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2017 Church Pension Group

# ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

# **EPISCOPAL CHURCH**



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The Right Reverend John Howard

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The Reverend Hugh Chapman, *Rector* 

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Tuesday, December 24, 2019

**Christmas Eve Eucharist** 

10:00 pm



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SAME OLD CHRISTMAS STUFF

The department store Santas are at it again, saying "Ho, ho, ho" to the children and

patting them gently on their little heads.

Go shopping in some people-to-people-covered store, and get stuck with some

inexperienced clerk who never heard of sizes and doesn't know how to wrap a package.

Then come home to the same old tree. Turn on the radio or television and hear the

same old carols. Hide the gifts in the same old places. Send Christmas cards to the

same old people.

Honestly, it's the same old stuff all over again – the same kind of hints from the family,

the same childish stocking hung up, the same kind of candy, the same mistletoe jokes

the same colored lights strung on the porch, the same wreath in the window, the same

fuss and bother visiting relatives and friends.

Yes, it's the same old stuff.

At last the waiting is over; the gifts are opened; the oh's and ah's are expressed; the

wrappings are gathered up and put in the garbage. Then the misty-eyed thank-you's

start, and everyone begins reminiscing about past Christmas get-togethers.

When the sentimental nonsense stops and there are a few seconds of silence,

somebody is sure to pop up again with "Merry Christmas" or "Peace on earth, good will

toward men".

Same old stuff.

Same old wonderful, marvelous stuff!

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Suggested daily Readings for the week of the Fourth Sunday of Advent: Dec 23. To Dec. 28

Mon.	Isaiah 11:1-9	Psalm 112, 115	John 5:30-47	
Tue.	Isaiah 11:10-16	Psalm 116, 117	Luke 1:5-25	
Wed.	Isaiah 28:9-22	Psalm 111, 113	Luke 1:26-38	
Thur.	Isaiah 29:13-24	Psalm 146, 147	Luke 1:39-48a	
Fri.	Isaiah 33:17-22	Psalm 148. 150	Luke 1:57-66	

### **Summer Camp 2020 Dates and Fees**

Session	Ages	Dates	Cost
Mini Camp	6-10	June 10-13	\$335
Senior Session	15-18	June 14-20	\$580
Session 1	7-14	June 21-27	\$580
Session 2	7-14	July 5-11	\$580
Session 3	7-14	July 12-18	\$580
Session 4	7-14	July 19-25	\$580
Session 5	7-14	July 26 - August 1	\$580
Stayover 1	7-14	July 11-12	\$80
Stayover 2	7-14	July 18-19	\$80
Stayover 3	7-14	July 25-26	\$80

Register by January 31st to receive the Early Bird Discount! Senior Session and Sessions 1-5 will be \$555 and Mini Camp will be \$315 before January 31st.

### **Sibling Discount**

If you have more than one child attending camp this summer, email or call our director at campermail@campweed.org or 386-364-5250 for our new \$20 off per additional camper sibling discount!

# **Scholarships**

Every child should have the opportunity to attend camp, and our scholarships help make that possible! Through the Diocese of Florida and the Bullock Scholarship Fund, we are able to award many Diocesan scholarships to families who need them.

#### YOU CAN KEEP CHRISTMAS

Are you willing to believe that love is the strongest thing in the world – stronger that hate, stronger than evil, stronger than death – and that the blessed life which began in Bethlehem two thousand years ago is the image and brightness of the eternal love? Then you can keep Christmas.

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# 177<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention Episcopal Diocese of Florida-January 25, 2020

There will be a pre-convention meeting held in person on Saturday, January 11 at 10am at Camp Weed & Cerveny Conference Center. Registration is required to attend and lunch will be available for purchase following the meeting. Registration can be found on the Camp Website.

A Diocesan Social & Banquet will be held on Friday evening, January 24 at 5:30pm in the Varn Dining Hall prior to Convention Banquet tickets are \$30 per person and can be purchased on the convention website.

Each parish will register the Delegates and Clergy. The registration fee is \$145 per person.

#### **SOME CHRISTMAS REMINDERS**

May the Christmas gifts remind you of God's greatest gift, His only begotten Son.

May the Christmas candles remind you of Him who is the "Light of the world."

May the Christmas trees remind you of another tree upon which He died for you.

May the Christmas cheer remind you of Him who said, "Be of good cheer."

