

# St. Michael's Episcopal Church

#### AN ANCHOR FOR YOUR SOUL

Where No One Need Feel Adrift

SAINT MICHAEL'S NEWSLETTER

**JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020** 

#### St. MICHAEL'S MISSION

## Our mission is to be a community that is "An Anchor for Your Soul."

Being adrift is a miserable experience. We can be adrift physically, emotionally, socially, intellectually, and spiritually. When adrift we are at the mercy of external forces and we have no means within ourselves to take meaningful action to change the course of our experience.

Our primary anchor is spiritual; we are anchored in the hope of Christ, (Heb. 6:19) which gives us the inner confidence to venture forth in God and co-create with God and one another a tangible, temporal community that can provide real time caring to those who are adrift in our wider community. Our outreach, fellowship, education, and worship offer tangible ways for people to be anchored in all spheres of their lives.

Volunteering is a powerful way to become anchored in a community, especially when we find ways to use our God-given gifts and interests to the benefit of others in our community. In many ways we not feel like we belong to a group until we are able to contribute to the wellbeing of the group. Please take a moment and think about the simple things you love to do... and prayerfully ponder how you could do those things as your way of being a blessing to others. If you get an idea, talk to or email Linda Keane, our Volunteer Coordinator, linda@stmikeschurch.com.

#### THE WORK OF CHRISTMAS BEGINS

Our time with Rob was a rich time. We have all benefited with his call for us live into our passions. In talking with many of you I have found that our hearts have grown with love for God, each other, and for those in need.

Last Sunday, our candidate for the Diaconate, Debbie Womack, preached. In her sermon she read a poem by Howard Thurman entitled "The Work of Christmas". I wanted to bring it to the Archangel so all of us could see it.

When the song of the angels is stilled, when the star in the sky is gone, when the kings and princes are home, when the shepherds are back with their flocks, **the work of Christmas begins:** 

to find the lost, to heal the broken, to feed the hungry, to release the prisoner, to rebuild the nations, to bring peace among the people, to make music in the heart.

We are now in the season of Epiphany, when Jesus is manifested to the world. The line in the poem that fills my heart is: "The work of Christmas begins." Even though we only have a few more weeks until Matt (our new Rector) comes – we don't just stop all work and twiddle our thumbs. We have prayers to say, the homeless to feed, to heal the broken, and the new to welcome.

We have prayers to say: You have probably noticed that our Prayers of the People have changed. The Prayers of the People are meant to cover the issues of our community in addition to the issues of the world and the church. At the last Adult Forum we had a really good discussion of what is important to us when we pray. We like the larger involvement the congregation gets to have in their responses, so it's not just "Lord, hear our prayer." We are a spiritual community and prayers are important to us.

The homeless to feed: We help with that through our donations to Mercy Gate. We often have a full carload of items to take each week. Keep up the good work!! We also serve the Lord's Dinner eight times a year at Sacred Heart Church. We provide meals and toiletries for those who come to be fed. I like this ministry because we also serve the meals and sit and talk with those who come – respecting the dignity of those in need.

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## Welcome

## WELCOME OUR NEW RECTOR!

Join us on February
2nd, between services at 9:15 am, in
St. Mary's Hall, for
refreshments and to
welcome Matt Holcombe, our new Rector, and his family, to
Saint Michaels!



### Welcome back!

Please Welcome
Back to
St. Michael's:

**Bill Oliver** 

#### Letter from the Sr. Warden



Dear St. Michael's family,

This is the last *Archangel* article I will write as your senior warden. It's been a fast and event-filled three years, hasn't it?

I feel like I ought to write something important, meaningful, or inspirational. I should talk about the new chapter of our life together that we're embarking on when Matt arrives, or write about the significance of a holy Lent (fast approaching), or encourage everyone to quadruple their pledges. Hah!

But what I feel called to say is "Thank you." So many individuals and groups contribute to the excellence of our collective life together, and as senior warden I've had the privilege of seeing many of them in action. We'll do formal thank-yous to some folks at the Annual Meeting, but the orchestra would play me off (á la the Oscars) long before I could thank everyone at the meeting, so let me say some thank-yous here.

