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## *The Bridge Between Past and Future* ~Pastor Brad Froslee

As we round out the month of October and jump into the month of November we are met with the Church's commemoration of All Saints. On October 31<sup>st</sup> we mark All Hallow's Eve— or All Saints Eve— more commonly known as Halloween and today filled with costumes, tricks and treats, and spooky movies. November 1<sup>st</sup>, in turn, lifts up the saints in our lives and in the church who have gone before us. In church, we commemorate All Saints on the first Sunday in November.



Many churches now take the opportunity on All Saints Sunday to remember the saints who have died, but also take the opportunity to celebrate the saints who have been baptized over the last year. At St. Michael's this takes on a special feel as we light the candles for the newly baptized and place them on the baptismal font at the back of the sanctuary, and as we light the candles for the saints now at rest and place them on the altar at the front of the sanctuary—visible reminders of past and future.

And, there is something beautiful and powerful about walking down the aisle between these candles and remembrances, it is like walking the bridge between past and future; those who have paved the way in faith and life, and those we hope will live into the future and serve as beacons of God's promise for years to come. In the sanctuary we become the living, breathing, body of Christ bridging all that has been and all that will be.

It has been a gift to hear readings in worship this fall from 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy and 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy that lift up the saints who have passed on the faith, that highlight the proclamation of Scripture and importance of tradition, while also emboldening Timothy and the church to be faithful in their time and place...to live boldly for the sake of the gospel.

### **Building**

Over the last two years many in our congregation have spent a lot of time talking about the building, in particular the sanctuary. There has been great thanksgiving for the time, energy, and thought that the saints put into this space in design, special touches, and creating a place for the community to experience God's presence in worship, music, and gathering. And there has been work to make sure that the sanctuary is in strong shape for generations to come after. Eleven years ago incredible work was done to tuckpoint the sanctuary, and put in additional work on the walls. Now, the Property Committee, Church Council, and the congregation are striving to make sure that we continue this work to eliminate water-infiltration. On October 2<sup>nd</sup> the Property and Finance Committees provided updates.

- Due to the lack of labor and supply chain challenges in 2022 we did not get full bids on the project in April/May.
- In June we worked with two other companies to solicit full bids. Langer Construction, who built the Fellowship Hall, was able to pull together bids for the project by August. But the cost was more than initially planned.
- With St. Michael's receiving additional funds through the Employee Retention Tax Credit (ERTC), and a couple of special gifts, as well as adjusting some aspects of the project, the Property Committee and Council are able to make this work for spring of 2023.

We recognize the importance of maintaining our building and sanctuary properly so that we can continue to be a safe and welcoming place to gather, and serve our community now and in the years to come.

### Shared Ministry & Co-pastorate

Also, on October 2<sup>nd</sup> the congregation was able to hear more about Shared Ministry at St. Michael's and the ways we are continuing to build on the work we are already doing. This includes how the Council functions, the work of committees and teams, and ways to continue to enhance ministry opportunities.

Of particular note was conversation around a co-pastor model of ministry. This is something that I brought to the Personnel & Administration Committee over four years ago, recognizing the incredible gifts that Pastor Ali has in leadership and the ways we work together and compliment each other in ministry. At that point in time Pastor Ali didn't feel like it was right for her or her growing family.

Over time we have continued the conversation. This has sparked the imagination of the Personnel & Administration Committee and the Church Council. They have come to realize that the co-pastor model isn't just about Pastor Ali and myself, but rather how we model ministry and work collaboratively within the whole congregation.

- This model is rooted in scripture when Jesus sends disciples out in pairs.
- It has a long history of conversation at St. Michael's (45 years ago it was put forward as an option for ministry).
- This model for ministry continues to think about where the church is being led in the future and ways that we might be able to live and dream in new ways.
- As we look at this, it does mean that we will look at a few very minor constitutional changes (replacing "Senior Pastor" in the constitution with "Pastor(s)"). It also means that there would be a truncated call process whereby Pastor Ali and I would meet with members of the congregation who would serve as a call committee to officially meet synod requirements; and the congregation would vote on us to serve as co-pastors versus Senior and Associate. Finally, Personnel & Administration will review our respective salaries and make adjustments based on synod guidelines.
- There will be more information in coming months. We look forward to talking more and dreaming about the ways that God might be leading us into the future.

