

St. Michael's Messenger



The Rector's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Michael's,

In the life of The Church, tomorrow is a "Red Letter Day" with the Feast of St. Luke. According to satucket.com, "[i]n Luke's account of the Gospel, we find an emphasis on the human love of Christ, on His compassion for sinners and for suffering and unhappy persons, for outcasts such as the Samaritans, tax collectors, lepers, shepherds (not a respected profession), and for the poor. The role of women in Christ's ministry is more emphasized in Luke than in the other Gospel writings." For a link to the whole article on St. Luke, you can click here.



Icon of St. Luke

Growing up at St. Luke's in Newberry made me a fan of Luke by default. Luke's Gospel gives us the birth account of Jesus that we hear on Christmas Eve. His account in the "Authorized Translation" (i.e., the King James Version) is so moving. As I have gotten older, I appreciate Luke's account of Jesus' time on earth and his accounts in the Acts of the Apostles. I invite us all to thank Luke for his lasting ministry and to meditate on tomorrow's Collect:

Almighty God, who inspired your servant Luke the physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of your Son: Graciously continue in your Church this love and power to heal, to the praise and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen. This Sunday at 9:30 AM, we will have our make-up training for Sunday servers – readers, intercessors, crucifers, acolytes, EMs, etc. If you missed our first training, please plan to attend. I announced this last Sunday at 10:30 AM, but failed to do so at 8:30 AM. My apologies to the early service crowd!

October 20, 2024

I do want to thank everyone for making last Sunday's reentry a smooth day. There are so many cards and comments of love and support for me and for my family. It has been a challenging time, but y'all have been so gentle and understanding. I cannot thank this parish enough.

Finally, I am happy to report that my home in Aiken closed last Thursday and my home in Easley closed on Tuesday. Alleluia, my nomadic days have come to an end. Now, it is time to find a place for my stuff in the new home. Please note that I will be taking a few days (Mon-Wed) to get settled. Feel free to reach out via email with any items, but my response time will be a bit slower than normal.

Have a great week everyone! I will see y'all at church on Sunday.

Faithfully,

Fr. Dan

<u>SERVER TRAINING</u>: Fr. Dan will have another training for all new and current servers <u>THIS SUNDAY</u>, at 9:30 am. Please plan to attend this training if you would like to serve in any capacity.

SERVING SUNDAY

Celebrant and Rector: The Rev. Dan Wagner Organist & Choirmaster: Nancy Owens Altar Guild: Teri Swann Eucharistic Ministers: 8:30 Sarah Mikell 10:30 John Dickey Lectors: 8:30 Sarah Mikell 10:30 Kim Frost Acolytes: 8:30 Leisa Achterhoff 10:30 Kim Pesnell Greeters: 8:30 John Cleveland 10:30 Robert & Cheryl Borowski Vestry Open-up: Rick Parnell Vestry Lock-up: Cheryl Borowski



Join us for the 29th Annual BubbaQue

Saturday, Oct 26, 2024 at 5 pm at St. Michael's. This marks the kick off of our Annual Pledge Campaign. Please see the sign-up sheets in the Parish Hall.



10/23	4:30	Choir Practice
10/26	5:00	BUBBAQUE
10/30	4:30	Choir Practice
11/03	10:30	All Saints' Sunday
11/06	4:30	Choir Practice
11/07	6:00	November ECM
11/10	11:30	Finance Meeting
11/17	9:30	DOK Meeting
11/20	4:30	Choir Practice
11/21	6:00	Vestry Meeting
11/27	Pickup	ECM Ham & Turkey
11/27	4:30	Choir Practice
11/28		Happy Thanksgiving!

ST. MICHAEL'S MEMORIAL COLUMBARIUM

The St. Michael's Memorial Columbarium Committee would like to remind you that you can purchase a niche at any time. The cost per niche is \$500 and will accommodate the cremated remains of two people. Niches will have names and birthdates engraved for those that have purchased the right to use the columbarium. For complete information on this ministry, please see Rick Parnell.



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- 1 Margaret Astley
- 2 Karen Albright
- 31 Joe Lawler

May God Bless You On Your Birthday!!



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It is time to start thinking about our Ministry for OCC. Remember we use plastic shoe boxes for two reasons:

1) they are a little bigger

2) they can be used to transport water to their families. These can be found at The Dollar Tree, Wal-Mart and other places. Now is the time to get your boxes before they are all gone. Please see Dee Bradley if you have any questions.

The deadline to get your boxes to the church is Sunday, November 10, 2024.