[NOTE: The danger of thanking many people is that someone inevitably gets left out. I fully realize that I will almost certainly overlook an individual or group who deserves thanks. I apologize in advance if I hurt someone's feeling by not thanking them for their contributions. Let me know who you are and I'll buy you coffee and say thanks in person.]

Thank you to our St. Michael's staff: Judi, Joe, Pam, Patricia, Rob, Linda, Doug, Tabitha, Regina, and Becky. It may astonish you to know this, but bulletins don't write or print themselves, Sunday school lessons don't appear out of thin air, and toilet paper doesn't magically restock itself in the stalls. Our staff is the backbone of our day to day operations, and they do a fabulous job, largely behind the scenes, and mostly unrecognized. We are blessed to have these committed, hardworking, talented, creative, and godly people helping to keep this building open and our programs running. Please take time to thank them.

Thank you to the Vestry, Clerk (Bev Raider), Treasurer (Ann Couch), and Junior Wardens (Christine Lowenberg and Mike Mapes). Good governance and sound fiscal policies and practices make our collective life harmonious, and prepare us for ministry to the wider community. I think there will be a lot of talk and action on the Outreach front this year, and it's largely due to the Vestry and church officers that we're in a position to make a difference in Colorado Springs. Poring over Excel spread sheets and debating the budget, wrestling over policy wording, and doing visioning for the future are time- and energy-consuming. Thank you to all the people who have taken on these roles. Hug a Vestry member at church on Sunday to show your appreciation.

Thanks to the people who have chaired and participated on committees and teams of all kinds. The altar, flower, and word guilds add so much to our worship services! Those who plan and execute fellowship functions and ensure there are receptions following funerals and the like help us bond and heal. Our Outreach committee helps lighten the burden of many in Colorado Springs and beyond. Sunday school teachers and youth group leaders form relationships with our children and youth. I am so grateful for all of you, although there is not space to name each of you. What a blessing that so many parishioners volunteer to arrange flowers, iron tablecloths, make the liturgy more personal to St. Michael's, feed and host the homeless, bake, serve at the altar, prepare our caffeine for after the services, and much, much more.

Thank you to Rob Carefoot, Linda Page, Mary Dee Weigel and all those who sing or play bells or (Continued on page 3)

#### **Vestery Member Candidates**

#### Senior Warden Candidate: Kristy Callihan



After serving on two search ministry teams, two Vestry tours, years of Sunday school teaching and multiple stewardship cam-

paigns, I feel called to the next level of leadership as St. Michael's Senior Warden. It is not without much prayer, discussion and thoughtfulness that I choose this exciting journey, and it is an honor to be considered for this role. I am following in the footsteps of two amazing women: Nancy Jones and Laura DiSilverio. Those are incredibly big shoes to fill. So, as a communication professor, I feel transparent and open communication will be key in this role at the church. I know I can't do this alone. I hope to count on each of you with specific passions and skills to help. I look forward to partnering with Matt, the Vestry and with each of you to do good work in God's name.

#### Junior Warden Candidate: Tom Baranowski



I grew up in
Northern Indiana,
but Nita and I
have lived in Colorado off and on
for the past 40+
years. Nita and I
have two adult
children who also
live here in Colorado Springs.

I have an undergraduate degree from Indiana University in Secondary Education, but I have never used it to teach. I also have an MBA from the University of Colorado. I am now retired. My career experience has ranged over many types of businesses, where I performed as the senior executive with total financial responsibility. Early in my career I also worked as a materials manager, purchasing goods and services for companies in the construction industry. I look forward to the challenge to serve St Michael's as Junior Warden. I understand the responsibility and hope to do as good a job as Mike Mapes! I enjoy the community at St. Mike's and have formed many friendships here, and my wife and I hope to be a part of St. Mikes for many years to come!

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Don't miss the Annual Parish meeting on January 26th, between services, beginning at 9:15 am in St. Mary's Hall.

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other instruments to make a joyful noise in our congregation.

Thank you to the many people who take on leadership/administrative roles in our plethora of small groups. Thank you for sending email reminders, putting together schedules, and making sure group members know what's going on when. You keep us connected to each other, and connected to the Lord God we all serve.

Thank you to the Daughters of the King who have prayed us through a year of upheaval and change as we searched for a new rector. They have buoyed Judi and Rob+ and our whole congregation with their faithful prayers.

