

The Resurrection of our Lord

(Easter Sunday)

April 5th, 2026

Order of Service

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Hymns: 457, 480, 490, 466, 467, 461

Sermon

"They did not find the body of Jesus"

Rev. Wes Gillaspie

Scripture Readings

Acts 10:34-43: Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him. "We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Colossians 3:1-4: Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Matthew 28:1-10: After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and,

going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you." So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

Serving in Worship Today

Elders *Charles Zwerk, Dave Miller, Kevin Kern;
Rodney Hecht, Ben Bekemeier, Jason Hecht*

Organist *Pam Bernreuter*

Choir *Adult Choir; Handbells*

Usher *Phil Reinbold; Matt Buchinger*

Altar Guild *Audrey VanDeVeer; Lavonne Richards*

This week at St. Michael's

Today Easter Sunday

Sunrise Communion 6:30 a.m.

Communion 10:30 a.m.

Mon Last Day of Spring Break

Mary Martha Rummage Sale Collection 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Tue Mary Martha Rummage Sale Collection 4 p.m.-8 p.m.

Elders 7 p.m.

Adult Choir 7 p.m.

Fri *Mary Martha Rummage Sale 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.*

Sat. *Mary Martha Rummage Sale 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.*

Next Sun. Communion 7:45 a.m.

Bible Class/KidzMin 9 a.m.

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt after late service

The Pew Candles are used for special services, i.e. Easter, Church Anniversary, Christmas, and weddings (upon request). They are temporarily

fastened to the pew. They are not firmly attached. For your safety, please do not hang onto them when standing up or sitting down. Thank-you.

No Bible Class or Kidzmin today.

No Wednesday Worship this week (April 8th).

The Easter envelope this year will go to Home Purpose.

Mary Martha Rummage Sale: April 10th & 11th Collection will be April 6th ; 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. & April 7th; 4 p.m. - 8 p.m (No collection on Wed.) Bring your donations to the Richville Legion Hall (items like: clothing, toys, sporting goods, furniture, decor., etc.) Contact Judy Janson (989)868-4294 with any questions.

Easter Egg Hunt Right after late service, April 12th at St. Michael's Park Hall. All are welcome. Presented by St. Michael's Board of Outreach.

Mary Martha will meet on Mon, April 13, 7pm at church. Guest speakers will be Josh and Amanda Doud on Jameson Strong non profit, sending faith based care packages to assist families dealing with pediatric cancer. Hear their remarkable story and how it has impacted so many. Anyone is welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Little Dresses Sewing Day will be Sat. April 18th, 9 am to 4 pm at Mary Reinbold's place with a potluck lunch at noon. Anyone is invited to join us for sewing, ironing, or other tasks. Come for as long as you can. If you have any questions or would like dress kits to sew on your own, please contact Mary Reinbold.

Silverware Tubs have been dropped off to be wrapped, feel free to take a tub or two. When you finish, please return them to the same area. The wrapped silverware is used for the Franklin Avenue Mission and for various events at St. Michael's. Thank you, Outreach

Spring Cleaning Campaign - Spring Cleaning Project: Help us make a difference in our community! Take a bucket and fill it with essential cleaning supplies. Your donations will support families in need. All donations will be given to: Franklin Avenue Mission; Vassar Food Pantry. Thank you for your generosity and support! – Outreach Team

Sisters of Ruth will not meet in April. Watch the bulletin for May.

St. Michael's Lutheran School is seeking a 2nd Grade Teacher for the 2026–2027 school year. If you or someone you know is interested in applying, please email Principal@stmichaelsrichville.org or call 989 868 4809. You may also contact Jason Andrich at 989 992 2093.

LLL Peat Moss Sale: It's LLL Peat sale time. For info and to order, call Mark 989-280-1166 or Jim 989-670-1710. 40 lbs. bags \$4.50 ea buy 10 get 1 free. Pickup and delivery days May 1 & 2.

Did you know? On April 1, 1951—75 years ago—the groundbreaking took place for the new school and Memorial Building.

Attendance

Sun. March 29th 362

Other News

The Lutheran Hour airs on WSAM-1400 from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Next Sunday: "Early Adopters" *Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler*; The risen Jesus is the "display model" of what we will be, through faith in Him. 1 Corinthians 15:20

Benefit for Ben Dzioba—Euchre Tournament: Sat, April 18th, FCU Basement, Frankenmuth. Registration 6:15 p.m.; Euchre 7:00 p.m. sharp. \$20 entry fee, First-come/First served. Snacks Provided & BYOBeverages; 50/50 Raffle + Surprise Raffle. Donations can be made prior to the benefit by calling Donna Tedford (989)245-4992. More information about the family can be found in the foyer on the bulletin board.

St. Lorenz's monthly German worship service Sunday, April 12th at 11:00 am This service will continue the Sermon Series entitled "Open Arms" and will focus on our Baptism. The service features German liturgy and an English sermon by Pastor Bill Hoesman entitled "The Gift That Keeps on Giving" based on Acts 2:38-39. The scripture lessons will be read by German teacher Bärbel Stürmer and a number of her 7th-grade students. The service will be broadcast locally on Spectrum/Charter cable channel 191. It can also be viewed via the St. Lorenz website.

The VLHS Foundation is hosting a free educational event - "Take 5 for your finances: 5 keys to retiring fearlessly and the 5 stages of an IRA" - on April 23 at 6 pm. Enjoy a meal, connect with others, and leave with tools to take your next steps forward. Space is limited to 60 attendees. RSVP to Rebecca VanTol (rvantol@vlhs.com).

Prayers

Health

*Don Bierlein; Michelle DeCoe; Ben Dzioba; Don Duperon; Kenneth Hecht;
Hope Hecht; Walt Hecht; Faith Heinlein; Ann Houser; Craig Keinath;
Carolyn Navarre; Lorraine Nicodemus; Eugene Palmreuter; Rebecca
Rachow; Roy Rodammer*

Call Extended

Bethany Zeckzer, Lincoln NE, called to be music director.

Mission

Rev. Steven and Martha Mahlburg serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) as missionaries in Sri Lanka. Steven partners with the Ceylon Evangelical Lutheran Church (CELC) in Sri Lanka to share the hope we have in Jesus Christ. He provides administrative support, Christian education and mentoring for the pastors, evangelists and laypeople of the CELC.

Prayer of the Day

"Almighty God the Father, through Your only begotten Son Jesus Christ You overcame death and opened the gate of eternal life for us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen."



St. Michael's Lutheran Church

Richville, Michigan