



St. Michael's in the Hills
Episcopal Church



December 31, 2023

welcome

We are so glad you have joined us today! Please take a minute to grab your name tag off the new rack before the service. If you need a name tag, let us know on the sheet provided on the table in the narthex.

A NOTE FOR FAMILIES

Children of all ages are welcome in worship! Crayons, pencils, activities and a children's bulletin are available in the Children's Corner in the narthex. This area can also be used during the service.



We offer nursery and childcare for children ages 6 months—5 years old during the service. Our student caregivers have gone through extensive training and look forward to greeting your child! Ask the Usher for directions to our Nursery.

A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE

We want to extend our sincere appreciation to Michelle Knecht for her years of dedicated service to St. Michael's. Michelle has decided to resign from her position as of January 10th. In this time of transition, we would love to have a parishioner answer the phone on Monday mornings, along with some other light office tasks. **If you are interested in helping out**, please contact Gayle+ (revgayle@lovelearnslove.org)

Also, beginning the week of January 15, the Office hours will change. Kim Schrinel will be in the Office Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:15 am—2:15 pm. We always recommend calling before stopping in during the week. *Thank you!*

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Kids of all ages are invited to join us for Sunday School **Sunday, January 7th** after the 10 am service. We explore ways to love, learn and serve through story-telling, singing, crafts, and reading scripture, and we enjoy a snack!

FAMILY EVENT: JANUARY 13

Families are invited to attend a Walleye Game with others from St. Michael's on **Saturday, January 13th at 7:00 pm.** It will also be the Walleye's first ever Looney Tunes Night! Tickets are \$19/person and can be purchased by scanning the code at right by January 7th. *Hope to see you then!*



Common Grounds meets after the service in the Fellowship Hall for fellowship, learning, and exchange of ideas and coffee, tea, or cocoa.

ANNUAL MEETING & POTLUCK

January 7: *Becoming a Priest*

We will hear from parishioner Barb Reszko about the process she is going through in order to become an ordained Priest.

Plan to join us on **Sunday, January 21st** for our Annual Meeting following the 10 am service. Printed copies of the Annual Report will be available on the tables beginning Sunday, January 7th. Please sign up on the hall bulletin board if you can attend the potluck afterward and bring a dish to pass. *Thank you!*

MEET & GREET REV. GAYLE

Would you like to host Rev. Gayle for a meal or tea to get to know her, or simply attend a gathering? This is a parishioner-led opportunity to welcome Rev. Gayle and enjoy a meal and time getting to know her on a personal level. Angela Sturtz is helping coordinate these get-togethers. If you'd like to host, please email Angela: DASturtz13@gmail.com or check out the sign up sheet on the bulletin board to join a dinner group.

ASSIST WITH THE SERVICE

We are looking for adults who would be interested in being a Verger at our Sunday service, as well as anyone age 10 and above who can serve as an Acolyte. This is a wonderful way to deepen your relationship with God by serving at the altar & during the service. Contact the church office if you are interested.

LUNCHEON + TRAINING

All our current Service Assistants and those who are interested in becoming one, are invited to a Luncheon and Training following the service on **Sunday, January 14th**. This would include Chalice Bearers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Greeters, Ushers and Acolytes. Join us in the Fellowship Hall for this training and lunch. If you cannot attend, please let the office know.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

If you have requested pledge envelopes for the coming year, they are available in the hall by the St. Clare Garden. If you'd like envelopes, please write your name on the sheet provided and let us know. *Thanks!*

2024 WALKING GROUP

Thank you Advent walkers for joining us in this wonderful experiment! Weather permitting, let's keep walking every other week in 2024. **We will meet at 2:00 pm on the first and third Sunday of the month.** This is January 7, January 21, February 4, February 18, March 3, and March 17. The location is the Ward Pavillion at Wildwood which is the parking lot near the school house.



DINNER + BOOK CLUB

All are invited to enjoy fellowship, dinner and a book discussion! The group is reading *A Bar in Toledo*, by Dominic Vaiana & Stephanie Abbajay. Join them **Monday, January 15th at 6 pm** at the home of Sue Pokorney. RSVP to Sue at: (419) 283-8905, pokorneysue@gmail.com.



Save the date! All are invited to our 2nd Annual "Bethlehem Dinner," on **Friday, February 2nd**. We will again enjoy a wonderful evening of friendship, charity, and music to honor the grace & life of Rev. Peg Sammons. We will share a meal together, hear a presentation from Toledo charity *Leading Families Home*, and enjoy singing together. *More details to come!*

Save the date!

"Being the Light"

Epiphany Retreat

Saturday, January 20

9:30-11 am

- SIGN UP ON THE HALL BULLETIN BOARD -

Guests & Visitors

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