Last, but certainly not least, thank you to everyone who has supported me and my family these past three years with your prayers, cards, kind comments, flowers, concern, and friendship. We are so blessed to be part of the St. Michael's family. It has been my privilege, honor, and joy to be your Senior Warden.

Peace,

Laura

#### **Vestery Member Candidates**



#### **Marcy Capell**

"My name is, Marcy Capell, and my family (Greg, Erin and Gabe) have been members of St. Michael's for 15 years. We found St. Michael's about six months after we moved here, after trying out a couple other churches over that time, and have loved being here ever since. Both Erin and Gabe were baptized in the Episcopal church. Our kids are active in youth activities and Sunday School and we've participated in young family activities in the past, as well. Erin started out helping with ushering when she was five and now both Erin and Gabe serve and acolyte on a regular basis at the 10:30 service. I'm a cradle Episcopalian. I've spent time in both very small and very large parishes and find St. Michael's to be just right. (It's the people!) I regularly Greet at the 10:30 service, helped with Teen Dinner Club and I was a member of the most recent Search Ministry Team. I'm excited about what lies ahead for St. Michael's as Matt Holcombe starts his tenure with us and would like to help support him as a Vestry member as we begin our spiritual lives together. I would be honored to have this opportunity to serve St. Michael's!"



#### **Bill Daughton**

I had the privilege of previously serving on Vestry and found it to be a meaningful experience. It offered me the opportunity to utilize my leadership and management experience from my many years in academia and industry to really make a difference in the guidance of the parish. As a result, I would very much like to again make such a difference and serve on the Vestry.

Over the years I have been engaged in a variety of activities in the parish in addition to serving on the Vestry. You may have seen me pulling the little red wagon full of food items out to my car as part of our parish effort to deliver food to Mercy's Gate. You may have also seen me on the altar at the 10:30 am service as an acolyte, and chalice bearer. I have also been actively engaged in the caregiver's support group.

I had the opportunity to meet and spend some time with Matt Holcombe and his family, And I am very excited at the prospect of working with him on the Vestry. My time at St. Michael's has been very meaningful for me, and I have found it to be a warm and inviting place. I have had the opportunity to make many friends and have enjoyed the various liturgies throughout the church seasons. It would be a privilege to again represent the parish and serve on the Vestry.



#### **Amy De Lourenco**

I am extremely honored to be nominated for the Vestry. My family started attending St.
Michael's in 2011 and regularly attend the 8:00am service. Prior to that my husband and I attended weekly services at either "his" church or "my" church. We realized we needed to embark on a journey to find "our" church home and found it in St.
Michael's. We now know it is the

Michael's. We now know it is the Anchor for our Soul. Since then, I have been involved in IHN, youth group actives as well as a member of the Profile Team for the new Rector Search Process.

I currently work as an Academic Advisor at Colorado Springs Early Colleges. My husband Sergio is an Assistant Principal at the same school. Our kids are involved in the Youth Group, the Christmas Pageants and are also seeing that St. Michael's is an Anchor to their Souls. Daniel – an 8<sup>th</sup> grader at Lewis Palmer Middle School, Aviana – a 7<sup>th</sup> grader also at Lewis Palmer Middle School and Veronica – graduating from Duke University in May.

#### **Vestery Member Candidates**



#### **Dean Logemann**

It would be a privilege to serve St. Michael's as a member of the Vestry.

Our family joined The Episcopal Church and became members of St. Michael's in 1983 when an Air Force assignment first brought us to Colorado Springs. St. Michael's proved to be a wonderful church home giving us family and fellowship that has enriched our lives. I served on the Vestry during the timeframe the new sanctuary was being constructed, and again during Fr. Paul's tenure at St. Michael's. I have served as the Junior Warden and have been a dele-

ior Warden and have been a delegate to Colorado diocesan conventions. Participation in the Tuesday morning Men's Fellowship has provided an opportunity for faith development and new insights. I'm currently a member of the Finance Committee and Stephen's Ministry. This past year I served as cochairman of the Rector Search Ministry Team.

My hope is that St Michael's will continue to flourish with Fr Matt as our new rector, and that we will carry forward Rob's influence and teachings related to forgiveness and love.