Each moment, each day, God is guiding us into new possibilities, new ways of being (both as individuals and community), and God is inviting us to live into an ever-unfolding future. We stand on the shoulders of the saints who have gone before us and are led on by faith.

As we mark All Saints this year we give thanks for the ways that we bridge both the past and the future in our very work, lives, and dreaming.

In gratitude and wonder, Pastor Brad

## November Worship & Education Schedule

### November Worship Services

Worship at 8:45 a.m. is led by piano. Worship at 11:00 a.m. is led by organ.

Sunday, November 6: **8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. **\*\*Daylight Saving Time Ends****

Sunday, November 13: **8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.**

Sunday, November 20: **8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.**

Wednesday, November 23: 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service

Sunday, November 27: **8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.**



### Live-Streamed Services

Each Sunday, one of the worship services will be live-streamed and available for later viewing at your leisure.

Subscribe to the St. Michael's You Tube Channel to watch worship live on Sunday mornings if you are not able to come in-person. Follow this link to the St. Michael's Channel: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbsN5e-01XueIDWgrWE\\_lag/videos](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbsN5e-01XueIDWgrWE_lag/videos)

Our current schedule for Live Streaming worship is:

Sunday, November 6 @ 11:00 a.m. **\*\*Daylight Saving Time Ends**

Sunday, November 13 @ 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, November 20 @ 8:45 a.m.

Wednesday, November 23 @ 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service

Sunday, November 27 @ 11:00 a.m.

Watch your Friday Flyer for a copy of the Bulletin to download and follow along, as well as the link to the live service.

Streamed services will also be recorded and posted on Sunday evening on our website

<https://www.stmichaelselca.com/> for viewing at your convenience.

## Sunday Education Hour

**Religion in Life @ 10:00 a.m. in the Courtyard Room**

**Sunday, November 6: Whole Hand Health**

Join educator, author, and coach, Karin Galloway Egge, as she discusses her approach to understanding the interconnected nature of our spiritual, physical, emotional, cognitive, relational, and sexual health. Leave with greater awareness and practical tools to promote harmonious well-being.

**Sunday, November 13: RIP Medical Debt**

St. Michael's is one congregation that has partnered with RIP Medical Debt to wipe out over \$6.7 billion in medical debt in the US. The organization buys up delinquent medical bills for cents on the dollar and pays it off, liberating those who have been struggling to recover from medical debt. Our congregation was introduced to this program by the Rev. Peter Geisendorfer-Lindgren who will be presenting on the organization and its initiative to cancel the medical debt that is holding many in society captive.

**Sunday, November 20 & 27: Christian Nationalism: Why it Matters and How We Can Respond**

American Christians have always struggled with the relationship between church and state. But in recent years the alignment between right-wing politics and Christianity has taken on a new intensity in a movement called "Christian Nationalism." This power grab co-opts the language and symbols of Christianity, deceiving many and harming both our faith and democracy. (Christian nationalism strongly influenced the Jan. 6, 2021, riot in Washington, D.C.). How do we as Lutherans understand this movement and respond to it? Pastor Rolf Olson and Dr. Nancy Koester will give a two-part presentation on this dangerous development. Session 1 explains what "Christian Nationalism" is and why it matters; Session 2 explores who's involved in Christian nationalism, what are its components, and ways we can respond.

## Life of the Congregation

### Occasions in October

- ❖ On October 9<sup>th</sup> we welcomed Margot Watson to the waters of baptism
- ❖ On October 10<sup>th</sup>, we held a memorial service for George Cunningham, father of Shelia Cunningham
- ❖ On October 16<sup>th</sup>, we provided new bibles to third grade students in worship
- ❖ On October 16<sup>th</sup>, Matt & Anna Zinnel received a marriage blessing in worship
- ❖ Congratulations to the 10<sup>th</sup> grade students who confirmed God's promises to them in worship on October 30<sup>h</sup>

Tyson Holt  
Bella Labalestra  
Oliver Murray  
Meghan Rohrich  
Nat Westin



## In Thanks

Dear St. Michael's,

Thank you so much for your graciousness regarding my recovery from the August bicycle crash. You sent cards and emails, called me, brought flowers, and graced Doug and I with homemade meals and yummy restaurant meals. I am humbled, and feel blessed, by your acts of kindness and encouragement.

Thank you! Thank You! Thank You!

