

St. Michael's 174th Church Anniversary September 28th, 2025

Order of Service

7:45 a.m.

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Hymns

Anniversary Hymn,

971,981,

570,915,645,651

10:30 a.m.

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Wednesday Hymns 971, 981

Sermon

“Rejoice that your names are written in heaven,
because Jesus came to seek and save the lost.”

Rev. Keith Knea

Scripture Readings

1 Kings 8:22-30: Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in front of the whole assembly of Israel, spread out his hands toward heaven and said: “Lord, the God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth below—you who keep your covenant of love with your servants who continue wholeheartedly in your way. You have kept your promise to your servant David my father; with your mouth you have promised and with your hand you have fulfilled it—as it is today. “Now Lord, the God of Israel, keep for your servant David my father the promises you made to him when you said, ‘You shall never fail to have a successor to sit before me on the throne of Israel, if only your descendants are careful in all they do to walk before me faithfully as you have done.’ And now, God of Israel, let your word that you promised your servant David my father come true. “But will God really dwell on earth? The heavens, even the highest heaven, cannot contain you. How much less this temple I

have built! Yet give attention to your servant’s prayer and his plea for mercy, Lord my God. Hear the cry and the prayer that your servant is praying in your presence this day. May your eyes be open toward this temple night and day, this place of which you said, ‘My Name shall be there,’ so that you will hear the prayer your servant prays toward this place. Hear the supplication of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place. Hear from heaven, your dwelling place, and when you hear, forgive.

Revelation 21:1-5: Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.” He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” Then he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

Luke 19:1-10: Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way. When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.” So he came down at once and welcomed

him gladly. All the people saw this and began to mutter, “He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.” But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.” Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

Serving in Worship Today

Elders *Scott Wenzel, Charles Zwerk,*

Dave Miller; Dennis Thurston

Organist *Pam Bernreuter*

Usher *Jeff Buchinger; Alan Kischinick*

Altar Guild *Mary Reinbold,*

Delores Landskroener

Acolytes *Brylee Bickel, Brittany Bickel*

Wednesday

Elders *Jason Hecht*

Pianist. *Terese Petro*

Usher *Alan Kischinick*

This week at St. Michael's

Today 174th Church Anniversary

Communion 7:45 a.m.

Bible Class/KidzMin 9 a.m.

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Mon LLL Bd. Meeting 7 p.m.

Wed *School Chapel (at school) 10:10 a.m.*

Sisters of Ruth 10:30 a.m.

Communion 7 p.m.

Thurs ECC Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Next Sun. *Worship Service 7:45 a.m.*

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Communion 10:30 a.m.

Church Anniversary: Today is the 174th anniversary of the founding of St. Michael's

Lutheran Church in 1851. Our first church building was dedicated on the Day of St. Michael and all Angels (September 29th). This year's Church Anniversary envelope in your offering packets will go to provide funding for our 175th celebration next year.

Pastor Gillaspie's Bible Class will not meet today. We will resume next Sunday, October 5th.

Voters Meeting today after the 10:30 service.

October Newsletters can be found in your church mailbox or at any exit.

Sisters of Ruth will be going to Countryview Store Oct. 1st. Meet at church by 10:30 a.m., we will have lunch at the store. Any questions contact Luann Hecht.

Coach Callahan Cross Country Meet Oct. 3rd. St. Michael's cross country team is hosting a “PINK OUT” in honor of Mrs. Courtney Callahan. Sign up information is on the bulletin board. Contact Carrie Hoepfner (choepfner@stmichaelsrichville.org) with any questions.

Mary Martha meet Monday, October 6th at 7 pm to assemble school and health kits for Orphan Grain Train .We could use a few extra hands to help with this project, no special skills required. Come as you are!

Blood Drive Tuesday, October 7th from 1 to 6 p.m. at the Park Hall. Making appointments is appreciated. Call 1-866-642-5663.

Trunk or Treat hosted by St. Michael's ECC on Oct. 30th from 6-7:30 p.m. Please contact Lori

Powell (989)868-3830 if you would like to register a vehicle for this event.

Bus Trip to Purple Rose Theater in Chelsea, MI on Thurs. Nov 6th. We will see the show Norma & Wanda. Cost is \$100 which includes the show, lunch, and travel. Please call Nancy Schluckbier (989)529-0320.

Free Stove: Pastor & Ann are remodeling their kitchen. We have an older model flat-top stove in good condition, free to whoever can pick it up.

Thrivent Members: Don't forget to direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars! You may do so by going online at thrivent.com/thriventchoice OR calling (800)847-4836 and saying "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

Franconian Zone Women in Mission Rally & Ingathering October 18th at St. Lorenz Worship & Event Center. See speaker Mid MI Teen Challenge (Ingathering: Feminine Hygiene Products) Cost is \$10. Registration & Breakfast starts at 8:30 a.m. Contact Sally Janson for more information.

Attendance

Sun. September 21st 389
Wed. September 24th 52

Other News

The Lutheran Hour airs on WSAM-1400 from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Next Sunday:"Every Age Has a Stage" *Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola*; Every age has a stage, not just a stage of life, but also a stage on which to perform and to serve. (Numbers 8:23-26)

Prayers

Health

Larry Bauer; Bruce Bierlein; Heather Bierlein;

Lucas Brown; Craig Compton; Don Duperon; Ron Frank; Hope Hecht; Kenny Hecht; Jim Karst; Brenda MacKay; Norm Petzold; Larry Putman; Charles Rodammer; John Schemm; Bev Schemm, Willie Wirth

Mission

Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram serves as a missionary on behalf of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Asia, where he lives with his wife in Tokyo, Japan. In this role, Dr. Jastram coordinates efforts to make Lutheran resources of theology and worship available in all of Japan. He provides regular services at worship sites, plans for and manages translation work of theological resources, and nurtures relations with local Lutheran pastors facing individual challenges to the faith.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, You have promised to be with Your Church forever. We praise You for Your presence in this place of worship and ask Your ongoing blessing upon those who gather here. Dwell continually among us with Your holy Word and Sacraments, strengthen our fellowship in the bonds of love and peace, and increase our faithful witness to Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.