#### **Connor Stricklan**

I grew up in Colorado Springs attending Black Forest Community church. I married Kate one month before we moved to Egypt, and we moved on adding to our family with one daughter born in Norway and one in Malaysia. After 8 years abroad, we returned to Colorado Springs in order to grow roots, which included finding church home. I've attended a wide variety of churches in my spiritual life, which included several Episcopal churches after meeting Kate. I have grown to find the Episcopal church the "just-right fit", balancing tradition with modernity and conviction of belief with open-minded humility. I see all of these gifts in vibrant display at Saint Michael's, and am proud to call this my church home. As I have participated in church life, including attending services, enjoying the young families' dinners, and serving on the finance and search committees, I have seen my faith grow and come to appreciate our church community more and more.



#### **Bob Wettemann**

My family (Kay, Sarah, Andrew) and I have called St. Michael's our spiritual home since we arrived in Colorado Springs in the fall of 2007. Since then, we have come to love (and struggle to love) all the members of our church family, and cherish all that St. Michael's means to us. When I am not working as a professor of history at the U.S. Air Force Academy, my contributions to St. Michael's include keeping the BBQ Ministry smoking, assisting with the Fellowship Committee, and serving as the Charter Organization Representative between the church and Boy Scout Troop 66. I served on the Search Committee that called Father Peter to be with us, and upon his arrival, was entrusted with a term on the vestry to assist in that transition. I continue to feel called to help shape the direction of our dynamic church, and most recently served on the profile committee. I am excited and hopeful for the future of our church under Father Matt Holcombe's guidance. If given the opportunity to return to the vestry, I welcome your prayers and support to join with him and other church leaders in writing this new chapter in the history of St. Michaels.

#### **Children / Youth Ministry**

#### **Children's Formation Ministry**

#### **Adventures With God Sunday School!**

We start the year off right when we go to Sunday School! This season has us looking at the New Testament and the adventures we have with Jesus. We are an open Sunday School. Any children can join at any time. Come downstairs bewteen service at 9:15am and meet the amazing adults who lead this ministry.

#### **Youth Ministry - MY Group**

Mikes Middle School and High School Youth are now know as Mike Youth Group – MY Group. MY Group is busy this season with learning stories o Jesus that point us toward how to live with ourselves and each other. Adventure awaits in service to our community of Colorado Springs. This summer we have a week-long service opportunity to minister to folks on a Native American Reservation in Wyoming. There will be more adventures along the way with opportunities to spend time outdoors together and dive deeply into our faith together. Join us Sunday Mornings 9:15 in MY Group room.

#### **Youth Special Events for February**

We are inviting older youth to help serve a meal to homeless folks on Super bowl Sunday. We are hosting a Chinese New Year Party on Jan 26, 5-7pm and A Marti Gras Party on Feb 23, 5-7pm. Boh these parties are great opportunities to invite friends.

As always, the latest information is at https://www.stmikeschurch.com/youth-ministry

#### **Sacrament of Baptism**

The sacrament of Baptism will be administered to all who have prepared for it on Sunday, February 23. If you or someone you love would like to be baptized, please sign up at the Members Area of our website.

#### Sacrament of Eucharist.

The Episcopal Church welcomes all baptized Christians to the table, so even very young members of our faith are welcome to receive communion. Once a year we offer formal instruction on the nature, theology and meaning of the sacrament. This class will be Saturday, Feb 15 from 9:00 am to noon. Please sign up in the Members Area of our website.

#### Sacrament of Confirmation, Reception and Re-affirmation

The date for the reception of the sacrament is Saturday, May 16. At St. Michael's at 10 am. The whole congregation is invited to come and witness this beautiful service. Members of our parish who wish to be confirmed, received or reaffirmed are invited to let Joe Hattick or Rev. Judi Sato know so the preparation process can be accomplished in time.

#### **Saintly Sidebar**

#### **Christmas Eve Service 4pm**





Youth deliver cookies and carols to shut-ins.







#### **Cornelius the Centurion**

Cornelius is famous for being the first gentile to convert to Christianity. He was the leader of 100 men in the Roman Army that was stationed in Caesarea. This area was about 75 miles north east of Jerusalem.



The book of Acts, chapter 10 has the story of Cornelius. This story is particularly important to Christianity. It is the pivotal moment when the church decides it is ok to baptize people who are not Jewish.

