

## Michaelmas Festival

## Saturday, 8th October, Hershey & Ephrata, PA

- ❖ Building the Temple of Michael
- Legend of Parzival
- \* "St. Michael & the Dragon" (play suitable for children)
- Michaelmas potluck
- Music of the 18<sup>th</sup> Century

Michael— Spirit of the Age!

The sweetest Michaelites on earth—Corps de Michael—cordially invite you to join us in Hershey and Ephrata on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> for a Michaelmas Festival! We open with a talk illuminating the significance of ancient temples for social life and civil harmony. How can new forms of community restore the 'Lost Temple' in the present age of Michael? We continue with the Legend of Parzival and a play, "St. Michael and the Dragon". The play is suitable for children and was written by Catherine Katz, co-founder of the Rudolf Steiner School of Ann Arbor. We are looking forward to several child actors participating in this year's play!

Following a Michaelmas potluck picnic, we travel to nearby Ephrata Cloisters for a special performance of 18<sup>th</sup> century music composed by founder, Conrad Beissel. Music at Colonial America's largest Rosicrucian commune served to prepare the soul for entry into Paradise. As additional disciplines, Sisters and Brothers of the utopian community emphasized prayer, celibacy, vegetarianism, Midnight 'Watch' services, and meditation on Beissel's "*Theosophical Lessons*".

Friends and members are welcome to attend any or all festival events. Admission to Ephrata Cloisters is \$9. For more information please call: Corps de Michael 717-964-3376 or write: thecorpsdemichael@yahoo.com

9:40am—"Building the Temple of Michael" (David Lenker)

10:50am—Parzival III (as told by Edward Stone)

12:00pm—Michaelmas Play: "St. Michael and the Dragon"

12:45pm—Michaelmas Potluck

1:55pm—Depart Stonehaven for Ephrata Cloisters

2:50pm—Cloisters Tour with 18th century spiritual music

5:30pm—Festival Close: Michael Verse

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