



**WELCOME
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THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL & ST. GEORGE

WELCOME!



Over twenty years in parish ministry, and in the midst of my ninth year at The Church of St. Michael & St. George, I have come to the conclusion that the most important question at a church is not, “How many people are here on Sunday morning?” or “What should we do with them when they show up?” but “What are the habits, skills, and attitudes needed to be a disciple of Jesus Christ and to be able to share those habits, skills and attitudes with others?”

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The Rev. Andrew Archie

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday Winter Schedule

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
A quiet, less crowded liturgy with homily
- 9:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
A family liturgy with full choir
- 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
*1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays of the month,
full choir*
Choral Matins, Rite I
2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, full choir
- 5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II
St. George's Chapel
*A less formal setting with hymns,
homily, and organ*

Sunday Summer Schedule

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
A quiet, less crowded liturgy with homily
- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
A liturgy with full choir
- 5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II
St. George's Chapel
*A less formal setting with hymns, homily,
and organ*

Childcare is available for all Sunday liturgies

Weekday Schedule

Holy Eucharist in St. Mary's Chapel

- Monday 7:00 a.m.
Tuesday 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday 5:30 p.m. (Healing Liturgy)
Thursday 11:45 a.m.
Friday 7:00 a.m.

Morning/Evening Prayer in St. Mary's Chapel

Monday-Tuesday	7:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.
Thursday-Friday	7:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
Saturday	8:30 a.m.& 4:30 p.m.

HOW DO I JOIN?

The Church of St. Michael & St. George is a congregation open to all who seek God and a greater, stronger Christian life. All baptized persons are welcome to receive communion at this altar.

Formal membership can be established in one of the following ways:

"I'm already an Episcopalian."

Contact our parish office and provide us with the name of your previous church. We will let you know when we have received your letter of transfer and we will welcome you formally.

"I was baptized (and confirmed) but not in an Episcopal Church."

Bring us a copy of your baptismal certificate or a letter from your former church that states when the baptism occurred and who baptized you. We recognize confirmation from most other denominations, so if you've been previously confirmed, you will be received into the Episcopal Church.

"I've never been baptized."

Get ready for a life-changing celebration! Call the church office and make an appointment to meet with one of our priests who will lead you through a process that allows you to ask questions, to search for answers.

For more information about becoming a member, contact the church at 314.721.1502.

PARISH LIFE

Church Hours

The church is open every weekday from 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. for prayer and meditation.

Prayer Requests

Prayer requests can be submitted by filling out a form in the Ellenwood Narthex, by calling the church at 314.721.1502, or by e-mailing info@csmsg.org. Prayer requests remain on the prayer list for four weeks. Re-submit the request each time you want to extend the time.

Little Lambs Nursery

The Little Lambs Nursery provides a warm, caring environment for babies and toddlers, ages 6 weeks to 4 years, for children of the parish and The St. Michael School families. The nursery is open for Sunday liturgies and for special parish functions. Additionally, the Parent's Day Out program operates Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Reservations are required for special functions and the Parent's Day Out program.

For more information contact Carol Rosales: 314.721.1502, *carol@csmsg.org*

The J. Francis Sant Memorial Library

The Sant Memorial Library is open every day for use and is staffed during bookstore hours. Church parishioners and staff may find many useful resources, thanks to the generosity of the many contributors who donate books and periodicals.

Librarian—Peggy Strelinger: 314.721.1502, *bookstore@csmsg.org*

Canterbury Bookstore

The Canterbury Bookstore serves its customers with a fine selection of books on theological and spiritual topics and unique gift items.

Manager—Peggy Strelinger: 314.721.1502, *bookstore@csmsg.org*

Winter Schedule

Sunday	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Monday	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Thursday	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Summer Schedule

Sunday	8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Monday	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Thursday	10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Friday	8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Also open for special events and by request

MUSIC MINISTRIES

Adult Music

The music program at The Church of St. Michael & St. George is highly regarded locally and nationally.

Music is offered at all 9:15,10:00 and 11:15 a.m. liturgies, major feasts, and holy days. We invite you to share in a unique and beautiful Choral Evensong liturgy featuring a musical presentation of canticles and anthems. Evensong is usually the first Sunday of each month at 5:00 p.m. October through May. A reception and tea in the Great Hall follow the Evensong.

A relatively advanced level of musicianship, a technically secure singing voice, and a large commitment of time are basic requirements for membership in the Choir. The ability to read music is essential, and a capacity for sight-reading. The Adult Choir meets Thursday evenings.

To make an appointment, to audition, or for more information about our music programs, contact the church at 314.721.1502 or e-mail rwlehman@csmg.org.

