



ST MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Sword February 16, 2023

St. Michael's Weekly News & Updates



Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 22

Services at
12:00 PM &
6:30 PM

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A Note From Our Rector

Jesse Perkins

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Happy Valentine's Day! At least as of the time I'm writing it, I am getting ready to grill cheeseburgers in the rain for my family. Romantic, right? :)

Just a few things this week: first, let me thank everyone for a great annual meeting on Feb 5, and a fun Sunday this past week. It is deeply moving to see so much of St. Michael's coming to life again after such a period of uncertainty. In that spirit, and in response to a question at the annual meeting regarding the CAT survey, I would like to invite anyone interested to a CAT results interpretation. In this session, Wes Kimes, a vestry member and a member of the Vision Team who spearheaded the CAT survey last fall, will give out the results and walk you through the interpretation of them. While I confirmed with our representative that we cannot just give out raw data, we were given permission to do a presentation on the results. I am grateful to Wes for his willingness to lead this discussion and presentation. This would be particularly useful, I believe, for new vestry members who might want to get caught up on some wonderful and helpful information shared at last year's vestry retreat. Join Wes in the library after the second service on Sunday, February 26.

Also, next week on Tuesday, Feb 21, 6:30pm, join us in the community room for Waffle making!! Let's "live a little" before Lent starts.

And of course, Ash Wednesday services, 12pm and 6:30pm.

Finally, I want to tell you about a great opportunity that St. Michael's is involved in within the Barrington community. Six churches (including us) are discussing possible ways we can worship together during Holy Week. This year, we will be hosting these churches on March 19 for our Taize service. In addition, we will be joining together with them at Salem United Methodist Church on Good Friday evening at 7pm. We will have our regular Good Friday service at 12pm here at St. Michael's, but the evening service will be with these other Christian brothers and sisters at Salem. Please make every effort to join us in these collaborative services.

Blessings to you all!

Jesse+

A Note From Our Sunday School Director

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Hi Sunday School Parents,

Ms. Katy, our Bridge Teacher, is sharing some exciting news from her class.

This semester The Bridge class has focused on building our community, with music and activities reflecting the theme. We have also worked together to fill an incentives jar based on who best exhibits our agreed upon code of conduct of showing mutual respect, participation, and being helpful. Each week's winner is peer nominated with support for why they should be the one to put a golf ball in the jar. Some weeks there have been multiple winners, including guests who have visited our class. This Sunday we will celebrate our accomplishment - the jar is full of golf balls! The kids have asked for snacks, games, and simply an opportunity to relax and fellowship together. After music time, we'll go to the community room so we'll have access to the toaster - Pop Tarts have been requested!

Join the Sunday School in the Chapel at 6:30pm for a kids Ash Wednesday Service. Children will join their families at Communion.

Next Tuesday, February 21st is Shrove Tuesday. Please sign up to join us in the community room for wacky waffles and fun fixings. Click on the sign up genius below to please list what topping you would be able to bring and how many people will attend. So far we have 5 waffle irons, but could use a few more. The waffle batter will be at each station with a variety of toppings and syrup area. We will also have a gluten free/ allergy free waffle station. Some examples of toppings could be..... Don't miss this fabulous February fun family event!!!

- Whipped Cream.
- Maple Syrup.
- Cinnamon Sugar.
- Ice Cream.
- Bananas.
- Peaches.
- Strawberries.
- Honey.
- Berries
- Chicken
- Nutella
- Chocolate
- Jelly
- Pie filling
- Sour cream
- Yogurt
- Powdered sugar

Shrove Tuesday

LIFT



Jr. & Sr. LIFT meets EVERY Sunday morning - 9:00 a.m. Sturtz House

LIFT Schedule

From the LIFT Leader's Desk

LIFT Article

Upcoming Events



Communion Bread Ministry Begins this Sunday

Have you enjoyed having real bread for communion? Do you like to bake?

Are you interested in a new fellowship opportunity? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please consider joining us for the new communion bread ministry. We will meet at 3:00 p.m. on February 19th in the kitchen/community room to work together to bake the bread, freezing it for use on Sundays. We plan to meet every 4-6 weeks throughout the year to continue baking. The bread is easy to make, so no experience is required. We will use the time that the bread is rising to have some snacks and enjoy some fellowship.

If possible, please bring the following items: baking sheet, rolling pin and a drink or snack to share.

Please contact Mary Ann Seagrist (seagrist5@comcast.net) or Amy Hoff (ahoff9032@gmail.com) with any questions. Looking forward to seeing you on the 19th!

