

Additional Notices

Mark your calendars! The Episcopal Church Women of the Diocese of Florida invite you to attend the ECW Winter Meeting, which will be on February 17, 2018 at Camp Weed. The guest speaker is Deacon Ann Bowers, Check-in starts at 9:00 am and the meeting at 10:00 am. We will conclude lunch in the Varn Dining Hall at noon. Registration information will be made available after the holidays.

Summer Camp 2018 Dates and Fees

Session	Ages	Dates	Cost*
Senior Session: Color Wars	15-18	June 10-16	\$560
Session 1: Pirates	7-14	June 17-23	\$550
Session 2: Nickelodeon	7-14	June 24-30	\$550
Session 3: Wild, Wild West	7-14	July 8-14	\$550
Session 4: Harry Potter	7-14	July 15-21	\$550
Mini Camp: Under the Sea	6-10	June 7-10	\$300
Stayover Session	7-14	July 14-15	\$75

Register by Jan. 1 to get \$25 off! (\$35 off Senior Session)

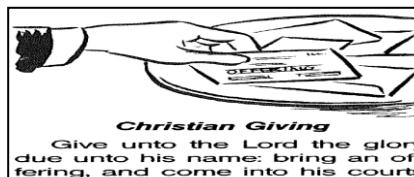
Scholarships are available through the Diocese of Florida.

Financial Summary:

December 3, 2017 – Pledge: \$3,641.00, Altar Guild: \$24.00

Other: \$336.95

Attendance: 42



Suggested daily Readings for the Second Week of Advent: Dec. 11 – Dec. 15

Mon.	Isa. 5:8-12, 18-23	Psalms 9, 15	1 Thess. 5:1-11
Tue.	Isa. 5:13-17, 24-25	Psalms 36, 39	1 Thess. 5:12-28
Wed.	Isa. 6:1-13	Psalms 119:25-48	2 Thess. 1:1-12
Thurs.	Isa. 7:1-9	Psalms 37:19-42	2 Thess. 2:1-12
Fri.	Isa. 7:10-25	Psalms 35	2 Thess. 2:13-3:5
Sat.	Isa. 8:1-15	Psalms 42, 43	2 Thess. 3:6-18

ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Sunday, December 10, 2017

10:00 am

Second Sunday of Advent



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Proclaiming the Dream of the Beloved Community.

Our Presiding Bishop, the Most Reverend Michael Curry is such a blessing to the Episcopal Church. Apart from being a truly gifted preacher (best we've heard in a while), Michael is also a prolific writer and a visionary leader. It was he who came up with the idea that Christianity is not only a religion per se, but actually a natural outflow of what he describes as, "the Jesus Movement". He argues quite convincingly that Jesus did not initiate a new religion (remember he died a Jew), but rather a movement that you and me, by virtue of our baptism, have become a part of.

This Advent, Archbishop Michael is asking us to do some reflecting based on the dream Dr. Martin Luther King Jr left us. Most of us are very familiar with the words of that "I have a dream speech" in which Dr. King looked into the future and prophetically proclaimed what he saw – no one being judged by the color of our skin but by the content of our character. King saw much more than that, indeed in his mind's eye he foresaw what he described as a "Beloved Community" founded upon justice, mercy and reconciliation. Admittedly, we are nowhere near what Martin envisioned; indeed there are many who now complain that "the dream" has been deferred – certainly delayed, if current trends are any indication. I believe we can all agree that race relations are at an all time low, not to mention the reported acts of discrimination occurring daily across our country. So how do we get back to what Martin foreshadowed? The Presiding Bishop is challenging us this Advent to think introspectively about what is possible. Indeed our church's Racial Reconciliation Team inspired by our Presiding Bishop, is encouraging Episcopalians everywhere to read intuitively the gospel of Mark, where we find God's dream for all his people declared. In that very first chapter of the Marcan gospel, we see where John-the-Baptist just didn't cry out in the wilderness, he went further and prepared his hearers to enter the waters of baptism, so that they could share the deeper truths which provided healing and reconciliation, in order that they enter into new relationships with their neighbors. The Racial Reconciliation Team drew heavily on the writings of the beloved Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa, who argued, that this idea of the Beloved Community is augmented by three great themes – Healing, Reconciliation and Justice. Tutu was fully convinced that all three is possible but only if we are prepared as Christians to explore our stories, share our history (family included) and our deepest longings. Just maybe we will begin to have more honest conversations surrounding the issues of race, ethnicity and culture.

Do you think we are ready for that conversation here at St. Michael's or across our Diocese? Just maybe this Advent, we will be led by the Spirit to listen to two of our modern day, prophets, Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Michael Curry.

Fr. Hugh+

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT – Bible Study Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm. The readings for this Wednesday will be Isaiah 61:1-4 and 8-11, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 and John 1:6-8 and 19-28.

