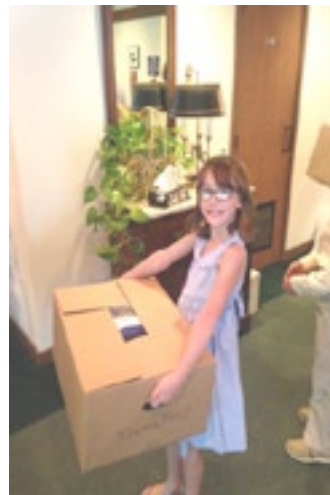


# THE TRUMPET

*St. Michael's of the Valley...making an eternal difference in each other's lives and in the world*

**67th Annual Country Fair  
June 3rd**

**Thanks to all who worked and attended fair day!!!**



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### Sunday Services

Holy Eucharist Rite I  
8:00 am

Holy Eucharist Rite II  
10:00 am

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## PARISH NOTES

### Baptisms:

Olivia Freeman  
Kassia McPherson  
Callen McPherson  
Connor McClatchy

### Confirmations:

Katie Mayo  
Libby Murphy

### Reception:

Beverly Johnston

## LESSONS JULY, 2017

### July 2, 2017

Fourth Sunday after  
Pentecost  
Genesis 22:1-14  
Psalm 13  
Romans 6:12-23  
Matthew 10:40-42

### July 9, 2017

Fifth Sunday after  
Pentecost  
Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49,  
58-67  
Psalm 45:11-18  
Romans 7:15-25a  
Matthew 1:16-19, 25-30

### July 16, 2017

Sixth Sunday after  
Pentecost  
Genesis 25:19-34  
Psalm 119:105-112  
Romans 8:1-11  
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

### July 23, 2017

Seventh Sunday after  
Pentecost  
Genesis 28:10-19a  
Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23  
Romans 8:12-25  
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

### July 30, 2017

Eighth Sunday after  
Pentecost  
Genesis 29:15-28  
Psalm 128  
Romans 8:26-39  
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

## THE RECTOR'S LETTER THE REV. DR. JAMES B. SIMONS



### Healing Service

Twice a month during most of the year and once a month during the summer we have a healing service at St.

Michael's. I dutifully announce these on Sundays but it has occurred to me that many members of the congregation may not be familiar with the concept.

The concept of anointing the sick with oil was a long held Jewish tradition dating to the time of the Exodus. As the early church developed the practice was retained. In the book of James, the sick are exhorted to inform the elders of the church who are to pray over him and anoint him with oil. (James. 5:13)

This practice was continued more or less over most of the history of the church and the Catechism of the Episcopal Church considers this to be a "sacramental right" (BCPpg860). This means that it is a way of experiencing God's grace but is not of the same importance as Baptism and The Eucharist.

Our service is relatively simple and is basically an abbreviated Eucharist. I typically look at the church calendar to see which historical figure is being remembered on or near that day and use this as the basis of the homily. We begin with the typical opening sentences and collects, the gospel is read and a brief homily is given. We have special corporate prayers for the sick followed by confession and then communion. After communion those who wish to receive a anointing stay at the rail and I pray for them in succession. Sometimes a person comes with a special request sometimes not. We conclude with a closing prayer.

Many who attend this brief (20 minute) service have told me how peaceful and simultaneously joyful they find it. I would encourage you to join us on those Wednesday mornings that we have a healing service. The July service is the 19th and the August service the 23rd.

Peace,

Jim

**LESSONS  
AUGUST, 2017**

**August 6, 2017**

Transfiguration  
Exodus 34:29-35  
Psalm 99  
2 Peter 1:13-21  
Luke 9:28-36

**August 13, 2017**

Tenth Sunday after  
Pentecost  
Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28  
Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b  
Romans 10:5-15  
Matthew 14:22-33

**August 20, 2017**

Eleventh Sunday after  
Pentecost  
Genesis 45:1-15  
Psalm 133  
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32  
Matthew 15:10-20, 21-28

**August 27, 2017**

Twelfth Sunday after  
Pentecost  
Exodus 1:8—2:10  
Psalm 124  
Romans 12:1-8  
Matthew 16:13-20

**MUSICAL NOTES**



**THANKS**

Just last newsletter, I thanked you for the expressions of sympathy at the passing of my mother, Mary Kenyon. This newsletter, my family and I wish to express our appreciation for the flowers, sympathy cards, visits to the funeral home, and attending the funeral for my beloved husband, Ken Sukanovich. It gives me great consolation to know that he is with my mom, and someday I will join them.

