

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 7th, 2026

Order of Service

7:45 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
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<u>Hymns</u>	<u>Hymns</u>
915, 685, 707	915, 685, 617, 707, 637

Wednesday Hymns 877, 707

Sermon

"What Am I Going To Do With You?"
Pastor Wes Gillaspie

Scripture Readings

Hosea 5:15-6:6: Then I will return to my place until they have borne their guilt and seek my face—in their misery they will earnestly seek me. Come, let us return to the Lord. He has torn us to pieces but he will heal us; he has injured us but he will bind up our wounds. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us, that we may live in his presence. Let us acknowledge the Lord; let us press on to acknowledge him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth. What can I do with you, Ephraim? What can I do with you, Judah? Your love is like the morning mist, like the early dew that disappears. Therefore I cut you in pieces with my prophets, I killed you with the words of my mouth—then my judgments go forth like the sun. For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings.

Romans 4:13-25: It was not through the law that Abraham and his offspring received the promise that he would be heir of the world, but through the righteousness that comes by faith. For if those who depend on the law are heirs, faith means nothing and the promise is worthless, because the law

brings wrath. And where there is no law there is no transgression. Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham's offspring—not only to those who are of the law but also to those who have the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all. As it is written: "I have made you a father of many nations." He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed—the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not. Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "So shall your offspring be." Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead. Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. This is why "it was credited to him as righteousness." The words "it was credited to him" were written not for him alone, but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

Matthew 9:9-13: As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him. While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: 'I

desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Serving in Worship Today

Elders *Kevin Kern; Rodney Hecht,
Ben Bekemeier, Mark Schiefer*

Organist *Donna Haubenstricker*

Usher *Jeff Buchinger; Alan Kischinick*

Altar Guild *Audrey VanDeVeer,
Lavonne Richards*

Wednesday

Elders *Lucas Brown*

Pianist *Heiki Palm*

Usher *Alan Kischinick*

This week at St. Michael's

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

Mon *PTL 6:30 p.m.*
Church Council 7 p.m.

Tue *Blood Drive 1-6 p.m.*
Trustees 7 p.m.

Wed *Worship Service 7 p.m.*

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

Church Council Meeting tomorrow at 7:00.

July/August Newsletter Items are needed to the church office by the week of June 15th.

New Member Class: Pastor Gillaspie will start a membership class next Monday, June 15th, at 7:00 PM at church. This class covers the basic teachings of Scripture and is also helpful for those who want to review what we believe as Lutherans. There is no cost or obligation.

LLL Family Night June 15th, 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m. Tom and Carol Hess will present a

photo travolg titled "*THE ROADS AND TRAILS LESS TRAVELED*". More information can be found in the June newsletter. If you are interested in attended but not a LLL member, please contact Wayne Bierlein (989)551-3011.

Fundraiser Policy: If your group or organization is planning on having a fundraiser at church, please contact the Board of Elders first since they decide what fundraisers are permitted. This also prevents schedule conflicts or two different groups trying to use the same part of the building.

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.

Text Scam Alert: Please ignore any text messages you receive claiming to be from Pastor. This is just another version of an old scam that has been around for years.

The 175th Anniversary Committee needs your help! We are looking for photos/memorabilia from past Baptisms, Weddings, Confirmations, or any other special events from our church's past for our celebration! Please contact Ann Gillaspie, Scott Wenzel, or Al Rodammer with questions or donations!

Lutherans for Life of Michigan is hosting its annual Diaper Shower, which runs from Mothers' Day through Fathers' Day. Bring any size diapers in (especially the larger sizes if possible) and place them in the box in the foyer. LifeClinic Community Resources is so appreciative for all the support we at St. Michael's give them every year. We are an answer to their prayers.

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.

Attendance

May 31st 383
June 3rd 24

Other News

The Lutheran Hour airs on WSAM-1400 from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Next Sunday: "Journey Through Anxiety" Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler; Anxiety is like a "Check Engine" light for the soul that leads us to take all our concerns to the Lord in prayer. Matthew 6:25

St. Lorenz's German worship service Sunday, June 14th, will be held at 11:00 am in the church. Our sermon series "Open Arms" will explore God's "absolution" as His response to our "confession" of sin(s). His refreshing response beautifully equips and empowers each of us for a wonderfully productive life. The service features German liturgy and an English sermon by Pastor Bill Hoesman, entitled "Gone!" based on Acts 3:19.

Prayers

Health

Arlene Bierlein; Korbyn Chinevere;
Michelle DeCoe; Ben Dzioba; Don Duperon;
Irene Gohsman; Walt Hecht; Nancy Heinlein;
Ann Houser; Diane Karst; Bev Schemm;
Margaret Schemm; Dennis Schultz

Music Director

Samuel Dunbar, called to serve St. Michael's

Sympathy

Family of Edwin Ehrlinger
(father of Mike Ehrlinger and Mary Reinbold),
whose funeral will be held at Immanuel
Frankentrost.

Mission

Rev. Jason and Anna Marie Steffenson serve the Lord as missionaries through The Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Italy, where Jason is a theological educator and church planter, working with local Italians, immigrants and U.S. military members stationed throughout Italy.

Prayer of the Day

"Heavenly Father, whose never-failing providence governs all things in heaven and on earth, we pray that You would keep all harmful things away from us and grant us those blessings which are for our good; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen."