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From the Pastor

Dear Members and Friends of All Saints and Sharon:

Let's admit it, there are times when we push God away. When we're going through tough times, perhaps stinging with the pain of failure. We may become defensive. We may reject the help of friends, and we may turn away from God as well. When we mourn the death of someone we love, we may become angry, feeling that God has been unfair to us.

Sometimes we may fear God because we feel ashamed over a certain incident of situation. We may try to desperately to hide, to push God out of those private parts of our lives which we may not be proud to share. At other times, we may sense that God wants us to change our lives, to give more of ourselves or our resources. We may resent the responsibility that God places on us and reject his calling.

It may seem crazy that we should push God away, but it happens sometimes. It's not so easy to trust God when it comes right down to it. We struggle, and sometimes we see God more as a threat than as our link to life. A threat, because God knows our inner thoughts and sees us as who we are. Yet the good news is that God also sees us as his children. Even as we reject God over and over again, he still reaches out to love and save us.

My friends, let's remember that as we approach Holy Week and Easter. God will always be there for us and always be enough for us. Even when we find ourselves not recognizing our trusting God, let's know in our hearts that he will come again and again to rescue us, that he will not give up on us. Jesus himself know the opposition he was to face in his ministry, yet he still pressed on, even to the cross. He pressed on because he loved us and wanted us to have life. Today, Christ perseveres with us in the same way. God's saving grace is given to us, even though we sometimes push it away.

~ Pastor Maki



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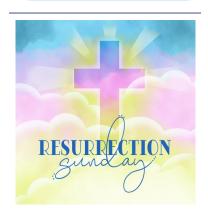
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Office Hours:
All Saints 8:00 a.m. to Noon
Mon.-Fri.
Sharon Mon & Tues, Thurs.
and Fri 2:00 to 4:30 closed
Wednesday

WORSHIP SERVICES 8:30 Sharon Lutheran 100 E. Sellar Street Bessemer, MI 49911 Phone 667-0891

10:30 All Saints Lutheran 1202 Putnam Blvd Wakefield, MI 49968 Phone 224-8421

Livestreaming Sundays at 10:30am on the All Saints Facebook Page



CHURCH COUNCILS

ALL SAINTS

Tara Hamilton-President Cheri Brentar-Vice President JoAnn Nurmi Liz Londo-Treasurer Jon White Mike Salli

SHARON

Maggie Hill-President Lynn Ormes-Secretary Paula Solberg-Vice President Brook Gilbertson Karen Blomberg Kristi Cocking

FUND BALANCE AS OF 1/31/24							
ASLC Checkbook Balance: 12/31/23			7760.93				
Monthly Operating: Income			6749.91				
Expense			9302.40				
ASLC Checkbook	Balance: 1/31/24	\$	5208.83				
Sharon's Checkbook Balance: 12/31/23			6720.32				
Monthly Operating: Income			9410.95				
Expenses			7882.33				
Sharon Checkbook	Balance: 1/31/24	\$	8248.94				
Psalm Shared Checkbook Balance: 12/31/23			180114.02				
Monthly Operating: Income			9280.00				
Expense			3622.25				
Shared Checkbook	\$	185771.77					

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

to

Ronald A. Kremposki who will be celebrating his 90th birthday on March 20, 2024



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1st-Ashley Parker 2nd-Gerald Gustafson 3rd-Daniel LaMaide 4th-Thomas Pikka 5th-Evan Johnson 6th-Joel Massie 7th-Alexa Jilek 12th-Sharon Casanova Arline Waurio 13th-Dennis Rolando 14th-Jesse Shauger Jon White 15th-Tanner LaMaide 16th-Tracie Wittla 17th-Cole Harju 18th-Katelyn Gustafson Linda Johnson Amy Rahko 19th-Matt Kaurala 20th-Sandy Rowoldt 23rd-Carol Wainio 24th-Tracy Berg 25th-Marlynn Varuska **Delmar Smith** 28th-Mary DaPra 30th-Max Ahonen Marianne Pikka

31st-Janice Maki

Jesus said: "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."

John 11:25

At This Time of Loss

SINCERE Christian sympathy is expressed to the family of: Sylvia LaMaide

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

Our next WELCA meeting will be on March 7,2024 at 1pm in the Fellowship Hall at All Saints. All of the women of All Saints and Sharon are invited. Dessert will be provided by Hope Circle and we will collect items for the kitchen at All Saints.

Hope Circle will serve coffee after the 10:30 service on March 10th. The Cluster 1 Spring 2024 gathering is scheduled for Sunday, May 19th starting at 1:30 pm CT in the fellowship hall at All Saints. The women of All Saints and Sharon will host this gathering. Watch for additional information in the upcoming PSALM Monthly newsletters.

