste and See

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
 blest is the one that trusteth in him.

—*Psalm 34:8*

My Lord, what a morning

Harmony

My Lord, what a morn-ing, My Lord, what a morn-ing, O

my Lord, what a morn-ing, When the stars be-gin to fall.

Fine

Unison

1. You'll hear the trum - pet sound,
 2. You'll hear the sin - ner mourn, To wake the
 3. You'll hear the Chris - tian shout,

na - tions un - der - ground, Look - ing to my God's right

hand, When the stars be - gin to fall.

D.C.

Words and Music: African American Spiritual

GOING FORTH

SENDING OUT OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider In the name of this congregation we send you forth to share this Eucharist with *N*.

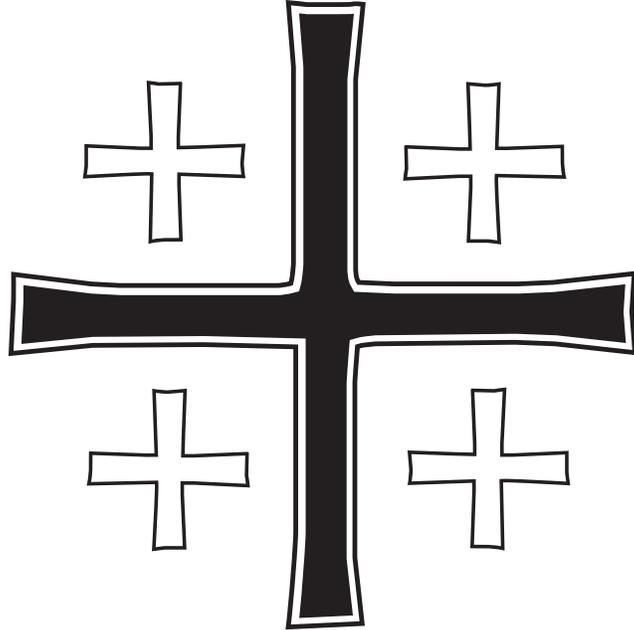
All **You carry the prayers of us all as you take this Sacrament of Christ's presence. May those who receive it be strengthened and encouraged in the life we find together in our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

PRAYER FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

Presider Let us pray.

All **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world, and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

BLESSING



Soon and very soon



1. Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,
 2. No more cry - in' there we are goin' to see the King,
 3. No more dy - in' there we are goin' to see the King,
 4. Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,



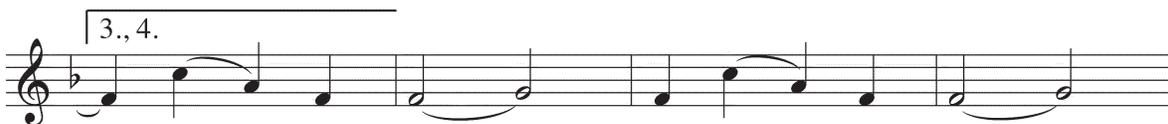
Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,
 No more cry - in' there we are goin' to see the King,
 No more dy - in' there we are goin' to see the King,
 Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,



Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,
 No more cry - in' there we are goin' to see the King, Hal - le -
 No more dy - in' there we are goin' to see the King,
 Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,



lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!



Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu -



jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah.

Words and Music: Andraé Crouch (1942-2015).

THE DISMISSAL

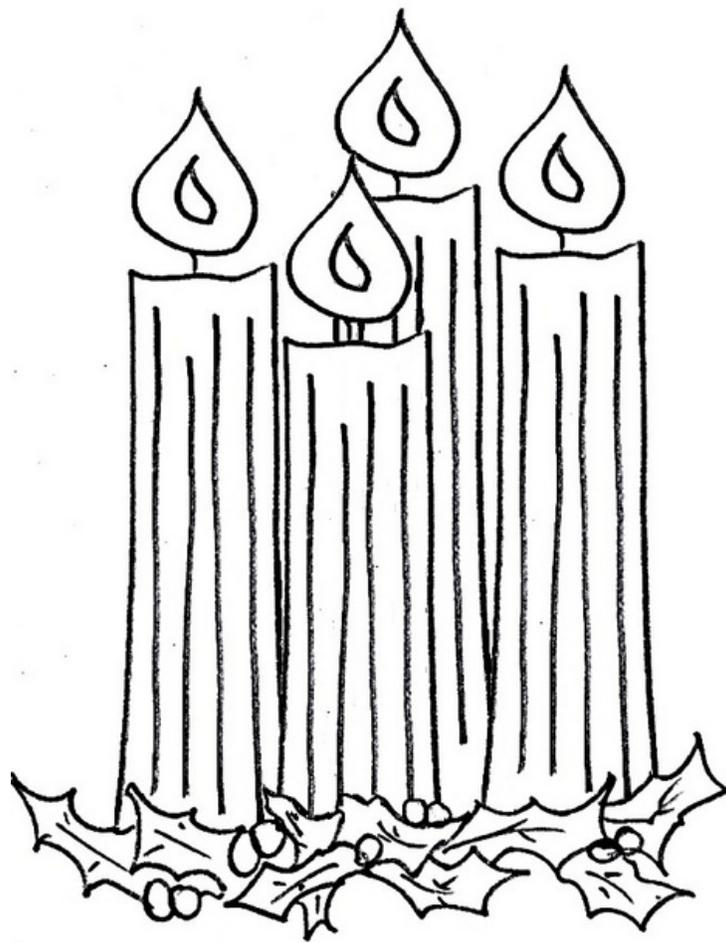
Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Dance on "Gabriel's Message"

