

Fourteenth Sunday
after Pentecost

August 30th, 2026

Order of Service

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Hymns..... 700, 535, 544, 627, 588

Wednesday Hymns..... 887, 535

Sermon

"Hate What Is Evil"

Rev. Wes Gillaspie

Scripture Readings

Jer. 15:15-21: Lord, you understand; remember me and care for me. Avenge me on my persecutors. You are long-suffering—do not take me away; think of how I suffer reproach for your sake. When your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart’s delight, for I bear your name, Lord God Almighty. I never sat in the company of revelers, never made merry with them; I sat alone because your hand was on me and you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unending and my wound grievous and incurable? You are to me like a deceptive brook, like a spring that fails. Therefore this is what the Lord says: “If you repent, I will restore you that you may serve me; if you utter worthy, not worthless, words, you will be my spokesman. Let this people turn to you, but you must not turn to them. I will make you a wall to this people, a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you but will not overcome you, for I am with you to rescue and save you,” declares the Lord. “I will save you from the hands of the wicked and deliver you from the grasp of the cruel.”

Rom. 12:9-21: Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above

yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord’s people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” says the Lord. On the contrary: “If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Matt. 16:21-28: From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life. Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. “Never, Lord!” he said. “This shall never happen to you!” Jesus turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.” Then Jesus said to his disciples, “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father’s

glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done. Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

Serving in Worship Today

Elders..... *Dave Miller, Charlie Zwerk, Mark Schiefer; Dennis Thurston*

Organist..... *Pam Bernreuter*

Usher..... *Jeff Buchinger; Alan Kischnick*

Altar Guild..... *Trisha Vasicek, Jen Wilkinson*

Financial Secretaries..... *Matt Bierlein*

Wednesday

Elders..... *Lucas Brown*

Pianist..... *Heiki Palm*

Usher..... *Ron Spiekerman*

This week at St. Michael’s

Today..... *Communion 7:45 a.m.*

Bible Class 9 a.m.

Communion 10:30 a.m.

Tue..... *Elders 7 p.m.*

Wed..... *Communion 7 p.m.*

Thurs..... *ECC 6:15 a.m.*

Fri..... *No School*

Sun..... *Worship Service 7:45 a.m.*

Bible Class 9 a.m.

Communion 10:30 a.m.

Keep Everyone In The Loop!: If you have announcements and events from your committee, board, or organization, please remember to send them to the church office as soon as possible so they can be put in the bulletin and newsletter. Some of our members don't check Facebook or our website. It's always helpful to communicate both digitally and in print.

Sisters of Ruth will meet at Davinci Restaurant in Frankenmuth at 11:30 on September 2. After, we will visit members from church at Covenant Glen. Let Luann know if you would like to carpool. We will leave the church parking lot around 11:15.

Adult Choir starts the Tuesday after Labor Day, September 8th, at 7:00 in the church basement. New voices are always welcome!

Historical German Service: On Sunday, September 13th, the 175th Anniversary Committee will be having a special German Service at 3:00pm here at St. Michael’s. 175 years ago, the German language was the only language used in worship at St. Michael’s. Up until approximately 50 years ago, a German service was still held at St. Michael’s. If you know very little or no German, translation will be made available to follow along. Pastor Mark Loest from Frankentrost will be conducting this service and Monica Heissenbeutell will be the guest organist. We encourage everyone to attend this special service to experience the German past of St. Michael’s.

Bus Trip to Meadow Brooke Inn Rochester on October 28th. We will be going to see a play “The Man for shot Liberty Valentine, and stopping for lunch at the White House Tavern. Cost is \$105/a person. Please call Nancy Schluckbier by Sept. 17th (989)529-0320.

KIT Program: Calling all college students and military members! We’re updating addresses for our members away at college or serving in the military so we can ‘keep in touch’ throughout the school year. Our students here at St. Michael’s are so excited to send some really great letters,

cards and projects that they make just for YOU!
Please contact Jenni Stuart at 989-284-1541 or
jmstuart2015@gmail.com. Thank you!

Job Opening: Job Opening: Parish Music (part
time position). Interested candidates should
call/text Lisa Schultz at (989) 529-1710.

Dear Members of St. Michael's...
*We would like to give a special thank you to Dale
Jammer and his crew for helping us with our
bushes and other outside work around the church
and school. We appreciate your help!*

*"The family of Archie Eyster extend their heartfelt
thanks to the members of St. Michael's for their
cards and memorials. Your thoughtfulness and
generosity is greatly appreciated!" - Tim and
Carol Eyster*

Notes from the School
No School Friday, September 4th and Monday,
September 7th (Labor Day).

Come and support your Raiders next week!
Boys Soccer. Thurs., Sep. 3rd
AWAY @ St. Paul (Lapeer) 4:45 P.M.
Girls Volleyball. Tues., Sep 1st
AWAY @ Immanuel (Frankentrost)/
Trinity (Reese) 4:30 P.M.

Other News
The Lutheran Hour airs on WSAM-1400 from
8:30 to 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Next Sunday:
"Come and See" Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler; The
Book of Nature can open your mind to the
possibility that God is real. The Book of Scripture,
the Bible, goes further, like a friend who's been
there. John 1:46

Attendance
August 23rd 330

August 26th 36

Prayers

Health

*Don Basel; Doris Bauer; Korbyn Chinevere;
Gretchen Comstock; Michelle DeCoe; Ben
Dzioba; Don Duperon; Ron Frank; Dale
Jammer; Diane Karst; Jim Karst; Margaret
Schemm; Mark Schiefer; Mike Weiss*

Mission

Rev. Michael and Shanna Hageman serve the
Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri
Synod (LCMS) as missionaries in Tanzania.
Michael is a theological educator at a new
seminary in Shinyanga, Tanzania, where he
teaches classes and assists in forming pastors
for service in Africa. Shanna is a director of
Christian education (DCE), and she teaches
English as a Second Language (ESL) to
non-native English speakers.

Prayer of the Day

“Almighty God, to know You is everlasting life.
Grant
us to know Your Son Jesus Christ as the Way,
the Truth, and the Life. May
we follow in His steps and walk in the way that
leads to 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.”

