

# St. Michael's Messenger

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## **Our Purpose**

*To bring the light, love and joy of Jesus Christ into this world by living the written Word, sharing the living Word, and loving without exception.*

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If I have left anyone off the list, please let me know and likewise anyone that should not be on the list. It will take me a few months until I get the routine.

Thank you for your patience.  
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## VICAR'S VIEWS

*"I was glad when they said to me let us go into the house of the Lord". Psalm 122:1*

Recently I saw a sign in front of a small church. It read **CH CH**. What's missing? **UR**. We Episcopalians are interesting people. In some ways we are creatures of habit. If something is changed in the service, we notice it right away. Recently a survey was distributed at St. Michael's concerning a possible change in the time of the Sunday services. This engendered a great deal of discussion, much of it healthy.

Many of us share another habit. We like to sit in "our pew" every Sunday. For years before being called here as your priest, Chris and I liked to sit in the same pew when we attended St. Michael's. This practice certainly makes it easy to spot those of you who are absent on a Sunday morning. If you are not in "your pew" you are truly missed.

"Why attend church anyway?" some ask. There are many good reasons, several of which I offer in the form of my "top ten" list.

## TOP TEN REASONS TO ATTEND CHURCH REGULARLY

10. It is healthy to attend church. Recent studies show that regular attendees are more mentally and physically healthy than those who don't.
9. Church provides a positive and stimulating social outlet. Our activities are wholesome and family friendly.
8. It provides fellowship opportunities and support in times of stress and crisis.
7. Your attendance provides a great witness to others that you are serious about your faith.
6. We provide outreach assistance to our community and world. Your mission's gifts help others know God.
5. Where else can you receive the life giving and life transforming sacraments?
4. The church provides a wonderful atmosphere for prayer and praise. Group and individual prayer are encouraged and practiced regularly.
3. Christian education is available "free of charge" for all age groups. Have a question? Where better to ask it and learn about our wonderful faith?
2. We meet regularly to worship God in His church. Worship is the central act of the Christian's life.



This being my first newsletter, I will welcome comments and yes complaints. So I will need your help. I am slowly getting to know some of you and what your ministry is at St. Michael's.

Please give me (preferable in writing) any information, upcoming events, special news about members of the congregation, births and deaths, marriages, or any thing else you might think we would be interested in.

My plan is to have the newsletter ready for the first Sunday of the month. I will also put a monthly calendar in the newsletter, so be sure you give me any dates of activities you have planned in time to make the publish date. I will indicate when I need the information on the monthly calendar.

Thank you, and God Bless! kls

*Answers to the quiz:*

1. Harps, 2. Jubal, 3. Miriam, 4. David's harp playing. 5. Solomon, 6. Psalms, 7. Trumpets, 8. David, 9. Habakkuk

## Your new secretary

Hi, my name is Karen Sundin and I thought you might like some background info on me. First I will address the name SUNDIN. I am married to Sigfrid W Sundin, Jr son of the late Rev. Canon Sigfrid W Sundin and Cecilia Sundin. Yes, this is a second marriage for both of us – I am the daughter-in-law, not the granddaughter.

I regularly attend Trinity Church, Lancaster. My activities include, acolyte, lector, chalice bearer, LEM (or whatever we are now called), substitute secretary and Sr. Warden. Unlike my husband, I am not a cradle Episcopalian. I joined the church in 1991.

I am looking forward to meeting and working with you. Please feel free to call upon me during regular office hours (M, W, and F 9 to noon). And I thank Father Wheeler for giving me the opportunity to work for and with St. Michael and All Angels.



1. God commands us to “assemble together” regularly. As we meet together, we do so in obedience to God’s commandment.

Certainly there are legitimate reasons to miss church. Sickness, incapacity, vacations, family emergencies and work cause us to be absent for a time. We have several folks on our “shut in” list as well. You are in all respects an import part of our local church.

We truly miss you when you are absent on Sunday morning. We look forward to seeing you very soon. Why not make a resolution to be with us whenever you are able.

Faithfully,  
Father Wheeler





## **ANGEL CONTEST**

During the month of September, leading up to the celebration of St. Michael's day, we will be conducting an "Angel Contest"

The purpose of the contest is to find the most angels within St. Michael and All Angels building. You are not limited just to the main worship area, the classrooms, parish hall are also fair game. There are two categories for winning; you may enter as an individual or as a family. There will be an awesome Angel prize in each category. When you find the angels or a reference to angels, please indicate the object and where you found it. All entries are due by September 24<sup>th</sup>. The winners will be announced at the St. Michael's Day service.

## **Test your musical knowledge**

1. What stringed instrument did John hear in his vision of the heavenly throne? (Revelations 14:2)
2. Who is mentioned as the father of those who play the harp and organ? (Genesis 4:21)
3. What prophetess played a tambourine and led the women of Israel in a song of victory after crossing the Red Sea? (Exodus 15:20-21)
4. What caused Saul's 'evil spirit' to leave him? (I Samuel 16:23)
5. What biblical character wrote over one thousand songs? (I Kings 4:32)
6. What poetic book contains numerous directions for musical accompaniment?
7. At the dedication of Solomon's Temple, 120 priests played what instrument? (II Chronicles 5:11-14)
8. What King of Israel had 4,000 musicians who praised the Lord with instruments the king made? (I Chronicles 23:5)
9. What prophetic book contains Psalm-like musical directions?

*Answers on the last page*

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