Patty Bales

## Holiday Worship Schedule

### Thanksgiving Eve

**November 23**

**7pm**

**Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall**

Join us on Thanksgiving Eve with a special worship service, followed by pie fest in the Fellowship Hall! Come for worship, stay for pie, and go home with fresh bread from Brake Bread Bakery for your holiday table!

### Finnish Christmas

**December 10**

**2pm**

**Sanctuary**

This festive worship is in partnership with the Twin Cities Finlandia Foundation. Learn and sing Finland's favorite Christmas songs, and enjoy this cultural worship experience!

### The Longest Night

**December 21**

**7pm**

**Courtyard Room**

Christmastime can be a bittersweet time of year, reminding many people of what and who they have lost, or never had. The anguish of broken relationships, the weariness of ill health, the loneliness of grief, and the pain of isolation can make us feel very much alone in the midst of the festive season. The Longest Night worship service is held on the longest night of the calendar year as a way to sit vigil together and hold hope as a community in God's presence.

### Christmas Eve

**December 24**

**Sanctuary**

4:30 pm

Christmas Eve Worship with Holy Communion

10:30 pm

Christmas Eve Worship with Holy Communion

### Christmas Day

**December 25**

**Sanctuary**

10:00 a.m.

Lessons & Carols

## Music @ St. Michael's

### Special Music this Month

#### The Band of Angles

**November 13**, St. Michael's home-grown band, The Band of Angles, will be playing at both the 8:45a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services. Contact Charlie Preis at [band4life@q.com](mailto:band4life@q.com) or 651-604-0852 for more information

#### Sunday School Students

On **November 13**, following the Sunday School Hour, all students will sing some songs they have been learning in Sunday School over the past months. Join us in the Sanctuary before they 11:00 a.m. worship Service for this special musical treat!

#### Youth/Adult Combo Choir

Both services on **November 20** will have music provided by a special choir of ALL AGES as our youth and adult choirs join as one in song.

**St. Michael's Singers, Adult Choir**

**Rehearsal Schedule**

Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. Courtyard Room

**Worship Schedule**

November 6, Both Services  
 November 20, both Services  
 Wednesday, November 23, 7:00 p.m.  
 November 27, 11:00 a.m.

**The Chapel Ringers, Adult Bells**

**Rehearsal Schedule**

Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. Adult Choir Room

**Worship Schedule**

November 20, both services

**Youth Choirs**

**Rehearsal Schedule**

Wednesdays Upstairs  
 6:30 p.m. K-4  
 7:30 p.m. 5-8

**Worship Schedule**

November 13, both services  
 November 20, both services  
 Wednesday, November 23, 7:00 p.m.

**Youth Bells**

**Rehearsal Schedule**

Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m. Adult Choir Room

**Worship Schedule**

November 6, both services

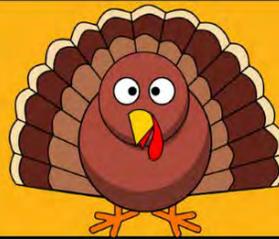


# CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILY MINISTRIES

## SAVE THE DATES

**11/20 FRIENDSGIVING**

**MIDDLE & HIGH  
SCHOOL  
5PM-7PM**



**CHRISTMAS  
DINNER PARTY**

**12/4**



**MIDDLE & HIGH  
SCHOOL  
5PM-8PM**

**12/18**

**HIGH SCHOOL  
BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER**

More details of all these events are coming soon. Sign up to receive our weekly newsletter to keep up to date!

# TWISTED THANKSGIVING

**OPEN TO ALL 1ST-5TH GRADERS**

**NOVEMBER 20TH 1PM-3PM**

Join us for wacky and wild games, scavenger hunt and service project. Bring nonperishable food items for our food shelf.

**Ideas for our Food Shelf:**

- canned vegetables
- stuffing
- boxed potatoes (scalloped or mashed)
- canned yams & pumpkin
- canned soups
- applesauce
- Mac & Cheese



Use the QR Code to Sign up!



MURAL EVENT

## NOVEMBER 13TH

Our Muralist will be visiting us during the education hour on November 13th to work with Sunday school.

After worship, we will gather for pizza and painting for all Middle & High School students.

Event will be from noon-2pm.  
Wear clothes that can get paint on them!

The flyer features a yellow background with various painting tools like brushes, rollers, and paint cans scattered around the text.

