

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 2nd, 2026

Order of Service	
7:45 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
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Hymns	Hymns
699, 936, 810	699, 936, 633, 810

Wednesday Hymns 908, 715
Sermon Pastor Michael Stahl

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 55:1-5: “Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and you will delight in the richest of fare. Give ear and come to me; listen, that you may live. I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful love promised to David. See, I have made him a witness to the peoples, a ruler and commander of the peoples. Surely you will summon nations you know not, and nations you do not know will come running to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has endowed you with splendor.”

Romans 9:1-5: I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying, my conscience confirms it through the Holy Spirit—I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my people, those of my own race, the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption to sonship; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is

traced the human ancestry of the Messiah, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen.

Matthew 14:13-21: When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick. As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.” Jesus replied, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.” “We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,” they answered. “Bring them here to me,” he said. And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Serving in Worship Today

Elders Charles Zwerk; Jason Hecht, Dennis Thurston, Mark Schiefer

Organist Monica Heisenbeuttel

Usher Luke Bierlein; Travis Bierlein

Altar Guild Lindsey Campbell

Wednesday

Elders Jason Hecht

Pianist Heiki Palm

Usher Travis Bierlein

This week at St. Michael's

Today Worship Service 7:45 a.m.
Bible Class 9 a.m.

Communion 10:30 a.m.

Tue School Registration 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
& 5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Elders 7 p.m.

Wed Sisters of Ruth 12 p.m.
Communion 7 p.m.

Next Sun. Communion 7:45 a.m.
Bible Class 9 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

We welcome Pastor Michael Stahl this morning. Pastor Stahl is instructor and campus pastor at Valley Lutheran High School; and Monica (Frank) Heisenbeuttel as our guest organist, who is the daughter of Ron & Irene Frank

Baptism of Bennett Michael Herbolsheimer, son of Michael & Kyla Herbolsheimer, will be today during the 7:45 a.m. service.

School Registration is Tuesday, August 4th, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM and also from 5:30 to 8:00 PM.

Sisters of Ruth will meet at noon, Wednesday, August 5 at the park hall. Weather permitting we will eat lunch outside. Please bring a dish to pass along with your drink and table setting. Brats will be provided. Any questions call Luann.

Voter's Meeting next Sunday after late service for a school music director.

Founders Day: On August 16, the 175th Anniversary Committee will be observing the original settlers who were instrumental in the founding of St. Michael's. This will occur between early and late service (from 9:00 – 10:00.) Also to be observed will be the gravesites of former Pastors Bernthal, Bekemeier, Schoenow, and Spiekerman, as well as the original log church

location. Wayne Hecht will be the narrator for this event and give a brief history of the early settlers. Everyone is invited to attend this Founders Day event.

Thrivent Choice has been upgraded, making it even easier for Thrivent clients with membership to live generously and support organizations like St Michael's Church, School and Child Care. Choice Dollars are now available to all 1.9 M members at the beginning of the year and will not expire until Dec 31. Go online or call 800.847.4836 to direct your dollars today! Also, December 1, 2026 something exciting is being planned, so watch for more details.

St. Michael's School is looking for a Kindergarten Aide for the 2026-2027 school year. If interested, please contact the school office or Principal Rachow (989)868-4809.

Job Opening: Director of Parish/School Music. Position can be full-time music/band teacher during the school year and/or part-time parish music. Happy to provide additional information to anyone that is interested. Please contact Lisa Schultz via email or text/phone. Lisa.schultz@live.com or (989)529-1710.

Dear Member's of St. Michael's...

Thank you to everyone who participated in St. Michael's First Annual Raider Open Golf Outing! What a fantastic day filled with fun, fellowship, laughter, and some outstanding golf! The weather couldn't have been more perfect, and many golfers brought their A-game to the course. A heartfelt thank you to all of our generous sponsors for supporting this event and to our incredible volunteers whose hard work made the day run so smoothly. Your dedication and

generosity helped make our first outing a tremendous success.

Congratulations to our winners:

1st Place: Eli Parents Team

2nd Place: Tim O'Connell's Team

We are already looking forward to making next year's Raider Open even bigger and better! Thank you for your support of St. Michael's Outreach.

— St. Michael's Outreach Raider Open Committee -Mark Schoenow, Tyler Goodrow, Scott Wenzel, Vic & Lynn DeBerndio, Connie & John Mossner, Rebecca Rachow, Pam & Jeff Mossner

Other News

The Lutheran Hour airs on WSAM-1400 from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Next Sunday: "Extreme Neighborliness" Rev. Gregory Seltz; Archives August—Jesus is the ultimate “Good Samaritan,” the unlikely Rescuer who binds our wounds, carries us to safety, and pays the price through His cross. Luke 10:25-37

Online Giving: Anyone who would like to give online can go to <https://stmichaelsrichville.org> and scroll down to the "I Give Online" button to set up an account, or scan the QR code. If you have questions or need help, please contact Carol Hess (989)225-5612 or the church office.

Prayers

Health

Korbyn Chinevere; Michelle DeCoe; Ben Dzioba; Don Duperon; Ron Frank; Dale Heinlein; Dale Jammer; Diane Karst; Jim Karst; Eugene Palmreuter; Margaret Schemm; Mike Weiss

Sympathy

The family of Faith Heinlein, called to her heavenly home July 26th.

Mission

Rev. Nathaniel and Emma Jensen serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Kaiserslautern, Germany. Nathaniel is pastor of Kaiserslautern Evangelical Lutheran Church, which serves U.S. military members stationed in the area as well as other English speakers.

Prayer of the Day

"Heavenly Father, You are the protector of all who trust in You. Increase and multiply Your mercy upon us that with You as our ruler and guide we may pass through temporal things and lose not the greatest gift of eternal life; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen."