

Confirmation Sunday

(The Ascension of Our Lord)

May 10th, 2026

Order of Service

7:45 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
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Hymns	Hymns
549, 491, 865	549, 491, 633, 680, 865, 643

Wednesday Hymns 890, 532

Sermon

"This is for your own good."
Pastor Wes Gillaspie

Scripture Readings

Acts 1:12-26: Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city. When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers. In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty) and said, "Brothers and sisters, the Scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through David concerning Judas, who served as guide for those who arrested Jesus. He was one of our number and shared in our ministry." (With the payment he received for his wickedness, Judas bought a field; there he fell headlong, his body burst open and all his intestines spilled out. Everyone in Jerusalem heard about this, so they called that field in their language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) "For,"

said Peter, "it is written in the Book of Psalms: "'May his place be deserted; let there be no one to dwell in it,' and, "'May another take his place of leadership.' Therefore it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus was living among us, beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection." So they nominated two men: Joseph called Barsabbas (also known as Justus) and Matthias. Then they prayed, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen to take over this apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs." Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles.

1 Peter 4:12-19: Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed. If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you. If you suffer, it should not be as a murderer or thief or any other kind of criminal, or even as a meddler. However, if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name. For it is time for judgment to begin with God's household; and if it begins with us, what will the outcome be for those who do not obey the gospel of God? And, "If it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?" So then, those who suffer according to God's will should commit themselves to their faithful Creator and continue to do good.

John 16:5-11: But now I am going to him who sent me. None of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' Rather, you are filled with grief because I have said

these things. But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because people do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned.

Serving in Worship Today

Elders *Charlie Zwerk; Lucas Brown,
Mark Schiefer, Jason Hecht*
Organist *Pam Bernreuter*
Choir *Adult Choir*
Usher *Matt Buchinger; Phil Reinbold*
Altar Guild *Trisha Vasicek; Jen Wilkinson*

Wednesday

Elders *Rodney Hecht*
Pianist *Heiki Palm*
Usher *Phil Reinbold*

This week at St. Michael's

Today *Confirmation Sunday*
Worship Service 7:45 a.m.
KidzMin 9 a.m.
Communion 10:30 a.m.
Mon *Bd. Of Edu. 6 p.m.*
LLL 7 p.m.
Tue *Adult Choir 7 p.m.*
Wed *Communion 7 p.m.*
Thurs *School Music Concert 6:30 p.m.*
Next Sun. *Communion 7:45 a.m.*
Bible Class 9 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Class Reunion: Today we welcome the Confirmation Class of 1976. We give glory to God for these graduates for holding fast to their

confession of faith as they celebrate their 50th anniversary.

Pastor Gillaspie's Bible Study will not meet today. We will resume next Sunday.

Baptism of Archer Lee Keinath, son of Tyler & Brooke (Hazen) Keinath, took place this past Wednesday.

Graduation Sunday: One May 31st we will recognize this year's St. Michael's graduates, along with our members who are graduating from high school or college. We invite you to wear your caps and gowns to the 10:30 service. Our annual picnic and parade will be at 2:00 with special activities as part of our 175th anniversary.

Associate Pastor Call Update: The Call Committee has met with Pastor Steele (Circuit Visitor) and our request for a call list has been sent to the District Office. Hopefully we will have the call list in June.

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!

Volunteers Needed! We are reaching out for some new, "younger" volunteers for trimming the Church ditch! This is done 3 times a year, and we need some younger help to get down to the bottom. A big Thank You to all that have helped in the past to keep the ditch clean and any additional help would be appreciated! If interested, please contact Dennis Gruber (989) 868-3684.

Lutheran Laymen's League Tomorrow at 7 p.m., our guest speaker will be Tom Meyer, the current Mayor of Frankenmuth. We hope to see you there!

Flower Sale Pickup Sat. from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Park Hall. Sponsored by Mary Martha with additional funding from Thrivent Financial. Proceeds benefit mission projects.

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.

St. Michael's Lutheran School is seeking a 2nd Grade Teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. If you or someone you know is interested in applying, please email principal@stmichaelsrichville.org or call 989 868 4809. You may also contact Jason Andrlich at 989 992 2093.

Thrivent Choice: Thrivent offered an additional \$25 to everyone that has a product, so if you've never had dollars before, you will have some to direct. Don't forget to direct you dollars!

Helping Hands: If you need assistance with transportation to medical appointments, grocery

shopping, spring yard cleanup, or meal preparation due to surgery or other conditions, HELPING HANDS is here to help. Please contact the church office or Nancy Heinlein directly, or fill out a form at the desk by the stairway and return it to the church office/Nancy Heinlein's church mailbox. We look forward to assisting you.

Forget your envelope? Didn't bring cash? Want to give as a visitor? You now have the option to "text to give" or scan a QR code to give during our services at any time. Text GIVE to 1-989-375-1851, and you'll be directed to the kindrid giving page where you can do a one time gift without signing in. You can also scan the following QR code to do the same. This format accepts credit cards, Apple Pay and Google Pay.



Dear Members of St. Michael's...

Thanking everyone for your prayers! After being hit by a motorcycle and fracturing his skull in 4 places, about 7 weeks ago. Roy Rodammer is now at home and has just been given the okay to drive. God is Amazing!!!

Attendance

May 10 th	343
May 13 th	43

Other News

The Lutheran Hour airs on WSAM-1400 from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Next Sunday: "Misery Loves Company" Rev. Dr. Michael

Zeigler: It's often said, "Misery loves company." Christ comes to us in our misery with God's love and mercy. Acts 2:38

Prayers

Health

Bernice Auernhamer; Wayne Ader; Matt Buchinger; Korbyn Chinevere; Michelle DeCoe; Ben Dzioba; Don Duperon; Jim Hecht; Walt Hecht; Ann Houser; Diane Karst; Carolyn Navarre; Eugene Palmreuter; Carol Roth; Will Sage; Bev Schemm; Margaret Schemm

Sympathy

The Family of Kenneth Hecht
whose funeral was Thursday, May 14th

Thanksgiving

The Confirmation Class of 2026
& Confirmation Class of 1976 (50th Anniversary)

Special Concerns

Members of St. Michael's who have stopped attending worship

Mission

Rev. Daniel and Kathy Conrad serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in the Dominican Republic. In this role, Daniel serves as chaplain for the region's alliance missionaries and as professor at Concordia the Reformer Seminary in Palmar Arriba, Dominican Republic. The seminary provides theological education to future pastors who come from 11 countries in Latin America. By the grace of God, Daniel helps prepare pastors who will serve throughout the region

Prayer of the Day

O King of glory and Lord of hosts, You are uplifted
in triumph far above the heavens. We pray that you would not leave us without consolation but send the Spirit of truth You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