## Sunday School Updates

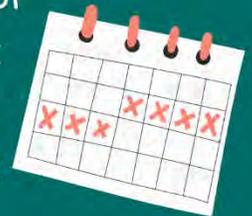
No Sunday School

Due to Holidays:

November 27th

December 25th

January 1st



## Sunday School Pageant

December 18th at 11am

\*\*Practices will happen during Sunday school\*\*



## YOUTH ROOM UPDATE!



**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED PUT FLOORING IN, RESTROCTION OUR CABINETS AND ADDED A COFFEE BAR! OUR NEXT PHASE IS MURAL PAINTING!**

**\*STAY TUNED FOR THOSE UPDATES\***

# Confirmation Classes

## 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Confirmation Updates

Confirmation is held on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

- November 2 Mentor Night
- November 9 Confirmation Class
- November 16 Confirmation Class
- November 23 No Confirmation: Thanksgiving Eve Worship at 7:00 p.m.
- November 30 Confirmation Class



## Confirmation Retreat News

There is a confirmation retreat meeting on **November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, at St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church.** Our retreat facilitator, Karin Galloway Egge, will be leading the meeting – this is a great opportunity for parents to learn more about the retreat and ask any questions.



# Social Ministry Activities

## Social Ministry Calendar

- November 7      **Rezek House Meal**
- November 8:      **Keystone Mobile Food Distribution**  
2:00 – 4:00 p.m. *in Circle drive*
- November 9 & 23:      **Quilting and Bandage Rolling**  
9:00 a.m. *Fellowship Hall*
- November 13:      **Sandwich Making for Union Gospel Mission**  
11:00 a.m. *Serving Area & Kitchen*
- November 21:      **Loaves and Fishes**  
At Holy Rosary Catholic Church
- Daily:      **Panera Bread Ministry:** Evening pick up at Rosedale Panera, Morning Bagging in Kitchen

## Guatemala Partnership



Over 180 guests filled the banquet room; friends from the Saint Paul Area Synod (SPAS) and the Iglesia Luterana Agustina de Guatemala (ILAG) reconnecting. The Marimba band set a celebratory mood and the incredible Guatemalan flavors of the dinner were a delight. We listened to Diego and Pastor Karen share the progress that has been made in the church and the Education Ministries during the past year, people at one point were awestruck at before and after pictures of the new school. It was good to celebrate together!

We are grateful for the incredible generosity of individuals and partner churches who are committed to our relationship with the ILAG as we continue to build relationships and deepen our faith.

Donations will continue to be collected throughout the month of October as Guatemala Gala contributions.

The St. Michael's Guatemala Team has begun discussing possible travel date options for our next visit to our partner congregation in Cimiento, Santa Cruz de la Esperanza. Are you interested in travelling or do you have questions about the trip? Is there a time of year that is best for you to travel? Let us know your thoughts as we develop travel plans for the next few years!

St. Michael's, thank you for your incredible support of this ministry!

~Sandra Eliason, Lisa Koland, Joan Felice, Natalie Romero, Dave Yarusso, Pastor Brad & Pastor Ali

## 2022 Holy Hammers / Habitat for Humanity Project Summary

This year the Holy Hammers coalition of churches staffed a total of 10 weeks on two different projects: completion of a new home on Woodbridge Avenue and refurbishing of the interior of a twin home unit on State Street, both in St. Paul. In this work, 16 St. Michael's volunteers provided 38 person-days of construction work. We also had 23 volunteers provide lunches and snacks for 5 days of the work. Collectively, the Holy Hammers provided 375 person-days of construction work and provided lunches and snacks for the workers. St. Michael's provided \$10,000 in financial support and the Holy Hammers total was about \$60,000.

# Holy Hammers™



Habitat homebuyers closed on the home at 1297

Woodbridge Ave. on July 28. The buyers are Ta Kwe Htoo and Sa Eh See and their two children. According to the information they provided to Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity (TCHFH), they are immigrants from Burma (Myanmar) and have been living in the US for 15 years. He works at Community Action Head Start as a Health Information Specialist. Their children are looking forward to having a place to play outdoors and his wife is interested in having a small vegetable plot in the backyard.

The second project at 564 State St. is complete and has been posted on the TCHFH site for qualified homebuyers to indicate interest. They expect potential homebuyers to start touring it soon.

Thanks to all of you who helped make affordable housing possible for two families with this year's projects and we hope you will consider getting involved in the 2023 build.