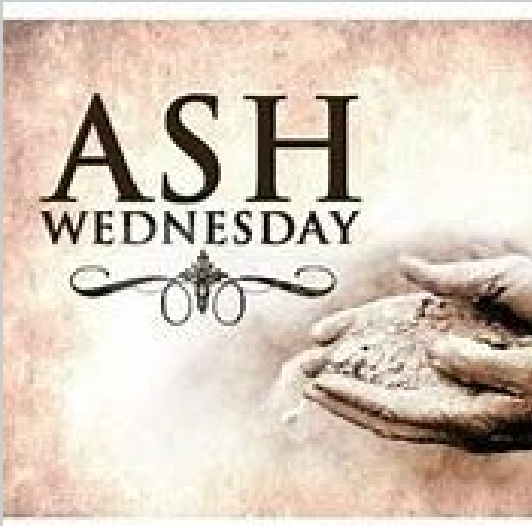


Shrove Tuesday

Join us for Shrove Tuesday Waffle making February 21 at 6:30 pm in the Community Room.

Sign up below:

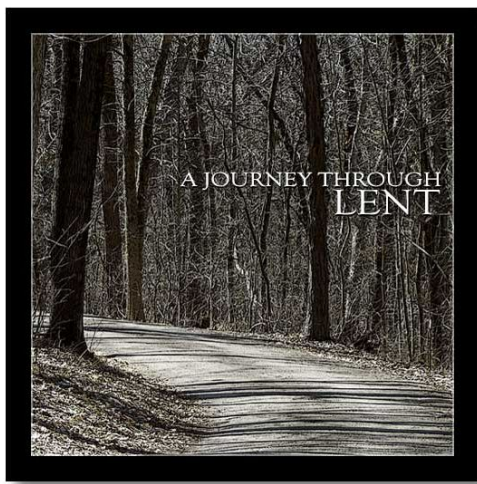
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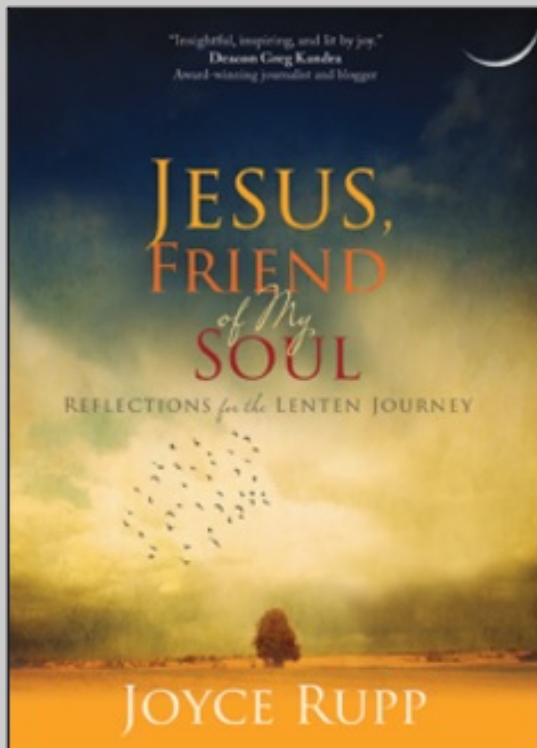


Lenten Class

FORGIVENESS...what a loaded word. Jesus emphasized forgiveness over and over in his teachings. Why? Was it for him or was it for us? There are so many angles of forgiving and being forgiven. Come and share this time together as we walk our Lenten journey as fellow pilgrims. Class begins March 1.

Read more here:

Lenten Class



TUESDAY EVENING WOMEN'S LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30 pm
2/21/23 - 4/11/23

All women are invited to join the Spirited Sisters any time on Tuesday evenings, between February 21 - April 11, via Zoom. We will meet from 7:00-8:30pm to connect with one another through prayers and conversations that centers on seeing Jesus in a new light through the beautiful lens of Joyce Rupp's reflections in *Jesus, Friend of My Soul*. This daily devotional is full of simple yet profound ways to understand the qualities of Jesus, so that we may become more like Him in our daily lives. For more information, contact Sally Smith at 847-274-4622 or Sue Barnum at 847-401-3050.

Spirited Sisters

Announcements

Spiritual Gifts Survey

If you have not already done so, please take the spiritual gifts survey found here:

Spiritual Gifts Survey

CHURCH SURVEY

Newsletter

Sword Articles

We appreciate your weekly Sword articles. To ensure that sufficient time is available to create a newsletter that is accurate, up-to-date and meets the expectations of all involved, any submissions will need to be received by Tuesday evening.