Cornelius was a great example to all as a devout man who feared God, prayed constantly and gave generously to those in need. His experience of having God respond to his prayers and giving provides us all hope. When the Apostle Peter arrives to preach to Cornelius and those others who were there, he too may have been surprised at the movement of the Holy Spirit. Everyone that was present was baptized as an outward sign of the inward reality of faith and because of the movement of the Holy Spirit.

It is thought that Cornelius ended up a bishop in the church. Cornelius is remembered on our church calendar on February 4th.

#### **Farewell to Our Friend Rob Voyle**







#### **Caregiver Support Group**

supports adults within and outside the parish who are caring for loved ones at home, in assisted living, or from a distance. January dates are the 4th and 18th. For more information contact Edwina Burdekin at eaburdekin@gmail.com or 719-591-6837.

#### **MUSINGS FROM OUR MISSIONARY**

Dear St. Michael's,

The final pieces are being worked out. I am hoping to depart for Tanzania on the 26<sup>th</sup> of January. However, in order to be able to leave on this date I would be entering the country on a Business VISA instead of the previously used Volunteer Resident Permit. The Diocese of the Rift Valley has approved it. However, in the final preparations it was discovered that the Business VISA was only valid for 90 days. This could mean that I would have to leave Tanzania to go to another Sub-Saharan African country for a few days before coming back and renewing the Business VISA. This is not uncommon practice for countries to require this. In fact, it is very common in Latin American countries.

I pray that this all can be resolved soon. It is all in God's control and timing. I am trusting in that truth. I will let you know as soon as I have definitive answers.

Thank you so much for your support. I am extremely grateful.

In Peace,

**Emily Darling** 

#### Upcoming Events and Fellowship

Valentine Pasta Potluck Mark your calendar for February 14th, 5:30PM. Bring your favorite pasta dish to share and the church will supply salad, bread, dessert and wine. Families, singles, all valentines welcome!



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper The men of St Michael's will sponsor our annual pancake supper on February 13 from 5:30-7:00PM in St Mary's Hall. Please come and bring as many guests as you desire. There will be plenty of food and a convivial atmosphere! John Watkins (266-0573).

#### SMASH (Saint Michael's Active Seniors Happenings)

Upcoming events for SMASH that are in the works:



Tour of The National Museum of World War II Aviation on Friday, February 20th at 10 am. Cost of \$12 to be paid at the door (weather permitting), followed by lunch (place TBD). Please sign up on the e-kiosk if you are interested.

Tour of the new Olympics Museum - This is supposed to open in 2020. As soon as I have definite info, a docent tour will be arranged.

Wreaths Across America - December 19th at the Air Force Academy 12 noon to Remember the Fallen...Honor those who serve...Teach our children the Value of Freedom.

Keep an eye out for developing details in upcoming bulletins and newsletters.

I am looking for one other event for 2020, so if you have any suggestions, please let me know. Diane Dennison, ddennison.dd@gmail.com or 719-661-9095.

Wednesday Walkers The Wednesday Walkers group meets most weeks at 9:15AM. If you are new to the Wednesday Walker group, please contact Peggy Toldy to be added to the e-mail distribution list, toldyme@aol.com, (home) 481-6166 or (cell) 237-3161

Saturday Men's Fellowship All men are invited to join us for Eucharist and light fare at 8am, on the 2nd & 4th Saturday's each month except May-August. A complete schedule can be found at stmikeschurch.com. Go to the Engage tab, then select Fellowship from the drop down. Scroll down and on the right you will see Saturday Men's Fellowship. There you will find a link to the schedule. Please sign up on the e-kiosk to attend, bring a simple breakfast snack or serve. Jim Dennison 719-373-0026.

**Women Who Read** We will be meeting on March 19th to discuss *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate. More information to follow. Micki Rice 598-9747.

Young Families Dinner Club Do you enjoy wine? Good food? Quality adult conversations away from your children? Please consider joining St. Mike's young families dinner group. We meet monthly throughout the school year at rotating homes to break bread and build fellowship. For further questions and to get added to the list, please contact Kate Stricklan at 719-360-6612.

#### **OUTREACH**

#### Parish Support to Mercy's Gate Meets Neighbors' Needs

Thanks to all members of St. Michael's who gave food and personal products to support the mission of Mercy's Gate last year. Your gifts would fill approximately 68 grocery carts to help the ministry's clients across El Paso County.