Thanks again,  
Marion Sukanovich, Organist/Choir Director



**IMPROMPTU PICNIC  
JULY 23rd**

**immediately following the second service**

St. Michael's freezer is filled with delicious Hoffer's hamburgers, as well as hot dogs left over from this year's Friday and Saturday fair activities. On Sunday, July 23, after the second service, the grilling team will fire up the grill and perfectly serve this fair food, along with side dishes and drinks. Join us for this "impromptu picnic". Everything is provided, nothing for you to bring, but your appetite. A sign-up sheet will be on the Smith House bulletin board, so we have an idea of how many will be attending the picnic.



Church school begins on  
Sunday, September 10th.

If you are new to St. Michael's or know of a family that might be interested in joining us in the Fall please contact Janna Belavic (412-478-0296) or the church office (724-238-9411).

Thank You!

**Neighborhood  
Academy  
Backpack Project**



**IT'S JULY AND TIME TO THINK  
"NEIGHBORHOOD BACKPACK PROJECT"**

June 3rd was a perfect day for the 67th Annual Country Day Fair. Blue skies and seasonal temperatures was the weather report for the first Saturday of the month, and there was not a rain cloud in sight. Food booths were filled with delicious eats, and rummage was at its finest. Wood Bridge introduced a new booth to the buying public, and old favorites delighted attendees. Once more the sounds of smooth jazz filled the air, as "One Accord" played for everyone's listening pleasure.

Although the fair runs like a well-oiled machine, it takes many hours of planning, as well as scores of faithful volunteers. Local charities in the Ligonier Valley benefit from all of our efforts. A special thank you to all that made this year's event a success.

*Jan Carlin - Chairperson  
Anne Bush - Co-Chairperson*

It is hard to believe that we are talking about our Annual Backpack Project with The Neighborhood Academy. Most children have been out of school for the summer for three or four weeks, and area merchants are beginning to stock their shelves with Back to School merchandise. Unfortunately, to get the best prices on school supplies, one must start looking in July.

The official kick-off Sunday for TNA Back Project is July 30th and it runs until Sunday, August 13th. St. Michael's has always been generous with filling the bags, and last year ninety orange backpacks were blessed by Father Jim, and then delivered to the Pittsburgh campus. This year a big change is taking place at TNA. Students will begin to attend in the sixth grade, instead of waiting for their freshmen year. This change increases the number of backpacks that need to be filled by the parish. Instead of filling 90 bags, we will be filling 130. If you are able, please consider filling more than one bag. Some parishioners may want to donate something from the list below, instead of filling a bag. The drop-off box will be in the front hall of Smith House beginning August 1st. Please call Anne Bush @ 724-837-4633 or Peggy Vale @ 724-423-1126 if you have questions.

Our goal is to fill each bag by Sunday, August 13 with the following items:

- 1 "Three Ring Binder" (1 1/2 or 2 inch)
- 1 Package of Ruled Binder Paper (approx. 300 sheets)
- 1 Package of Binder Subject Dividers
- Pens and Pencils
- 2 Highlighters
- 1 Pack Index Cards (100-3x5)
- 3 Report Pocket Folders
- 2 "Five Subject" Spiral Notebooks
- Personal Note of Encouragement

Thank You!

I am very grateful to everyone who contributed to our Deli Booth at the fair - the team who helped set up, as well as those who served in the Deli with me. Also, a heartfelt thanks goes out to all those who made donations of sweet and savory items for us to offer to the fair-goers. To you all, thank you for your generous donation of time and "treasure."

A special thanks to Jan Carlin and Anne Bush for their help and guidance during this year's fair planning and event.

Blessings to you all,  
*Laura Varga*

# MOVIE NIGHT!

## THE PRINCESS BRIDE

FRIDAY, JULY 21<sup>ST</sup>  
ROUTE 381 – RECTOR, PA  
MOVIE STARTS AT DUSK



### Summer Series:

- June 16th    **Trolls**
- July 21st    **The Princess  
Bride**
- Aug. 18th    **Night at the  
Museum**

\* In the case of rain, movies will be shown indoors on premises.

\* Find us on Facebook at "Ligonier Summer Movie Series"

### Presented by:

**Wood Bridge Preschool &  
St. Michael's of the Valley**

Join us for a FREE MOVIE EVENT! Bring blankets or lawn chairs and enjoy FREE POPCORN, RAFFLE BASKETS, and a night under the summer stars. Drinks and seasonal desserts available for purchase. B.Y.O.B.

DONATIONS APPRECIATED! Proceeds will benefit Wood Bridge Preschool.

**RAFFLE PRIZES:** Museum memberships, event tickets, restaurant gift certificates, Idlewild passes, etc.!

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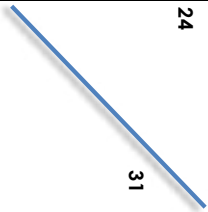


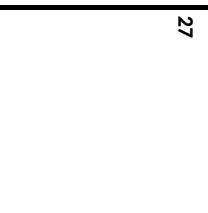
# Wood Bridge Pre-School



Wood Bridge teachers are busy preparing our classrooms for our 2017-2018 school year. We can't wait to get everything together and meet our new friends. There are still a few spots available for our preschool classes. You can check out our website at [woodbridgepreschool.com](http://woodbridgepreschool.com) or give us a call to receive registration materials or arrange a tour at 724-238-6050.

## First Summer movie night held June 16, 2017




Sunday		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
 		<b>JULY 2017</b>						
		<b>Community meetings held weekly</b> <b>Alcoholics Anonymous</b> Mondays at 7:00 pm – AA Beginner’s Meeting Mondays at 8:00 pm – AA Regular Meeting Saturdays at 7:30 pm – AA Regular Meeting		<b>Service Times</b> Sundays 8:00 am & 10:00am		<b>Church Office Hours</b> Monday - Friday 9:00 am ~ 3:00 pm		<b>1 Habitat for Humanity work day</b> In Greensburg 9 am ~ 3 pm
<b>2 Service Times</b> 8:00 am ~ 10:00 am <b>Children's Offering</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4 OFFICE CLOSED</b> 	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>		
<b>9 Service Times</b> 8:00 am ~ 10:00 am  Full Moon	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>		
<b>16 Service Times</b> 8:00 am ~ 10:00 am	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19 Healing Service</b> 10:00 am	<b>20</b>	<b>21 Wood Bridge Movie Night – Featuring ~"The Princess Bride" at dusk on the Fair field at St. Michaels</b> 	<b>22 Food Pantry</b>		
<b>23 Service Times</b> 8 & 10 am Impromptu Picnic – after Service 2nd Service Dist. 4 Picnic 8 & 10 am TNA Backpack Project begins	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>		
								



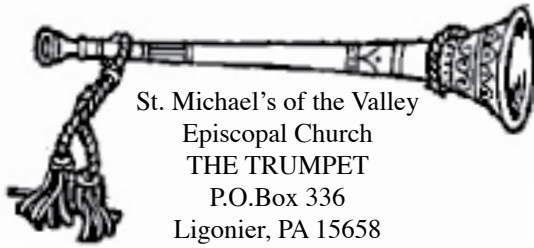
# August 2017



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<b>Service Times</b> 8:00 am ~ 10:00 am Children's Offering	 Full Moon	8	9	10	11	12
<b>Service Times</b> 8:00 am ~ 10:00 am TNA Backpack Project ends	14	15 <b>TRUMPET DEADLINE</b>	16	17	18 Woodbridge Movie Night ~ Featuring ~ "Night at the Museum" at dusk on the Fair Field at St. Michael's "	19 <b>FOOD PANTRY</b>
<b>Service Times</b> 8:00 am ~ 10:00 am	<b>Vestry Meeting ~</b> 7 p.m. ~ meet with Ted Babcock	22 Outreach meeting 4 p.m. Father Jim's Home	23 Healing Service 10 a.m.	24	25	26
<b>Service Times</b> 8:00 am ~ 10:00 am	28	29	30	31	Community meetings held weekly Alcoholics Anonymous Mondays at 7:00 pm - AA Beginner's Meeting Mondays at 8:00 pm - AA Regular Meeting Saturdays at 7:30 pm - AA Regular Meeting	



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**IN SEARCH OF USHERS, CHALICE BEARERS,  
LAY READERS & ACOLYTES**

If you would be interested in serving in the church as an Usher, Chalice Bearer, LayReader or Acolyte on Sunday mornings, please contact the church office 724-238-9411 to express your interest.

**COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED**

There are still some open spots for July and August for hosts for punch on the porch/coffee hour. If you can help fill the spots, the sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Smith House.



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