

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Service of Holy Eucharist

Saturday, April 25, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 26, 2026 at 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

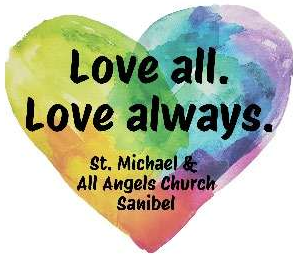


SAINT MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Welcome to St. Michael's!

Love all. Love always. That's our logo and that's what we live; all means all and God's radically inclusive love excludes no one. No matter where you're on life's journey, we invite you to walk with us. There's a place for you at St. Michael's.

At St. Michael's we offer Spiritual Pathways: Practices for Embracing the Journey. These six transformational pathways offer many entry points to appeal to each person's unique journey and provide ways to experience God's love together as we grow in faith and hope, discover inner peace and live with purpose.

Action Pathway: Renewing the Body through yoga, sacred strolls on the beach and more

Reflective Pathway: Awakening the Spirit by gathering together for meals and conversation, book groups and retreats

Inner Pathway: Soothing the Heart through visiting our Meditation Room (located off the parish hall past the kitchen), Grief Support Group, and gestures of care for those in need of hope and healing

Learning Pathway: Expanding the Mind through programs for individual and group learning

Worship Pathway: Nourishing the Soul through joyful worship, music and other experiences

Service Pathway: Reaching out to the World with acts of love and care locally, in SWFL and beyond

Each pathway invites us deeper – into God's presence, into community and into the sacred journey of life. **The journey awaits you. Come walk the path with us.** Find out more by taking a **Spiritual Pathways brochure** in the pew rack in front of you and visiting our website saintmichaels-sanibel.org for more details.

I'm New: If this is your first time visiting with us and you need any assistance with the service, please don't hesitate to ask someone for help. To find out more about the many ministries and programs at Saint Michael's, please check out our website, www.saintmichaels-sanibel.org, like our Facebook page and YouTube channel. If you'd like to stay in touch, please fill out a visitor card in the pew and place it in the offering plate after the announcements, or contact Fr. Bill at rector@saintmichaels-sanibel.org.

Communion is for All: All may come forward to receive communion. None are required to receive. We serve both bread and wine. You may choose to receive at your own comfort level, both bread and wine or just bread. You may take a sip of wine from the cup that is offered to you or dip the host into the chalice. You may also come forward with your arms crossed over your chest for a blessing, or you may choose not to come forward at all. Children may receive at any age. Gluten free hosts are available, just ask when you come up for communion.

Restrooms: Exit at the red doors in the back of the church and walk along the exterior deck through the double glass doors. Down that hallway are accessible restrooms on either side.

Worshipping with Kids: Joyful noise is most welcome here. Many families find that sitting close to the front helps children to see and engage better with the service. Messy Church is also held monthly for families; our next program is Sunday, May 17, 5-6:30 p m.

Prelude

Quasi adagio

Keeney

Adagio

Haydn

Tower Bells

Processional 410 **Praise, my soul, the King of heaven**

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People ***The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!***

The Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

(5:00) *Gloria in excelsis Deo*

BCP 356

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

Glo-ry to God in the High-est and peace to his people on
earth Lord God hea-ven-ly King Al - migh - ty God and Fa-ther, We wor ship You, We
gi - ve You thanks We praise You for your Glo - ry Glo - ry to God in the High-est and
peace to his people on earth Lord Je - sus Christ on - ly Son of the Fa-ther
Lord God, Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world have mer cy on us;
You are sea-ted at the right hand of the Fa-ther Re - ceive our Prayer. Glo-ry to God in the
High-est and peace to his people on earth For You al - one are the Ho - ly one
You al - one are the Lord, You al - one are the Mo - st hi - gh Je - sus Christ
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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me
in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter 2:19-25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

“He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 645 (vs. 1-2, 5-6) **The King of love my shepherd is**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 10:1-10

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Bill Van Oss

(A brief period of silence follows the sermon)

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People ***I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.***

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People ***I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.***

***He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.***

***He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.***

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People ***I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.***