Client stories tell the impact. One end-of-year neighbor experience from Mercy's Gate follows:

Damon is a culinary driver for the Broadmoor. A couple of years ago he started barber school, then, he got in an accident. Recovery was hard; he had to pull out of school. He's been trying to get back on his feet ever since. Damon stayed with his parents to save money; then, his parents decided to move to Wisconsin. When they left, he had quite a time trying to keep a roof over his head. He stayed with several different folks, at one point renting a room from a lady for three weeks. During that time, she changed the utilities to Damon's name without his knowledge and skipped town. The resultant utility bill was over \$600 and followed him around for 18 months.

Damon started renting his own place last fall. But this lingering bill was a problem. It was hard to get his own utilities and he had many other expenses hanging over his head – rent, child support, student loans. It was a lot to juggle and impossible to decide which was a priority

He talked with Colorado Springs Utilities about his situation and what his options were. They referred him to Mercy's Gate to access the COPE program. He acted in faith and came to Mercy's Gate hoping we'd be able to help him. Damon's name was pulled in the drawing for a screening appointment. Mercy's Gate covered most of his utility bill!

When asked about his experience at Mercy's Gate, he commented it was an open, non-judgmental place. "I've lived in this world for a while, been through ups and downs. I understand what Mercy's Gate is there for, whether you need a sit-down with someone or a practical service." He said that when someone's situation is exhausting and they don't have resources or know which direction to go, Mercy's Gate is a good place to turn, to vent, and get the help they need.

Damon is now moving forward without the extra burden of that utility bill. He hopes to return to barber school next term. He is even considering volunteering at Mercy's Gate when time allows.

We know the staff and volunteers at Mercy's Gate are grateful for all our support. And thanks to the St. Michael's team, who deliver the donations weekly from the church to the ministry: Bill Daughton, Nita Huelf, and Mike Mapes. If you are interested in participating in this ministry, contact Jim Moore, parish liaison to Mercy's Gate, at (719)598-3245, or <a href="mailto:ipmoore@usa.net">ipmoore@usa.net</a>.

-Jim Moore

#### **OUTREACH**



### IHN: Please volunteer to help during the next IHN Hosting Week, March 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>:

As a division of Family Promise, the Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) in partnership with area churches and synagogues provides temporary shelter and support to otherwise homeless families while they work to become financially independent and in their own homes. Each host church and synagogue in the network houses the families overnight from 5:00 PM to 7:00 AM for one week at a time, on a rotating schedule.

While families are in the network, adults are assisted by IHN caseworkers to find employment and permanent housing. At the downtown IHN day house, they receive instruction in life skills such as interviewing, budgeting, family matters, etc. About 85% of families enrolled in IHN graduate to transitional or permanent housing, usually within three months.

Family Promise's work toward arresting the self-perpetuating spiral of homelessness is critically important since some 70% of homeless individuals were homeless as children.

For the week starting March 1<sup>st</sup>, St. Michael's will house up to four IHN homeless families in our St. Andrew's wing classrooms and serve them meals in St. Andrew's hall. The week long hosting requires about 65 volunteers who will provide food, fellowship, and other assistance to support these families. St. Francis Catholic Church is our long term partner in this ministry, and they graciously provide many volunteers who work alongside ours.

This ministry is a safe, low effort way for individuals, couples, and families to make a very positive impact in the lives of these homeless families. **Please mark the hosting week on your calendar and consider volunteering** for one or more of the many roles necessary to support these families.

Questions? Contact Justin or Judy Morrill 590-1615, or Phil or Eloise McDaniel 599-7600.

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"Missing in Action?"

Are you missing a serving piece brought to church for a special function? Please contact Nancy Oswell in person or by calling 590-7730.

#### **Scout Sunday**

St. Michaels will celebrate Scout Sunday and founding of the Boy Scouts of America (now Scouts BSA) on February 23rd at the 10:30 am service. Come congratulate Troop 66's latest Eagle Scouts, and help honor those who have given so much to scouting in our community. All scouts and scouters are welcome to attend in uniform.

To heal the broken: We have many come to the church and looking for help and sometimes all we can do for them is pray. We have a lot of hurting people in the world, in Colorado Springs, and sometimes at St. Michael's. We have several powerful prayer groups here and praying for healing is one of my passions. If you have a need for healing prayer – please let me know and we will get to work in prayer.

