

SAINT MICHAEL'S

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Worship God. | Love One Another. | Serve All People.

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A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS:

Welcome to Saint Michael's Lutheran Church! We are a historic congregation committed to continuing the mission of Jesus Christ in our community. We are very excited to have you worshiping the Lord with us this morning. You are always welcome in our church! Here are a few helpful things to know about Saint Michael's:

- Our beautiful and historic church building was built in 1906. Unfortunately, this means that it was not built with restrooms. Restrooms are located in our education building next door.
- A changing table for infants is located in classroom 4 in the education building.
- During our worship service, attendance books will be passed across the pews. Please take a moment to register your presence with us in the book and include your address and phone number so we can follow up with you in the future.
- Our pastor, Rev. Nate Hill, is always willing to meet with you to answer any questions that you might have about our church and beliefs or to be of help in any way that he is able. Please introduce yourself to him this morning. He will be thrilled to meet you!

We hope that you find Saint Michael's to be a place where you feel at home as we worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

MISSION STATEMENT:

Saint Michael's Lutheran Church exists to worship God, love one another, and serve all people according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE

Prelude Selected Music

Ringing of the Church Bell

Ushers

Opening Hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

LSB #656

Welcome and Greeting

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Matthew 28:19b;(18:20)

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

(Hebrews 10:22)

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Psalm 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

(John 20:19-23)

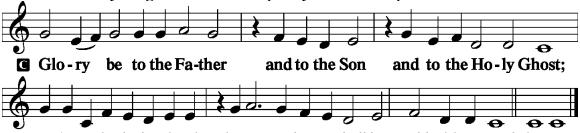
C Amen.

Introit Read Together

Psalm 91:9-13; antiphon: vv. 15-16

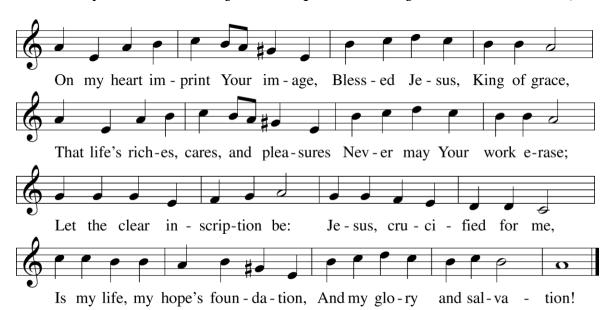
lest you strike your foot against a stone.
You will tread on the lion and the adder;

the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

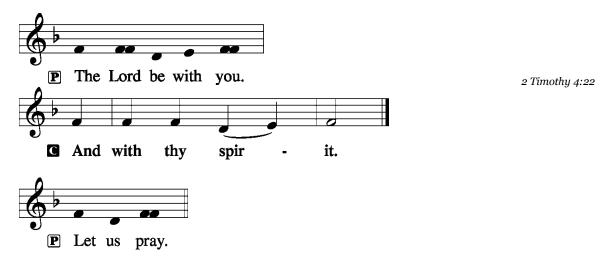


as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.





Salutation and Collect of the Day



P O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

Genesis 3:1-21

¹Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?" ²And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die." ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. ⁵For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

⁸And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." ¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,
cursed are you above all livestock
and above all beasts of the field;
on your belly you shall go,
and dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.

15I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and her offspring;
he shall bruise your head,
and you shall bruise his heel."

16To the woman he said,"I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children.

Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you."

¹⁷And to Adam he said,

"Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you.

'You shall not eat of it,'

cursed is the ground because of you;

in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;

¹⁸thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field.

¹⁹By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground,

for out of it you were taken; for you are dust,

and to dust you shall return."

²⁰The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. ²¹And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 32:1-7

¹Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

²Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

³For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.

⁴For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

⁵I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

⁶Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

7You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Epistle Reading

Romans 5:12-19

¹²Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— ¹³for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. ¹⁷If, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

¹⁸Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. ¹⁹For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.



¹Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. ³And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴But he answered, "It is written,

"Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple ⁶and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you,"

and

"On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone."

⁷Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test." ⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written,

"You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve."

¹¹Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life + everlasting. Amen.

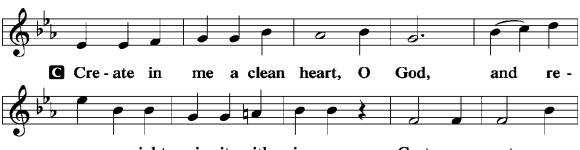
Hymn of the Day

"O Love, How Deep"

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Sermon Rev. Nate Hill

Offertory Psalm 51:10-12



new a right spir-it with-in me.

Cast me not a



tion, and up - hold me with

Thy free spir-it.

- men.

Offering (Please sign the attendance books as they are passed)

Ushers

If you would like to transition to making your regular tithe or offering online, you may do so at <u>www.stmichaelswinchester.org/give</u>



Prayer of the Church

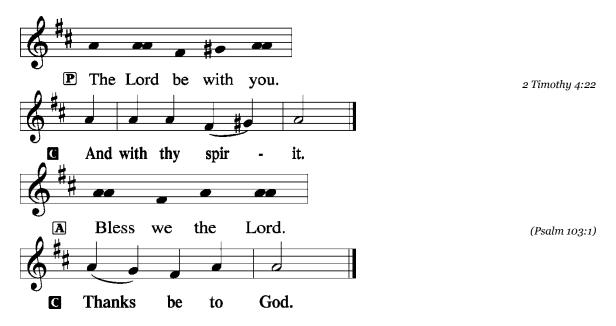
(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

Lord's Prayer

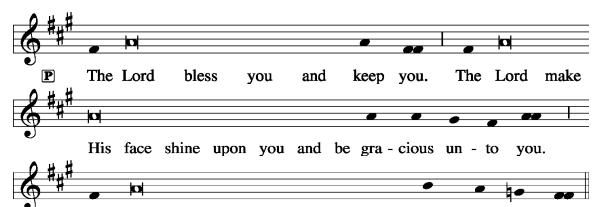
Matthew 6:9-13

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Salutation and Benedicamus



Benediction Numbers 6:24-26



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



Announcements Pastor $"Christ, the \ Lord \ of \ Hosts, \ Unshaken"$ **Closing Hymn** LSB#728 Postlude

Selected Music

PRAYERS AT SAINT MICHAEL'S

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

- Katie Barker
- Melinda Bennett Bill Karisch's Friend
- Kourtney Burton
- Erland Carlson Leann McClain's Brother
- James Carr Buddy Smith's Coworker
- Charlene Franke
- Myrtle Friemel Carol Ahlschlager's Friend
- Nellie Gonzalez
- · Evelyn Haschke
- Jennifer Harper-Charles & Rose Lehmann's Daughter
- Larry Herzog
- Mark Herzog Larry Herzog's Son
- Delores Karisch
- Margan Ray Karisch
- Evelyn Kasper Bill Karisch's Mother
- Thelma Kieschnik
- John Kocurek-Irma & Daniel Gersch's Brother-in-Law
- Audrey Koenning

- Theresa Krause Diana Roeber's Friend
- Mary Lehmann
- Rose Lehmann
- Kevin Margeson-Kurtis Hankemeier's Brother
- Dianna Mitschke Karen Robbins' Mother
- Jeanette Mitschke
- Dwayne Patterson-James Franke Family's Friend
- Mary Patterson-James Franke Family's Friend
- Lillian Pietsch
- Victoria Pope Mark McClain's Friend
- Layne Schramm-Thelma Kieschnik's Grandson
- Marie Schulz
- Raymond Schulze
- Laverne Schulz
- Wayne Smith, Sr.
- Catherine Trevino Buddy Smith's Coworker's Daughter
- Amy Wagner

SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES:

- Christopher Brand US Navy Great Lakes, Illinois
- Caleb Burton US Army Fort Carson, Colorado
- Warren Evans US Army Fort Bragg, North Carolina
- Jake Hagood US Army Fort Hood, Texas
- Kaleb Pyle US Army Fort Bliss, Texas
- Dylan Robbins USMC Newport, Rhode Island
- Ryan Spray US Air Force San Antonio, Texas
- Byron Taylor US Army Fort Knox, Kentucky
- Erik Vallejo Texas National Guard United States Border

MISSIONARIES:

- Julie Aftab People of the Book Lutheran Outreach Houston, TX
- Abba's House LCMS Ministry to Refugees Cypress, TX https://abbashousetexas.com/

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MICHAEL'S:

Sunday, February 26th

- 9:00am Worship Service Sanctuary
- 10:15am Sunday School/Bible Study Education Building