Michael Bedford (b. 1949)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome the Rev. Wendy Cliff

Please offer a warm welcome to Wendy Cliff, an Episcopal priest and one of our clergy associates, who will preach today. Wendy moved with her husband Butch to Portland in 2018. Read more about Wendy in your Thursday eblast.

Diocesan policy regarding masks

Bishop Diana sent out a message in the weekly Diocesan Digest which urges parishioners to wear a mask indoors during worship services to prevent illnesses which could further overload our hospital systems. This is not a requirement but rather a recommendation.

Help with Advent and Christmas services

We're so pleased to be able to offer hospitality to the many St. Michael's parishioners and visitors who will be attending our Lessons & Carols and Christmas services. It's been a long three years without receptions! But our coordinators could use some help with providing treats and doing setup and cleanup. Can you bring a plate of treats? Can you straighten up the Parish Hall after one of the receptions? There are red "Ways to Participate" forms in the pews, in the Narthex and in the Gallery that you can fill out and return to the office (through the mail slot if no one is around). You can also simply call or email the office with your offer to volunteer.

Christmas Flowers & Music

For Christmas and Easter, we traditionally ask for gifts for flowers and music in thanksgiving for or in memory of loved ones. That form is on the back side of the "Ways to Participate" form. If you choose to donate through the website, let Gloria in the office know your gift intentions, via email, phone call or on one of those red forms. All intentions received by tomorrow, Monday, December 19, will be included in the Christmas bulletins.

Youth Group Christmas Party today

All youth in middle and high school are invited to the Youth Group Christmas Party at St. Michael's this afternoon, December 18, at 2:00 pm. Meet in St. Michael's House for treats, gingerbread decorating and a White

Elephant gift exchange (bring an item under \$10). Please RSVP to stmaayouthgroup@gmail.com to let them know your youth is able to attend.

Advent Lessons & Carols tonight

This evening, December 18, at 7:00 pm, all are welcome for the choral highlight of the season as our St. Michael's Singers and Choristers sing eight anthems and motets in this beautiful and traditional service. You'll hear biblical and poetic passages telling the story of Jesus' birth; we'll all sing classic carols and hymns of the season; and the choirs will offer music by many well-known composers. It will be live-streamed through our usual channels and followed by a reception in the Parish Hall.

Advent Giving Tree

The Advent Giving Tree in the Gallery still has plenty of tags from which to choose. The groups represented include Outside In, Community Transitional School and a large Syrian refugee family new to the Portland area. Please place packages in the colorful box provided and leave the tag on the package. If you are bringing a gift card, place it in an envelope, label it with the name of the group and slide it through the mail slot in the office.

Statements of Interest available

Next to the Welcome Table in the Gallery, you'll find statements of interest forms for vestry and Endowment Committee members and convention delegates. Please pick one up, fill it out and return it to the office or to a vestry member, whose names and photos are on the vestry board in the Gallery. If you'd rather, you can type your responses and attach the printout to the form.

New Creation Care group forming

At the General Convention in July 2022, the national church adopted a goal of reaching carbon neutrality by the year 2030. Our bishop, Diana Akiyama, established a Creation Care Working Group in our diocese. Here at St. Michael's, we would like to establish a Creation Care Team. If you would be interested in being part of this group, please contact Cheryl Braginsky (email address in directory), or stop by the table in the Gallery today between 10:15 and 10:45 today to sign up.



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