May the Christmas **bell** remind you of the glorious proclamation of His birth.

May the Christmas **carols** remind you of the song the angels sang, "Glory to God in the highest."

May the Christmas season remind you in every way of Jesus Christ your King.

**H103** The first Noel

H89 It came upon the midnight clear

**H110** The snow lay on the ground

H79 O little town of Bethlehem

**H101** Away in a manger

H112 In the bleak midwinter

**H115** What child is this?

Acolytes light the middle candle, the church lights are lowered more, and the acolytes will take the light from the Christ candle and light the candle of the persons closest to center aisle, who will then pass the light to people in their pew row.

#### THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

In gratitude for the One announced by the light of stars and angels, we light the Christ candle. Hear the word of the Lord: "The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death, a light has dawned." For the Light of Christ that shines in the darkness for all people in all times, we give thanks.

Go now and share the good news of the gospel of peace: I have come to comfort those who mourn, to give them joy instead of sorrow, hope instead of despair. My unfailing love will not be shaken; my promise of peace stands forever. I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in Me should stay in darkness.

For God, who said "Let light shine out of darkness," has made His light shine in your hearts. No one lights a lamp and hides it. Instead, he puts in on a stand, so that those who enter may see the light. In the same way, let your light shine. You are the light of the world. Go now as children of light.

#### **HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE TWO**

# **Opening Prayer**

God our Father, you see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that following you is better than chasing after selfish goals. Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their worth, but as a chance for a new start. Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen* 

Processional Hymn	H83, O Come All Ye Faithful	Adeste filelesl
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#### THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation	355
The Collect for Purity	

Gloria	L243	Haywood

Collect for the Day

The Lessons Isaiah 9:2-7

Psalm 96

Titus 2:11-14

Gradual Hymn	H96, v 1-2, Angels we have heard on high	
The Holy Gospel	Luke 2:1-14	The Reverend Hugh Chapman
Sequence Hymn	<b>H96</b> , v 3-4	Gloria
The Sermon		The Reverend Hugh Chapman
The Nicene Creed		358
The Prayers of the Pec	pple III	387
Confession of Sin and	Absolution	360

The Peace H111, Silent Night Stille Noelit

Offertory Selection H84, Love Came Down At Christmas Gartan

Doxology & Procession H380, Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow Old 100th

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

December 27 - Feast of St. John Apostle at 12:15 pm.

December 28 – Feast of Holy Innocents at 10:00 am.

**DECEMBER 31 – THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE.** 

JANUARY 1 - NEW YEAR'S SERVICE AT 12 NOON IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.

January 1 – First Wednesday Supper at the Kearney Center located off W. Pensacola Street at 2650 Municipal Way at 6:30 pm. Please wear closed toe shoes and a hat or cap.

January 7 – Said Mass at 12:15 p.m. (Contemplative Eucharist).

January 13 – Vestry Meeting from 6:00 pm in the Brooks Room.

**SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT** – Bible Study Class is now in recess until January 8, 2020.

Our Sunday School is on break until January 5. We are truly grateful to our parents and teachers for helping to launch this program that the children are truly enjoying. We want to also thank the Men's Ministry for the snacks they continue to provide.

**CHOIR NEWS** – There will be rehearsal every Wednesday at 6:30 pm until further notice.



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#### PRAYER REQUESTS FO R PEACE AND HEALING:

Rose Douglas, Brandi LeLand. Randolph James, Delois Brown, Ophelia and Robert Scarbough, Rosalyn Greene, Ella Woodbury, Herma Watson-Taylor, Sam Oliver Sr., Jewell Robinson, James Manning, Toni Jarmon, Rev. Leslie R. White, Louis Venson, Rev. Ralph Griffith, Leonel Jones, Laveria Bogan, Charles Walton, Arelia Donaldson, Randolph Jams, Malcom Preston, Joan Jackson Taylor, Jo Ann Robinson, Williemae Jackson, Sharal Jugger, Clifford Willabus, Dr. Derek Spencer, Marva Davis, Scott Allen, Kaleb Way, Delores Brown, Louis Chapman, Hattie Olivia Scott, Alexis Shermise Brown, Mark Wilson, Arthur Rhodius, Lurreta Blackshea, Janet Owens, the Worthen Family, Jasmine Hartin, Shevette Newkirk, Rasheen Jamison Richardson, Kurt Lieblong, Rudolph & Melva Griffit, Kenneth Johnson, Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Brianne Edwards, Vashti Thompson, Thandi Williams and Howard Vincent Lewis