Monday, February 27th

• 6:00pm – Board of Finance – Education Building

Tuesday, February 28th

- 2:00pm Young @ Heart Zilss Hall
- 7:00pm WAVFD Fire Station

Wednesday, March 1st

- 9:30am Bible Class Education Building
- 7:00pm Lent Midweek Service Sanctuary

Sunday, March 5th

- 9:00am Worship Service with Communion Sanctuary
- 10:15am Sunday School/Bible Study Education Building

Sunday School: As we gather today, we will study "A Loving Law." Months into their wilderness wanderings, the Israelites arrive in the wilderness of Sinai. God comes to the mountain in clouds and thunder—fire and smoke—as He establishes His covenant with His people through Moses, His chosen intermediary. There on the mountain, God gives Moses His Ten Commandments. Discuss why the Ten Commandments are still important in our lives today.

Gun Safety Class: Join us here at St. Michael's on Thursday, March 16 at 6:30pm for a discussion on Gun Safety, Texas self-defense and carry laws. Learn about the importance of safe storage of firearms, the justifications for the use of force and carrying guns in Texas. The speaker is a peace officer with 18 years of law enforcement experience and a veteran of the Marine Corps. This is an outreach event for friends and neighbors. Please invite others as we want to "love our neighbors as ourselves!"

Casserole Crew Volunteer SignUp: The Casserole Crew will be starting a monthly volunteer schedule for the 2023 calendar year. Crew members will be assigned a month at a time to be "on-call" for providing meals for our neighbors in need, if and when there are opportunities to serve during that month. If you would like to be part of the Casserole Crew volunteer rotation, please email secretary@stmichaelswinchester.org to sign up.

Full Scholarships to Camp Lone Star Available: Saint Michael's has full scholarships available for children of our church members to attend a week of camp this summer at Camp Lone Star. For more information, contact Pastor Nate. Please visit camplonestar.org/summer-camp/ to look at the summer and activities.

Wendish Fish Fry: The Texas Wendish Heritage Society will be hosting a drive through Fish Fry lunch on Sunday, March 19 at Serbin Picnic Grounds from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm. The menu includes Fried Fish, Potato Salad, Brown Beans, Coleslaw and Hush Puppies. There will also be a country store with desserts, dry noodles, coffeecake, etc. Tickets are \$15 and calling to reserve tickets in encouraged. To reserve tickets call 979-366-2441 or email museum@texaswendih.org. All proceeds benefit the Texas Wendish Heritage Society.

Church Work Recruitment Survey: Is there a young man in your congregation you would like to encourage to consider becoming a pastor? How about someone who would be a great Lutheran school teacher, deaconess or DCE? Jesus gives His church people who work full time in service to the Gospel. He told us to pray for such workers. Along with our prayers, the LCMS has begun *Set Apart to Serve (SAS)*, an intentional effort to encourage young people to consider church work as their career. Your opinion can help improve *SAS*. Please take a brief survey at lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey and let us know how you think *SAS* can be beneficial to your congregation. We would appreciate receiving all responses by March 15. All responses are completely anonymous and confidential. Thank you.



Faith Lutheran High School of Central Texas seeks to engage young adults in a Christ-centered environment where faith and knowledge grow as one.

HOME OF THE FALCONS!

Spring Raffle

FLHS raffle tickets are now available!! Tickets are \$20 each. Drawing will be the week of March 6-10, during National Lutheran Schools Week. Items include:

- 3 Nights at Port Aransas Beach Condo for 8 people
- \$750 Visa Gift Card
- \$750 Visa Gift Card
- Stoeger STR-9C 9mm
- Private Catered Meal for 12
- K2 Cooler, Ribeye Roll, and \$100 Visa Gift Card
- Handcrafted Wooden Train & Metal "JOY" Sign
- Antique Side Table, Oversized Custom Charcuterie Board, and Tree Change Doll
- Casserole of the Month for a year
- Dessert of the Month for a year

Limited amount of tickets available - get yours today! Please contact any FLHS delegate, student, staff or call (979) 242-2889 to get your tickets!!You don't want to miss out!!

National Lutheran Schools Week

Students are preparing for National Lutheran Schools Week - celebrated March 6th to 10th - and will include dress up days, games and activities.

Free Wednesday mornings?