For more information go to: csmg.org/music

CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday Morning Church School (Pre-school through Grade 5)

The curriculum for the children is based on their church experience as the Family of God. All of the children's age-appropriate programs include art, music, and outreach projects that support each class' curriculum. Special seasonal family nights are held throughout the year.

Director of Children's Education—Jane Fisher: 314.721.1502, jfisher@csmg.org

For more information:go to: csmg.org/youth

Sunday Schedule for Children - Winter Schedule

Age-appropriate liturgies are held in St. George's Chapel.

Pre-school-Grade 1 9:15 a.m. class followed by chapel liturgy at
10:25 a.m.

Grades 2-5 9:15 a.m. chapel liturgy followed by class

Sunday Winter Schedule

9:15 a.m. Worship with families
10:25 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments in the gym
10:45-11:10 a.m. Classes

Grades 6-7	Jacob's Walk
Grade 8	Armstrong Room
Grades 9-12	Gym

Sunday Summer Schedule

10:00 a.m. Worship with families
11:00 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments in the gym

For more information go to: youth@csmmsg.org

ADULT EDUCATION

Rector's Forum

The Rector's Forum is held in the Taylor Room from 10:35 to 11:05 a.m. on most Sundays during the winter schedule. The Rector teaches from a book of the New Testament, while addressing topics of the Christian life.

Adult Formation

A six-week adult formation experience occurs throughout the year. Sessions start with dinner (\$7) at 6:00 p.m. and end about 8:15 p.m. Contact the church at 314.721.1502 to find out the topic and dates for upcoming sessions.

Quiet Morning

Each year, two Quiet Mornings are held on the first Saturdays of the important liturgical seasons of Advent and Lent. The Quiet Morning Leader offers several reflections for the group, and in the silence in between the reflections there are opportunities for personal prayer a meditation.

Annual Women's Retreat

Each Lent, there is a Women's Retreat held at a nearby retreat center. Plans for 2010 are to be announced.

Coordinator: Heidi Dowgwillo: 314.721.1502, heidi@csmmsg.org
For more information go to: csmmsg.org/connecting/adulteducation

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study - Friday Mornings

This class meets every Friday from 7:45 to 8:15 a.m. in the Sverdrup Room. Taught by the Rev. Mike Wheeler, this class offers a series of studies on the Bible, such as, the major Epistles of the New Testament.

Small Group Bible Study

Throughout the week, many parishioners gather for a time of Bible study, prayer, and sharing. Groups meet at various times of the day and evening. They share an approach to growing in their faith by sharing their spiritual lives with others.

Church Service League/Episcopal Church Women Bible Study

All women of the parish are invited to participate in the Church Service League's programs of worship, study, service, and gifts. Meetings are held at the church on Tuesdays, September through May. Complimentary nursery is available from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. if a reservation is requested. The class is held in the Sverdrup Room and is taught by the Rev. Mike Wheeler.

Schedule

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

11:15 a.m. Bible Class

12:00 p.m. Lunch - \$5 with reservation required by noon the day before the event.

12:30 p.m. Program

For more information, go to: csmg.org/connecting/biblestudy

President: Wanda Mason: 314.361.8349, wlmason@yahoo.com

PARISH LIFE MINISTRIES

Susan Mount Guild

The Susan Mount Guild meets at the church at noon on the second Monday of each month, September through May, for lunch and a program of general interest. Membership is open to all. Annual dues are \$10. Make your luncheon reservation by the first Wednesday of the month. The cost of the lunch is \$5.

President—June von Weise: 314.968.4570, junevonyz@earthlink.net

Casserole Clubs

Casserole clubs provide opportunities to meet and mingle with groups of parishioners for fellowship and fun. They are potluck dinners held in parishioners' homes every 4-6 weeks from September through May. All are invited to join a club and new groups can always be formed.

Coordinator—Heidi Dowgwillo: 314.721.1502, heidi@csmsg.org

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For more information: Carol Rosales at 314.721.1502 or carol@csmsg.org

WORSHIP MINISTRIES (GUILDS)

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild works in teams to prepare all things necessary for the celebration of the Eucharist and other sacraments and offices of the church. This preparation includes care of the Eucharistic vessels, candles, vestments, and linens. Members serve one Sunday a month, and occasionally assist with a Saturday setup, or a wedding.

Director—Helen Cavin: 314.647.0889, chfc8798@sbcgloblal.net

Flower Guild

The Flower Guild orders and arranges altar flowers and greens for worship services.

