



ST. MICHAEL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Our mission is to celebrate and share God's love in Jesus Christ

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The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 30, 2026 at 10:00AM

ELW Setting 8

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL'S!

If you are visiting with us for the first time, please share in all that is ours in Christ! We invite you to consider making St. Michael's your church home. Please ask us about our participation in God's mission in the world. By God's grace we celebrate and share Christ.

Our worship service at 10:00 this morning is streamed live to St. Michael's Facebook and YouTube pages. Please keep conversation to a minimum in the sanctuary, you may be picked up by our sound system. If you prefer not to be seen on camera please speak to an usher and they will seat you outside of the video frame. Thank you for your understanding.

DIGITAL SIGN IN

You are welcome to sign in with our digital sign in. Please use the QR Code that can be found here in the bulletin or at the iPad in the Narthex.



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INTRODUCTION

The prophet Jeremiah speaks of the incurable wound of his suffering yet finds in God's words the delight of his heart. When Peter doesn't grasp Jesus' words about suffering, Jesus tells the disciples they will find their lives in losing them. Such sacrificial love is described by Paul when he urges us to associate with the lowly and not repay evil with evil. In worship we gather as a community that we might offer ourselves for the sake of our suffering world.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"Prelude on the Hymntune DIX"

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

The assembly is invited to stand. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us bring every burden to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins.

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

In your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ's name we pray,

Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me,

all you who are weary

and are carrying heavy burdens,

and I will give you rest."

In the name of God,

Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God's love.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

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1 For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies:

3 For the joy of ear and eye,
for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony
linking sense to sound and sight: *Refrain*

Refrain

Christ, our God, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.

4 For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above;
for all gentle thoughts and mild: *Refrain*

2 For the wonder of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flow'r,
sun and moon and stars of light: *Refrain*

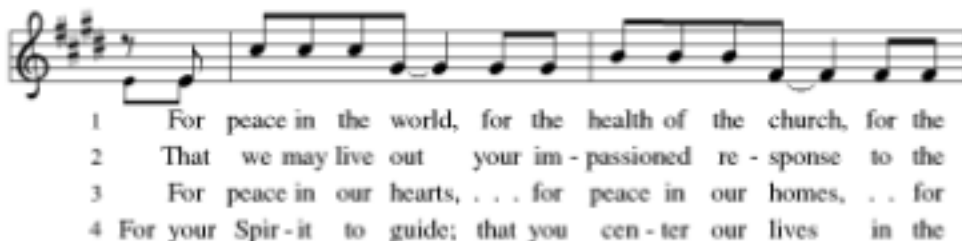
5 For each perfect gift of thine,
peace on earth and joy in heav'n;
for thyself, best gift divine,
to our world so freely giv'n: *Refrain*

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you

this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 15:15-21

Jeremiah's delight in the word of the LORD is contradicted by the heaviness of God's hand upon him and God's seeming unfaithfulness. God's tough love to Jeremiah says that if he repents, he will be allowed to continue in his strenuous ministry. Jeremiah is strengthened by the simple words, "I am with you."

A reading from Jeremiah:

¹⁵ O LORD, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors.
In your forbearance do not take me away;

know that on your account I suffer insult.
¹⁶ Your words were found, and I ate them,
and your words became to me a joy
and the delight of my heart,
for I am called by your name,
O LORD, God of hosts.
¹⁷ I did not sit in the company of merry-makers,
nor did I rejoice;
under the weight of your hand I sat alone,
for you had filled me with indignation.
¹⁸ Why is my pain unceasing,
my wound incurable,
refusing to be healed?
Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook,
like waters that fail.

¹⁹ Therefore thus says the LORD:
If you turn back, I will take you back,
and you shall stand before me.
If you utter what is precious and not what is worthless,
you shall serve as my mouth.
It is they who will turn to you,
not you who will turn to them.
²⁰ And I will make you to this people
a fortified wall of bronze;
they will fight against you,
but they shall not prevail over you,
for I am with you
to save you and deliver you,
says the LORD.
²¹ I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Romans 12:9-21

Paul presents benchmarks for faithful relationships with Christians and non-Christians. Love is the unflagging standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people.

