

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 21st, 2026

Order of Service

<u>7:45 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>
Matins (pg.219)	DSIII (pg.184)
<u>Hymns</u>	<u>Hymns</u>
809, 649	809, 649, 725, 803, 736

Wednesday Hymns 809, 649

Sermon

"Standing Firm Together"
Pastor Bruce Kischnick

Scripture Readings

Jeremiah 20:7-13: You deceived me, Lord, and I was deceived; you overpowered me and prevailed. I am ridiculed all day long; everyone mocks me. Whenever I speak, I cry out proclaiming violence and destruction. So the word of the Lord has brought me insult and reproach all day long. But if I say, "I will not mention his word or speak anymore in his name," his word is in my heart like a fire, a fire shut up in my bones. I am weary of holding it in; indeed, I cannot. I hear many whispering, "Terror on every side! Denounce him! Let's denounce him!" All my friends are waiting for me to slip, saying, "Perhaps he will be deceived; then we will prevail over him and take our revenge on him." But the Lord is with me like a mighty warrior; so my persecutors will stumble and not prevail. They will fail and be thoroughly disgraced; their dishonor will never be forgotten. Lord Almighty, you who examine the righteous and probe the heart and mind, let me see your vengeance on them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the Lord! Give praise to the Lord! He rescues the life of the needy from the hands of the wicked.

Romans 6:8-14: Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus. Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness. For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace.

Matthew 10:5, 21-33: These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. Truly I tell you, you will not finish going through the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes. The student is not above the teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for students to be like their teachers, and servants like their masters. If the head of the house has been called Beelzebul, how much more the members of his household! So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs. Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for

a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. But whoever disowns me before others, I will disown before my Father in heaven."

Serving in Worship Today

Elders *Charles Zwerk; Dennis Thurston*
Organist *Calista Daenzer*
Usher *Travis Bierlein; Luke Bierlein*
Altar Guild *Marcy Buchinger*

Wednesday

Elders *Jason Hecht*
Pianist. *Heiki Palm*
Usher *Luke Bierlein*

This week at St. Michael's

Today Worship Service 7:45 a.m.
 Bible Class 9 a.m.
 Communion 10:30 a.m.
Wed Worship Service 7 p.m.
Next Sun. Communion 7:45 a.m.
 Bible Class 9 a.m.
 Outdoor Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
 Voters Meeting after late service

We welcome Pastor Bruce Kischnick, a son of our congregation and graduate of St. Michael's School, as we continue our 175th Anniversary celebration.

Outdoor Service: Next Sunday's 10:30 service will be in the park, weather permitting. Bring your lawn chairs!

Voters Meeting next Sunday after late service. This is our annual budget meeting.

Pastor's New Member Class continues on Monday evenings at 7:00.

Pastor's Phone Number: Please be aware that our number (262-8011) is a landline. It does not receive text messages.

Youth Group Sat. June 27th, from 11 a.m.-6:45 p.m., Zip, Climb, & Scream at Frankenmuth Aerial Park. Cost: \$20 per student. RSVP to Mrs. Hoepfner by June 25th (989)327-4061. More information can be found on the bulletin board.

Student Scholarship: Applications are due by July 1st for any student who is a member of St. Michael's and is preparing for a church-worker career in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Applications are in the church office.

Vacation Bible School July 13-16th from 4:30-7 p.m. Registration information can be found on the bulletin board in the foyer.

St. Michael's 1st Annual Raider Open Golf Outing: July 25th. More information can be found on the bulletin board in the foyer, or visit stmichaelsrichville.org to register.

The 175th Anniversary Committee will be making commemorative Christmas ornaments available between services on random Sundays starting today. We will be set up in the foyer. They are \$10 each. As of now, we have 100 available. We will only restock if demand dictates, so get yours soon!

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.

Happy Fathers’ Day to all dads! Lutherans for Life of Michigan’s annual Diaper Shower ends today. The pregnancy resource center Life Clinic Community Resources in Bay City is appreciative for the support we give them. THANKS! for your support. What a great blessing you have provided! Praise God! If you still wanted to donate diapers or supplies, please contact Dianne Stresman at 989-239-3729.

<u>Attendance</u>	
June 14 th	319
June 17 th	38

Other News
The Lutheran Hour airs on WSAM-1400 from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Next Sunday: "Journey Through Ambition" *Pastor Ryan Tinetti*; You don’t have to worry about making a name for yourself. In Christ, God has already given you His. Matthew 25:21

Prayers

Health
*Arlene Bierlein; Korbyn Chinevere;
Michelle DeCoe; Ben Dzioba; Don Duperon;
Marcella Hecht; Ann Houser; Dale Jammer;
Diane Karst; Eugene Palmreuter; Bev Schemm;
Margaret Schemm*

Sympathy
The Family of Irene Gohsman,
whose funeral was this past Thursday

Thanksgiving
Michael & Mary Rogers;
celebrating their 30th Wedding Anniversary
All Our Father’s on this Father’s Day.

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 and everlasting God, increase our faith,
hope, and love and grant us the promised blessings of Your grace, through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen."