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St. Michael's of Richville, Michigan

Celebrate 175 Years!

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The Founder's Day observance on August 16th was an overwhelming success. Nearly 150 people attended this observance and guest Pastor Steven Hess had a fitting message in both church services for the Founder's Day event. A thank you goes out to Bill Marsrow for the pastor gravesite plaques, Weber Steel for contributing to the cost of the plaques, and Jan Hecht for the donation of the flowers. Wayne Hecht did a great job as the lead speaker and the 175th Anniversary Committee for all the hard work in putting on this successful observance.

On **Sunday, September 13th**, we will be having a special German Service at 3:00pm. Now many of you may be thinking, *"I do not speak or understand German"*. We want everyone to experience this service, so we will have translation available in a special service program, including the sermon. Pastor Loest from Frankentrost will be our guest, and Monica Heissenbeutell will be the guest organist. The committee believes this will be a historic experience for anyone whether you know German, or even some German, or no German at all. We still had German Services here at St. Michael's approximately 50 years ago, and in the early years of St. Michael's (the 1850's), German

was the language of the church services. Get a taste of early St. Michael's history and attend this service.

The big celebration day is **Sunday, September 27th**. The official St. Michael's Day or St. Michael's and All Angels Day is September 29th. On the 27th we will be having **one special service at 10:00 a.m.**, with Pastor Gadeken returning as our guest, and Chas Chaveriat returning as a guest organist. Brian Heinlein, son of the congregation and currently music director at St. Peter, Hemlock, will lead the special music. This will be a moving service to observe and celebrate 175 years of the existence of St. Michael's.

After the service, we will meet at a location around the Church to be determined for a drone shot of as many congregational members and guests that we can get. From there, the celebration continues over to the Park area. We will be offering a free will luncheon consisting of pulled pork sandwiches, German potato salad, baked beans, sauerkraut, cole slaw, and desserts from 12 (noon) until 3:00 pm. The refreshment booth will be open with all the refreshments available similar to the picnic. Popcorn, cotton candy and inflatables for the kids will also be there. We will be setting up a large tent for people to eat under and socialize. The Park Hall itself will be where the food will be served but also a historical display as well. Entertainment will be the



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Frankentrost Band and the Gemutlichkeit Club from Frankenmuth. If you're a Detroit Lions fan, we will have TV's set up to watch the game as well. No excuses not to come to this event. I encourage everyone of you to pray for great weather that day but if not, we are prepared with the tents to make this day special.

T-Shirts, Christmas Ornaments, and the Church Bells In the Forest books are being sold. It is great to see so many people wearing the T-Shirts and the ornaments are going fast and there will be a limited amount of those available to buy. The Church Bells In the Forest Book is a great read about the settlement of not only Frankenmuth, but all four of the Franconian Settlements.

As you can see, the 175th Anniversary Committee has been hard at work and very busy. This has been a great committee and the passion that has been shown shows the importance of celebrating 175 years of St. Michael's.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY FOR 175 YEARS
-175th Anniversary Committee

Let's Celebrate!



**Together
in Joy!**



**Thank
You!**

**to everyone
who
participated
in**

**St. Michael's First Annual
Raider Open Golf Outing!**

What a fantastic day filled with fun, fellowship, laughter, and some outstanding golf! The weather couldn't have been more perfect, and many golfers brought their A-game to the course.

A heartfelt thank you to all of our generous sponsors for supporting this event and to our incredible volunteers whose hard work made the day run so smoothly. Your dedication and generosity helped make our first outing a tremendous success.

Congratulations to our winners:

1st Place: Eli Parents Team

2nd Place: Tim O'Connell's Team

We are already looking forward to making next year's Raider Open even bigger and better!

Thank you for your support of St. Michael's Outreach.

— St. Michael's Outreach Raider Open Committee
Mark Schoenow, Tyler Goodrow, Scott Wenzel, Vic & Lynn DeBerndio, Connie & John Mossner, Rebecca Rachow, Pam & Jeff Mossner

Lutheran Laymen's' League

MEETING

Monday, September 21st

7:00 p.m.

Dale Janson will bring refreshments.

Everyone is welcome!

Our Guest Speaker:

Mark Eischer;

Announcer & Production

Advisor, The Lutheran Hour

Mark W. Eischer currently serves part-time as the Announcer for the world's longest-running Christian radio broadcast, The Lutheran Hour®. He was born in Frankenmuth, Michigan, and graduated from Concordia University-Chicago.

Mark joined the Lutheran Hour Ministries staff in January 1982 and produced more than 1,800 weekly editions of the widely-syndicated program which is heard today on about 1,700 radio stations throughout North America and online at lutheranhour.org.