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. ***Amen.***

The Prayers of the People

Holy God, send your spirit to comfort, inform, direct and guide us to your truth in this life and in the life to come. Hear us as we pray: Risen Lord who lives among us:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

We pray for your church, the people of God across the world. Inspire and help us to continue Christ's mission to heal the world with love. Risen Lord who lives among us:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

We pray for those in authority in the nations of the world. Guide, inspire and grant them wisdom so that there might be peace and harmony in our nation and throughout the world. Risen Lord who lives among us:

People **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the places we call home. Embolden us to use our gifts and energies to proclaim our hope in you through service to our neighbors. Risen Lord who lives among us:

People **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the natural world that sustains us. Help us to be effective stewards of the environment and natural resources so that the abundance of life on our planet might thrive. Risen Lord who lives among us:

People **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. Grant them healing and release them from pain and suffering, especially for Martha Ponader, Megs Singer, Carol Chaveas and Ralph Korn; for Phil Pilibosian, Tom Patania, John Pryor and Joan Desilet; for Shirlla Cuscaden, Kristen Beltz, Susan Lord and Sherry Kanzius; for Sally Johnston, Mary McManus and Margery Almas. We pray also – silently or aloud – for friends and family members who we carry in our hearts [PAUSE]. Risen Lord who lives among us:

People **Hear our prayer.**

We pray in thanksgiving for those celebrating a birthday: Carl Meier, Mary Jane Bancroft, Phill Urion, Lee Cooper, Sandra Winans, Marvell Bradley, Anne Kimball, Lena Brown, Sarah Ashton, Lenore Lawrence, Chuck Haas, Betsy Schuman and Julie Boyd; and an anniversary this week: Helen & Bob Buhner. Risen Lord who lives among us:

People **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who have died, that they may rest in peace and rise in glory in your promised new age. Risen Lord who lives among us:

People **Hear our prayer.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please share the peace of Christ with one another.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

Celebrant Let us with gladness present the offerings
and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Offertory

5:00 p.m.

Instrumental

Lord, make us worthy

Sleeth

8:00 a.m.

Dotty Morrison ~ Anne-Marie Bouché

10:30 a.m.

Choir

Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

The Great Thanksgiving ~ Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

5:00 p.m.

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Mike Baldwin



[You may stand, sit or kneel]

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

Celebrant

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

***Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.***

The Breaking of the Bread

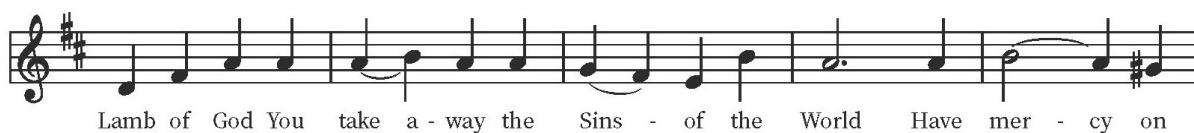
Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Agnus Dei

5:00 p.m. **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.**
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Mike Baldwin



Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

(All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.)

At Communion

10:30 a.m.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace

Taizé

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Alleluia!

Put peace into each other's hands

5:00 p.m. & 8:00 a.m. Dotty Morrison ~ Anne-Marie Bouché

10:30 a.m. Choir

Peace Before Us

5:00 p.m. & 8:00 a.m. Dotty Morrison ~ Anne-Marie Bouché

10:30 a.m. Choir

Prayer of Saint Francis

Make me a channel of Your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love

Where there is injury, Your pardon Lord,

And where there's doubt, true faith in You.

Make me a channel of Your peace.

Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.

And where there's darkness only light,

And where there's sadness ever joy.

Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek

So much to be consoled as to console,

To be understood as to understand,

To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of Your peace.

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

In giving of ourselves that we receive,

And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

The Post Communion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 191 Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts and voices heavenward raise

Dismissal

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

God be with you till we meet again

The flowers on the altar are given in
loving memory of Nancy Ann Miles Maupin,
from Carl Meier.



Notes and Reminders

Summer Send Off for Rev. Coleen – Sat./Sun., May 2/3: Next weekend, during social hour/coffee hours, join us in thanking Rev. Coleen for a spirit filled season and wishing her well until she returns in October.