#### **SPECIAL PRAYERS**

Father, you have made all people with eyes to see you at work in the world, ears to hear you cry out when right suffers wrong, when justice is brought low. Give to the people of our nation courage to stand up for goodness and right-doing in the face of an oppressive spirit, and courage to believe that we may restore, in accordance with your gracious will, a light to enlighten the nations and the people with your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.* 

# **Capital Campaign Prayer**

Most gracious Lord Jesus Christ and generous source of all abundance, in gratitude we invite you to expand our hearts as we seek to increase and improve this place of worship, peace, healing, forgiveness, outreach, service and fellowship. May all who enter here be restored and strengthened on their journey of faith. Guide us Heavenly Father, that we may make manifest your vision of a beloved and enlightened church and community, and be a shining example of the living presence of the Holy Spirit. May we and our Capital Campaign be a channel of God's abundant grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

Presentation of the Offering – prayer to be said

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit, a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Presentation Hymn The Great Thanksgiving	H 99, Go Tell it on the Mountain	Spiritual <b>361-363</b>
Sanctus	<b>L252,</b> Holy, Holy, Holy	McLin
The Lord's Prayer	<b>L264,</b> Lord's Prayer	Malotte
The Breaking of the Break/Fraction		364
The Invitation		

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

Communion Hymn 1	H102, Once in royal David's city	Irby
Communion Hymn 2	H112, In the bleak midwinter	Graham
Meditation Hymn	H107, Good Christian friends, rejoice	Indulajublio
Post Communion Prayer		365

Birthday, Anniversary, Travel Prayers

Announcements

Benediction

Recessional Hymn H87, Hark the herald angels sing Mendelssohn

Choral Postlude H101, Away in a Manger Cradle Song

Organ Postlude

H=1982 Hymnal (blue)

L= Lift Every Voice & Sing (black, green, red)

### **WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL**

We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you are without a church home, we invite you to join our church family. Please sign the guest register, include your home address, phone number and, if you would like to receive the monthly newsletter, news of special events and other happenings, please also add your e-mail address.

**OUR VISION** is to be a cornerstone for serving the spiritual needs of the greater Tallahassee community, extending an eternal invitation to join our caring parish and to enrich the spiritual life of all people as we journey with Christ.

**OUR MISSION** is to experience the Gospel of Jesus Christ by feeding the mind, body and spirit of our community in fellowship and service.

HOLY COMMUNION: All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive the real and living presence of Christ in Holy Communion. To receive the Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please guide the chalice as it is offered. If you prefer, you may leave the Bread on your palm for the person administering the chalice to dip into the Wine and place on your tongue. All persons are welcome to give thanks for God's blessings at the altar rail, simply crossing your arms at the wrist with fingertips extending upward towards your shoulders.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY!



Natalie Payne (12/24), Verona Satchell (12/25), Zollie White III (12/27),

# **Birthday Prayer**

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace, which passeth understanding, abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 



## Serving tonight, December 24 at 10:00 pm

Acolytes:
Crucifer Collin Laurie

Abigail Erefah, Gospel Book Bearer

Nicolette Nottage, MC

Chalice Bearers: Laureatte Scott, Alexis McMillan

Lectors: Leslie Warren, Cassandra Grayson,

Laureatte Scott

**Greeters:** Linda Billups, Lauren Sapp **Ushers:** Al Lawson, Delores Lawson

**Vestry**: Neil James

Organist: Debralee LaSeur-Helfand

Next Sunday, December 29 at 10:00 am

Acolytes:

Daniel Erefah, Crucifer

Colton Wasson, Torch Bearer

Claire Wasson, Gospel Book Bearer

Lydia Bush, **MC** 

Chalice Bearers: Zollie White II, Sheila Hickman

**Lectors**: Renee Frazier, Kathleen Rodgers

Margaret Edwards

**Greeters**: Joseph Sams, Nadira Sams **Ushers**: Byron Greene, Pamela Greene

**Vestry:** Linda Dilworth

Organist: Debralee LaSeur-Helfand

NOTE: If you are unable to serve on the Sundays assigned, please ask someone else to serve in your place.

December Altar Guild: Shonna Laurie and all Altar Guild Members.