Mr. Eischer is active at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Columbia, Illinois, where he directs the handbell choir and serves on the Board of Elders. He and his wife Deb live in Oakville, Missouri.



Greenery Sale

The LLL will be having the Greenery Sale again this Fall .

We will be taking orders starting in October for delivery in mid—November.

Watch the Newsletter, flyers, and the bulletins for more information.

Thanks for all your support past and present!

-The LLL Greenery Committee



Mary Martha

MEETING

Thursday, September 10th

7:00 p.m.

(due to the Labor Day holiday.)

We will observe the 65th anniversary of the founding of St. Michaels Mary Martha in 1961, discuss future programs and mission projects followed by fellowship and refreshments.

Orphan Grain Train Collection

Mary Martha is accepting donations for Orphan Grain Train School and Hygiene Kits. Shopping lists are available in the marked envelopes on the bulletin board. Keep the lists in your purse for quick reference when you see sales. Please leave donations on the shelves opposite the coat rack by the kitchen. Kits will be assembled at the October 6th Mary Martha meeting. The kits will be delivered to Orphan Grain Train in Sebawaing where they are boxed for shipping.



Small Groups,
Big Impact!



Dates to Remember

No School:

Aug. 28th, Sept. 4th, & Sept 7th

School Picture Day: Sept. 14th

Support your St. Michael's Raiders during this Fall's Sport's Season.

Soccer @ Home:

8/25: vs. Faith Lutheran (Bay City) @ 4:30
 8/27: vs. Immanuel/St. Paul @ 4:30
 9/10: vs. St. Lorenz—East (Frankenmuth) @ 4:30
 9/15: vs. St Lorenz—Central (Frankenmuth) @ 4:30
 9/29: vs. St. Lorenz—East (Frankenmuth) @ 4:30
 10/1: vs. St. Paul (Saginaw) @ 4:30

Away:

9/3: @ St. Paul (Lapeer) @ 4:45
 9/8: @ Trinity (Monitor) @ 4:30
 9/17: @ Immanuel / Trinity @ 4:30
 9/21: @ Holy Cross/Bethlehem (Saginaw) @ 4:30
 9/22: @ Christ the King (Sebewing) @ 4:30
 9/30: @ St. Lorenz (Frankenmuth) @ 4:30
 10/8 & 10/10:
 TCLL League Tournament @ St. Lorenz



Volleyball @ Home:

8/27: vs. Christ the King (Sebewing) @ 4:30 &
 B Team Only: vs. St. Paul (Lapeer)
 9/21: vs. St. Paul (Millington) @ 4:30
 9/22: vs. Immanuel / Trinity @ 4:30
 9/29: Christ the King (Sebewing) @ 4:30
 10/2: St. Paul (Lapeer) @ 4:45

Away:

9/1: @ Immanuel / Trinity @ 4:30
 9/14: @ Christ the King (Sebewing) @ 4:30 &
 B Team Only: @ St. Paul (Lapeer) @ 4:45
 9/29: @ St. Lorenz—East (Frankenmuth) @ 4:30
 9/18: @ Immanuel / Trinity @ 4:30
 9/30: @ St. Lorenz (Frankenmuth)
 @ 4:30
 10/9: TCLL League Tournament
 (TBA)
 10/10: TCLL League Tournament @
 Faith
 Lutheran, Bay City



Cross Country Invitationals

9/8: Wildcat Relays @ Mayville High
 9/9: St. Paul Invitational @ Lapeer
 9/12: Lancer Invitational, @ Midland.
 9/17: Hawks Meet @ Heritage High, Saginaw
 9/19: Al Kayner Invitational @ Delta College
 9/24: Frankenmuth Meet @ Frankenmuth High
 9/30: TCLL Cross Country Meet (TBD)
 10/2: Coach Callahan Meet & Fun Run @ HOME
 10/5: Red October Meet @ Mayville High



Athletes:

Sports Pictures will be
 August 27th @ 3:15 p.m.

BLESSINGS TO YOU
 TODAY AND.
all year.
 AMEN

Keep our school children in your prayers for safe travels
 during their trip this month!

6th Grade Outdoor Camping Trip: September 23-25th

KIT Program

Calling all college students and military members! We're updating addresses for our members away at college or serving in the military so we can 'keep in touch' throughout the school year.

Our students here at St. Michael's are so excited to send some really great letters, cards and projects that they make just for YOU! Please contact Jenni Stuart at 989-284-1541 or jmstuart2015@gmail.com. Thank you!



Protect Young Eyes



St. Michaels PTL is sponsoring a FREE presentation given by national speakers from Protect Young Eyes.