Madden-Workman Educational Fund: Guidelines for application and application forms are available in the church office. For additional information and questions, please contact Betsy McCullough or Susan Gonzalez in the church office. Deadline for applications is **Thursday, April 30th**.

New Forward Day-by-Days: The new quarter (May-June-July) is available on the back table, the Gallery or Church Office.

Leaving for the Summer: As you prepare to leave the Sanibel/Fort Myers area for the summer, please let Susan in the church office know, so that your mailing address can be updated. Safe travels and have a wonderful and safe summer.



**NOAH'S ARK
THRIFT SHOP
SUMMER HOURS
OF OPERATION:**

**Starting Tuesday, April 28,
Tuesdays will be the only day
open for the months of May,
June and July.**

**Tuesdays 10am-1pm
April 28-July 28**

Closed August & September

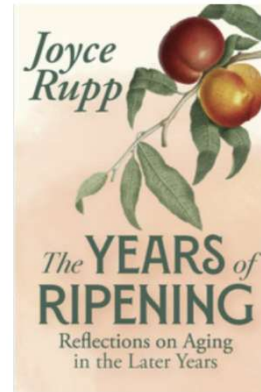


More details at
[www.saintmichaels-
sanibel.org/spiritual-pathways](http://www.saintmichaels-sanibel.org/spiritual-pathways)

- **April 25 & 30 Yoga - Spirit in Motion classes** will be held Saturday, April 25 and Thursday April 30 at 9:00am in the parish hall. Led by certified yoga instructor JoEllen Simons, the classes are free and open to all. Try it!
- **April 26 Episcopal 101 Session-** Sunday 9:15am-10:10am in the St. Michael's library-Curious about the Episcopal Church? Come to Episcopal 101 and learn more about what we do at worship, what we believe and how we live it out in daily life. Whether you are brand new, exploring or would simply enjoy a refresher, these sessions are for you. If you would like to be received or confirmed in the Episcopal Church when Bishop Scharf comes on May 26, this is very helpful to attend.
- **April 28 Men's Fellowship** -8:30am in the parish library. Join in person or via zoom to share in a discussion of what is on our hearts and minds in the present time.
- **May 4 The Spirituality of Aging Reflection Group** will have it's final gathering on Monday, May 4 at Shell Point in the Cove in the Estuary neighborhood at 3pm. Each session stands on it's own with reflections from Joyce Rupp's Book The Years of Ripening. (reading the book isn't necessary to attend) and this final session will have an expanded social gathering with appetizers.
- **Ongoing- Historical Display** - stop by the hallway gallery and the parish hall to view historical photos and documents as we celebrate the 65th Anniversary of the building of our present sanctuary. Do you have any historical photos or documents? Please contact Sue at communications@saintmichaels-sanibel.org so she can make copies.



Reflections on Spiritual Growth in Later Life



Final gathering is
Monday, May 4 3pm
@The Cove in the Estuary
at Shell Point. Come for a
wrap up and extended social
with appetizers!

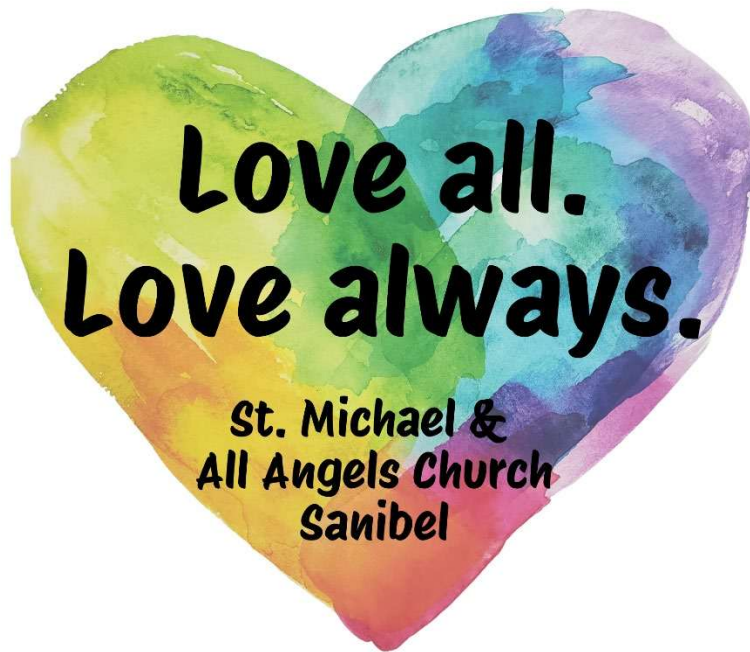
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Coming Up this Month				
Service of Holy Eucharist	Every Wednesday		11:30 a.m.	Angel Chapel
"Love First" After-School Program	Every Wednesday		2:15 p.m.	Parish Hall
Yoga Class	Every Thursday & Saturday		9:00 a.m.	Parish Hall
Bible Study w/ the Rector	Every Thursday		10:00 a.m.	ZOOM
Evening Prayer (Compline)	Every Thursday		6:00 p.m.	ZOOM
Choir Rehearsal	Every Friday		12:00 p.m.	Music Room
"Episcopal 101" (pt 3)	Sun.	April 26	9:15 a.m.	Church Library
Men's Fellowship (hybrid)	Tues.	April 28	8:30 a.m.	Library / ZOOM
Water and the Word	Fri-Sat	May 1 (5:30 p.m.) – May 2		DaySpring Camp & Conf. Center, Parrish
Volunteer Day at Everyday Café	Mon.	May 4	9:00 a.m.	CCM Soup Kitchen, FMY
M & F Trust Meeting	Mon.	May 4	11:00 a.m.	T. Madden Room
Spiritual Growth: Later Life Discussion (<i>last meeting</i>)	Mon.	May 4	3:00 p.m.	The Cove in the Estuary at Shell Point
Volunteer Day at Misión Peniel	Fri.	May 8	12:00 p.m.	Misión Peniel, Immokalee
Sunday Summer Schedule begins	Sun.	May 10	9:30 a.m.	
ECW Board Meeting	Mon.	May 11	11:00 a.m.	T. Madden Room

Serving this Weekend

	Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Sun. 8:00 a.m.	Sun. 10:30 a.m.
Eucharistic Ministers	Joanne Syversen	Lee Williams Jim Pullins	Barbara Manard Penny Lind
Lector	Alice Wood	Anne Brookhouse	Susan Burkart
Prayers of the People	Susie Wilson	Lee Williams	Paula MacIwaine
Altar Guild	Mary Jane Proctor	Gretchen Spruance	Stephanie Rahe
Flower Guild	Harriet Pattison, Ann Stephens, Cathy McCarthy, Carolyn Clark		
Greeters / Ushers	Cathy & Wayne Luman	Gretchen Spruance Roz Burroughs	Ann & John Stephens
Shuttle Bus	-	-	Chuck Sterrett
Livestream Tech	-	-	Sue Van Oss
Social / Coffee Hour			Cathy & Paul McCarthy



The Rev. Bill Van Oss, Rector

The Rev. Coleen Tully, *Assisting Priest*

Erik Entwistle, *Music Director/Organist*; Mike Baldwin, *Organist*

Susan Gonzalez, *Office Manager*; Pat Norton, *Finance Director*

Wendy Warner, R.N., *Parish Nurse*; Shelley Lunsford, *Youth Leader*

Sue Van Oss, *Director of Communications, Community Engagement & Christian Formation*

The Vestry and Parish Officers:

The Rev. Bill Van Oss, *Rector*; Bill Larson '26, *Senior Churchwarden*;

Sandy Winans '28, *Junior Churchwarden*; Betsy McCullough, *Secretary/Clerk*;

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Clergy Associates

The Rev. Gail Avery, The Rev. Dr. Stan Dull, The Rev. Dr. Douglass Lind

The Rev. Dcn. Martha Ponader (*Emerita*)

Noah's Ark Thrift Shop (St. Michael's ECW)

Tuesdays ~ 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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