The new to welcome: So many new visitors have been coming to St. Michael's this past year. If you haven't sat next to a new person, you haven't been here. They find a very welcoming and loving community and many have been coming back for more!

We are anchored with Christ in our hearts and it shows. The work of Christmas continues at St Michael's and I am so blessed to be in ministry with you all. God Bless! Judi+

#### **Our Endowment and You**

One element in St. Michael's financial structure is our Endowment. Established in the mid-1990s, the Endowment receives and invests undesignated major gifts and bequests to be invested and managed for the greater benefit of St. Michael's ministries. Under Article IX of parish by-laws, the Endowment is managed by an Endowment Committee appointed by the Vestry. Members are appointed for three-year terms and may be re-appointed after being off the committee for one year. Current members include Al Creely, LuAnn Hanson, Scott Callihan, and Steve Caruthers (Vestry representative).

By-laws provide for distribution from the income of the Endowment for four specific areas:

Capital improvements, debt reduction, or the parish building program;

Scholarships or grants to members of the parish, special medical or psychological needs, church related conferences, or training for congregational development;

Outreach programs to the community and parish programs designed to serve in spiritual or economic need; and

Projects of the Episcopal Church at home and overseas.

No money in the Endowment may be used to meet the annual operating budget needs of the parish; those are met with our pledges each year. Funds identified as the Endowment Principal (reflecting primarily the sum of received gifts/bequests) may be taken only for emergency parish needs and only with the unanimous vote of the Endowment Committee and the full Vestry.

Through 2019 all Endowment funds have been invested in the Vanguard STAR Fund – a "fund of funds" comprising Vanguard low-cost index funds. As of the last quarterly statement (Sept 30, 2019) the balance of the Endowment was \$155,651.

Please consider the St. Michael's Endowment in your charitable giving in the coming year to benefit the parish for years to come.

-Jim Moore, Endowment Committee Chair

#### **BIRTHDAY'S**

February 1
Paul Anderson
Michael Pirillo

Connor Stricklan

February 2

Kate Stricklan

February 3

Matthew Chernak Bruce Nicklas

Amalie Pachter Sarah Tucker

February 5
Carl Nesbitt

Debbie Womack

February 6
Charles Marino

Elliott Sorge

February 7

Jeff Smullen

February 8
Donald Holt

<u>February 10</u> Ainsley Trevillian

Kaitlyn Weidner

February 12

Jenna Lowenberg Meg Poulton

February 13
Anna Stamp

February 14

Megan Varnet

February 15

Kathleen Foster

February 16

Diana Dean

February 17

Caleb Trevillian

February 18

Steve Crowe Mary Lett

February 19

Lisa Cumby

February 20

Ellison Hayward

February 21

Nydia Segal Ellanor Wandfluh Carissa Warren

February 24

Andrew Wettemann

#### February 25

Jack Braley Samantha Valko

#### February 26

Josh Fenton Paul Kaiser

#### February 27

Jan Hill

Caroline Marshall



#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

#### February 4

Bob and Gerry Forster

#### February 14

Russ and Kelly Howell

#### February 14

Henry and Christine Hudson



\*If your birthday or anniversary was not listed here, please e-mail linda@stmikeschurch.com, to be added to the database.

Service Participants - February 2020									
	February 2	February 9	February 16	February 23					
	8AM	8AM	8AM	8AM					
Greeters									
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	Milly Stolz	John Gould visiting the Grahams	Lee Rasi visiting Milly Stolz	Debbie Womack visiting Hodge Hartley					
	Nydia Segal visiting Brent and Molly Parker	Kaelin Donald visiting Ralph and MaryLou Perry	Debbie Womack visiting Brent and Molly Parker						
Deposit	Rich Page	Bruce Hutchison	John Gould	John Watkins					
	Sally Creely	Rod Sato	Rick Couch	Dean Logemann					
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Altar Guild	,	Patricia Nielsen	Diane Dennison	Susan Maltby					
	Gaile Combs	Darlene Beall	Cindy Broin	Susan Futey					
	3	Laura Johnson	Jinn Birkes	Terry Marquart					
		Charlotte Mapes	Sue Bessette	Dorothy Scott					
		Sue Hartley	Beverly Raider						
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