**Thank you to all of our volunteers  
who share God's love by caring for our neighbors!**



# Study & Fellowship Opportunities

## Study & Fellowship Opportunities

### Religion in Life

- Sundays @ 10:00a.m. Courtyard Room
- Guest Speakers
- Current & Relevant Topics

### Thursday Bible Study

- Thursdays @ 9:30a.m. Courtyard Room
- Study of lectionary texts
- Group discussion

### Faith in Daily Life

- Monthly, 1st or 2nd Wednesday
- Courtyard Room @ 12:00p.m.
- Book-based study & discussion

### Desserters || Book Club

- Monthly, 4th Tuesday
- Classroom 1 @ 7:00p.m.
- Book-based study & discussion

### Esther Circle

- Monthly, 1st Tuesday\* except holidays
- Courtyard Room @ 10:00a.m.
- A time of learning & Fellowship

### Quilting & Bandage Rolling

- Monthly, 2nd & 4th Wednesday
- Fellowship Hall @ 9:00a.m.
- Sewing skills not required

### Yoga Devotion

- Mondays @ 6:30p.m.
- In-person & on Zoom
- All ability levels welcome!

See your Friday Flyer!

# Thursday Morning Bible Study

Thursday Morning Bible Study meets in the Courtyard Room at 9:30 a.m. This month we are exploring the weekly lectionary texts.

## November 3

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18	The holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom
Psalm 149	Sing the Lord's praise in the assembly of the faithful.
Ephesians 1:11-23	God raised Christ from the dead and made him head over all the church
Luke 6:20-31	Jesus speaks blessings and woes

## November 10

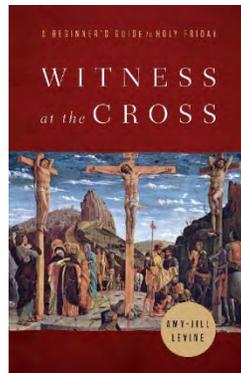
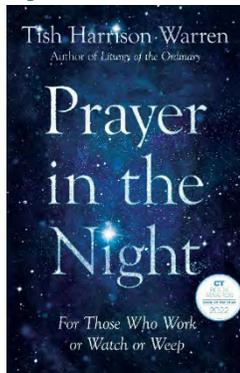
Malachi 4:1-2a	A day of blistering heat for the arrogant; a day of healing sun for the righteous
Psalm 98	In righteousness will the Lord judge the world.
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13	Do not be idle, but do what is right for the sake of Christ
Luke 21:5-19	Jesus speaks of wars, endurance, betrayal, and suffering for his sake

## November 17

Jeremiah 23:1-6	Coming of the shepherd and righteous Branch who will execute justice
Psalm 46	I will be exalted among the nations.
Colossians 1:11-20	Hymn to Christ, firstborn of all creation; peace through his blood
Luke 23:33-43	Jesus is crucified between two thieves: you will be with me in Paradise

**November 24** No class due to Thanksgiving

## Faith in Daily Life



<b>November 2</b>	<i>Prayer in the Night</i> , by the Rev. Tish Harrison Warren	Parts 1 & 2
<b>November 9</b>	<i>Prayer in the Night</i> , by the Rev. Tish Harrison Warren	Parts 1 & 2
<b>December 7</b>	<i>Prayer in the Night</i> , by the Rev. Tish Harrison Warren	Parts 3 & 4
<b>December 14</b>	<i>Prayer in the Night</i> , by the Rev. Tish Harrison Warren	Parts 3 & 4
<b>January 4</b>	<i>Witness at the Cross</i> , by Amy-Jill Levine	Intro-Chapter 2
<b>January 11</b>	<i>Witness at the Cross</i> , by Amy-Jill Levine	Intro-Chapter 2
<b>February 1</b>	<i>Witness at the Cross</i> , by Amy-Jill Levine	Chapters 3-4
<b>February 8</b>	<i>Witness at the Cross</i> , by Amy-Jill Levine	Chapters 3-4
<b>March 1</b>	<i>Witness at the Cross</i> , by Amy-Jill Levine	Chapter 5-Conclusion
<b>March 8</b>	<i>Witness at the Cross</i> , by Amy-Jill Levine	Chapter 5-Conclusion

**Note:** Sundays, March 26 and April 2, join Roland Hayes for Religion in Life as he explores the topic, "Why was Jesus Executed?" as we move from Palm Sunday through Holy Week.

