

All Saints Day November 2nd, 2025

Order of Service

<u>7:45 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>
Matins (pg. 219)	DSIV (pg. 203)
<u>Hymns</u>	<u>Hymns</u>
677, 678	677, 678, 676, 672, 680, 639

Wednesday Hymns 677, 678

Sermon

"Going From Tents To Houses"
Rev. Wes Gillaspie

Scripture Readings

Rev. 7:9-17: After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying: "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!" Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?" I answered, "Sir, you know." And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore, "they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. 'Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst.

The sun will not beat down on them,' nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; 'he will lead them to springs of living water.' 'And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'"

II Corinthians 5:1-10: For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands. Meanwhile we groan, longing to be clothed instead with our heavenly dwelling, because when we are clothed, we will not be found naked. For while we are in this tent, we groan and are burdened, because we do not wish to be unclothed but to be clothed instead with our heavenly dwelling, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. Now the one who has fashioned us for this very purpose is God, who has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come. Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. For we live by faith, not by sight. We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

Matthew 5:1-12: Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them. He said: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed

are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.'

Serving in Worship Today

Elders	<i>Dave Miller; Mark Schiefer, Dennis Thurston</i>
Organist	<i>Calista Daenzer</i>
Usher	<i>Ron Spiekerman; Paul Kern</i>
Altar Guild	<i>Kay Buetow, Nicole Buetow, Heather Love</i>
Acolytes	<i>Elaine Cook, Kelsie Schlicht</i>

Wednesday

Elders	<i>Ben Bekemeier</i>
Pianist.	<i>Terese Petro</i>
Usher	<i>Paul Kern</i>

This week at St. Michael's

Today	Worship Service 7:45 a.m. <i>Bible Class/KidzMin 9 a.m.</i> Communion 10:30 a.m.
Mon	<i>Mary Martha 7 p.m.</i>
Tue	Elders 7 p.m. <i>Adult Choir 7 p.m.</i>
Wed	School Chapel (in church) 10:10 a.m. <i>Sisters of Ruth 12 p.m.</i> Communion 7 p.m.
Thurs	<i>ECC 6:30 p.m.</i>
Next Sun.	Communion (Cherub) 7:45 a.m. <i>Bible Class/KidzMin 9 a.m.</i> Worship Service 10:30 a.m. <i>Harvest Brunch 10:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m.</i>

Study on Martin Luther: Pastor Gillaspie is leading a study on the life and theology of the Reformer. We meet in the school media center at 9:15.

Annual Report 2024-2025 is available in the church office.

Mary Martha Monday, November 3 at 7pm in the church meeting room, to hear a representative from Family Promise of Tuscola County. A non-profit that helps homeless and low income families achieve independence partnering with local congregations and community resources providing shelter, meals and support services. Meeting and refreshments to follow.

Sisters of Ruth will be meeting at church Wed. Nov. 5th, 12 p.m. for a pot luck.

St. Michael's Athletic Department is selling custom Raider stainless steel water bottles and tumblers to raise funds for the athletic department. Order forms are available on the table in the church foyer, and all order forms and money must be turned in to the school office by this Friday, November 7th. Samples can be found in the school in the showcase by the office.

Harvest Brunch: Join us for a free breakfast Nov. 9th from 10:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Park Hall, to celebrate and give thanks for all everyone has done.

Lutheran Laymen's League Mon. Nov. 17th at 7 p.m. in the church overflow room, our meeting will include Election of Officers. We wish you a happy Thanksgiving!

LLL Greenery Sale We are winding down the greenery sale for 2025. Please order by Nov. 6th.

By calling (989)798-8073, or (989)670-1710. Pick up day is Nov. 15, at the church shed from 9:00 am until 12:00 noon.

Poinsetta Orders can be placed in church for the Christmas season in honor/in memory of someone, and names will be printed in the bulletin. If interested, please contact Deborah Zwerk (989)737-5250 by Nov. 28th. The cost is \$20. Please drop off payment at the church office (cash in exact amount; check's made out to St. Michael's Church.) Due to limited space, we are limiting it to 16 plants.

