

# Reformation Sunday

## October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Order of Service . . . . . DSIV (pg. 203)  
7:45 Hymns . . . . . 656, 575, 644, 909, 578  
10:30 Hymns . . . . . 656, 575, 909  
Wed. Hymns . . . . . 656 and 575

### Sermon

Stand Firm in the Faith  
*Rev. Wes Gillaspie*

### Scripture Readings

*Rev. 14:6-7:* Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth—to every nation, tribe, language and people. He said in a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

*1 Cor. 16:5-9, 13-14:* After I go through Macedonia, I will come to you—for I will be going through Macedonia. Perhaps I will stay with you for a while, or even spend the winter, so that you can help me on my journey, wherever I go. For I do not want to see you now and make only a passing visit; I hope to spend some time with you, if the Lord permits. But I will stay on at Ephesus until Pentecost, because a great door for effective work has opened to me, and there are many who oppose me. Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love.

*John 8:31-36:* To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” They answered him, “We are Abraham’s descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?” Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

### Serving in Worship Today

Elders . . . . . *Charles Zwerk, Matt Brown; Dave Miller*  
Organist . . . . . *Charles Chaveriat*  
Ushers . . . . . *Jeff Buchinger, Alan Kischnick*  
Altar Guild . . . . . *Nancy Bierlein, Ann Thurston*  
Acolytes *McKenna Mitchell, Ashlynn Esckelson*

### Wednesday

Elder . . . . . *Lucas Brown*  
Organist . . . . . *Terese Petro*  
Usher . . . . . *Alan Kischnick*

*Clocks "Fall" Back:* Daylight Saving Time comes to an end next weekend. Remember to turn your clocks back one hour Saturday night.

*St. Michael's* will host a special *Reformation school chapel service* this Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. Trinity, Reese, and Immanuel, Frankentrost, will be attending. Church members and parents are always invited to join us for chapel.

*Harvest Brunch:* You’re invited to a Pancake & Sausage Brunch Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 12 p.m. at the school (*Sponsored by the Board of Stewardship*). There will be a guest speaker from our Michigan District. There will be no cost, it’s complimentary as a thank you for all you do to support our ministry! *RSVP by Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>.*

*LLL Greenery Sale:* Order a full sized beautifully decorated Grave Blanket (\$49) or Wreath (\$29) to be placed in our cemetery or pick up. Call Bruce 989-798-8073 or Jim 989-670-1710 & 989-823-9252. Watch for flyers.

*Voters Meeting* October 27<sup>th</sup>, after late service for nominations.

*Little Dresses Sewing* group will meet Saturday, Nov. 2nd from 9 am to 4 pm at Mary Reinbold's place. We will have a potluck lunch at noon. Come for whatever time works for you. Some jobs don't require a sewing machine. We are sewing dresses for Operation Christmas Child which supplies shoeboxes around the world. If you have donations, please put them in the blue tote in the coat room at church. If you have any questions or would like kits to sew at home, please contact Mary Reinbold.

*Sisters of Ruth* will meet Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 12 p.m. for a pizza potluck. You may bring a salad or dessert if you would like, along with your place setting and drink. If you don't want pizza, please bring your lunch and join us!

*Volunteers Needed* to work the Living Nativity to promote the Passion Drama December 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup> Please contact DJ Weiss (989)529-7734 if you would like to volunteer.

### Dear Members of St. Michael's...

*We would like to thank the whole congregation and school for the strong continuous support our family has received since the start of Jamesons diagnosis. We especially would like to thank Pastor Knea for visiting us at Covenant and at CS Motts Children's Hospital, and Mr. C for organizing fundraisers for us and working with us in so many other ways. Thank you. Through these trying times our faith in God has kept us going and pushing through this big change in our lives. Jameson is doing well right now completing half of his six weeks of radiation and chemo with no major side effects. He has been very impressive taking this all on. We are very thankful for all the prayers and we feel it in our hearts every day. Please continue to keep us in your prayers as we continue this fight. Thank you - The Douds*

### Attendance

Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> . . . . .  
Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> . . . . .

### This week at St. Michael's

Today . . . . . *Reformation Day*  
Communion 7:45 a.m.  
*Bible Class/KidzMin* 9 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
*Voters Meeting* 11:45 a.m.  
Membership Class 6 p.m.  
Wed . . . . . *Harvest Brunch RSVP Due*  
Worship Service 7 p.m.

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Home Purpose Weekly Report: 9/29-10/5  
Avg. 2024 Expenses                      Weekly Income  
\$30,173.70                                      \$  
Difference                                      Running Total  
(-\$)    (-\$)  
*(Starting from Fiscal Year, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024)*

*The Home Purpose Fund pays for most of our operating expenses: salaries, health insurance, heating and electricity, office equipment, cleaning supplies, and many other things. The numbers above reflect what we need each week and how much was given by our members.*

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Other News  
*The Lutheran Hour* airs on WSAM-1400 from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Next Sunday: "Working the System" *Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler* God's Law--a "system" that keeps the world from flying apart while it also shows us we need the Savior Who came to live, suffer, and rise for us. (Genesis 33:8)

# PRAYERS

## Health

*Daniel Gohsman, Betty Auernhamer, Kurt Howell, Jim Karst, Rick Doud, Norm Petzold, Don Duperon, Devin Heinlein, Tom Mossner, Jameson Doud, Courtney Callahan, Dorothy Buchinger, Gretchen Comstock*

## Sympathy

*Family of Terri Rupprecht,*  
Funeral is Monday, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> at 12 p.m.

## Mission

Rev. Bryan and Deaconess Keah Payne serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Tanzania. Bryan is a theological educator at a new seminary in Shinyanga, Tanzania, where he teaches classes and assists in forming pastors for service in Africa.

## Prayer of the Day

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit  
on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth,  
protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all  
enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ,  
Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one  
God, now and forever.