A reading from Romans

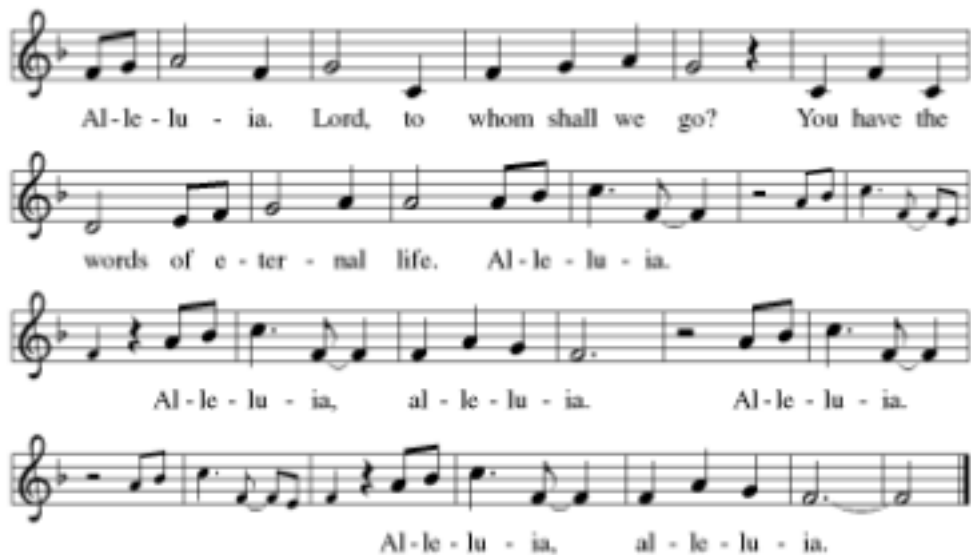
⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰ Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The assembly is invited to stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

Matthew 16:21-28

After Peter confesses that Jesus is "the Messiah, the Son of the living God" (16:16), Jesus reveals the ultimate purpose of his ministry. These words prove hard to accept, even for a disciple whom Jesus has called a "rock."

The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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²⁷ "For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**
The assembly is seated.

HOMILY

The assembly is invited to stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

ELW 798

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| <p>1 "Will you come and follow me
 if I but call your name?
 Will you go where you don't know
 and never be the same?
 Will you let my love be shown,
 will you let my name be known,
 will you let my life be grown
 in you and you in me?</p> | <p>Will you kiss the leper clean,
 and do such as this unseen,
 and admit to what I mean
 in you and you in me?</p> |
| <p>2 "Will you leave yourself behind
 if I but call your name?
 Will you care for cruel and kind
 and never be the same?
 Will you risk the hostile stare,
 should your life attract or scare?
 Will you let me answer pray'r
 in you and you in me?</p> | <p>4 "Will you love the you you hide
 if I but call your name?
 Will you quell the fear inside
 and never be the same?
 Will you use the faith you've found
 to reshape the world around,
 through my sight and touch and sound
 in you and you in me?"</p> |
| <p>3 "Will you let the blinded see
 if I but call your name?
 Will you set the pris'ners free
 and never be the same?</p> | <p>5 Lord, your summons echoes true
 when you but call my name.
 Let me turn and follow you
 and never be the same.
 In your company I'll go
 where your love and footsteps show.
 Thus I'll move and live and grow
 in you and you in me.</p> |

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. *A brief silence.*

For the church in every land, that its mission and ministry is anchored in the love of Christ. When threats or challenges arise, teach us to take up our cross and follow you in faith. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For the well-being of your creation, that all that lives and grows on the earth may thrive. Bring relief to areas ravaged by droughts, floods, fires, storms, and other disasters *especially* California, Indiana and Kentucky. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For the nations and all in authority, that they seek to live in peace with one another. Bless the work of international and diplomatic organizations and all who work to bring peace to a world scarred by violence. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For all those in need, that they be satisfied. Ensure all your children have safe access to food, water, shelter, and medical care. Bring healing to all who bear wounds in body, mind, and spirit. We pray especially for ...those we name aloud now and those we hold in our hearts. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For the congregation gathered here to serve you, that they remain strong in faith and united in purpose. Guide our committees, study groups, and other meetings toward honesty and humility, always seeking genuine love. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For the faithful departed, that their witness continues to strengthen and guide the church. Renew our hope in your promises in this life and the life to come. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**
The assembly is seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

The assembly is seated.

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Come Thou Font"

Offering is being gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. You are invited to place your offering in one of the offering plates located in the rear of the Sanctuary or send your offering to the church office through the mail or by having your bank mail a check directly. You can also contribute using any of the electronic giving options found on our church website.

The assembly is invited to stand

OFFERTORY

"What Have We to Offer?"

1 What have we to of - fer? What have we to share?
2 What have we to of - fer? What have we to bring?
3 What have we to of - fer? What have we to give?

Coins from the cof - fer, hearts filled with care.
Love, ripe with laugh - ter; hope that we can sing;
Eyes that are wide o - pen; lies that we won't live;

God will not fal - ter; so let us dare
dreams of what we're af - ter; prom - is - es of when,
truth that must be spo - ken; jus - tice some - how.

lay it at the al - tar there,
Lay it at the al - tar then,
Lay it at the al - tar now.



OFFERING PRAYER

Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY





THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath. **We praise you, O God.**

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future. **We bless you, O God.**

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now. **We thank you, O God.**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

We give thanks as we receive the real presence of our resurrected Lord in, with, and under the bread and the wine. At the 8:15 service Communion will be distributed at the altar rail. At the 10:00 service Communion will be distributed continuously under the direction of the ushers. Take an empty cup to receive from a pouring chalice (let the communion assistant know if you prefer grape juice). Please let the pastor know if you require a gluten free host. When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say "The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you." and each person may respond, "Amen". Worshipers who are not yet communing are invited to come forward for a blessing.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

LAMB OF GOD



The assembly is seated.

COMMUNION HYMN:

"Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song"

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| 1 Lord Jesus, you shall be my song as I journey;
I'll tell ev'rybody about you wherever I go:
you alone are our life and our peace and our love.
Lord Jesus, you shall be my song as I journey. | 2 Lord Jesus, I'll praise you as long as I journey.
May all of my joy be a faithful reflection of you.
May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song.
Lord Jesus, I'll praise you as long as I journey. |
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3 As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant,
to carry your cross and to share all your burdens and tears.
For you saved me by giving your body and blood.
As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant.

4 I fear in the dark and the doubt of my journey;
but courage will come with the sound of your steps by my side.
And with all of the family you saved by your love,
we'll sing to your dawn at the end of our journey.

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After all have communed the assembly is invited to stand.

TABLE BLESSING

The Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in Christ's Grace.
Amen.

POST COMMUNION SONG



④ Thank - ful hearts and voi - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -
one what God has done. Let all who seek the
Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and
lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

BLESSING

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

"Blest Be the Ties that Binds"

ELW 656

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| <p>1 Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love;
the unity of heart and mind
is like to that above.</p> | <p>3 We share our mutual woes,
our mutual burdens bear,
and often for each other flows
the sympathizing tear.</p> |
| <p>2 Before our Father's throne
we pour our ardent prayers;
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
our comforts and our cares.</p> | <p>4 From sorrow, toil, and pain,
and sin we shall be free;
and perfect love and friendship reign
through all eternity.</p> |

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DISMISSAL

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Let All Things Now Living"

The Eternal Candle is dedicated by the Clemson Family.

UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

**Nikolai Frederik Severin Grundtvig, bishop, renewer of the church, died 1872
Wednesday, September 2, 2026**

Grundtvig was, with Søren Kierkegaard, one of the two great Danish theologians of the nineteenth century. As a pastor, he battled the prevalent idea that Christianity was more a philosophy than divine revelation. He wrote over a thousand hymns.

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ETERNAL CANDLE DEDICATIONS

A sign-up sheet for dedications is now up on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Each dedication costs \$10; please submit dedications to the office two weeks prior to the dedication date. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

BIBLE STUDY

Our Wednesday Bible study resumes on September 2 at 11 AM and 6 PM. All are welcome to join us (in person or over Zoom). Contact the church office to be put on the email list.

SUMMER FINANCES

Summer invites rest and renewal, while our shared ministry continues. Summer also results in less regular attendance and giving. You can keep our mission strong by giving early, enrolling in automatic giving through ChurchTrac, or prayerfully increasing your generosity by just 0.5% of household income. Together, small, steady commitments become abundant grace, sustaining welcome, justice, and joy for all who gather and serve.

