

**IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR, TIME TO START SHOPPING FOR CHRISTMAS!** As you shop **PLEASE keep in mind** The "Santa's Secret Stuff Shop" at St. Michael. This adorable pop-up Christmas shop has one-of-a-kind, handmade gifts, and ALL proceeds support the youth/adults going to Houston, TX for the Youth Gathering in June of 2018! You can also shop at **smile.amazon.com**, choosing St. Michael Lutheran Church, and a percentage of your purchase (every time you shop there) supports our youth and their trip to Houston!

**OUR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH WILL ENJOY A PROGRESSIVE "FRIENDSGIVING" DINNER ON** Sunday, November 12. **Are YOU willing to host our youth (about 25 diners) for APPETIZERS, DINNER OR DESSERT?** If so see Pastor Elise SOON. This important ministry helps our youth get to know new & different members of St. Michael & members get to see the youth's smiling faces! IT'S A DOUBLE BLESSING!

**SPIRIT MATTERS *will meet again on Thursday, November 9,*** at 7 pm in the Green Room. This newly forming group focuses on spiritual nurture in a group setting with shared leadership. Fourteen people attended the initial interest meetings. Seven met last week. We are an OPEN group. If you are interested, please contact Maureen Nelson or Pastor Robert. SPIRITUAL NOURISHMENT AND FAITH-FILLED ENCOURAGEMENT are hard to find in the world. Yet God calls some of us to give those gifts to each other.

**WE ARE NOW BOOKING FOR 2018 FAMILY BEACH RETREAT JULY 15-22.** Please sign up on the signup sheet in the Gathering Area. Please contact Cynthia Trout at 414-662 to reserve a room or with any questions.

**CHRISMON DECORATING PARTY FRIDAY, December 1, AT 6:30 PM!!!** Join your St. Michael family for an evening of faithful fun, seasonal learning, food and fellowship. Dinner will be provided. We need you to bring cookies or other sweets for dessert. We will eat at 6:30 pm, make our own Chrismon Ornaments and enjoy fellowship as we begin decorating the trees. Please RSVP to the church office no later than Wednesday, November 29. Thank you!

**MANY THANKS TO TONJIA GROBLEWSKI AND ALL OUR MANY PUMPKIN PATCH** volunteers! The response of the community was overwhelming! We sold over \$10,000 worth of pumpkins, which enables AR-CUM to receive 35% of the proceeds. All of these funds are going to support the three local ministries!