

Pentecost Sunday
June 8th, 2025

Order of Service

7:45 a.m. DSIV (pg. 203)
Hymns..... 497, 829, 498, 500, 503
10:30 a.m. Praise & Worship
Wednesday Hymns 497, 829

Sermon

“Go Back Home!”
Rev. Wes Gillaspie

Scripture Readings

Genesis 11:1-9: Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there. They said to each other, “Come, let’s make bricks and bake them thoroughly.” They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth.” But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower the people were building. The Lord said, “If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other.” So the Lord scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. That is why it was called Babel—because there the Lord confused the language of the whole world. From there the

Lord scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

Acts 2:1-21: When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: “Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?” Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.” Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you

suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: “‘In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.’

John 14:23-31: Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. “All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. “You heard me say, ‘I am going away and I am coming back to you.’ If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe. I will not say

much more to you, for the prince of this world is coming. He has no hold over me, but he comes so that the world may learn that I love the Father and do exactly what my Father has commanded me. “Come now; let us leave.

Serving in Worship Today

Elders Scott Wenzel, Mark Scheifer,
Jason Hecht; Dennis Thurston
Organist Charles Chaveriat
Usher Luke Bierlein, Travis Bierlein
Altar Guild . Luann Hecht, Margie Rodammer

Wednesday

Elders Dave Miller
Pianist Heiki Palm
Usher Travis Bierlein

This week at St. Michael’s

Today Communion 7:45 a.m.
Bible Class 9 a.m.
Praise & Worship 10:30 a.m.
Voters Meeting (after late service)
Tue Blood Drive 1-6 p.m.
Elders Meeting 7 p.m.
Wed Worship Service 7 p.m.
Next Sun Worship Service 7:45 a.m.
Bible Classes 9 a.m.
Communion 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Bible Class: Pastor Gillaspie will lead the class in the overflow room today and next Sunday. This week we will look at the Divine Call, reviewing Pastor's article in the June newsletter. Next Sunday we will discuss "The Lie," written by 20th century theologian

Hermann Sasse. In one brief paragraph Sasse summarizes how nations and cultures can go totally off the rails by choosing to believe "The Lie." Please join us!

Voters Meeting after the 10:30 worship service today.

Blood Drive June 10th, 1 to 6 p.m. at the Park Hall. Make your appointment by calling 866-642-5663 or by visiting Versiti.org

Lutherans for Life of Michigan continues its annual Diaper Shower. (Thank you to those of you who have already donated!) The project ends next Sunday, June 15th, Fathers’ Day. Bring any size diapers in and place them in the box in the foyer. LifeClinic and Abortion Alternatives are so appreciative for all the support we at St. Michael’s give them every year. We are an answer to their prayers.

July/August Newsletter items needed by Monday, June 16th.

Lutheran’s Laymens League Family Night, June 16th, 5:30 p.m. in the Park Hall. Dinner at 6, with hot dogs & brats provided. Please bring silverware, a drink, and a dish to pass. *Guest Speaker: Sleep in Heavenly Peace*

Outdoor Service: June 22nd, 10:30 worship service will be in park, weather permitting. Please bring your lawn chairs!

Pastor Gillaspie’s 30th Year Celebration: June 22nd, after the 10:30am outdoor service. Our Pastor Wes Gillaspie is marking his 30th year of ministry at St. Michael’s Lutheran Church this year. The congregation is invited to celebrate this milestone with a meal served in the Park Hall. More information can be found in the June Newsletter.

Interim Principal Opportunity: The St. Michael's Lutheran School Board of Education is seeking qualified candidates for the Interim Principal position for the 2025-2026 school year. If you know someone who might be interested in this leadership role, please forward their contact information to Shelley Daenzer at sunshine.shelley@icloud.com, or reach out via text or call at 989.529.8346.

The Church Technology committee is looking for members to fill out open spots in the committee. You do not need to know a lot about technology to join! Please Contact Committee Chair, Matt Brown at (989)525-5407 or email: mjbrown8921@gmail.com if you are interested.

Attendance

Sun. June 1 st	362
Wed. June 4 th	36

Weekly Income: 5/25-5/31: . . . \$15,867.00
Weekly Income includes: Home Purpose Envelopes, Miscellaneous Income, Gifts in Kind, IRA Donations, and Loose Plate.

Other News

The Lutheran Hour airs on WSAM-1400 from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Next Sunday: "Nothing He'd Rather Be Doing" *Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler* Jesus is a tireless Searcher with an affinity for finding lost people. (Psalm 8:4)

Valley Lutheran Graduation: You are invited to celebrate the Valley Lutheran Class of 2025 on June 8, 2025! Join us in-person for the 2:00 Commencement Service at Sargent Stadium at VLHS or attend via livestream at www.vlhs.com/graduation live. Information about seating, parking, and more is available at www.vlhs.com/ graduation. (Note: This location is weather permitting, the alternate location is Peace Lutheran School gym, Saginaw).

Indoor Rummage Sale: Sponsored by Holy Cross Women of the Cross At Holy Cross Lutheran School Gym. (600 Court Street – Saginaw, Parking off Hancock St.) *Wednesday, June 11: 4:00PM-7:00PM; Thursday, June 12 - Friday, June 13: 9:00AM-4:00PM; Saturday, June 14: 9:00AM-12:00PM.* Clothing and Accessories Household * Decorating Games * Toys * Books Desks * Pianos * School Chairs * Whiteboard And much more ... MOST ITEMS PRICED AT FREE-WILL DONATION **Some items will be set-priced. CONCESSION ITEMS AVAILABLE. Donation drop-off for personal care. Drop off items for Camp Restore-Detroit.

Prayers

Health

Craig Compton; Jameson Doud; Don Duperon; Hope Hecht; Kurt Howell; Norm Petzold; Larry Putman; Mel Rupprecht, Donna Schoenow, Gary Schoenow (Open Heart Surgery)

Mission

Rev. Dr. Gerald and Heidi Paul serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) as career missionaries in the Cayman Islands. As a pastor and church planter, Gerald works with local church leaders at Safe Harbour Lutheran Church to reach out to the people of the Cayman Islands — both locals and expats — with the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Prayer of the Day

"Heavenly Father, on this day You taught Your faithful people by sending the Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day the same Spirit so we have a right understanding of Your Word and may always rejoice in the comfort He brings; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen."

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