SUMMER BINGO

Our Summer Discipleship Bingo adventure is in full swing! Over the past six weeks, members of St. Michael's have been sharing kindness, serving neighbors, deepening their prayer lives, and growing in faith through the many activities on the bingo board. We've already awarded three bingo prizes, and it's exciting to see so many squares being completed! There's still plenty of time to join the fun. Complete a BINGO, bring your card to worship for a prize, and enter the grand prize drawing. Cards may be submitted through Fall Kickoff on September 13. Keep playing, keep growing, and keep following Jesus together!

BOOK CLUB

Calling all readers -- Book Club is back! We will hold our initial organizational meeting on Monday, August 31 at 7:00pm. You do not have to be a member to join us, so please feel free to bring a friend along. All you need is a love of books and reading. See Trudy Carr with any questions

JOSEPH'S HOUSE DINNER CASSEROLES

SMLC continues to support Joseph's House in Camden with their mission to feed the homeless. The next opportunity to volunteer to make DINNER casseroles will be SUNDAY, September 6,

2026. Casseroles can be dropped off to the church kitchen before or after Sunday worship services. Please mark your casserole as BEEF or TURKEY. This will assist the staff serving to meet any dietary needs for the dinner guests.

Use this link to sign-up -- <https://smlc.churchtrac.com/connect?ei=AU8ABKE>

STITCHING SISTERS

Calling all knitters & crocheters! Stitching Sisters will resume on Thursday, September 10th at 11 AM and will meet on the 2nd & 3rd Thursday of each month as we work on a different project for charity. This month we will meet on September 10th and 17th in the Choir Room. If interested, bring your needles, hooks and yarn. Feel free to bring your lunch or snack. All are welcome! Beginners and people who want to learn are welcome to attend. See Allyson Zinman for with questions

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPEN HOUSE

Join us on Sunday, September 13, between services (around 9:30 AM) for our Christian Education Open House! Come explore the opportunities available for all ages to grow in faith, build friendships, and deepen your connection with God and our church community. Meet other families, teachers and leaders, learn about classes and programs for children, youth, and teens, and discover how Christian education can enrich your spiritual journey. We look forward to welcoming you and your family!

GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS DAY

Save The Date! On September 13th, please join a hands-on inter-generational project to support The Ronald McDonald House program. Our congregation volunteers will donate needed items for 3 projects. We will provide "Snack Bags," for children and adults staying at the RMH located in Camden NJ. We will also provide "Welcome Packs" and "Cleaning Packs" for the families. Our work session will begin with a light lunch at 12 Noon in the social hall. Look for sign up information in the coming months. All ages and abilities are welcome to join in! Contact Kay McConnell (609-781-1070) with questions.

MARTHA'S CIRCLE

The next meeting of Martha's CHircle will be Tuesday, September 15th at 12:00 PM in the Social Hall. Dottie Leonard's group will be responsible for drinks and dessert. New members are always welcome.

2026-27 CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION

Families with confirmation students (typically those entering 7th or 8th grade) are invited to a Confirmation Orientation on Sunday, September 20, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. Join us to learn about the Confirmation program, expectations for the year, important dates, and opportunities for our middle school young people. We look forward to the ministry that happens when young people get together and strengthen their faith.

PRAYER CONCERNS

St. Michael's Members: Kathleen Abrams, Walt Flores, Kathy Henry, Jo-Ann Guenther, Beverly Kovac, Dottie Leonard, Bill Lowery, Mary Beth Neilson, Joan Pearl, Carolyn Peterson, Paul Phillips, Megan Quaile, William Schafer, Bill Scheufele, Barbara Scheufele, Deborah Searles, Bev Stropes, Charlotte Sturts, Chris Tressel, Cathy Verme, John Winkelman, Ron Winkelman, Pat Wolbert, Holly Zahradnick