Director—Cindy Johnson: 314.726.0189, cindyj79@sbcglobal.net

The St. Paul Guild of Lay Readers and Chalice Bearers

Members of the St. Paul Guild read the Lessons, lead the Prayers of the People, and pass the chalice at worship services. Members also read the daily offices of Morning and Evening Prayer.

Director—Ronald Evans: 636.891.1200, revans1927@aol.com

The Servers' Guild of Vergers and Acolytes

The Servers' Guild is composed of adult parishioners who serve as vergers and high-school aged youths who serve as acolytes at worship

services. Their service and commitment to this ministry contribute to the tradition of superior liturgy at The Church of St. Michael & St. George.

Coordinator—The Rev. Mike Wheeler: 314.721.1502,
mwheeler@csmmsg.org

Ushers

The Ushers serve on Sunday mornings by warmly welcoming parishioners, handing out service leaflets, passing alms basins, directing parishioners to communion, restoring the pews to order following the liturgy, and counting the offering.

Director—Jim Stephenson: 314.991.8866, *jstephenson@ahmins.com*

We welcome all who wish to serve. For additional information or to join one of these ministries, please contact the Director of the ministry that is of interest.

For more information go to: *csmmsg.org/connecting/guilds*

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRIES

Contacting the Clergy

To reach a member of the clergy, please call the church at 314.721.1502. If it is after hours and you have a pastoral emergency, please call 314.602.2070 and follow the prompts. You will be contacted directly by the priest on call.

Hospital and Residential Visitations

Members of the clergy continuously make hospital and residential care visits. Pastoral visits are made within twenty-four hours after notification of a hospital stay. It is important that family and friends notify the church of any hospital admission. To report that a parishioner is in the hospital, call the church at 314.721.1502 during business hours and the clergy emergency phone at 314.602.2070 if there is a pastoral emergency on evenings or weekends. The convalescing and shut-ins are visited regularly. Home communion and anointing are available upon request.

Heavenly Meals

Caregivers provide meals for parishioners in the midst of challenging times, such as the arrival of a new baby, a health crisis, or a move.

Coordinator—Marian Clifford: 314.997.4011, *maryanclif@sbcglobal.net*

Community of Hope

The Community of Hope is a Christian community of lay chaplains, united in prayer, shaped by Benedictine spirituality, and equipped for pastoral ministry. Lay chaplains are taught a ministry of presence to bring comfort and hope to the suffering. The Church of St. Michael & St. George serves as a training center for the Community of Hope. Apart from clergy visitations, the Community of Hope chaplains handle the vast majority of our at-home parish visits.

Coordinator–The Rev. Mike Wheeler: 314.721.1502,
mwheeler@csmg.org

Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Lay Eucharistic Visitors take communion directly from the Sunday liturgies to those who, for health reasons, cannot make it to church.

Coordinator–Christy James: 314.725.8181, *franchot@accessus.net*

Spiritual Direction

There is a twenty-five year history of offering spiritual direction, a ministry of prayer and presence, at The Church of St. Michael & St. George. Nicki Gillis, a trained lay spiritual director, and the clergy are available to meet with individuals who are interested in exploring this personal approach to spiritual formation. Sometimes called “the ministry of holy listening,” spiritual direction offers the participant an opportunity to be accompanied and guided on his/her journey toward God through confidential one-on-one meetings with a spiritual director.

Coordinator–Nicki Gillis: 314.721.1502, *nmgillis@charter.net*

Knitting Ministries

Three knitting projects are available: Mantles of Comfort, Baby Blankets of Love, and Chemo Caps. Mantles are made for ill or elderly parishioners who are confined to home much of the time. Baby blankets are knitted for parishioner families with newborn babies and for our outreach projects that serve mothers and babies. The knitters pray special prayers while knitting, and the prayers are given to the recipients of the gifts. A member of the clergy blesses these items before they are distributed. Prayerful knitting is a hands-on ministry and a contemplative activity that blesses the knitters as well as the recipients.

Coordinator–Nicki Gillis: 314.721.1502, *nmgillis@charter.net*

For more information, contact the Coordinator or go to: *csmg.org/connecting/pastoral_care*

FAITH IN ACTION MINISTRIES

St. Michael's Tutors

The newest outreach ministry, St. Michael's Tutors offers a way for parishoners to live the Word by reaching out to the least among us from the foundation of our spiritual home. Opportunities exist for tutoring children at the Fanning Middle School, Gateway Homeless Services and Adams School. Each setting has different environments and expectations of volunteers.

Chair–Harrison Heil: 314.862.6101, *heils@sbcglobal.net*

Hunger Ministry

Non-perishable food items collected by the Give-a-Meal-a-Month program and casseroles made by ministry members are distributed monthly to local food pantries. Bi-annual campaigns are held in the spring and fall. The Sandwich Brigade gathers in the church on the third Saturday of the month to make sandwiches for the homeless as part of the Gateway Homeless Services Center's Operation Brown Bag program. The Hunger Ministry also hosts "Simple Suppers" following each Evensong in October, November, January, February, March and May. Volunteers help prepare and serve dinner for this very successful fundraiser.

Chair–Becky Zaccarello: 314.721.4565, *zaclife@aol.com*

KIDs/Episcopal City Mission

Through this ministry's interaction with youth, members assist in educational, social, and spiritual development. Ministry members can become involved in planning birthday parties held at the Juvenile Detention Centers or with programs and entertainment. Parties are held on the second Friday of every month from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Tutors are always needed. Background checks are required for all ministry participants.

Chair–Mary Kay Digby: 314.862.1870, *digbymk@g-mail.com*

Shelter Ministry

The Shelter Ministry assists families and individuals in need of emergency shelter. Breakfast is served to 60-90 residents at the Gateway Homeless Services Center every Sunday morning. This includes purchasing supplies, setting up the dining room, preparing and serving breakfast, and cleaning up. Participation on Sundays does not require advance notice; simply show up at 19th and Cole Streets and join in.

Chair–Bill Wallace: 314.702.7895, *bwallace@express-scripts.com*

St. Michael's Houses

The St. Michael's Houses Ministry provides equity funding for low-income persons in critical need of housing. Beyond Housing, Doorways, Habitat for Humanity, Lydia's House and Places for People are some of the agencies that collaborate with St. Michael's Houses. Because of donations to St. Michael's Houses, many men, women and children are sleeping in a home of their own.

Chair–Jim Stephenson: 314.746.4743, jstephenson@bmrisk.com

Co-Chair–Mac Moore: 314.963.1930, mmoore@patpro.com

World Service Mission Ministry

The Nicaragua effort seeks to support the work of missionaries in Managua. We bring the good news of Christ's love, desperately needed medical services, and basic education supplies to the poor of Nicaragua. During the year, we raise funds and collect clothing, supplies, and medications to carry in our "second suitcases" on our summer trip. While in Managua, there is work needed on construction of the Sirker's hospital, the distribution of items at local hospitals, and work with the children in the Sirker's schools. We also solicit sponsorship for the education of children who would otherwise be denied a chance to improve their circumstances.

Chair–Carroll Stribling: 314.533.0008, carroll.stribling@sbcglobal.net



We welcome all who wish to serve!

For more information on our outreach programs:

Director of Outreach Ministry–

Peggy Strelinger: 314.721.1502, outreach@csmg.org,

or go to csmg.org/connecting/outreach.

WE NEED YOU

“The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” –II Corinthians 9:6-7

- Do you have the gift to lead, to teach or to administrate?
- Are you especially good at extending mercy, encouragement or hospitality?
- Do you feel uniquely empowered to communicate the Christian message to people far from God?
- Would you like to use your creative talents in music, writing and visual arts?

Whatever your passion, there is a place for you to serve at The Church of St. Michael & St. George. Try several ministries until you find the one that is right for you, or contact Laurie Brown who will assist you in finding the right place for your talents.

Here are just a few of the volunteer opportunities:

- Collect food from food pantries.
- Make sandwiches on Saturday morning for the homeless.
- Assist in hosting monthly birthday parties at the Juvenile Detention Center.
- Cook and serve breakfast at the Gateway Homeless Services Center on Sunday mornings.
- Work on a Habitat for Humanity house.
- Go to Nicaragua to support missionaries in Managua.
- Become a lay chaplain after training with the Community of Hope.
- Make a casserole that will be given to parishioners in the midst of a crisis.
- Take Christmas/Easter cookies to a homebound parishioner.
- Knit a blanket that will be blessed and given to a newborn or to comfort someone who is ill.
- Tutor children from around the world at the Fanning Middle School.
- Become a Lay Eucharistic Visitor and take communion to those who cannot attend church.
- Lead prayers and pass the chalice each Sunday as member of Lay Readers and Chalice Bearers.

- Serve as an usher and greeter on Sundays.
 - Care for the sanctuary and its furnishings as a member of the Altar Guild.
 - Order flowers for the altars as a member of the Flower Guild.
 - Sing in the choir.
 - Other _____
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Please mail this sheet to:

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

A dynamic Christian Community in the Anglican Tradition living the Gospel of Christ through worship, spiritual growth and service



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