*"Digital Discernment:
Creating A Tech-Ready Family in the AI Age."*

Have you ever thought about how you are going to raise children/grandchildren to be tech- wise and morally grounded in today's digital world? It can be very overwhelming with all the social media platforms and AI. Let the professionals show you how and come see what they have to say. It will be at St. Michaels Church; *Monday, September 28th. 6:30pm-8:00pm.* For more information, see the flyer on the church bulletin board.

If you want to learn more about Protect Young Eyes, visit www.protectyoungeyes.com.

Please scan the QR code to register.



WELCOME BACK, CHOIR



Adult Choir

will begin practices again every Tuesday, starting after Labor Day (September 8th), at 7:00 in the church basement.

New voices are always welcome and encouraged to join!

St Michaels Handbell Choir was started in the spring of 1975. The handbell choir now has four octaves of bells which consists of 49 bells. These are now rung with 10 or 11 ringers.

We as a choir would like to extend a big thank you to the elders for allowing us to get a complete refurbishment of these original bells, during this summer. To God be the Glory with music.



Thank You

Gifts and Memorials

In Memory of

Doris (Bierlein) Heindl

Home Purpose—\$50.00

Dennis Wirth

Music—\$20.00

Home Purpose—\$25.00

Edwin Ehrlinger

Home Purpose—\$25.00

Franklin Avenue Mission—\$20.00

Ken Hecht

School—\$100.00

Bernice Auernhamer

Home Purpose—\$150.00

School—\$15.00

Waldo Hecht

Home Purpose—\$120.00

Irene Gohsman

School—\$40.00

Home Purpose—\$675.00

Pastor Elmer Schiefer

Home Purpose—\$100.00

Don Daenzer

Home Purpose—\$295.00

In Honor of

In remembrance of Ruben Mossner, who would have been 100 on July 8th. —a gift has been given to Home Purpose by his daughter Connie and son Tom.



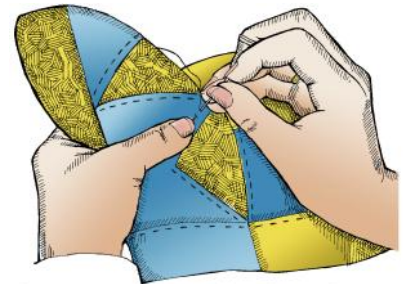
*The LORD is
righteous in all his
ways and faithful
in all he does.*

PSALM 145:17, NIV

World Relief Quilting

Anyone is welcome to join us for quilting starting Monday, September 14th at 9 a.m. in the church basement.

We will continue this the 2nd Monday of the month starting in October. We hope to see you there!



QUILTING GROUP



Sisters of Ruth

Sisters of Ruth will meet at Davinci Restaurant in Frankenmuth at 11:30 on September 2.

After, we will visit members from church at Covenant Glen. Let Luann know if you would like to carpool.

We will leave the church parking lot around 11:15.



† Financial Report as of		07/31/26	
MISSIONS			
Missions Collected YTD	Goal \$50,000	\$	2,803.66
Non Budget Missions Collected YTD		\$	390.00
HOME PURPOSE		MTD	YTD
Home Purpose Balance as of	07/01/26		\$ (15,171.02)
Home Purpose Income		\$ 90,223.88	\$ 90,223.88
Home Purpose Expenses		\$ 130,225.90	\$ 130,225.90
Thrivent Choice in-H.P.	\$ 1,054.00	\$ (40,002.02)	\$ (40,002.02)
School Income		\$ -	\$ -
School Expenses		\$ 9,895.48	\$ 9,895.48
		\$ (9,895.48)	\$ (9,895.48)
Child Care/Preschool Income		\$ 54,421.39	\$ 54,421.39
Child Care/Preschool Expenses		\$ 59,270.83	\$ 59,270.83
Thrivent Choice in Childcare	\$ 8.33	\$ (4,849.44)	\$ (4,849.44)
Home Purpose Balance (includes Child Care/Preschool/School)			\$ (69,917.96)
New Construction Balance as of	07/01/26	MTD	\$ 31,419.99
Income	Goal \$25,000	\$ 630.00	\$ 630.00
Expenses		\$ -	\$ -
New Construction Fund Balance		\$ 630.00	\$ 32,049.99
Franklin Ave Mission	Goal \$5,000	\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00
Capital Improvement Balance as of	07/01/26	MTD	\$ 175,624.24
Collected	Goal \$80,000	\$ 3,035.66	\$ 3,035.66
Expenses		\$ 2,449.78	\$ 2,449.78
Capital Improvement Balance		\$ 585.88	\$ 176,210.12



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