Prayer Requests for Family & Friends: Kathleen Abrams for Ashley & Michael Rubinsky, Cynthia Barth for Dick Perry, Penny Perry, Anne Matthews, The Benninghoffs for Clare Juliano, Trudy Carr for Carol Storz, Anne Cassidy for Donna, Megan, Mádei, and Chris, The Clemsons for Carol Cornell, Margie Clemson and Cindy Branch, Laura Dishong for Wendy and Glenn Harris, Terri Erickson for Pete Boyle and his family, The Fergusons for Estelle & Paul Debbane, Linda Ferguson, Lew Gorman III for Mary Jane, June Greiser for Chris Bukowski and Beth Bukowski, The Gromens for Jill Gromen, Donna Lowry, Evan Gromen, George Wright, Alec Gromen, Dottie Seacrist, Kathy Tulley, Joan Barbagiovani, Kathleen Wright Kelly, Bethann Guenther for Rowan, Bethann Guenther-Misunas for Diane Dampen, The Hammers for Erin Terreri, Sherrie Orzio, Kristin Streater, Patrick McNamara, Joe LaRose for Helen, Dottie Leonard for Aiden Longstreth, The McConnell family for Donna Riker, Mary Beth Neilson for Janet Dobbs, & Justin Loughry, Anne Picker, Robin Argoe, Dennis Kiley, William Gentner, David Kessler, The Patons for John A, Donna K, Sunil, Kay K., Betty D., Joan Pearl for Vicki Bottoms, Carolyn Peterson for Tracey Femiano, Nancy Perks, Carol Prisco for Helen James, Dave Young, Paula Young, Arlene Schmit, Bob and Lisa Kelley, Rosemary Restock, Marion Rice for Sharon, Roorda's for Roy Fennimore, Becky Sahlman for Bo Ingesson, The Shaw Family for Shirley Shaw, The Solis Family for Sarena Bañas, Janet Spooner for Pam Spooner, Janet Thompson for Julie Medeiros & Zachary, Cynthia Tjoa for Ping-An Tjoa, Chris Tressel for Joan Atcheson, Denise Wallace for Pat Griggs, John Winkelman for Guy and Jeanette Mougel, Pat Wolbert for Sandi Ploucher, Allyson Zinman for Carla R, Millie W , Holly Zahradnick for Deb Asher, William McDevitt, Michael Zahradnick

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

<u>August 30</u> 8:15 AM	<u>August 30</u> 10:00AM	<u>September 6</u> 8:15 AM	<u>September 6</u> 10:00AM	<u>Tellers</u> (Week of Aug. 30)
A. Minister Karen Roorda	A. Minister Samantha Cook	A. Minister Reid Hobson	A. Minister Kim Billet	Holly Zahradnick Tom Gano Jim Clemson
Lector Anne Cassidy	Lector Harry Schute	Lector Trudy Carr	Lector Ken Billet	
C. Assistant Larry Ferguson	C. Assistant Tim Cook	C. Assistant Nancy Gromen	C. Assistant Kelly Daly	<u>Altar Guild</u> (Aug. 30 & Sept. 6) Trudy Carr Allen Carr
Ushers Lauren Gromen	Ushers Martha Burke Linda David	Ushers Geoffrey Castle	Ushers Linda David Peggy Schlagle	
Acolyte Donovan Roorda	Acolyte Sara Shaw	Acolyte Ryley Hobson	Acolyte Jacob Billet	
	Video Tech Tim Cook		Video Tech Josephine Billet	

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, August 30

8:15 AM Worship Service (In-Person)
10:00 AM Worship Service (In-Person, Facebook, YouTube)
6:00 PM NA Meeting

Monday, August 31

7:00 PM Book Club

Tuesday, September 1

7:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting
7:30 PM Communication Meeting

Wednesday, September 2

7:00 AM Monthly Prayer Service
9:00 AM LSM Food Pantry Pick-up
9:30 AM Weight Watchers Meeting
11:00 AM Bible Study
6:00 PM Bible Study

Thursday, September 3

10:00 AM JH Breakfast Casserole Drop-off

Friday, September 4

Saturday, September 5

Sunday, September 6

8:00 AM JH Dinner Casserole Drop-off
8:15 AM Worship Service (In-Person)
9:00 M Fellowship and Coffee
11:00 AM Worship Service (In-Person, Facebook, YouTube)
12:00 PM Fellowship and Coffee
6:00 PM NA Meeting



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