We resumed serving at funeral lunches with the following changes: The charge will be \$275.00, which will include the purchase of rolls, meat & cheese, and the Serving Group members will only provide beverages, desserts, set-up & cleanup.

Thanks to everyone who donated supplies for the 2023 Lutheran World Relief Health Kits. We've started collecting dark colored bath towels, sturdy combs, toothbrushes, bars of soap (at least 3oz each) and nail clippers for the 2024 kits. Items can be placed in the box at the back of the church.

MEMORIALS

IN MEMORY OF: *David Rautiola*Given by: Jean Rautiola

IN MEMORY OF: Wes Rautiola
Given by: Jean Rautiola

IN MEMORY OF: *Betty Kahila*Given by: Peggy Libertoski, Betty Best,
Mary Jane Olson, Mike & Cindy Verbanac,
Elaine Tarro, Don & Adele Duranso

IN MEMORY OF: *Delores Will* Given by: Peggy Libertoski

IN MEMORY OF: *Betty Johnson* Given by: Delores Holappa

IN MEMORY OF: *Diana Nelson* Given by: Sandy Rowoldt

ANNIVERSARIES

George & Ginny Boline Dale & Jean White

MARCH SERVING SCHEDULE

March Readers at All Saints

3-Bobbie Hautala

10-Liz Londo

17-Bella Schroeder

24-Bobbie Hautala

31-Cheri Brentar

March Greeters at All Saints

3-Joyce Pikka

10-Mary Nurmi

17-Elsie Leffel

24-Mary Ann Movrich

31-Donna Ferson

March Ushers at All Saints

3-Jon White

10-Carl Nurmi

17-Dennis Ferson

24-Marco Movrich

31-Jon White

March Readers at Sharon

3-Kristi Cocking

10-Sharon Potter

17-Joel or Janice Massie

24-Sandy Rowoldt

31-

March Ushers at Sharon

3-Dave Rundell

10-Gretchen Golembeski

17-Marion Bouillion

24-Barb Adams

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The Season of Lent 2024

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE: Wednesday, February 14th

6:00 pm at All Saints Lutheran Church

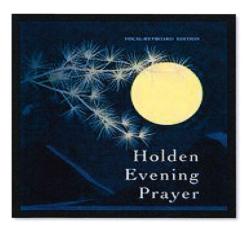
1202 Putnam Street Wakefield. Michigan

MIDWEEK HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER SERVICE

(A time for peaceful reflection)

5:00 pm Soup and Sandwich Supper

6:00 pm Service at All Saints



Wednesday, February 21st

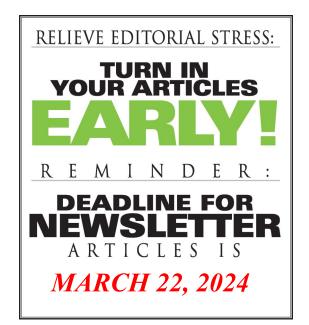
Wednesday, February 28th

Wednesday, March 6th

Wednesday, March 13th

Wednesday, March 20th

All are welcome!



Joint Council Meeting at All Saints March 10, 2024 12:00pm Each council will meet following the joint council meeting











If you have any questions please call Cookie @ 906.224.8421 or stop by the Church office.

NA MEETINGS **EVERY SUNDAY AT ALL SAINTS** BEGINNING AT 7:00PM

STAMP COLLECTING

SHARON—We are still collecting stamps for cancer research, pop can tags to give to McDonald House in Marshfield, and Box Top Labels for Research. There are containers in the narthex. Thank you!

You can find us on Facebook, at www.psalmshared.org, phone: 224-8421 or

email: allsaints@pslamshared.org

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Minist	Tuesday		vs.	12	19	26
Shared	Monday		4 9:00 All Saints Property Committee meets	11	18	25
PSALM	Sunday		3 8:30 Worship at Sharon 9:00 SS at ASLC 10:30 Worship at ASLC Coffee to follow worship 7:00 NA/ASLC	10 8:30 Worship at Sharon 9:00 SS at ASLC 10:30 Worship at ASLC Coffee to follow worship 12:00 Council Meeting ® ASLC 7:00 NA/ASLC	17 8:30 Worship at Sharon 9:00 SS at ASLC 10:30 Worship at All Saints followed by Monthly Brunch 7:00 NA/ASLC	24 8:30 Worship at Sharon -9:00 SS at ASLC-10:30 Worship at ASLC Coffee to follow worship -7:00 NA/ASLC EASTER SUNDAY 8:30 Worship at Sharon 10:30 Worship at All Saints