Join us for our weekly Chapel Worship Service every Wednesday beginning at 10:30 am. Our teachers and local association pastors lead us in worship throughout the year.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

As a Thrivent member, you may have Choice Dollars that allow you to designate where the funds go, and by sending them to Faith, you can help us continue in our mission of Instilling Wisdom Today for Faithful Leaders Tomorrow! The deadline to designate your choice dollars from 2022 is March 31, 2023.

New Student Registration

Any new student who registers for FLHS prior to March 10, 2023 will have registration fees waived for the 2023-2024 school year. Register early to take advantage of this savings! You can receive registration materials by calling (979) 242-2889 or visiting our website at www.flhstx.org.

Scholarship Program

Have you ever had this thought? "Faith Lutheran High School sounds great, but my family can't afford it." We firmly believe that EVERY family desiring a Christ-centered education for their children should have the opportunity to attend FLHS. We have a Tuition Scholarship Program with funds available, and EVERY family who applies (through TADS) will receive some assistance. We'll do everything in our power to make sure that money isn't the reason you don't choose FLHS.

New Scholarship Opportunity

Applications are now being accepted for an academic-based scholarship from the Amanda (Zoch) Knox Memorial Scholarship Fund. This fund will pay for the full tuition for an incoming 9th grade student of Faith Lutheran beginning in the Fall of 2023. Applications are available from Mrs. Kueck or from Cyndy Zoch (cyndy.zoch@gmail.com) and are due May 1, 2023.

Follow Us On Facebook!

Stay up to date with all the exciting things happening at FLHS on a daily basis! By "liking" our Facebook page and "sharing" our posts, you will be in the loop on all the great things happening and sharing Faith with your friends as well.



Faith Lutheran High School's

SPRING RAFFLE

Drawings March 6th-1oth via Facebook Live

\$20 tickets

TICKETS CAN BE PURCASED FROM ANY STUDENT, FACULTY MEMBER, OR BOARD MEMBER OR BY CALLING (979)-242-2889

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Port Aransas Beach Condo (3 nights/up to 8 people)

-\$750 Visa Gift Card

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-Stoeger STR-9C 9mm

-Private Catered Meal for 12

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-Antique Side Table, Oversized Custom

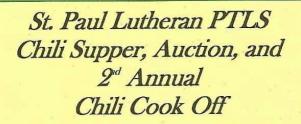
Charcuterie Board, and Tree Change Doll

-Casserole of the Month for a year

-Dessert of the Month for a year

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Thank you to all our donors: the Harville family, Friends of FLHS, Roland Zoch, City Meat Market, the Kovar family, Daniel Schultz, J & J Metalworks, and the Phillips family



Location: St. Paul Lutheran Picnic Grounds

(County Road 211, Giddings TX 78942)

Date: Sunday March 5, 2023

Times: Cooks Meeting and Check - in: 1:00P.M.

Meal: 5:00 - 7:00 P.M.

Bake Sale: 5:00 - Sold Out

Silent Auction: 4:00 - 5:30 P.M.

Live Auction: 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.

Chili Cook off Turn- in: 5:30 P.M.

Entry Fee: \$25.00 per Chili Team

\$5.00 Hotdog Ticket (pre-sale only) \$7.00 Chili Ticket (pre-sale only)

\$10.00 Test and Judge Cook off armband

Cash Prizes: 1* Place Winner- \$200.00

2nd Place Winner- \$100.00

3rd Place Winner-\$50.00

Proceeds Benefit: Future Projects and Improvements for St.

Paul Lutheran School and Early Childhood Center!

Register early as there will be a limited number of slots open.

Come for the Cook Off and stay for the Auction!

For more information contact Patricia Barnett (512) 581-1154



HOLY CROSS YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER MEAL

Help the Holy Cross Lutheran Church Youth Group go to
San Antonio for a youth retreat in July & other summer activities
by buying your tickets today!
...and you don't have to cook lunch that Sunday!

DON'T FORGET TO STOP FOR THE BAKE SALE, TOO!

PRESALE TICKETS OR RESERVATIONS ONLY

Tickets \$15

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PICK UP YOUR PLATES

10 AM - 12:30 PM

PLATES INCLUDE:
PORK STEAK, WENDISH
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Holy Cross Picnic Grounds 600 FM 1482 Warda, TX 78960

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