St. Michael's in the Hills Episcopal Church





-Join us in the Fellowship Hall following the 10 am service -

#### May 15 "Peaceful Stretch Into Spring: Chair Yoga with Ann Heckler"



All those who have signed up to volunteer should plan to attend a Volunteer Meeting after the 10 am service on **May 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Thanks!

# VESTRY NEWS 👎

St. Michael's in the Hills Vestry voted to extend the Letter of Agreement between The Rev. Foster M. Mays and St. Michael's in the Hills Episcopal Church in March, 2022 and approved the letter of extension May 4, 2022. The term of the extension is one year beginning July 1, 2022 and terminating June 30, 2023. It is the Vestry's sincere hope that Fosters' continued presence will provide stability and enable the congregation to proceed with plans for growth in both membership and a collaborative sense of mission.



The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by George & Carole Shirk, in loving memory of Barbara Shirk and Chuck Domansky, resting in peace.

#### **UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

11:00 am	Common Grounds: Yoga
5:00 pm	H.E. & Healing Service
11:00 am	Arts Program Volunteer Mtg.
6:00 pm	Book + Dinner Club
7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting
	5:00 pm 11:00 am 6:00 pm



# ORGANIST'S NOTES

I have long considered myself to be an advocate for the preservation and advancement of traditional Western liturgical music. Part of that philosophy is that each denomination has its own unique cultural identity. The Roman Catholic Church has Gregorian chant and sacred polyphony; the use of the organ in Catholic liturgy in France is different from any other; the Lutherans have their chorales and the many cantatas of J.S. Bach, and the Episcopal/Anglican Church has its vast treasury of choral and organ music, hymnody, and perhaps most importantly, Anglican chant. The music in today's service cuts across nearly three centuries of the Anglican tradition, beginning with the chant used for the psalm, composed by Thomas A. Walmisley (1814-1856), continuing with the tune of the opening hymn composed by Charles V. Stanford (1852 -1924), and culminating in the offertory anthem, Look at the World, by one of the most significant contributors to the modern Anglican choral tradition, John Rutter (b. 1945), not to mention the setting of the Glory to God by William Mathias (1934 -1992). Also, the setting of the opening hymn is by Lance Massey, whom I've written about before, and whose hymn accompaniments represent an American expression of the Anglican organ tradition. This is a rich treasury of music, unique to the Anglican expression of the faith, worthy of being preserved and handed down to future generations.

-Dr. David Saunders

#### MEMORIAL GARDEN

Monthly work days in the Memorial Garden are set for the third Saturday of the month from 9 to 11 am through October (weather permitting). Upcoming Dates: June 11, July 16, Aug. 20, Sept. 17, Oct. 15.

# FEED YOUR NEIGHBOR



Please donate nonperishable food items to support the local food bank. Drop off baskets are in the narthex and at the side entrance. Items needed: soda crackers, canned tuna, salmon, or meat of any kind. Also, canned mixed vegetables, kidney beans, chickpeas, and canned spaghetti, especially with meat. Thank you!

### **BOOK + DINNER CLUB**



Please join us on Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm. This month, we are reading Lillian Boxfish Takes A Walk, an elegantly written, hilarious tale of human connections that bridge the past and the future. Sue Pokorney will be be hosting our dinner and discussion. Please e-mail her if you can join us: pokorneysue@gmail.com

### **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

- May 15 Mitchell Gomulinski Robert Nolette May 16
- May 17 John Graham
- May 18 Joe Gerhardinger
- Jacqueline Sturtz
- May 20 May 21 Cheryl Volk



# HABITAT BUILD: DATE CHANGE



Our Habitat build day has changed. The new date is Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am-3 pm. We will be painting at 641 Favony in Holland. Contact Linda Mays if you are interested participating: in lindamays91@gmail.com

# SAVE THE DATE: JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup>



We look forward to our Common Grounds program on June 12<sup>th</sup> which will help us foster a better understanding surrounding Juneteenth. Then, plan to join us on Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup> for our 10 am service which will feature special music followed by a picnic celebration. More details to come.. Save the date!

### SUNDAY SCHOOL



We offer Sunday School after the 10 am service on the first Sunday of each month. Kids have fun exploring ways to love, learn and serve through story-telling, singing, crafts, reading scripture and enjoying a snack! All children are invited to join us on **Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**.

# SUGGESTIONS + IDEAS

We have a wooden suggestion box located on the table in the hallway outside the Nave. Paper and pencils are available for you to drop a note in the box to share any ideas or suggestions you have in regard to St. Michael's. There is also a QR code on the box should you wish to scan it and submit a suggestion/ idea electronically.