Submissions received past this time will be included in the following week's newsletter. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Theresa at thalminiak@stmichaelsbarrington.org



"Dear St. Michael's Family,

It is my honor to tell you that I have been selected by Presiding Bishop Michael Curry to serve as a delegate for Province V of the Episcopal Church to the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (UNCSW) for 2023. Nine of us have been selected from North America and Latin America & the Caribbean. I will be in New York City from March 3 to March 17 representing the Episcopal Church, Province V* of the Episcopal Church, the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago, and St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Barrington. I am already engaged in weekly Zoom preparation meetings.

While I am in NYC, the delegation will be at the UN working most days from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM. I am sharing this announcement to ask for your prayers and support. If you could please hold me in your prayers from now until I return March 17, I thank you. I will endeavor to serve the church in every way possible. Our delegation will be speaking to those at the UN about the Statement of Presiding Bishop Michael Curry which is available here. (Attached). If you would be willing to offer me financial support, I would also be most grateful. We have been asked to raise \$5,500 to \$6,000 to cover our flight to and hotel & food while in NYC. I give thanks for this opportunity to work to eliminate violence against women and to support equality and human rights for women and in our country and worldwide.

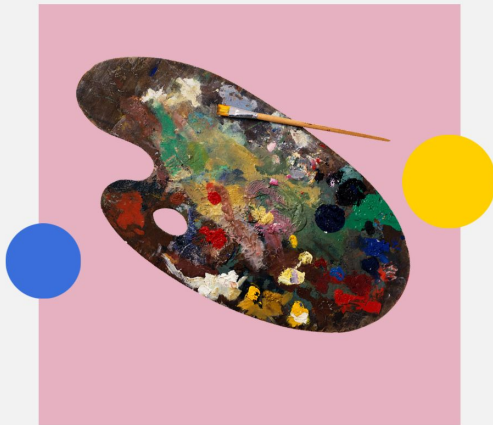
If you would like to support me in my work at the UN, you may send a donation to St. Michael's or put a check in the collection plate with the designation: "Lindeen – UNCSW delegate." Many thanks."

Read more below:

UNCSW Delegate

Presiding Bishop's Statement

Artwork



Hello everyone!!

Please remember to call me about posting a beautiful piece of your artwork by the Community Room. PLEASE DO NOT THINK you need to BE the ARTIST,, just a treasured piece of work to share for two weeks, plus a short description of why it means so much to you. It could be one of your children's drawings, a photograph (not necessarily a Church related theme). Look around your home and pick out something you love and let me know if you would like to participate!!

Call me please: Paulette Forrest.
224-213-6483

Thanks so much!!
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Metro Chicago

INCREDIBLE ONE-DAY VOLUNTEER EVENT

Saturday, April 29, 2023
Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago

St. Michael's is sponsoring a very deserving homeowner, Leticia, whose Blue Island home is in need of light repairs. Rebuilding Together's one-day building/repair event assists low income or elderly homeowners who are in need of home repairs to stay warm, safe and dry. At least 10 volunteers are needed for this one-day community volunteer opportunity. St. Michael's sponsorship includes simple cleaning, repairs, and painting.

In previous years Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago has had 80 homes with over 3,000 volunteers working on a single day.

St. Michael's parishioner Jill Deichmann is a past President and remains on the Board of Directors. Jill has volunteered for over 30 years with Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago. Please contact Jill or Brant to sign up.

Jmb.architect@gmail.com

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Birthdays

2/19 James S. Pepper
2/22 Suzanne Fleer
2/22 Connie Wolff
2/22 Darci Lorenzo
2/22 Sara Torbeck
2/23 Semmy Semerad
2/23 Laura Dern
2/23 Juliet Duncan
2/24 Rick Ryba
2/24 Hayden Harris

Anniversaries

2/22 Kristy and Sean Harrington

In Loving Memory

2/21 Agnes Sanford
2/21 Terrence Willis
2/23 Don Johnson
2/24 June Foy
2/25 Bill Allen
2/25 David Larson
2/25 Katy Pepper

Prayer Requests

Sue, Art, Lata, Cathy, Brittany, Louis, Marilyn and Pat, Ann, Bryan, Dave, Phyllis, Cameron, Maribeth, Pat, Ruth, Brian, Ted, Barb and Steve, Patty, and Amy.

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The Sword

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