- April 5** *Journey to the Common Good*, by Walter Brueggemann through Chapter 1
- April 12** *Journey to the Common Good*, by Walter Brueggemann through Chapter 1
- May 3** *Journey to the Common Good*, by Walter Brueggemann through Chapter 3(end)
- May 10** *Journey to the Common Good*, by Walter Brueggemann through Chapter 3(end)

## Esther Circle

The Esther Circle will meet on Tuesday November 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Courtyard Room. We will continue our conversation on Art and the Liturgical Year. Join us for this time of conversation, connection, and learning! Interested in learning more? Contact Pastor Ali

## Quilting and Bandage Rolling

Quilting and bandage rolling will meet twice a month over the program year on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Join us as we turn scraps into beautiful comfort items!

Come join the fun on **November 9 & 23**.

## Desserters II Book Club

All are welcome! The Desserters II book discussion group will meet on Tuesday, November 29 at 7:00 pm in Classroom 1. Masks are encouraged. **\*\*Date Changed due to Thanksgiving.\*\***

*A Place for Us*, by Fatima Farheen Mirza, unfolds the lives of an Indian-American Muslim family, gathered to celebrate the eldest daughter's wedding, a match of love rather than tradition. The novel focuses on the varied experiences of this family living in Northern California, striving to find a balance between tradition and modernity. The family of five is left to search for home in a metaphorical and literal sense.



- Nov 29, 2022** *A Place for Us* by Fatima Farheen Mirza
- Jan 24, 2023** *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See
- Feb 28, 2023** *Searching for Sylvie Lee* by Jean Kwok
- Mar 28, 2023** *American Gospel: A Novel* by Lin Enger
- Apr 25, 2023** *The Violin Conspiracy* by Brendan Slocumb
- May 23, 2023** *The Old Woman with the Knife* by Gu Byeong-mo

## Lost & Found



Loose a jacket, a water bottle, a pair of gloves, eyeglasses?

We may have found them for you!

They are waiting to be claimed in the cabinet under the Confirmation pictures in the Narthex.



## Men's Bible and Brew



With the holidays coming up (Thanksgiving & Christmas) we will be adjusting the Men's Bible & Brew gathering and will be meeting on Thursday, December 1, 7:00 p.m. at St. Michael's—simply having one gathering between the two months.

For this gathering we will be reflecting on holidays and traditions that have been important to us. What are the traditions that have been or are important to you? What have been your experiences over the years?

Bring a favorite beverage, a snack to share (if you'd like), and stories about the holidays. We look forward to being together on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Yoga Devotion

All are welcome.

The next Yoga Devotion session is 7 weeks.

Class on Mondays starts 6:30 p.m.

Nov 7 -Dec 19.

Cost \$63.00

Register & pay with this link:

<https://yogadevotion.com/class/yogadevotion-flow-with-sandy-st-michaels-lutheran-church-roseville-mn-zoom-and-or-in-person-7/2022-11-07/>



## Mah Jongg!

Have you ever wondered why so many people love Mah Jongg? Have you been wanting to learn to play this fun and competitive game? We'll be playing the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month from 1 - 4 p.m. All are invited to come and learn the game. We will be scheduling teaching sessions for newcomers to the game and offering ongoing support as necessary.

Mah Jongg is a game of skill, strategy and luck. If you are familiar with the card game gin rummy, you have a head start in understanding Mah Jongg. There are differences, of course, but it's the same general idea. Instead of cards, in Mah Jongg you mix and pick tiles in an attempt to achieve Mah Jongg. There's nothing more exciting than the moment when you can finally call "Mah Jongg!"



Contact Sue Kuhn  
or  
Jane Doyle

# More Ways to Serve

## WORSHIP Volunteers



13 staff members are involved in preparing for the Worship Program

PREP

At least 9 staff members are present each Sunday for Worship & Programming

STAFF



6 volunteers work behind the scenes during the week to prepare for worship



VOLUNTEERS

An average of 16 volunteers are needed each Sunday as Worship Leaders

LEADERS



YOUTH



Each Sunday, around 13 volunteers work with the Youth & Education programs

Help us fill all our volunteer needs. Call the office, visit the website, or scan this code to sign up!