Help us promote our Passion Drama at the Living Nativity December 5th- 7th. Please call Duane Weiss Jr. (989)529-7734 if you are interested.

Do You Have Thrivent? If you have Thrivent and haven't used your Thrivent Generosity Cards yet, please contact me! Pam Mossner — (989)239-6999 or ramprod@airadv.net.

The Caring Closet in Saginaw Supported by Outreach. Wednesday, December 13th, The Caring Closet will host the second annual "Kelly Loves Christmas 4 Kids" event — giving children the joy of shopping for their family members in need. We are collecting: Toys, books, games, blankets, hats, mittens, socks, pajamas, and gifts for parents and grandparents too. If you'd rather donate money, arrange donations, or have any questions, contact Ann Zwerk at (989)672-9363.

Nominating Committee: Wayne Bierlein, Pam Bierlein, Mark Frank, Eric Roedel, Mike Ehrlinger, Dave Janson. *Chairman (1):* Mark Frank; Jay Trombley *Contributions Coordinator:* Carol Hess *Elder (2):* Kevin Kern; Rodney Hecht; Phil Keinath *School Board (3):* John Sahr; Jeff Bolzman; Lindy

Richards; Josh Doud; Becky Cook *Trustee (2):* Ron Spiekerman; Collin Bierlein; Kevin Hecht; Nick Erbisch *Cemetery Board (2):* Dennis Reinbold; Wayne V. Bierlein; John Mossner; Matt Buchinger; Anthony Bierlein *Financial Secretary (2):* Kay Schluckbier; Karen Bierlein (White); Becky Squanda; Matt Bierlein *Childcare/Preschool (1):* Matt Reinbold; Emily Bierlein; Megan Bauer

Attendance

Sun. October 26th 402
Wed. October 29th 52

Other News

The Lutheran Hour airs on WSAM-1400 from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Next Sunday: "The Lead of Life" *Guest Speaker: Pastor Ryan Tinetti*; The lead (or 'lede') of a news story conveys the most essential information. What is the lead of the Good News, the Gospel? (Luke 20:27-40)

Spiritual First Aid Conference: Nov 7th, 6-9 p.m.; Nov. 8th, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. in Grand Blanc. Discover how to become a Spiritual First Aid Responder by learning simple, biblically-based framework for crisis care. Register and more information at michigandistrict.org/events.

Prayers

Health

Randy Balzer; Karen Bauer; Larry Bauer; Bruce Bierlein; Lucas Brown; Craig Compton; Don Duperon; Hope Hecht; Jim Karst; Norm Petzold; Carol Roth; Les Roth; John Schemm; Bev Schemm; Pauline Scherzer; Rollie Wenzel

Sympathy

The family of Wilbert (Willie) Wirth Jr., who was called home on Oct. 23rd

Thanksgiving

Pauline Scherzer; 95th Birthday; Nov. 2nd, (The flowers by the altar are in honor of her birthday, given by her daughter.)

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Favorable weather for this year's harvest

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 the church leadership of 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, You have graciously joined us together as one communion in the mystical body of Your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that we follow Your blessed saints in all faithfulness and godly living that we may receive those wonderful joys which You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen"

We keep the people that have been called home since last All Saints Day in our thoughts:

Charles Weber - 11/27/2024

Nancy (Auernhamer) Klopff - 1/2/2025

Kenneth Kearns - 1/21

Elaine Engel - 1/23

Courtney Callahan - 1/27

Cathy Weiss - 3/19

Calvin Zwerk - 4/16

Keith Bierlein - 4/24

Donna (Rupprecht) Schoenow - 6/20

Irene Tolfree - 6/28

Dolores Bauer - 7/10

Kurt Howell - 7/22

David Rushford - 8/2

Carl Buetow - 8/9

Jameson Doud - 8/12

Marilynn Baesl - 8/29

Wilbert (Willie) Wirth Jr. - 10/23