GOOD NEWS OUTREACH MINISTRY – Please remember to bring a food item from the following list: boxed pasta, grits, oatmeal, snacks, broths, soups, spices, baking mixes, flour, sugar, canned fruits & fruit cups. Place food in food gift box in Parish hall. We will bring forward the parish's gifts of food at the offertory the first Sunday each month giving thanks and asking God's blessing upon those who will receive them.

CHRISTMAS HANDBAGS OF HOPE – For two years, the Women of St. Michael's have assembled and donated dozens of handbags filled with essential items and prayers of hope to women in our community. As we approach Christmas, the season of giving, we would like to assemble a dozen more handbags, one for each day of Christmas. Your donations of new or gently used handbags, and items to fill them, would be greatly appreciated. The following articles (travel size or small) are needed: personal hygiene items (shampoo, soap, comb, brush, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, disposable wipes, hand sanitizer, and small, non-perishable snack foods, cheese and crackers, chips, tuna). You may drop off your donations at any time to the church office.

CHOIR NEWS – Congrats to the choir members who participated in the community chorus with the Tallahassee Symphony and 4 others. Lots of commitment and dedication to the sounds of the season. We will have choir rehearsal this **Thursday, Dec. 14 at 6:30** in the sanctuary for the Lessons & Carols program for next Sunday, Dec. 17 at 10 am. **Looking for youth to participate in a music offering on Sunday morning, Dec 24, the 4th Sunday of Advent. Also for any high school and older to participate in the carols singing and musical offering for Christmas Eve service at 10 pm on Dec 24. Please contact DL LaSeur (850-591-3688), Ivana (850-300-0366) or Monique (202-841-2434) for any questions about Dec 24 participation – morning or evening.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 16 – "DECK-THE-PARISH-HALL". St. Michael is sponsoring a "trim-and-decorate-the-Christmas-tree" social. We are inviting our kindergarten, elementary, middle, high school and college students to attend and participate in a fun morning of sharing snacks, working in groups and decorating our Hall. Parents are encouraged to join us for this fun Saturday morning from 10:00 am to noon.

December 17 – Advent Lessons and Carols at 10:00 am.

December 17 – African American Genealogy Meeting from 2:30 – 4:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

December 24 – Christmas Eve beginning with Children & Youth program at 10:00 am. and the Christmas Eve Eucharist at 10:00 pm. **There will be no service on Christmas Day**

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Father, you have made all people with eyes to see you at work in the world, ears to hear you cry out when right suffers wrong, when justice is brought low. Give to the people of our nation courage to stand up for goodness and right-doing in the face of an oppressive spirit, and courage to believe we may restore, in accordance with your gracious will, a light to enlighten the nations and the people with your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Prayer for those in the Military/Military Contractors

Linzie Bogan II and Clark Bogan

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THANK YOU –Fellowship hour is hosted by the Verona Satchell and Renee Frazier.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Discipleship Group Gathering today at 4:00 pm in the Brooks Room.

Good News Outreach 5th Annual Fall Festival of Art: *Season of Giving*, a special fundraiser at the Tallahassee Garden Club, December 10 from 2:00-5:00 pm. Free to the public

Said Mass – Tuesday, December 12th at 12:15 p.m.

The Episcopal Church Women Nominating Committee announces the following slate of candidates for election: President—Dawn Dawson-Freeman, Vice President –Herma Watson-Taylor, Financial Secretary --Cassandra J. Grayson, and Secretary (Recording)—Tresia Mongerie. There being no other candidates for the above offices, and barring objections from ECW members, these women of St. Michael will assume office effective January 1, 2018 for a term of one year. **All women of St. Michael are encouraged to become active in the ECW's three committees: In-Reach, Out-Reach and Fund Raising.**

Potted poinsettias are being requested to adorn the altar and church for the 10 p.m. Christmas Eve/Christmas service. Plants should be placed on the Parish Hall breezeway on Sunday 12/24/17 no later than 12 noon for placement in the church. Thanks

During the season of Advent we shall omit from our service the Glorias and Alleluias.

HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE ONE

Instrumental Prelude		Ivana Kenny Carmola, organist
Processional Hymn	A188 v1-3 , O, Come, O Come, Emmanuel	<i>Veni Emmanuel</i>
Advent Candle Lighting	Quinton & Collin Laurie	
	A188 v 4	
	THE WORD OF GOD	
Opening Acclamation		323
The Collect for Purity		
Kyries		324
Collect for the Day		
The Lessons	Isaiah 40:1-11 Psalm 85:1-2 and 8-13 2 Peter 3:8-15a	
Gradual Hymn	A202 v 1-2 , Go Tell it on the Mountain	Spiritual
The Holy Gospel	Mark 1:1-8	The Reverend Hugh Chapman
Sequence Hymn	A202 v 3	
The Sermon		The Reverend Hugh Chapman
The Nicene Creed		326
The Prayers of the People		328-330
Confession of Sin and Absolution		330-332
The Peace	A498 , Let There Be Peace on Earth	Miller
	HOLY COMMUNION	
Offertory Selection	A195 , My Lord, What a Morning	Spiritual
Presentation Hymn	A105 , Bless the Lord	<i>Crouch</i>
The Great Thanksgiving		333-336
Sanctus		
The Lord's Prayer		336
The Breaking of the Bread		337
Fraction & Prayer of Humble Access		
Holy Communion		
Communion Hymn 1	A463 , Lord, I Want to Be a Christian	Spiritual
Communion Hymn 2	A190 , While we are waiting Come	Cason
Meditation Hymn	A320 , Spirit of the Living God	<i>Iverson</i>
Post Communion Prayer		339
Birthday, Anniversary, Travel Prayers		