SIGN UP

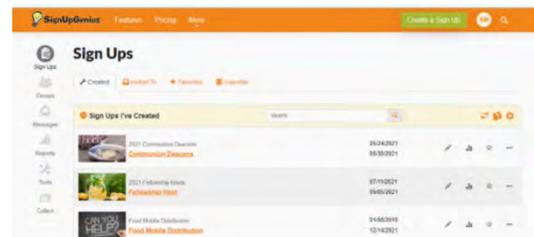
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## Worship Leaders and Volunteers Needed

Our 2022-2023 Program Year has started and we are looking at a wide variety of OPEN Worship Leader spots over all the upcoming Sundays! Check SignUp Genius for opportunities to volunteer for: **Ushers, Lectors, Communion Deacons, and Worship Flowers.**

We can also start up Fellowship coffee & donuts once we have enough volunteers!

Visit Sign-up Genius to see the opportunities awaiting you. The quickest way to get there is to visit St. Michael's website: [www.stmichaelselca.com](http://www.stmichaelselca.com) and click on the Volunteer Sign-up icon



Share our values of:  
**EXPANSIVE WELCOME**  
 &  
**GENEROUS HOSPITALITY**  
*Fellowship Hosts Needed*



## Looking for Fellowship Hosts

Would you like to see a return of coffee hour on Sunday mornings? Would you be willing to help make it possible?

We are looking for a group of 10 volunteers who would be willing to host the fellowship time on Sunday mornings. We would ask you to make coffee, set out the supplies and donuts, and help clean up after the social time is over. Please contact the church office for more information or to sign up!

## St. Michael's is Hiring

### Nursery Coordinator

St. Michael's Evangelical Lutheran Church is looking for part-time Nursery Care. This position is 8:30 am – 12:15 pm on Sunday with opportunities for more hours on special events.

If interested, please contact St. Michael's Lutheran Church at 651-631-1510 or [youth@stmichaelselca.com](mailto:youth@stmichaelselca.com).

**Check the Job Opportunity page on our website for more details.**

## Online Giving



Did you know that you can pay for an event or set up a recurring automatic gift to support the work of St. Michael's? Authorization forms are available from the church office or follow this link:

<https://www.stmichaelselca.com/givenow.html>

## Mobile Giving



Vanco now has a mobile App as another method to set up a payment or a recurring automatic gift to support the work of St. Michael's. Download the Vanco Mobile App from the App Store and search for "St. Michael's Lutheran Church".

# A Church at Work

## Church Council Corner

The church Council met on Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Items of note include:

This month much of the conversation focused around the Sanctuary Wall project and next steps.

- Brad Koland and others have gone back and reviewed options for the sanctuary and have run engineering and financial models. The Property Committee remains unanimous in moving forward with the EIFS work on the exterior walls, the reroofing around the sanctuary (section 2), gutter work, and projects. The goal is to begin in the spring.
- Brian Cihacek, in his role as treasurer, has looked at the various sources of income loan, Employee Retention Tax Credit, special gifts, and highlighted the ways this can work, even with the higher costs due to inflation and building expenses.
- The council will be formally voting on this after reviewing income and expenses.

The Council also received reports and information

- Upcoming new member class with the possibility of a number of new members
- Feasibility study information. Report from Steve Olson will be at the November meeting
- Lutheran Disaster Response Gifts made this month by the Executive Committee: \$5,000 for on-going support of Puerto Rico after storms and hurricane damage; \$5,000 for support of those affected by Hurricane Ian in Florida and the Eastern Coast.
- Committees shared brief updates

The next church council meeting will be held on Tuesday, **November 15**, 2022, 8:15 p.m.

\*\* Note the date change due to elections on our normal council night. \*\*

## 2022 Budget Overview and Financial Update

	September Actual	September Budget	YTD Actual	Annual Budget
<b>Income</b>	\$51,702	\$61,862	\$604,395	\$874,359*
<b>Expenses</b>	\$61,417	\$69,037	\$614,558	\$874,359
<b>Net Balance</b>	\$-9,714	\$-7,174	\$-10,163	\$0

\*At the Annual Meeting on January 30, 2022, the congregation approved use of Reserve Funds (the carryover income from 2021) to balance budget, if needed at the end of the year. This is included in the Annual Approved budget of \$874,359.

## A Place for You

### Stewardship 2023

Keep an eye on your mailbox for this year's stewardship packet! As we celebrate our shared ministry and plan for the future, we are grateful for your generosity and commitment to St. Michael's. Your pledge helps us plan accurately for the year ahead!

*In your packet you will notice a Simply Giving form to allow you to sign up for (or update) automatic donations to the church. Consider this option when you are discerning your pledge for 2023, and contact Office Administrator, Lisa Koland, if you have questions or want to learn more!*

# 2022 - 2023 Worship Year Highlights

## Fall



### All Saints Sunday, November 6

Celebrating baptisms this year & remembering saints who have died



### Wednesday, November 23

Thanksgiving Eve Worship @ 7pm Followed by a Pie Fest



## Advent & Christmas



### Saturday, December 10

Finnish Advent & Christmas Service



### Wednesday, December 21

Longest Night Worship Service @ 7pm



### Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve Worship Services @ 4:30pm & 10:30pm



### Sunday, December 25

Christmas Worship @ 10am



## Lent & Easter



### Wednesday, February 22

Ash Wednesday Services @ 12:30pm & 7pm



### March 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29

Lenten Services @ 7pm with Holden Evening Prayer



### Sunday, March 12

Minnesota Boychoir Allegro @ 8:45am & 11am



### Maundy Thursday, April 6

Worship @ 12:30pm & 7pm



### Good Friday, April 7

Worship @ 7pm



### Easter Sunday, April 9

Brass Ensemble & Choirs @ 8:45am & 11am



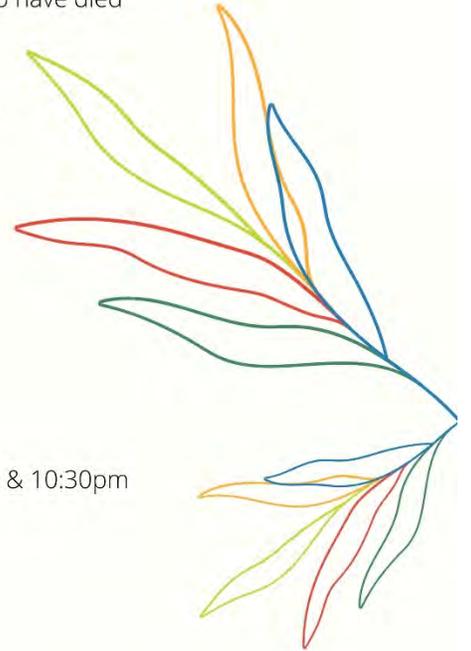
### Sunday, April 16

Minnesota Boychoir Cantabile @ 8:45am & 11am



### Sunday, May 28

Pentecost Sunday @ 10am



## St. Michael's is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation



St. Michael's Lutheran Church lives out God's grace and love for all people. Faithful to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we welcome those who have been part of church communities, those who have no previous church experience, and those who have felt excluded by the Church because of their race or ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental capabilities, financial resources, or family circumstances. In this witness we seek reconciliation, healing, and wholeness. As a diverse people we are then empowered by the Holy Spirit to live and work together for God's promised day of justice, peace, and mercy.

## Land Acknowledgement

Last year, the ELCA published "A Declaration of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to American Indian and Alaska Native People," in which the church confesses its sins toward Indigenous peoples and lists the commitments it will begin working toward as it responds to its original "Repudiation of the Doctrine of Discovery" from 2016.



St. Michael's Lutheran Church is located on the original and ancestral homeland of the Dakota people, and we give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We also wish to recognize and honor all our indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.

## Not getting your *Friday Flyer*?

Are you having a problem with our weekly e-newsletter, the *Friday Flyer* not showing up in your primary inbox? First check your other inbox folders—it often shows up in a spot called the *Promotions* folder. Or it could be in your *Spam* folder. If a search of those yields nothing, then contact Lisa Koland at [office@stmichaelselca.com](mailto:office@stmichaelselca.com), and we'll find a way to make sure the newsletter gets to you!

## Notes about the *Messenger*

### Making the *Messenger* Green

If you prefer to read your upcoming issues of St. Michael's monthly *Messenger* newsletter in your email or on our church website instead of having a paper copy mailed to you, please notify the church office. Just let the church office know your preference.

### Got something for the December *Messenger*?

The *Messenger* submission deadline is Wednesday, October 16, 2022.



## Daylight Saving Time

At 2:00 a.m. on **November 6** Daylight Saving Time ends and we revert back to Standard Time. The hour change in clocks between spring and fall was first enacted in 1918 in World War I and then enacted again in World War II as a means of conserving energy for defense by reducing home energy usage for 1 hour each day.





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