Announcements

Benediction

Recessional Hymn **H646**, The King of love my shepherd is, *Dominus regit me*

Dismissal

A=African American Hymnal (ivory)

H=1982 Hymnal (blue)

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL

We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you are without a church home, we invite you to join our church family. Please sign the guest register, include your home address, phone number and, if you would like to receive the monthly newsletter, news of special events and other happenings, please also add your e-mail address.

OUR VISION is to be a cornerstone for serving the spiritual needs of the greater Tallahassee community, extending an eternal invitation to join our caring parish and to enrich the spiritual life of all people as we journey with Christ.

OUR MISSION is to experience the Gospel of Jesus Christ by feeding the mind, body and spirit of our community in fellowship and service.

HOLY COMMUNION: All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive the real and living presence of Christ in Holy Communion. To receive the Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please guide the chalice as it is offered. If you prefer, you may leave the Bread on your palm for the person administering the chalice to dip into the Wine and place on your tongue. All persons are welcome to give thanks for God's blessings at the altar rail, simply crossing your arms at the wrist with fingertips extending upward towards your shoulders.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY!

Fr. Hugh & Genevieve Chapman (12/6), Rosalyn Greene (12/10), Brooks Duncan (12/10).

Birthdays Prayer

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace, which passeth understanding, abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Anniversary Prayer

God our Father, who made men and women to live together in families: we pray that marriage may be held in honor; that husbands and wives may live together faithfully, according to their vows; and that members of every family may grow in mutual love and understanding, in courtesy and kindness, so that they may bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ; for His name's sake. *Amen.*

Serving today Sunday, December 10

Acolytes:

Sam Oliver III, Crucifer

Quinton Laurie, Torch Bearer

Collin Laurie, Torch Bearer

Colton Wasson, Gospel Book Bearer

Chalice Bearer: James Fort, Tangy Williams

Lectors: Margaret Edwards, Tresia Mongerie

Monique Alleyne

Greeters: Lenin Mongerie, Tresia Mongerie

Ushers: Joseph Sams, Nadira Sams

Vestry: Candice Billups

Serving next Sunday, December 17

Acolytes:

Pro Hruda, Crucifer

Charles Hruda, Torch Bearer

Hollis Sams, Torch Bearer

Tyler Sams, Gospel Book Bearer

Chalice Bearer: John Grayson, Pro Hruda

Lectors: Margaret Edwards, Kathleen Rodgers,

JoAnn Robinson, Winston Bogan,

Simone Hruda, Cal Goodlett

Greeters: Elizabeth Humes, Sharal Jugger

Ushers: Elizabeth Humes, Sharal Jugger


Vestry: Delois Brown

NOTE: If you are unable to serve on the Sundays assigned, please ask someone else to serve in your place.

December Altar Guild:

Tangy Williams	Melanie Martin	Kate Wasson	Natalie Payne
Cassandra J Grayson	Pamela Greene	JoAnne Robinson	Delores Lawson
Dawn Freeman	Dorothy Wesley	Karen Goodlett	Lauren Sapp
Delois Brown	Shonna Laurie	Delores Grayson	Anna White

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PEACE AND HEALING:

 *Jean-Hyche-Jackson, JoAnn Robinson, Ophelia and Robert Scarbough, Dorothy and Eugene Wesley, Rosalyn Greene, Rose Douglas, Jewel Robinson, Verona Satchell, Joseph Wiley, Carl Murray, Rudolph Hinds, Cynthia Hinds, Dorothy Williams, Alexes Parker. Robert Roulac, Karen Hardy Clark, Ella Woodbury, Charles Daniels, Mark Richardson, Brandi Leland, Randolph Laurel, Joseph Gentle, Wayne Hawthorne, Glendon Niewenkirk, Lisi Goodlett, Quincy Boy, Kenrick Baynes, Jessie Laurel, Hettie Olivia Scott, Rev. Canon Dr. David J. Weidner, Ella Brown Albright, Catherine Rand, Darnell Thorpe, Richard Corpening, Tyrone Gayle and Clifford Willabus.*